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REMINDERS

Online Giving to OVBC

We can now give donations online as another way to support our ministry at Oak Valley. Please logon to the church website at or use your OVBC app. Click the heart icon in the upper right side of screen and follow instructions. You may also text OVBC to 77977 and instructions will be forwarded to you.

Sunday School Class

Pastor Hammond hosts a Sunday School class at 9:30 a.m. each week. The class is designed for people who may not know much about the bible, but desire a deeper understanding of scriptures, doctrinal beliefs and practices. The class also offers in-depth discussion and introduction to the sermon topic for that day.

Prayer Meeting – Saturday

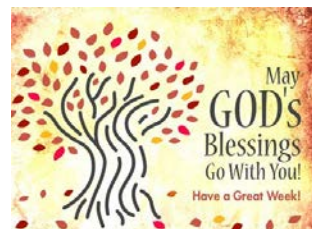
Everyone is invited to continue participating in our Saturday Morning Prayer Meetings at 7:30 a.m. We gather in the Sanctuary and then dismiss to personal prayer areas as guided by the Spirit.

Intercessory Prayer

Intercessory Prayer meeting is held each Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Contemporary Choir

If you are interested in participating in the newly formed Contemporary choir, please see Bro. Brandon Whitaker.



November 3, 2019



Good morning, Oak Valley!

Have you lost your sense of awe that the Creator still chooses to speak to you, His creation? Do you approach the reading of your Bible with a holy expectation, listening for the life-changing words God has for you that day?

God's Word is powerful. When God speaks, nothing remains the same. At the beginning of time God spoke, and a universe was created from nothing. God followed a pattern when He created the earth: He spoke; it was so; it was good (see Gen. 1:3-4). This pattern continued throughout the Bible. Whenever God revealed His plans, things happened just as He said, and God considered the result good (see Phil. 2:13). God doesn't make suggestions. He speaks with the full determination to see that what He has said will come to fruition.

Whenever Jesus spoke, what He said came to pass. Lepers found that a word from Jesus meant healing (see Luke 5:13; 17:14). A blind man discovered that a word from Jesus meant sight (see Luke 18:42). Through a barren fig tree the disciples saw that a curse from Jesus meant destruction (see Mark 11:14,20). A sinner experienced forgiveness through a word from Jesus (see John 8:11).

How powerful a word from God is to your life! As you read your Bible and pray, listen to what God has to say to you about His will for you. Don't limit yourself to a method, expecting to hear from your Father only in predictable ways. Rather, open yourself up to other means by which God wants to commune with you. As you're receptive to His voice, you'll experience Him in entirely new dimensions (see Isa. 55:10-11).

Excerpt from "Seven Realities for Experience God: How to know and Do the Will of God" by Henry Blackaby & Richard Blackaby

Our Vision:

In Christ, Oak Valley shall be a table at which everyone is seated and served.

Our Mission:

To integrate all people into the life of the Church and encourage equal participation.

THIS WEEK AT OAK VALLEY

Tuesday Schedule

10:00 a.m. — Senior Ministry Meeting
5:00 p.m. — Pathfinders Ministry
6:00 p.m. — S.A.L.T. Mime Ministry

Wednesday Schedule

6:00 p.m. — Meals for Youth
7:00 p.m. — Family Focused Bible Study Classes

Thursday Schedule

11:00 a.m. — Senior Adult Bible Study

Saturday Schedule

7:30 a.m. — Prayer Meeting



Dr. Freddie Colston
Sis. Doris Hurd
Bro. James Little
Bro. Ralph Mack
Sis. Bernice Moore
Sis. Dorothy Patterson
Sis. Eunice Wilkerson
Sis. Willie Mae Yancy

Please pray for those listed on our prayer list as well as our college students, active military, bereaved families, and those incarcerated.

YOUTH NEWS

Pathfinders Ministry

Pathfinders will meet on Tuesday, November 5th at 5:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Transportation will be provided from Girls Inc. and the Boys & Girls Club. All middle school students are invited to join us.

S.A.L.T. Mime Ministry

S.A.L.T. will rehearse on Tuesday, November 5th, and Thursday, November 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Each Wednesday, we will begin encouraging our students to utilize the time before bible study to complete homework. We will pick up students from the Boys and Girls Club, and Girls Inc. at 4:30 p.m. Please note this is not tutoring service. This time will serve as an opportunity for students to complete homework.

The Youth Ministry needs S.T.E.M. tutors. Please see Sis. Robin if you are interested in tutoring or if your child needs academic support.

2nd Annual Christmas Store

Oak Valley will host our 2nd Annual Christmas Store on December 14th at Scarboro Community Center. There are three ways that you can assist: monetary donation (*note Christmas store on church envelope or when giving through OVBC app*), purchase a gift, or volunteer your time. For more information, please see Sis. Robin.

OTHER NEWS

Senior Adult Ministry

On Tuesday, November 5th the Senior Adult ministry will meet at Scarboro Community Center at 10:00 a.m. The activity will be Bingo hosted by Mt. Zion. Please see Sis. Charmaine Henderson for additional details.



JOIN US!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School News

Next Week's Lesson:
A Blind Man's Faith
Mark 10:46-52

Trivia question for the week:

What metaphor did Jesus use to described himself when asked why he ate with tax collectors and sinners?
(Reference the book, chapter & verse)

Please submit your answer to the box located in the vestibule and you could win a prize this month.

Thanksgiving Donations

It is that time of year for Oak Valley members to share Thanksgiving donations with members of the community that are in need. Please bring non-perishable foods such as canned vegetables, canned fruits, rolls, flour, corn meal, dressing mix, or other items starting Sunday, November 3rd. There will be a list of suggested basket items on the OVBC website. Your donations can be placed in the boxes in the vestibule. Please ensure the donated foods are not expired!

If you wish to give a financial donation to cover meats and other perishable items, please place it in an offering envelope and note "Thanksgiving Donation". The last day to make all donations is Sunday, November 24th. Please see Deacon Thompson if you have any questions.



Guiding Light Circle Worship

The Guiding Light Circle will host their Annual Worship Service at Truelight Missionary Baptist Church at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 10th. All Oak Valley members are asked to support this very important community worship service.

Bobby Steele Scholarship

It's time for completion of the Bobby Steele scholarship applications for the second semester. An essay is not required for second semester submissions. **The deadline for application is December 1st at midnight.** Please submit completed applications to patterson97779@hotmail.com. Copies of the application packet are available in the church vestibule.

Annual Planning Session Part II

The Annual Planning Session (Part II) will be held on Saturday, December 7th at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Budget Committee will discuss budget recommendations for 2020. All Leadership Team members, Ministry chairpersons, and staff must attend. Members of congregation are welcome as well.

If you are unable to attend worship service on Sundays, please visit our Facebook page or website to view sermons. Are you interested in joining the OVBC family? Please see the Pastor or a deacon.