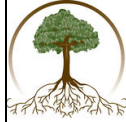


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Dear Church Family,

This month we will be celebrating our homecoming and revival on August 17-20. This is an important time in the life of the Oakland Baptist Family as we celebrate the past and look forward with hope to the future God has for His people. On Sunday, August 17th, we will gather for worship followed by a wonderful fellowship meal to celebrate 160 years as a congregation. What a legacy! What a history! Think of all those who through their love for God have sacrificed and served to bring Oakland Baptist Church to where it is today. Many of you have been and continue to be a part of the wonderful history of this church. It is fitting and honors God to celebrate.

But this is also a time to look to the future. As the prophet Jeremiah said, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for peace and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11). We can celebrate the past, but we can never rest there. God always has a future for His people and He has a future for Oakland Baptist. That is why this is not only a "homecoming" celebration, but also a time of "revival." God needs to revive His people for the journey ahead. What does God need to revive in you? What transformation needs to occur in your heart and soul as we look to the future? A church that remains the same, without making adjustments, will not move ahead.

Yet, just as we cannot live in the past, we cannot live in the future either. Today is the only day we have. "Today is the day of salvation" the Bible teaches us. The present moment is the only moment we have. Join me as we pray today. Let's celebrate and give thanks for all that God has done in and through Oakland Baptist Church in these 160 years. Let's also look to God for His guidance for the years ahead. But most of all, let's present ourselves today as living sacrifices so that God can renew our hearts and minds that we be and do His will here on earth – in our homes, our church, our community, our places of work and in all the world – as his will is also done in heaven.

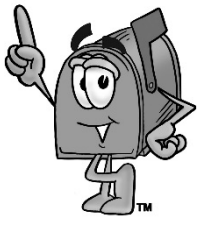
It is a joy to serve as your interim pastor.

Blessings & Grace,

Randy Rains

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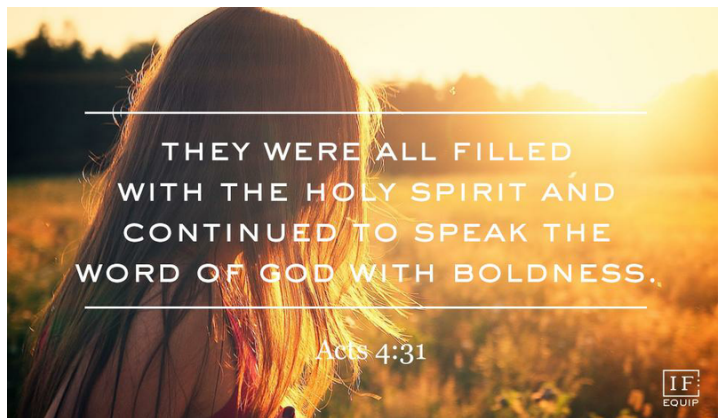
REFERENCE INFORMATION

Do you want to put something in the bulletin or newsletter? Do you want to put something on our Website or in the Goshen News? If so, please submit the information exactly as you want it to appear and where you want it to appear, BY the deadlines listed below to: communication@oakland-baptist.com email. For those of you without email access, please call or submit your written request to Sherry Alston.

Deadlines:

- Bulletin** – 12 noon of each Thursday
- Newsletter** – 15th of each month at noon
- Website** – 12 noon of each Thursday
- Goshen Newsletter** – 15th of each month

Have you moved??? Has your name changed? Do you have an update to a birthday or anniversary in your family? If you answered YES to any of these questions...Please notify YOUR DEACON with ANY CHANGES to your personal information; name, address, phone # changes, new births, deaths, weddings and divorce information for name changes or anniversary deletions to keep the church database updated for newsletter & other mailings to members & non-members. When we don't have your correct mailing address, your mail is returned to the post office & the church is charged return postage. **If you don't know who your deacon is**, please contact any member of the Deacon Fellowship: Len & Paula Archer, Lesley Alford, Sherry Alston, Bill & Pat Groome, Hazel Morgan, Frank Smith, or Glenn Williams. Thank you.



Happy Birthday!

Tammy Ware	8/2
Ashley Bath	8/6
Louise Grubbs	8/6
Grant Perkins	8/7
Pedro Carrasco	8/8
Alan Rosson	8/9
Betty Dunivan	8/12
Michael Hicks	8/12
Norman Snead	8/12
Grayson Atkinson	8/13
Tiffany Bowen	8/13
Dean Hamblen	8/13
Kerstin Bradshaw	8/14
Doris Atkins	8/16
Gabe Willis	8/17
Alisha Fields	8/21
Betty Jane Smith	8/21
James Simpson	8/22
Gerald Pleasants	8/24
Hilda Harper	8/25
Ricky Smith	8/25
Dorothy Gammon	8/26
Katie Nixon	8/26
Bailey Atwood	8/28
Melissa Smith	8/28
Joyce Hamblen	8/29
Henry Tucker Osborne	8/29

Happy Anniversary!

Tommy & Debbie Murphy	8/5
Brandon & Alisha Fields	8/10
George & Teresa Groome	8/12
Warren & Jill Harrow	8/16
Doug & Staci Harpster	8/21
Frank & Jenny Smith	8/26
Robert & Mary Gammon	8/30
George & Frances Groome	8/31
Warren & Jean Hicks	8/31

WHAT'S UP WITH THE YOUTH THESE DAYS?

FIRST LANDING CAMPOUT – September 5-7, 2014
The Youth campout at the Chesapeake has been rescheduled for September 5-7. Each student who wishes to attend must have their parent fill out the permission slip and turn in \$15. This will be a great opportunity for our young Christians to come closer to Him while coming closer together.

Field Day of the Past - - September 19-21, 2104
Students will be wiki g the Old Country Store at the Field Day of the Past festival. This is an amazing opportunity for students to get out in the community. This event also serves as the major fundraiser for our summer mission. All students who are interested are encouraged to sign up for shifts by contacting Kim Rosson. Adults who would like to help may also sign up for shifts.

Much love and many blessings,
Ali Marks

Calling all Moms, Grandmothers, Aunts and Cousins! We have such a great group of volunteers for our Nursery & Extended Session. Thank you for your willingness to step up and help out during worship service and Sunday School to be with our little people. Kim Rosson is putting together the rotation of volunteers for the upcoming year for both the Sunday School hour and Worship Service. If you would like to [CONTINUE](#) to stay in the rotation, please let Kim know or sign up on the list posted on the bulletin board in the adult Sunday School hall. If you are not currently volunteering in this area, please prayerfully considering helping out. The more volunteers we have, the better! Kim Rosson - 804-928-2780 or krosson23065@yahoo.com. Thank you for serving in this very important ministry.

NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS









Relay For Life Goochland News

I wanted to take a moment and thank everyone who has worked so hard this 2014 season! Thanks for making this team the success it is!!

Thank you to everyone who came out on Saturday, June 7th in the blazing heat and helped, hung out, walked, baked, ran around picking up last minute items, setting up Friday night and breaking down Saturday night. A very special thank you to Beth Parrish for the use of her camper!! It was a life saver especially for our baked goods !!

Year end for 2014 is August 31 with the year 2015 starting right on its heels, Sept. 1st. I look forward to working towards another successful season in 2015! It is a pleasure serving as your team captain!

Gail Brooks

 Mount Gilead Purple Hearts	\$12,724.28
 Oakland Oaks ~ Oakland Baptist Church	\$5,943.28
 Providence Cure Chasers	\$5,620.05
 Forest Grove Christian Church	\$4,487.25
 Mizpah Faith Walkers	\$3,840.07
 St Matthews UMC	\$3,831.70
Bethel Church - Oilville	\$1,900.00
Scarlett's Legacy	\$1,821.00
Life Changers	\$1,393.00
Dover Baptist Church	\$1,260.00
Mission Possible	\$987.00
Curves for the Cure	\$887.05
Friends Against Cancer Team (FACT!)	\$707.00
Crazy cancer Killers	\$662.00
Randolph Roadrunners	\$10.00



NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE: We need everyone's help! We have positions still available for the 2014 - 2015 year! Thank you to all that have already signed up. Please prayerfully consider where you can serve Oakland next year; there is something for everyone. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board in the Adult Sunday School hallway. If you have any questions, please see Sherry Alston, Bill Groome, or Hazel Morgan.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – August 2014

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Nursery	Ext. Session
03	Paula Archer	Ann Taylor	Kathy Wade	Stacey White	Sarah Blair
10	Hazel Morgan	Paula Archer	Bill Groome	Cheryl Klaty	Michaela Kandrotas
17	Lesley Alford	Peggy Barley	Sharon Kincaid	Sherry Alston	Kim Rosson
24	Glenn Williams	Betty Dunnivan	Shirley Bath	Ali Marks	Hayley Rosson
31	Frank Smith	Rhonda Lloyd	Lesley Alford	Hazel Morgan	Lillie Rosson



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<u>3</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship Deacon's Meeting	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> Visitation Committee Meeting 7pm	<u>6</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>7</u> 7pm Prayer Meeting – Lesley Alford's	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
<u>10</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 12:30pm Youth Meeting	<u>11</u> 10am WOM	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>14</u> 7pm Prayer Meeting – Hazel Morgan's	<u>15</u> <div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;">Youth Back to School Lock-in 7pm – 8:30am</div>	<u>16</u>
<u>17</u> 160 th HOMECOMING! 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship- 11:15 Children's Worship	<u>18</u> Revival: Concert-7pm; Service-7:30pm; Guest Speaker - our own Morgan Lloyd; Guest Musicians- Sanctified Power	<u>19</u> Revival: Concert-7pm; Service-7:30pm; Guest Speaker - Rev. Kevin Moen - former pastor; Guest Musicians - True Spirit	<u>20</u> Revival: Concert-7pm; Service-7:30pm; Guest Speaker - Rev. Michael Kellett - former youth pastor; Guest Musicians - Immersed; Ice Cream Social following service	<u>21</u> 10am Seniors at Gum Spring UMC	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>24</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm Visitation (church-wide)	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>28</u> Visitation – 7pm (Church is invited)	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>31</u> 8am Men's Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship						

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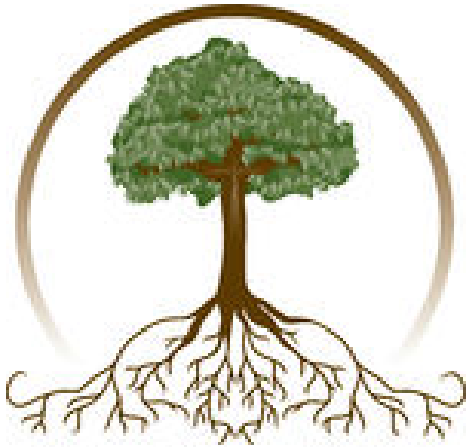
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Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Len & Paula Archer
Shirley Bath
Audrey Brown
Ruth Coleman
Randy & Robin Covington
Bailey Grant-Dickerson
Bobby Fields
Carolyn Grant
Janet Hawk
Sharon Kincaid's co-worker, Paul
Joan Lloyd
Frank Moran
Rhonda Lloyd & her Niece
Bill Nester
Gladys Nester
Gerald Pleasants
Beryl Potter
Tony & Evelyn Wade
Glenn & Sandi Williams
Mike Wood

Hazel & Betsy – ND
Starbucks Employees
Homecoming
Israel
Men's Breakfast
Our Church
Pulpit Committee
Revival

Remember our Nursing Home Members. Their names and addresses are listed under "Keep in Touch" section.

Our Christian Love & Sympathy:
The Family of Kermit Cook
The Family of Hilda Harper's brother-in law
The Family of Debra Peels
The Family of Ray Toskes, Jr.

Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:

Joey Berlin-Stateside
Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside
Chris Durham, Stateside
Gabe Edwards, Stateside
Sully Edwards, Out on Deployment
Sgt. Allen Gordon (Deployed)
Daniel Gregory, Army - Stateside
Ethan Payne, USMC Stateside

Going forward, the prayer concern list will be completely revised monthly through mentioned prayer concerns, website submissions, email (communication@oakland-baptist.com) or by contacting Sherry Alston BY the 15th of each month