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### "What's My Motivation"

A New Two Part Preaching Series

March 12 — March 19

Martin Wright



Psychology Today defines motivation as follows: "Motivation is literally the desire to do things. It's the difference between waking up before dawn to pound the pavement and lazing around the house all day. It's the crucial element in setting and attaining goals."

Why do we do the things we do? People can be motivated by many things -peer pressure, guilt, greed, materialism, revenge, pride, envy, or maybe jeal-



ousy. Our motivations are fascinating! In our next sermon series, we will examine what might motivate us to respond in the same way we will see Jesus respond. What motivated Jesus should also be what motivates us.

This interactive sermon series will use humor, story-telling and strong Biblical reflection to help us think more like Jesus. It will also be a great series to invite a friend to hear live or to listen online.

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\*Early medieval traditions credits that centuries ago, when Britain was ruled by Rome, there was a young boy named Patrick who lived in Britain with his family. Although Patrick's parents had reared him as a Christian, he didn't take their teachings seriously. He preferred to follow the sinful example of other youths.

Patrick continued in this way of life until one day he was captured by a band of marauders from Ireland who made him return with them as a slave to their country. They forced him to live in poverty and hunger, working as a shepherd and a swine herder.

Patrick missed Britain and his family so much that he thought his heart would break. He began to pray, however, asking God to help him and begging forgiveness for his sins. The Lord heard his prayers, filling him with the fire of a new faith he had never

known before.

One night while Patrick was still in captivity, God showed him a way to escape from Ireland, and after six years of slavery, he found his way back to Britain and his family. From that time on, Patrick dedicated his life to God, eventually receiving Holy orders. His life became a continual quest for holiness.

One night while Patrick was at prayer, he heard a voice calling him. An angel appeared to him with the message that the people of Ireland wished him to return to their country and walk among them once more—this time, not as a captive, but as God's apostle.

Patrick saw God's plan in all that had happened, and he consented to return to Ireland. He was consecrated bishop and was sent there to preach the Gospel of Christ. ~

In the early days, Patrick

suffered great persecution, but the fire that God had kindled in his heart spread throughout all of Ireland, and Patrick came to be regarded as an angel among men. ~

Now a saint, Patrick stands as a symbol of the Irish, of the unique destiny they claim, and of the beloved place they will always have in God's heart.



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# Christian Education Electives on Sunday Mornings in the Café Virgil Clotfelter

AT 9:00 A.M. Our current class led by Nelson Lee is a verse by verse Bible Study on 1 & 2 Peter. This study will continue throughout the month of March and concludes on March 26. Then, a new verse by verse study of John's epistles will begin April 2. This 9 week look at the letters of 1, 2, & 3 John will be led in a team-teaching format by our OCC elders—John Hundley, Lucky Jenkins, Bryan Brown, Don Bradley, and Martin Peterson. It is very appropriate that our "pastor/shepherds" lead these letters written by John, the beloved, such a loving pastor/shepherd/leader himself.

AT 10:30 A.M. Our current class, Dave Ramsey's "FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY," led by Tony & Kelly Strahl, will conclude on March 12. The remainder of March will then feature a 2 week class on "DISCOVERING GOD'S WILL," to be led by Virgil Clotfelter on March 19 and 26. Then, Virgil will lead a 4 week session called "BECOMING A CHRISTIAN," which is open to all ages from April 2 until April 23. We would love to see parents of youths who attend join these special sessions. To complete the Spring classes, OCC will be offering a 5 week "NEW MEMBER CLASS," also led by Virgil. This class will run from April 30 through May 28. All those new to OCC (regular attenders and members) or those who feel a need for a refresher course, are strongly encouraged to attend.

All our elective class offerings are presented to help us grow and mature in Christ as we "study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 1 Peter 2:15. (KJV) The classes also provide a wonderful opportunity for times of fellowship and interaction so that we can learn from God's Word and one another. We would love for you to join us!







# New Tuesday AM Bible Study...

Mona Peterson



Tuesday morning ladies' Bible study has just finished a study by Shelia Walsh called The Storm Inside. We enjoyed it so much we are continuing with another

of her studies called *The Shelter* of God's *Promises*. The publisher describes the study as follows:

In a world of uncertainty, pain, and struggle, where do you find solid assurance and unshakeable truth? In The Shelter of God's Promises, a ten-session small-group Bible study, gifted Bible teacher and inspiring speaker Sheila Walsh searches

Scripture for what God has promised us, what God's promises mean, and how those promises provide the foundation for daily confidence, joy, and hope.

Through vulnerable storytelling and powerful in-depth teaching, Sheila offers a life-changing study on ten bedrock promises of God to help you gain a trust in Him that will sustain you for a life-time. The Shelter of God's Promises Participant's Guide includes individual and group activities, between-session personal studies, and additional material that will enhance your experience of the video sessions.

Sessions include:

- 1. The Promise of Jesus
- 2. The Promise of Provision

- 3. The Promise of Peace
- 4. The Promise of Confidence
- 5. The Promise of Love
- 6. The Promise of Grace
- 7. The Promise of Hope
- 8. The Promise of Strength
- 9. The Promise of More
- 10. The Promise of Home

Join us March 28th at 9:00 in the Café for this look at how God's love promises us the strength and endurance to support and comfort us throughout life's trials and storms. Contact Mona Peterson @ 812-371-8051.





## Continuing Ladies' Fellowship

Becki Meek

I'm sitting here reminiscing on the spectacular women's retreat we attended in January. I know some new friendships were formed and others were strengthened. Before too much time lapses, I would like to see our OCC women form regular get-togethers! Everyone has busy lives so I know we cannot all manage to attend or host all such gatherings. However, if we could schedule a monthly or every other month gathering and share the

interest in hosting, we could continue to grow friendships and support one another in our Christian walks.

I hosted our first fellowship at the church but, as our church continually grows, finding free rooms and dates can be a challenge. Last summer, Melody Wilson graciously hosted at her backyard fire pit and we grew in numbers.

Are you intrigued? Is anyone interested? You would have the ability

to pick a time that fits your schedule and if we continually choose different nights of the week and make ourselves flexible, perhaps more could come and be involved. I will gladly help with this idea or gather different ways for our ladies to get acquainted and further our friendships. I would love to hear your thoughts and ideas!!

Contact Becki Meek @ 812-603-4786.





#### Lost Coat In the Closet, happy thought!!

Spring weather is arriving early, please check the coat closet to make sure you haven't left your jacket or coat behind. There are several adult and children's coats and jackets so please stop by and see if any of them are yours!



#### **f** Facebook



Katie Bacon

Did you know we have a Face-book page....Pinterest, too!

Make sure to add Ogilville Christian Church to your Facebook news feed to keep up with our

latest happenings and continually be encouraged with uplifting quotes and scriptures that oftentimes tie into our current sermon series and visions. We also post a weekly sermon link where you and your friends can connect to our webpage and listen to each Sunday's sermon through the week. It's a great place to send your friends if

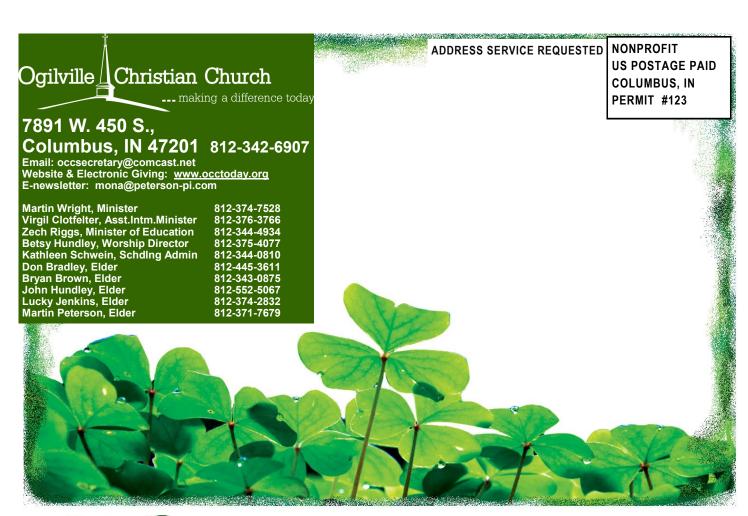
they are considering a visit to OCC to give them a feel for our purpose.

And don't forget about Pinterest! Why not see OCC's latest original artwork while you are scrolling through your regular Pinterest updates!? It's an excellent way to keep inspired, uplifted and motivated to turn your eyes upon Jesus during your routine searches. Aside from our main Pinterest board, OCC also has several different boards you can follow: Marriage, Inspiration, Women of Faith, Men of Faith, Prayer Warriors, Children, Family, OCC Original, Worship and Movies.

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- 22 Annie Fredericksen Bob Kirby Jacob Schwein
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  Jeremy Wells
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- 28 Dorri Clotfelter
  Samantha Helwig
  Barbara May
  Troy Peters
  Jim & Nadine Campbell
- 29 Emma Folz

#### Events...

- ♦ 5th Baby shower Emily Surenkamp
- 11th Breaking Bread Meal
- 18th Men's Breakfast
- ♦ 25th Hilltop Work Day

#### **New Members**

Transferred: Dana Weisner

Baptized: Brian Barriger & Sarah Fields

Although
these wishes turned up late...

...sure hope your birthday turned out great!

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1-22 Josh Burke
1-24 Kaleya Burke
2-2 Jerry Hall
Faye Michael
2-3 Wendy Horne
Isaac Kerkhof
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