

THE OAK GROVE CHRONICLE

Oak Grove Christian Church

APRIL 2015

Just a Thought

God is our true source of daily refreshment.

Read: Psalm 46:1-11

Be still, and know that I am God.
[Psalm 46:10]

Prayer: Heavenly Father, please help us to pause and reflect on your goodness today Amen

Prayer Focus: Someone unable to find rest.

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A Moment With Mike . . .

Let me first remind you of several things. First, I very much want each of you to be a part of our new church directory. The portrait dates are coming up quickly. There is information elsewhere in the newsletter about that. If you have not already done so, please make your appointment as soon as possible!

Also, Easter Sunday is coming up April 5. That will be a full day and I hope you are planning to be a part of our annual celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. Our Easter Sunrise service begins at 6:30 a.m. We'll be singing some of those songs that we usually only sing on Easter and share some devotional thoughts. At 7:00 our men will have our traditional Easter breakfast ready to serve. At 10:00 and 11:00 are our usual Sunday School classes and worship service. Every chance we get to gather and worship is special, but Easter contains such foundational truths. We are told in the scripture that if Jesus didn't rise from the dead, then our faith is in vain. We will gather to celebrate the fact that he did, indeed, come out of that grave with a resounding victory. I hope you plan to celebrate that victory with us.

I love the hope and promise that Spring brings. I am not a huge fan of winter, but it does make me appreciate Spring more! I have already mowed grass, not necessarily because the grass needed cutting as much as I needed to be out on the mower! I enjoy seeing the buds on the trees and flowers poking up through the earth. It is as if the earth is being reborn. And it actually is! Such a good time for new beginnings. Maybe it is time for a new beginning in your life also. Regular church attendance, begin attending Sunday School, taking the time to regularly read your Bible and pray. What does the Lord have in mind for you as we celebrate this season of beginnings?

May God bless you and keep you.

In His Service,
Mike

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

A church directory is such an important tool for a church. It helps the newer folks put names with faces. It also helps some of the older folks put names with newer faces. It provides a showcase for our church. But perhaps most importantly, a directory is a piece of history for the church. One day someone will look through our directory with fond memories. I hope that yours is one of those faces that they see and remember as being an important part of Oak Grove.

In addition, it's an important way to add portraits to your family's time line. When was the last time you had family portraits taken? As you get your picture taken for the church directory you will also have the opportunity to take some fun pictures also. So come prepared for a good time and be a part of your family's history!

Our photography dates are March 31 & April 1. If you have not already done so, please sign up for an appointment while you are at church or you can go to the church website (www.ogchristianchurch.org) and click on "Church Directory" page and sign up online. Or you can give Mike a call (434-713-5184) and he can get you signed up! Looking forward to seeing your smiling face!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1~Dayna Fuller	18~Michael Jefferson
5~Danny Barker, Sr.	22~Adelyne Shelton
5~Victor Hudson	28~Betty Fuller
9~Sam Lawrence	28~Hilda Motley
10~Matthew Motley	29~Ryan Yeatts
14~Donald Burnette	

ANNIVERSARIES

2~J. R. & Darlene Gibson
10~Jimmy & Ann Craddock
15~Ray & Anita Motley
18~Stuart & Adylene Shelton

INSPIRATIONAL WISDOM ON HOW TO LIVE A HAPPY AND FULFILLED LIFE

The only preparation for tomorrow is the right use of today.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. ~ Matthew 6:34

You can win more friends with your ears than with your mouth.

... Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath ~ James 1:19b

Jesus is a friend who knows all your faults and still loves you anyway.

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ~ Romans 5:8

OAK GROVE LADIES CIRCLE

The March meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, March 8 with eight ladies present. The President called the meeting to order and had the devotions. The Treasurer gave the financial report and other business was discussed.

Saturday, March 28 was set as a clean up day to organize the closets and cabinets.

There are no study programs this year as the President is giving the ladies study sheets to take home each month.

LADIES, if you are not presently attending the meetings, you are encouraged to do so. The ladies work in the church is definitely important and the load is always lighter when shared.

submitted by Patsy Motley
2015 Circle President

A BRIDAL SHOWER GIVEN

On Saturday, March 21, 2015 the Oak Grove Ladies Circle was hostess for a floating bridal shower for Bonnie Ignacki. The color theme was white, pink and zebra print. The bride received numerous gifts from the church ladies. Katie Ignacki, sister to Bonnie, made the beautifully white and pink decorated cake for the shower. A wreath covered with zebra print ribbon, pink roses with the letter "Z" in the middle and zebra print balloons were given to the bride from the ladies.

A special thanks to Betty Fuller and Delores Motley for providing the lace tablecloths and liners and most especially for helping with the preparation of the shower. Several ladies helped provide refreshments which was most appreciated.

The wedding date for Bonnie Ignacki & Andrew Zuidema is May 9, 2015 in Virginia Beach.

LADIES RETREAT

Roxie Rutledge, guest speaker
From Versailles, Indiana

I would like to encourage all the ladies of Oak Grove to attend the South Central Virginia Ladies Retreat to be held on April 17 & 18 at Camp Pitt. You will not be disappointed as there is good food and fellowship, a good speaker and singing. Early registration is \$10.00 and \$15.00 at the door. I will need your registration form and money by Easter Sunday, April 5th.

If you can go please meet at the church at 5:30 pm to car pool to Camp Pitt. We will be having our evening meal at 6:00 pm.

Oak Grove Church is responsible for decorating the multi-purpose building for the retreat. In keeping with the theme "Walk the Walk", we plan on having a display of different types of shoes, such as: boots, dress shoes, casual shoes, work shoes, athletic shoes, etc. You would never guess how we plan to display them. Also, the speaker has an interest in tea pots and cups so a display is being planned for this also.

Thanks to everyone who is willing to share their items or collections to make these displays possible.

Patsy Motley

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Camp Pitt Report

MARCH

Camp Pitt \$ 1.41
Birthday Fund \$.65
Total \$ 2.06

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			1 2-9 PM— Directory Pics *Dayna Fuller	2 ** J.R. & Darlene Gibson	3	4
5 6:30 AM— Sunrise Service 7:00 AM— Breakfast *Victor Hudson *Danny Barker Sr	6	7	8 7:30 PM—Choir	9 *Sam Lawrence	10 *Matthew Motley **Jimmy & Ann Craddock	11
12 3:00 PM—Ladies Circle Meeting	13	14 *Donald Burnette	15 7:30 PM—Choir **Ray & Anita Motley	16	17 LADIES RETREAT @ CAMP	18 *Michael Jefferson **Stuart & Adylene Shelton
19 Board Meeting	20	21	22 7:30 PM—Choir *Adylene Shelton	23	24	25
26	27	28 *Betty Fuller *Hilda Motley	29 7:30 PM—Choir *Ryan Yeatts	30		