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The Encourager

OCC Prepares to Launch Third Worship Opportunity

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What an amazing year we have experienced together! God has blessed us with regular baptisms and a multitude of new people have been attending who are hungry to know more about God and His word and anxious to get to know us better. In fact, even our overflow seating in the café and parking on the grass has proven insufficient to meet the needs of those visiting and attending. We have also enjoyed incredible events as a community like the Red Roots concert and our extended time together at Abe Martin Lodge. We are a blessed congregation. We have asked for God's favor on the work of our hands and hearts and He has blessed our work together in astounding ways! God be praised.

OCC is now preparing for another step in faith. If the Lord wills it and tarries until October, with the full support of our ministers and elders, OCC will begin offering a third wor-

ship service on Sunday, October 11, 2015. This new service will offer the same sermon and blended worship style as we currently offer, however, the new service will begin at 8:00am and last one hour. We hope to offer childcare during the entire service for children birth through 4 years of age and will dismiss children age 4 through 12 for a special children's program in the fellowship hall led by Zech Riggs.

New Format Begins October 11, 2015

8-9am Service One 9:10-9:50am Sunday School 10:00-11:15am Service Two 6:30-7:30pm Service Three

Aside from a few time alterations, our current 10am and 6:30pm services will remain

as they are. In between the two morning services, we will continue to offer Sunday school from 9:10 to 9:50am. Donut Sunday and any other programs provided during the Sunday school period will also continue in their current format save starting a few minutes later.

It is our hope and prayer that God will bless this new opportunity in such a way that OCC will continue reaching as many as possible with the good news of the gospel. We ask for your prayers and support for worship, study and spiritual growth. While we expect this addition will have little impact on many who will continue to worship at the same time they always have, we also recognize some will find the new service better accommodates their needs. Whichever worship service you attend, we pray God will bless you richly as you continue to serve Him.

Baby Dedication Service

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On Sunday, September 13th, our worship service will include a very special and important time of Baby Dedication. We host this event because we have a sense that God intends faith to be lived in a family context. Parents have the greatest opportunity to shape their child's spiritual development. Likewise, God seems to place a great portion of the responsibility for a child's faith and spirituality on the parents. Understanding the responsibility and the opportunity parents face, Ogilville Christian Church utilizes Baby Dedication Day as an occasion for parents to pledge to God and the



congregation that they are serious about the task that is before them. We ask parents to commit themselves to raise their child to know the Lord Jesus Christ by loving, disciplining, training, and setting a positive Christ-like example for their children to follow. Alongside of our parents, our church family also recom-

mits itself to love and minister to our children and to provide ample opportunities for them to grow in their faith and knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Because the covenantal promise to God is made by the parents and not the child, we do not include baby baptism as part of the dedication service. It is our sense that baptism is meant to take place at a time when an individual makes a personal decision to follow Christ and is old enough to repent of sin and confess Jesus publicly.

Contact the church office at 812-342-6907 if you wish to participate.

What exciting news... SUPERBOOK is coming to KidZone! On September 6th, Zech Riggs will unveil a new curriculum sure to capture the imagination of OCC's kids. SUPERBOOK teaches children life lessons through the captivating, Biblebased adventures of two time-traveling children, Chris and Joy, and their robot friend, Gizmo.

Chris is an awesome skateboarder, video gamer and lead guitarist in a garage band with his Valleyview Middle School buddies; he uncovers the secrets of SUPERBOOK through a mysterious portal to the past. Joy is his next-door neighbor and classmate. She is outgoing, athletic and usually a bit more adventurous than Chris. Their robot

friend, Gizmo, was created by Chris' dad, Professor Quantum, to protect them—but they usually end up protecting him. Gizmo loves upgrades and would rather stay in the lab than timetravel. A really cool feature of Gizmo: he can change his appearance as needed.

By using dynamic videos to bring Scripture to life through incredible, Emmynominated animation, our children will be taught powerful truths from God's Word with the added elements of music, scripture, games, group discussions and more. The familiar and the futuristic interplay with ancient people, places and events from the Bible to create a sense of wonder, anticipation, and per-

sonal breakthrough as the children witness God's interaction with man. SUPERBOOK is an exciting journey, full of discovery with a transformational outcome.

Elementary kids in grades 1 through 6, come check out KidZone Sundays at 10:00am in the fellowship hall for unforgettable adventures with SUPERBOOK! P.S. to parents, send your kids to superbook.tv for fun games, Bible challenges, Bible apps, videos, daily scriptures and more that will keep them entertained for hours with wholesome learning and fun. You'll want them to be on SUPERBOOK!

Sunday School Volunteers Needed

Emily Surenkamp & Marijane Love

In Matthew 19:13, Jesus says, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Would you please consider volunteering to assist with teaching these precious children once or twice every two months (or more) in the 2's and 3's Sunday school? It's a small commitment with a big impact, and now, it's easier than ever to sign up! Please follow this link: http:// www.signupgenius.com/ go/10c0e49a4ad2ba5f49-2s3s. Once you open the link, you will have the option to choose the Sunday you are available to volunteer for the remainder

of 2015. Each slot needs at least one certified volunteer. It takes five minutes or less, and will even send you an email reminder if you enter your email address. September still has several openings. Forty-five minutes every eight weeks from 9-9:50am in the fellowship hall is a small commitment that will truly help prepare the next generation to be kingdom workers for the great God we serve. Won't you consider spending time with OCC's youngest learners? Thank you!



OCC Hosting Woodsmen Quartet

On Sunday evening, **September 20th**, at 6:30 pm OCC will host one of southern gospel's best singing groups—the Woodsmen Quartet. This special event will be held in the OCC worship center and promises to be entertaining and encouraging to folks of all ages.



OCC Invites
Children to
FaithWeaver
Friends— Where
Fun and Friends
Come Together!

"We're rolling out an entirely new His Kids curriculum," says Betsy Hundley, Director of Children's Ministry. FaithWeaver Friends is a family-friendly program for kids age 4-6. Every Sunday we'll gather around Theo's Playhouse as Theodore the Retriever and a storyteller help us explore the Bible. We'll also sing upbeat songs, play cooperative games, make tasty treats and create special projects. It's great fun and you're invit-

ed! Parents will love FaithWeaver Friends' chronological teaching of the Bible, the emphasis placed on helping each child build their relationship with Jesus and the goal to weave faith into the lives of each child. Join us on Sunday mornings at 10am in classroom 3 & 4 in the fellowship hall.

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Spiritual Warfare



T u e s d a y Women's Bible Study will begin a new study on 'Life Principles for

Spiritual Warfare' by Eddie Rasnake on Sept. 1st at 9am in the OCC café. This study shines light on the prevailing worldview of cosmic humanism and all its dangers while examining what Scripture says about Satan and how we are to respond to satanic influence.

Join us as we search out the scriptures and determine what the Word really teaches about Satan and the believer's response to him. Books are \$10 contact Mona Peterson @ 812-342-2962.





Soup Luncheon & Dessert Auction



Time is near! Mark your calendars for this annual event Sunday, September 13th immediately following morning services. This is an occasion you don't want to miss! Chili, chicken & noodle & potato soup plus peanut butter sandwiches, veggies and drinks will be provided. Please

bring a dessert, gift basket, tickets to events, etc. for the auction. Travel this year will be to Mexico from Oct. 3-10. Come join us for a really fun

afternoon of fellowship and bidding wars!



Available OCC Adult Bible Studies...

Sun. Women's Class 9am, Preschool room, Melinda Foust Men's Class 9am, Kitchen,

Daniel Folz Co-Adult, 9am, Virgil Clotfelter, Sanctuary

Women's Study, OCC Café 9-11:30am, starts 9/1

Women's Study, Lisa Pardue @ Stoner residence, 6:30pm, starts 9/8 Wed. Co-adult study, Nelson Lee, OCC café, 7pm, starts 9/8

Thurs. Common Grounds, Post High School– age 30, Zech Riggs,

812-344-4934

Sat. Co-Adult, Bob Casey @ S.G.Hundley residence, 7pm, 812-418-8431, join in!

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"The Truth, The Whole Truth and Nothing But The Truth."

Tues.

Wed.

Bryan Brown

We have heard these words before usually in a court setting or in a television show about court drama. Some of you may remember hearing these words on the TV show "Perry Mason". The premise of these words are spoken for great reasons. If we tell the truth, it can abolish any confusion to events that may have occurred. When we tell the whole truth it has the ability to clear up misconceptions and leaves no room for skirting around voids in truth. When we tell nothing but the truth, we are not adding anything more to the story or leaving anything out, as not to mislead or cast a doubt. It is exonerating.

Let me give you an example of what this means. Let's say dad gets up in the morning to find his new car has a bent fender. He wakes his teenaged son to ask if he wrecked the car last night and the cunning boy says "no." The car was wrecked at 1:00am in the morning, not last night, so the boy feels he has told the truth. Both know what the question meant but there was wiggle room for the adolescence. The child also fails to mention he let his girlfriend drive and she was the one who hit a mailbox. This is why the whole truth is important and nothing but the truth is imperative. The child feels he has gotten away with his wrongdoing and without a lie. But did he?

Jesus tells us in John 14:6 "I the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me". Jesus always told the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Not only did he tell us but he IS the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth! He left no wiggle room as to what his ministry

was about. He exonerates us, finds us innocent of all wrongdoing. How would the teenager's father feel about his car situation if the child would have just told the truth about the events that led to a bent fender? It would have been a great moment for forgiveness from dad but instead distrust is growing along with great disappointment and a damaged relationship in is the making.

We, as Christians, need to reflect the truth. We need to be the Truth for others, just as Jesus is for us. When we hear, "the truth will set you free," it has a much deeper freedom than we ever can foresee or imagine. Praise God! So, as we go about our daily lives, we need to portray Jesus, the whole Jesus and nothing but Jesus. He is powerful and able to cleanse all unrighteousness even from a sinner like you and me.

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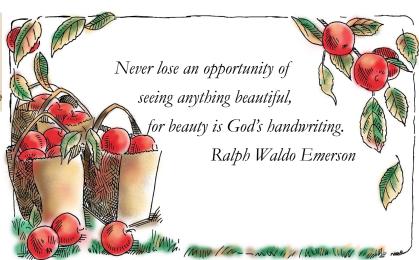
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- ♦ 1 Tues. AM Women's Study begins
- ♦ 2 First night of BLAST
- ♦ 3 First night of Jesus Jam
- ♦ 6 Donut Sunday
- ♦ 7 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED
- 9 Wed. PM Women's Study begins

- 9 N.Lee Co-adult study OCC café 7pm
- 13 Baby Dedication 10 AM Service
 Soup Luncheon/Dessert Auction
- ♦ 19 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 7am
- ♦ 20 Woodsmen Quartet 6:30pm
- ♦ 22 Newsletter Article Deadline

B.L.A.S.T. Calendar

2nd 6-7:30pm @ OCC

9th 6-7:30 @ OCC

16th 6-7:30 BLAST Party, meet @ Columbus

Putt-Putt

23rd 6-7:30 @ OCC

30th 6-7:30 @ OCC



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- 2 Molean King
- 3 Brandon Maynard
- 4 Rick & Michelle Hatchett
 Mary & Joe Clipp
 Sherry Yeaton
 Bob Casey
 Jr Clubb
- 5 Dean Murphy
- 6 Andy Helwig
- 8 Ronnie Pruitt
- 9 Robbin Hundley
- 10 Crystal Brooks Troy & Tina Peters
- 13 Ramanda Kinnick
- 14 Sam Wilcoxon CJ Clausen



- 15 Justin Moss John & Faye Michael
- 16 Casey Wright
 Eric Brown
 Patrick Peterson
 Brandon Miller
- 17 Jearldine Eickleberry
- 18 Ben Wagner Evan Barnett
- 20 Mattie Whitis Lara Allman Dave Weaver Michael Horne Joe Clipp
- 22 Brenda Blackwood Lauren Moffett

- 23 Natalie Perry Lillie Wells
- 24 Shelby Hundley Mae Allen Kevin Day
- 25 Rhonda Schwein Danny & Courtney Fisher
- 26 Ryder Meek
 Will Helwig
 Bill & Wilma Johnson
- 27 Chad Stadler Judy & Jerry Reeves
- 28 Karrick Hutchinson
- 29 Abigail Fredericksen
- 30 Randy Moss

