



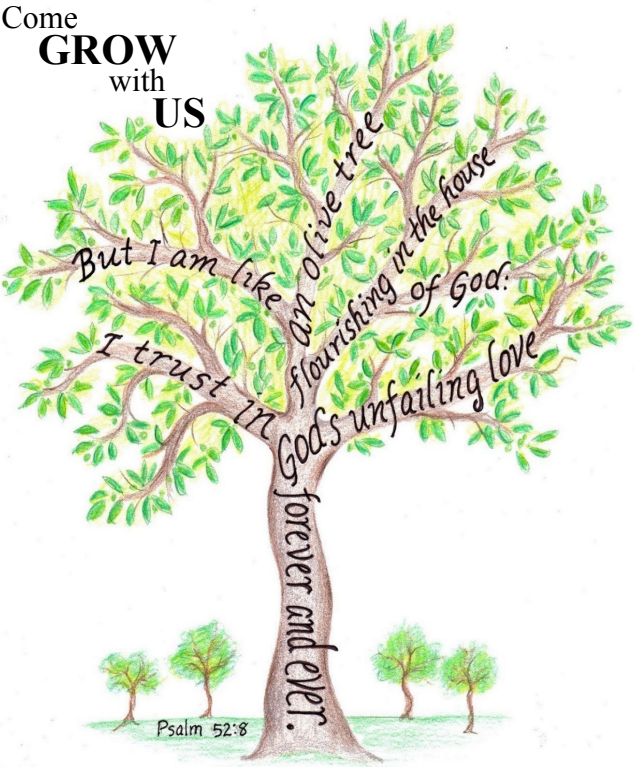
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September 2018 : Verse of the Month



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES AT OAKLAND

Sunday	8:30 AM Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM Life Groups
	9:45 AM The Connection Zone
	10:00 AM Worship Service
Tuesday	3:30 PM Backpacks of Hope
Wednesday	6:30 PM TeamKID
	6:30 PM Youth Program
	6:30 PM Wednesday Worship
	8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 PM Jail Ministry



CONNECTING TO GOD & ONE ANOTHER

September 2018

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Pastor David's Corner

We believe in Jesus Christ. We believe He is the Savior of the world. That is why we gather and worship at this church. Quite frankly, that is why we do what we do. There are many good organizations out there. And many of them are doing a great job serving others and helping others. We are grateful for those organizations. But churches are different. We do all we do because we love Christ. We know His love. We have experienced His love and we have given our lives to Him.

Okay, that's nice, but how does that translate? How do we communicate that to people who visit us, or to our neighbors who have yet to step inside our stained glass walls? Is there a practical framework for making a difference for our guests, or those who live within commuting distance? Can we somehow assess and audit where we are on a spectrum between welcoming and lacking? Is it possible for OBC to send visitors home with a compelling vision for what we want every guest to know when they try us out?

The message is basic but profound. We want guests to know they are welcome here at Oakland. So, how do we communicate that message? How do we introduce the ministry of our church to guests? "We Want You Here" is a clear and instructive message we want everyone to hear. But how? We start by telling our neighbors, co-workers, fellow students, unchurched friends and family members, as well as guests:

- We Really Want You Here at Oakland
- This is Not a Place for Perfect People
- Our Church Would Like to Get to Know You
- This is Where Families Grow Strong
- This is Where We All Get to Know the One Who Made Us
- Come Make a Difference with Us
- Thank You for Being Here

So, let's put our heads and hearts together and make our church a more welcoming church (we're already awesome). Our next sermon series is on being welcoming through working on ourselves, our hospitality, our service, our love & joy, and by going out to bring people in. It's not about slick or showy worship services. It's about being authentic and real among the real world. Let's do this! It's time to connect and engage!!

PRAYER

September
Prayer
Schedule

Kent Chapman
Mike Helms
Bobby Kilgore
Mark McSheehan
Ray Greene

TITHES
&
OFFERING

August 2018
Offerings to Date
\$16,860.00

Budget Needs
for September:
\$21,040.33

Congratulations on your Baptism!

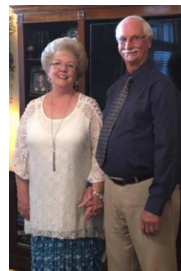
Faith Duncan
Maggie Horne
Haley Beard
Ryan Webb



Paxten Emmet Okada
Born August 21, 2018
Congratulations Mark & Stephanie!

Michael & Barbara Gamble

Want to announce their marriage on August 3, 2018 in Monroe. We pray for many more years in togetherness as they serve God and their fellow man.



August Attendance

(Worship + Children & Youth)

Wednesday, August 1st (31 + 18 = 49)

Sunday, August 5th (73 + 17 = 90)

Wednesday, August 8th (No Service)

Sunday, August 12th (93 + 22 = 115)

Wednesday, August 15th (23 + 12 = 35)

Sunday, August 19th (72 + 8 = 80)

Wednesday, August 22nd (28 + 16 = 44)

Sunday, August 26th (69 + 10 = 79)

Wednesday, August 29th (22 + 14 = 36)



Prayer Requests

Join us on Sundays at 8:30AM in the choir room for prayer time.

Brad Bradley & Family

Steve Brown

Ray Greene & Family

Kenneth Griffin

Nathan Lauver

Pray For Our Missionaries

Orlando Briones

Ralph Joash & Xiamen Briones

Michael & Annette McVey & Family

Eric & Melissa Richardson



Glenn & Rhonda Stewart & Family

Pastor Paul in India

YWAM Charlotte

The church doors are locked on Sunday mornings at approximately 9:15 AM (during Sunday School). The sanctuary doors are locked after the start of services at approximately 10:20 AM. This is a safety precaution.



Girl's Night Out

Oakland Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 24th - 6:30-8:30 PM

Theme: Encourage One Another

Guest Speaker: Vickie Hedgepeth, YWAM Charlotte

Lots of fun, good times and fellowship. Bring a friend and enjoy a wonderful time together.

Menu: Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert

\$4 per person at the door

Must sign up by Sunday, September 23rd. You can sign up in the Sunday School rooms or through the Church Office at 704-283-5656.

No childcare provided.

For more information or to sign up, contact: Church Office or Brenda Carnes 704-283-4389.



TEAM KID LEADERS

September 5

Pre-School

Irene Welch &
Tina McSheehan

Grades K-5

Carolyn Street &
Claudette Kay

September 12

Pre-School

Irene Welch &
Leigh Ann Elsey

Grades K-5

Carolyn Street &
Claudette Kay

September 19

Pre-School

Irene Welch &
Dianne Avery

Grades K-5

Carolyn Street &
Claudette Kay

September 26

Pre-School

Irene Welch &
Leigh Ann Elsey

Grades K-5

Carolyn Street &
Claudette Kay

Backpacks of Hope Ministry

Backpacks of Hope will start back up after Labor Day! Students from our area schools, who are in need, will receive a grocery bag with food for the weekend (including 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners, and 2 snacks) every week of the school year.

While you are out grocery shopping, considered picking up some extra items for these students and dropping them off in the Church Office.

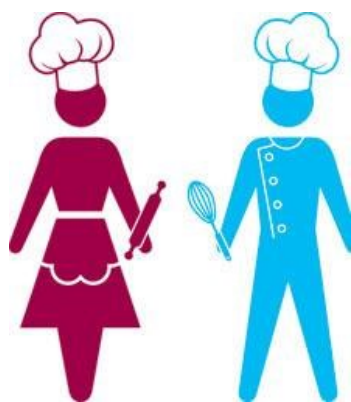
We are suggesting the following items for the next several weeks:

Cereal Bars & Chicken Noodle Soup & Cups of Ramen Noodles



Recipes for Girl's Night Out

Attention All Great Chefs of Oakland Baptist:



We are looking for recipes that call for few ingredients, require only quick & easy preparation, and are economical & family friendly. These recipes can be for: appetizers, casseroles, desserts, meats, vegetables, etc. These recipes will be compiled into a recipe booklet to be handed out at the Girl's Night Out event on September 24th.

Please submit your recipes via email to
obcoffice@charlotte.twcbc.com by September 12th.

SEPTEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			6:30 PM TeamKID			1
2	3 Office Closed	4	5 6:30 PM TeamKID	6	7	8
9 4 PM: Small Group Kickoff & Quarterly/ Annual Meeting	10	11	12 Recipes due for the Girl's Night Out Recipe Booklet 6:30 PM TeamKID	13	14	15 6:30 PM Worship Night
16 Small Group Session 1: The Mess in the Mirror	17	18	19 Stuart Preaches 6:30 PM TeamKID	20	21	22
23 Small Group Session 2: Best Mess Ever	24 6:30 - 8:30 PM Girl's Night Out	25	26 6:30 PM TeamKID	27	28	29
30 Small Group Session 3: Inside Out						

CHILDREN'S LEADERS

September 2

Nursery

Karyn Shauan &
Reichen Shauan

Pre-School

Joel & Melissa Alonso
Children's Church
Judy Hill & Kim Cox &
Susan Wood

September 9

Nursery

Ruthie Outlaw &
Janet Griffin

Pre-School

Nan Helms &
Mikala Alonso
Children's Church
Jeff Lunsford &
Susan Wood

September 16

Nursery

Renee Helms &
Cindy French

Pre-School

Carolyn Street &
Lorraine McClellan
Children's Church
Nancy Chapman &
Susan Wood

September 23

Nursery

Renay Moore &
Sandy Richardson

Pre-School

Frank Lunsford &
Brooke Pridgen
Children's Church
Rich Majewski &
Susan Wood

September 30

Nursery

Brandy Eudy &
Pam Majewski

Pre-School

Josh & Mandy Cox
Children's Church
Dianne Avery &
Susan Wood

Upcoming Sermon Series based on Bible Studies For Life:

WELCOME HOME: CONNECTING AND ENGAGING PEOPLE IN YOUR CHURCH

September 2: Reality Check

September 9: Open Arms

September 16: Gracious Hospitality

September 23: Intentional Love

September 30: Authentic Joy

October 7: Going Out

WELCOME HOME



Fall Small Group Study based on Andy Stanley's *Address the Mess*

Kick Off Sunday: September 9, 2018 @ 4 PM

Cost of \$7.00 covers Study Book & Group DVD



ADDRESS THE MESS

September 16: The Mess in the Mirror

September 23: Best Mess Ever

September 30: Inside Out

October 1: Messy-er

October 3: Wednesday Night Recap

At some point, we've all found ourselves in the middle of a mess relationally, professionally, or maybe even financially. In this 4-part study, Andy Stanley reminds us how those messes may actually be our best opportunity to move toward God and God's best opportunity to do something incredible through us.

It's a common misperception that the Christian life is all about avoiding messes and staying out of trouble. But it turns out that your messes and the messy people you meet along the way may actually be your greatest opportunity to know God. In this series, Andy reminds us that following Jesus isn't about avoiding something; it's about becoming something.



Annual & Quarterly Meeting

The combined Annual & Quarterly Meeting will directly follow the Small Group Kickoff and Snack Supper on September 9th. The Annual & Quarterly Meeting will include: Sunday School recognition, nominating team presentation, and quarterly reports.

Wednesday Bible Study:

"The Twelve Weeks of Courage"

5. Facing the Giant of Guilt (Sep 5)
Psalms 32 and 51
6. Facing the Giant of Temptation (Sep 12)
I Corinthians 10:12-14
7. Facing the Giant of Anger (Sep 19)
Ephesians 4:25-32
8. Facing the Giant of Resentment (Sep 26)
Selected Scriptures
9. Facing the Giant of Doubt (Oct 3)
John 20:24-29
10. Facing the Giant of Procrastination (Oct 10)
Acts 24:22-27
11. Facing the Giant of Failure (Oct 17)
II Corinthians 4:7-18
12. Facing the Giant of Jealousy (Oct 24)
Selected Scriptures



Worship Nights Are Back!

September 15th & 29th @ 6:30 PM

Everyone is invited to worship!

Check out Worship Nights on Facebook:

@worshipnightmonroe

