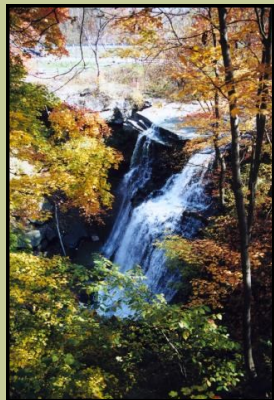


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September 2016 Calendar Events

- ◆ 4th Donut Sunday
- ◆ 5th Labor Day, office closed
- ◆ 10th Breaking Bread Ministry, Hot Meal
- ◆ 11th Baby Dedication during 10am service
*Chili/Dessert Auction after 10am service
*No KidZone
- ◆ 17th Child Protection Class Café 8am-12pm
- ◆ 17th Men's Fellowship Breakfast, Fellowship Hall 9am

New Members

Joined:

Alli & Matt Robertson

Baptized:

Jacob Felicijan

Sunday Mornings... ...a New Beginning

Virgil Clotfelter

OCC will launch our new Sunday morning schedule on October 2, 2016. The changes have been made primarily to help us offer a balanced attendance in the two services provided. We have included a longer open time between the services to allow for traffic and crowd flow. Plans are currently in place to add up to 20-25 more parking spaces on the east side when needed.

We understand that a smooth transition between the services means that we do our consistent best to keep our services to 60-65 minutes in length. For the present, Donut Sunday will no longer be offered in our new morning

schedule, although children's groups may occasionally do a snack time. Parents will be notified prior to snack days.

Quality Nursery, Children's Worship and Education pro-

New Format Begins October 12, 2016

9:00am Service One/Sanctuary
9:00 Sunday School in Café
10:30 Service Two/Sanctuary
10:30 Sunday School in Café
6:30pm Service Three in Café

grams will be offered in both hours as well as a combined

adult Sunday School Class in the OCC Café.

The decision comes about after lengthy periods of seeking God, prayer among the OCC leadership team and as the result of the counsel of experienced and knowledgeable church consultants. Our recent "VisionCast" lessons gave us a wonderful opportunity to present the rationale and need for such changes. It's all being done to provide more space and multiple service options for continued numeric and spiritual growth at OCC. And remember, our challenge to one and all — "STUDY/SERVE IN ONE; WORSHIP IN ANOTHER".

Baby Dedication Service

Martin Wright

On Sunday, September 11th, our 10:00am 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 recommits 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.

“Child Certification” at OCC...what does it mean?

OCC Leadership

Our children's welfare is important to each of us. Our goal is to provide a safe environment free from abuse, including sexual abuse. Ogilville Christian Church desires to implement a policy and procedures that provide reasonable and prudent care in this area. We want all who supervise and care for our children to understand the seriousness and scope of the issue, to understand the church's policy and agree to abide by it, and to accept the inconvenience that comes with screening all childcare providers.

Sometimes doing the right thing in the right way is more bothersome than just letting things slide. But when it comes to the welfare of our children, we go the extra mile to do it right. We hope

you agree that protecting our children, protecting our youth workers, and protecting the church's legal exposure are all worthwhile and necessary goals, and worth the effort.

Our purposes are threefold:

1. Safeguard the children. Our goal is to eliminate the likelihood of any sexual abuse occurring to any of our children involved in any program or activity of the church.
2. Protect our childcare providers, church staff and leaders, and the congregation from allegations of child sexual abuse.
3. Limit the extent of the church's legal risk and liability.

A child protection class will be offered Saturday, September 17 from 8am-12pm and Sunday, October 16 from 2-6pm both in the Café. The class' purpose is to educate our childcare providers, leaders and church members about the reality of child sexual abuse in our world and offer training toward the practical steps we have taken for prevention at OCC. This class is the crucial first step of our comprehensive Child Sexual Abuse Protection Policy & Procedures and it leads towards our goal of individual 'certification' which is a requirement for all who will supervise youth from infant through teen ages. Certified oversight is required for all programs, teaching, etc. at OCC.



Children's Programming at Both Services

Betsy Hundley

As we prepare to move to new service times on October 2nd, we are happy to announce that we will be offering FULL children's programming at both the 9am service AND the 10:30am service. This means the Nursery (infant – 24 months), Wee Worship (age 2&3), His Kids (age 4-6K) and KidZone (grades 1-6) will be available at both service times.

Children can attend one or both service times and receive excellent care and great teaching along with energetic music, activities and fun. The two children's services will have similarities, but also differences. For example, His Kids will study the same story at both the 9 and 10:30 services, but all

reinforcement activities (puppet skit, activity papers, games, craft) will be different. No need to worry about what your kids will do if you "study/serve one service and worship one service." They'll be well taken care of and enjoy a full range of learning activities.

Of course this also means the need for more teens and adults to join our children's ministry teams has just increased dramatically. Would you be willing to join us in teaching/helping in one of these children's classes? It's a great way to serve others and in the process get to know many more families in the church. I'm willing to accept any commitment you would

make...every Sunday, once a month, once every 6 weeks, once every 8 weeks... you name it.

If you think you might be interested in serving or would like more information, just pick up the phone right now and give me, Betsy Hundley, a call at 812-375-4077. We need help in the following children's areas at both service times:

Children's Check In Station

Wee Worship

His Kids

KidZone

For Nursery inquiries, you may contact Kathleen Schwein at 812-344-0810.



YOU'RE INVITED...
to an Old Fashioned Family Event — Where Fun and Friends Come Together!

Everyone is invited for an old fashioned family event on Sunday, October 2nd after the 2nd morning service until 4pm. The event will be hosted by Tony and Kelly Strahl located on St. Rd. 58 across from Meyer's Grocery in Ogilville. Pulled pork bbq, hot dogs, chips and dessert will be provided

along with beverages and tableware. If you have dietary restrictions, feel free to bring a picnic basket with your favorite foods. Activities will abound with lawn games, hay rides and bouncers for all ages. Parking will be available at Meyer's Grocery. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair!



Soup Luncheon & Dessert Auction September 11, 11:30am

The OCC Missions Team invites everyone to

this annual highlight of our church calendar. The missions team (and anyone who would like to volunteer) will provide all that is needed for the Chili Luncheon. We ask your help by do-

nating tasty desserts, basketed items, tickets, catering or services, etc. to be auctioned off benefitting our OCC missions ministry.

This will be the only major missions fund-raising event at OCC this year. It is always a really fun event and the bidding wars are epic. It is a great day of sweet fellowship and the pro-

ceeds from the auction benefit a worthwhile aim of our OCC ministry—missions. Each year the missions team really counts on your support via donations and purchases. You've never let us down in either manner. Kids and families can work together, too. THANK YOU, in advance for attending, donating, and purchasing.



New Sunday School Class October 2, 9am...topics include...



Beginning October 2nd, as we launch our new Sunday morning schedule, both worship hours will also offer Bible

study classes in the OCC Café. Bring your Bible at 9am where Virgil Clotfelter will lead an in-depth, vs by vs study of the book of James. In preparation, take the time to read this short, ever-so-practical New Testament Book. At 10:30 am, Zech Riggs will lead a six week study focused on the book, "I Am A Church Member," by

Thom Rainer. Here's is a synopsis: *I Am a Church Member discusses the attitudes and responsibilities of church members. Rainer addresses in detail what congregations should really be focusing on — praying for church leaders, being a functioning member, treasuring church membership, and more. Six chapters with these titles include study questions to guide the discussion*

- * *I will be a unifying church member*
- * *I will not let the church be about my preferences and desires*

- * *I will pray for my church leaders*
- * *I will lead my family to be healthy church members*
- * *I will be a functioning member*
- * *I will treasure church membership as a gift*

Remember: STUDY/SERVE ONE and WORSHIP ANOTHER. Our new Sunday format would be a great time to start or renew the Sunday School habit! Please take advantage of these Christian Education offerings.

Join the Movement ... The Aruna Project — Running for Their Freedom

OCC's first Annual Columbus Aruna 5K Run/Walk for Their Freedom. Run or Walk for a specific enslaved women by name to help bring and sustain her freedom. You'll be assigned a specific woman that we, our staff, and our partners know by name. Run/Walk for Khushboo...run/walk for Fathima...run/walk for Mamja...run/walk for so many others...run/walk for their freedom.

The first 500 participants will receive an Athletic Drawstring Backpack made by one of these women, an Artisan, who is now free, empowered, and employed due to past Aruna Runs. Money from both the entry fee and additional sponsorship will benefit the Aruna Project, an international

human rights organization focused on bringing and sustaining freedom to the sexually enslaved in South Asia through employment marked by holistic care. Check out this video featuring Vincent Rey of the Cincinnati Bengals: www.vimeo.com/114767511

RACE DETAILS:

- Saturday, October 22, 2016
- Registration & packet pick-up 4:30pm
- Race start time...5:30pm
- Distance...5k
- Cost...\$25 before Oct 1, \$30 beginning Oct 1 (Additional sponsorship encouraged!)
- Awards presented in several categories
- Location Mill Race Park, 50 Carl

Miske Drive, Columbus, IN 47201

- Additional race Info & Register online at www.ArunaProject.com
- Need Help With Registering? Contact Jeff Potts - (812)343-2752

Following the Aruna 5K Run/Walk there will be a concert featuring The Red Roots. The concert is open to the public, located at Mill Race Center beginning at 7:00pm. The concert is free with an opportunity to make a donation. For more information on The Red Roots, please visit www.theredroots.com/home

Please help make this event successful and show your support in this ever increasing global issue.

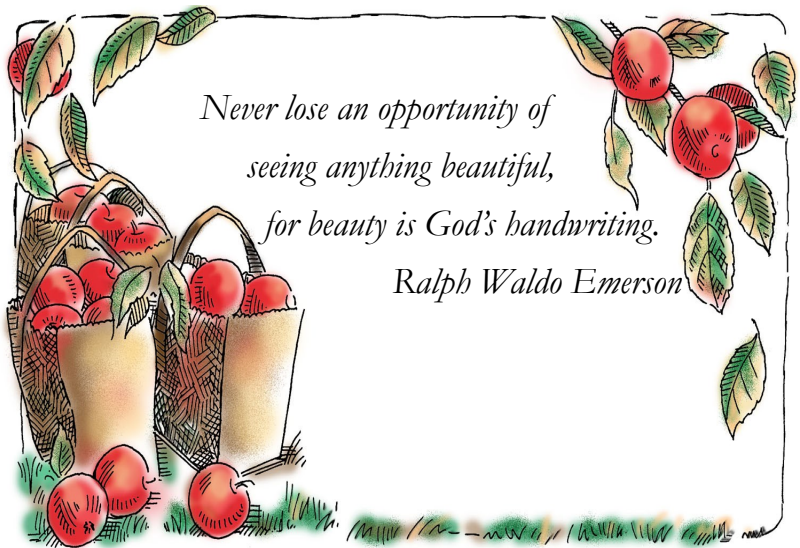


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Jesus Jam Ramps Up For Another Year

It's not too late!!! While Jesus Jam has met a few times over the summer, we are ready to start regular youth group meetings. Jesus Jam is for students in 7th-12th grades. We meet in the café on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm. On Thursday September 1st we will kick off with a Parent/Student meeting from 7:00-8:30pm. We will discuss this semester's calendar, our teaching topics, special events and our Winter Retreat and TCTC trip to Gatlinburg. Hope to see you there!



Pre School...welcomes new students & teachers

OCC Pre School is back in full swing! We are blessed again this year to have a full house. We even have students on a waiting list. We are so excited to get better acquainted with our students and families. In September, both classes will have school pictures taken. Pre K will go on a field trip to Apple Works. In order for Ms. Jean to concentrate on regaining strength, we are blessed to have Sandi Phegley, Sandy Johnson and Caylee Brown added to our staff. Please pray for our staff and students through out this school year.

Peace, Praise, Prayers & PEDALING....

Freedom 400 Mile Bike Race SEPTEMBER EVENT

Mark Yeaton

Remember when you first learned how to ride a bicycle? Remember that feeling of freedom and excitement? Then after a few years, the bicycle was pushed aside when you got your driver's license, rarely to be ridden again. Sound familiar? Well, for some reason, I never lost that initial feeling and God has allowed me to use my passion for cycling to help others. In 2012 I rode across the country to raise money for a well in Kenya through I.D.E.S. For the past several summers, I've ridden several one day rides across Indiana to benefit Mission Resource and their work in giving 0% interest loans to small businesses in Ghana while sharing Jesus Christ.

I feel blessed every day for the opportunity God has given me to rally support around my cycling efforts by put-

ting faith into action. God wants everyone to take their talents and faith and put them into action to serve others. OCC has developed a fantastic missions program that is setting a standard with outreach programs by utilizing members' talents and skills.

Since hopping off the bike after crossing the country, I thanked God for His guidance and safety and began praying for another mission in which I could support through cycling. God has answered my prayers with a unique challenge that excites me and sometimes scares me. In September 17th -18th of this year, I will be attempting a 400 mile bike race in Ohio. I will have 32 hours to complete the distance. The inspiration to attempt such a ride comes from the number 400. Marty mentioned in a sermon that the

Israelites were enslaved for 400 years by the Egyptians. Today, people are enslaved around the world by medical issues, misinformation about unplanned pregnancies, disaster, and the lack of opportunity to support their families. I will be riding to support 4 missions; IDES, FAME, Mission Resource, & Clarity of South Central Indiana in order to raise funds to help free people from suffering.

I'd appreciate prayer for safety as I train and for people to open their hearts to the needs presented in this mission. More information will be coming on how to support this unique mission effort.

