

**Oakland
Baptist
Church**



THE ACORN

October 2015



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Dear Church Family,

Autumn has arrived and with it all the color and festivities of this time of the year. As the days get shorter and the temperatures begin to drop, I trust your time with the Lord and your fervor for God's Kingdom will grow stronger and brighter. Now that the summer slump is over, we hope to see many of you joining us for Sunday morning services and Wednesday evening prayer and study time, along with all the other activities that will be held this month.

As you know, Oakland's Fall Festival will be held on Saturday October 10th. We hope you will join us for this celebration by either volunteering to help in some way or in just coming to join us for the fun, food and fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family and friends to come a join us.

Also, October will be the time that our Children's Consignment Ministry will be taking place. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to connect with and serve those in our community who need clothes, toys, equipment, etc. for infants through those in grade 6. If you know others who may wish to bring items to sale, please let them know of this opportunity. If you or someone you know need items, please plan on coming as a customer. If in some way, you would like to volunteer some time to work, please let us know. There is always plenty to do. You can check the church calendar for all the dates related to the Children's Consignment Ministry and contact information.

Betty and I would like to also remind you that one of the most important things we can do is to pray for each other. You don't need to wait until someone is sick, in the hospital or facing some life challenge before you pray for them. We need to be in prayer regularly and without ceasing for each other. Prayer is the key that unlocks the power of God's Spirit to work in our lives and in our church. One of the greatest weaknesses in most lives and churches is the lack of humble, sincere prayer. We hope you will take time to remember others in prayer each day as God continues the good work He is doing in us and through us. And above all... remember not to do all the talking. Learn to listen to the voice of God as He speaks His words of love and care into your life.

It's a joy to serve you. We hold you up on prayer – knowing that "you are God's workmanship, created for a life of good works" as the Apostle Paul says in Ephesians 2:10.

With Love, Prayers & Blessings,

Randy & Betty

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Keep in Touch!

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PUMPKINS and JESUS

- P** is for the People that Jesus came to save.
 - U** is for the Unconditional love to each one He gave.
 - M** is for the Message that we should all be sharing.
 - P** is for the Priceless gift God above showed he is caring.
 - K** is for the King of Kings.
 - I** is for the Insight He brings.
 - N** is for the Nails in His hands.
 - S** is for our Savior who gave His life so we could stand.
- So when you see a pumpkin don't think about some guy named Jack.**
Instead remember Jesus Christ, Lord of Lords, who is one day coming back.

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, Bobby Fields, Ricky & Sandy Harper, Kim Rosson, Glenn Williams, Angie Wright, or Betsy Young. Thank you.

What's Up With the Youth These Day?

We have already begun our new year and we welcome new youth members - Jeremy, Cassidy, Emiley, Rachel, Blade, and Dallas. Please encourage your youth (grades 7th-12th) to attend Sunday School and youth group during this very important time in their lives. Real life can take them in so many different directions and influence them in many ways - we need to make sure they are grounded in the love of Christ and know they can go to Him for answers. We have lots of great activities planned for the upcoming year!

We also welcome new Youth Committee members, Susan Heffinger and Vincent Hutchinson. Leading the youth, Kim Rosson and Joey Hamrick will continue to teach Sunday School and Sherry Alston will work with the Wednesday night youth group.

Please look in upcoming Sunday Bulletins and Newsletters for fund raising activities our youth can do to earn money towards their mission trip to MFuge next summer. This is a life changing trip they don't want to miss!

Happy Birthday!

Stephanie Murphy	10/1
Gavin Marks	10/4
Julie Lloyd	10/5
Gwen Saunders	10/5
Judy Morton	10/6
Joyce Hawk	10/8
Margie Gonzalez	10/9
John Ware	10/11
Debbie Cutchin	10/12
George Groome	10/12
Benjamin Hart	10/12
Susan Heffinger	10/12
Louise Ware	10/12
Polly Kane	10/13
John Summitt	10/14
Kim Rosson	10/15
David Ware	10/15
Tiffany Ladd	10/17
Brandon Wagner	10/17
Pat Groome	10/19
Heather Hodges	10/19
Kevin Osborne	10/20
Grayson Grant	10/21
Kevin Moen	10/21
Emmi Kay Harrow	10/22
Rebecca Able	10/23
Gail Brooks	10/26
Kathy Pope	10/26
Elijah Justiniano	10/27
Robert Parrish Jr	10/27
Frank Moran	10/28
Alma Salazer	10/28
Adam Saunders	10/28
Brock Marks	10/29
David Ware Sr	10/29
Kelli Groome	10/30

Happy Anniversary!

Kevin & Jessica Osborne	10/7
John & Jacqueline Matysek	10/15
Michael & Tammy Brooking	10/16
Timothy & Cassandra Jarrell	10/16
Jeff & Gail Brooks	10/16
Tom & Claire Parrish	10/18
Jim & Faris Hamrick	10/25
Ricky & Terry Smith	10/26
Martin & Alma Walton	10/30



Attention All Bakers:
We need your baked goods for Fall Festival!
Please see Hilda Harper with questions.



Attention All Canners:
We need your Homemade Canned Goods for a basket to be given away at Fall Festival. We will accept fresh vegetables or fruit the day of Fall Festival. Please see Sherry Alston (804.855.7446) with questions. For donation tickets, see Shirley Bath (804.556.3623).

What a joy it is to witness the blessing the Children's Consignment Sale Ministry brings to those in our community! Come, see and experience the impact this ministry makes on our community and our church. Everyone is welcome and there is something everyone can do to be a part of this important ministry. Please see Sherry Alston, Denise Brooking, Sandy Harper, or Kim Rosson if you have any questions.

This ministry can only be successful if we have volunteers. Please prayerfully consider signing up to volunteer during, and after the sale. Please see Sandy Harper (556-3594) to sign up for one of the work days we have scheduled below:

- 10/1 – Public night (6:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/2 – Public night (6:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/3 – Public discount day (9am – 12pm)
(After sale need - move all items to old fellowship hall)
- 10/10 – open during Fall Festival (9am – 12pm)
- 10/13 - resort (6:30pm – until?)
- 10/16 - resort (6:30pm) **(IF NEEDED)**
- 10/18 - pick up (1:30pm – 2:30pm)

NURSERY (during Worship Service) - There is a new schedule (and copies for each volunteer) posted on the Nursery bulletin board as well as the Sunday School hall bulletin board. Thank you to all who have volunteered their time to help with the little ones! If you would like to get on the nursery rotation, please see Kim Rosson (804-928-2780 or email krosson23065@yahoo.com).

NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUN, FUN, FUN.....DON'T MISS OUT!
Carter Mountain Orchard Saturday, October 24th. Arrive at the church by 8:45 to leave by 9:00. Apple picking, lunch, shopping from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (approximately). Cost: your purchases and a small amount to help with gas in the church bus. Please contact Angie Wright at 804.937.5406 by Wednesday, October 21st. **Aunt Sarah's Bakery & Mountain Grill:** Fresh, hot cider donuts.....mouth-watering apple pies.....BBQ sandwiches made with our own Peachy Barbecue Sauce.....and much more! The Mountain Grille opens on Thursday evenings beginning May 23rd, and weekends for lunch beginning mid-May. Menus will be posted soon! **Grandma Ruth's Country Store:** A trip to Carter Mountain is not complete without a stop in our Country Store! **Fruit Availability:** Ready-picked or pick your own: Granny Smith, Fuji, York, Stayman, Winesap, Pink Lady. Ready-picked only: Rome, Crispin (Mutsu), Pumpkins.

Words from WOM

Lynn Litchfield, Communication & Development Director with Gracelinside, came and shared with us on Sunday, September 20th. She shared about this important ministry within our prison system and opportunities we have to support and work with them. If you weren't there, you missed a blessing. More information to come about some of those opportunities available to us.

Project for October: We are collecting 2016 Wall Calendars, all occasion and/or Christmas cards, and Forever Stamps for the Goochland Correctional Women's Center. Place your donations in the box on the table outside the copy room. Deadline is Sunday, October 25th.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and list of suggested items are available in the vestibule. Please pick up a shoebox, fill it, and drop off on table outside of the copy room by Sunday, November 15th. Questions? Contact Sharon Kincaid at grammykincaid@yahoo.com or 804.439.1417.

TRUNK OR TREAT will be held on Saturday, October 31st from 4pm until 7pm. If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen or with activities, please see Kim Rosson or Sandy Harper. This is a great outreach ministry to many in our community and since it falls on Halloween this year, we need a lot of help to make this successful. New ideas are welcome!

FALL FESTIVAL

Oakland Baptist Church

October 10, 2015 8am - 2pm

Join us for this annual tradition - our 35th year!

Fun for All!

Vendors, Music, Fun for the kids, Children's Consignment Sale, Donate \$1 for a Drawing for a Handmade Quilt, Basket of Homemade Canned Goods, or a Children's Consignment Gift Certificate!

Great Food!

Brunswick Stew, Hot Dogs, Homemade Soup, Country Ham Biscuits, Jellies, Pickles, Bake Sale & more!

To reserve your **FREE** both, contact Sherry Alston by October 7 at 804.855.7446 or oaklandsherry09@yahoo.com

All proceeds to benefit Missions

For more information, check out our website:
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WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – October 2015

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Nursery	Ext. Session
04	Len Archer	Kay Amos	Lesley Alford		
11	Paula Archer	Betty Dunnivan	Bill Groome		
18	Angie Wright	Kim Frank	Shirley Bath		
25	Sandy Harper	Hazel Morgan	Betty Rains		

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				<u>1</u> 6:30 pm AA 6:30 – 8:30 pm CCSM Public 7pm B&G Meeting	<u>2</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm CCSM Public	<u>3</u> 9 am – 12 CCSM ½ Price Sale
<u>4</u> 9:45am SS 11:00am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship 12:30pm Deacon's Meeting	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>8</u> 6:30 pm AA	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> 8 am – 2 pm Fall Festival
<u>11</u> 9:45am SS 11am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship & Mission Friends 12:30 pm Youth Committee	<u>12</u> 10 am WOM Morning Group	<u>13</u> 6:30 pm CCSM Resort	<u>14</u> 6 pm WNS 7 pm Business Meeting	<u>15</u> 10am Seniors at 6:30 pm AA 7 pm WOM Evening Group	<u>16</u> 6:30 pm CCSM Resort (if needed)	<u>17</u>
<u>18</u> 9:45am SS 11am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship & Mission Friends 12:30 pm Fall Festival Recap & Fish Fry Planning	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>22</u> 6:30 pm AA	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>25</u> 8:30am Men's Breakfast 9:45am SS 11am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> 6:30 pm AA	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> 4 pm – Trunk or Treat

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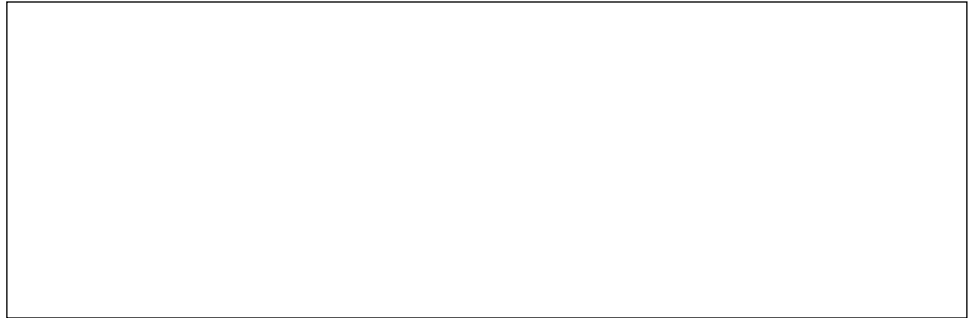
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*Changes to your name, address, birthday, or anniversary?
Please contact your deacon or call the church office at
804.556.3550 & leave a message*



Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Lesley Alford's cousin, Susan
Amanda Alston
Kay Amos
Len Archer's mom
Shirley Bowyer's granddaughter, Tiffany
Denise Brooking's co-worker
Ann Brown
Audrey Brown
Ruth Coleman
Virginia Cook
Vicki Davenport
Charlene & David Eshleman
Betty Fields
Bailey Grant-Dickerson
Hilda Harper – Praise!
Mike Harris
Harley Hart
Hallie & Stewart Hicks
Bill Hutchens
Ruby Lent
John Miller & Family
Hazel Morgan's brother-in-law
Gladys Nester
Gladys Nester's sister & neighbor

Beth Parrish
Louise Parrish
Heath Rains
Betty & Randy Rains
Taylor Roberts
Julia Semones
Betty Stanley
Tony Wade
Glenn Williams
Sandi Williams & her mom
Amtrak Victims
Nepali People

**Our Nursing Home Members; see
"Keep in Touch" section.**

Our Christian Love & Sympathy:
The Family of Jane Atkinson
The Family of Virginia Creech
The Glass Family
The Family of Stewart Ragland
The Family of Dean Trickett

Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:

Joey Berlin, Stateside
Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside
Chris Durham, Stateside
Gabe Edwards, Stateside
Sully Edwards, Deployed
Sgt. Allen Gordon, Deployed
Daniel Gregory, Army, Stateside
Ethan Payne, USMC, Stateside

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revised monthly through
mentioned prayer concerns,
website submissions, email
([communication@oakland-
baptist.com](mailto:communication@oakland-baptist.com)) or by contacting
Sherry Alston BY the 15th of each
month**