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Dear Church Family,

Easter Celebrations are over and we are definitely headed into the Spring of the year. What a joy it is to see the signs of new life all around. It reminds us that God is at work renewing and reconciling all things to Himself. In fact, that is what the Easter Celebration is all about. The Resurrection is the stamp and guarantee that all things will be renewed and restored to life through the grace and steadfast love of God. We all live in the constant path that Jesus modeled for us... life, death and resurrection.

This month we will be in full swing with our Children's Consignment Ministry. You will find the dates and other information about this important ministry here in the monthly newsletter. However, let me make a few important comments about this event. First of all, this is a wonderful opportunity for us as a congregation to say that we care about children. This is a "Children's" ministry and children are our future. This is also a "Consignment" ministry which means that we work together with others in our community to make this happen. People, both in our church and in the community, benefit mutually in this event. It provides an opportunity for folks in the community to sale used items, while also providing affordable items to those who may need them, ultimately benefiting the mission work of Oakland Baptist Church. Yet, above all, this is a "Ministry." It is an opportunity for us to reach out in the name and love of Christ... hopefully drawing others to the life we have found in Christ. We hope you will let others know about this important ministry. And if you would like, you can be involved. We have many wonderful, dedicated members of Oakland who help plan and organize this event for which we are grateful. Yet, your help is always needed and appreciated.

Many of you are already getting ready to plant your garden. As we move into the season for gardening, keep in mind that your soul is like a garden and needs tending as well. Being a part of the worship services, Sunday school, Wednesday evening dinners and Bible studies, along with other activities at Oakland provide an ongoing opportunity for us to tend the garden of our souls. Does the garden of your soul need some care? We are here to help you in any way we can to make sure the wheat grows more than the weeds in the garden of your soul.

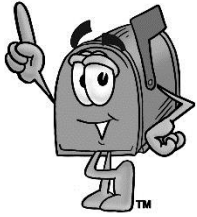
It is a joy to serve you and we trust God's richest blessings for you always and in all ways!

Blessings,

Randy & Betty

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Keep in Touch!

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Flint, TX 7752

Mission Celebration

Sunday, April 3rd

3 – 5 pm

Mine Road Baptist Church

11111 Post Oak Road

Spotsylvania, VA 22551

- Recognizing Mental Health Issues by Michelle Hottinger (caseworker with Region 10)
- PTSD by Robin Jackson (outreach counselor) Shelter for Help in Emergency Charlottesville

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 as you want it to appear in the bulletin, newsletter or website, 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 Sharon Kincaid.

Deadlines:

Bulletin - 12 noon of each Thursday

Newsletter - 15th of each month

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 any member of the Deacon Fellowship 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.

Contact Information:

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Goshen Association will host Impact VA in Orange the week of July 10 - 16. Volunteers are needed for the following positions: crew chiefs & adult crew members, runners, refuse hauling and lunch preparation. If interested in helping with this project, contact John Miller at 540.894.8440.

Happy Birthday!

Ruth Coleman	4/1
Harry Smith	4/2
Jeannette Klaty	4/4
Betty Stanley	4/4
Jeni DeRusha	4/8
Donald Amick	4/9
Carol Summitt	4/14
David Gammon	4/15
Joan Lloyd	4/15
Gladys Nester	4/17
Gabriell Traw	4/18
Jim Hamrick	4/19
John Bagby Jones	4/23
April Grant	4/24
Russell Hicks	4/27
Ellie Osborne	4/27
Kathy Alvis	4/29
Len Archer	4/29
Glenn Williams	4/29
Emily Hawk	4/30
Jenny Smith	4/30



Happy Anniversary!

Ruben & Angie Justiniano	4/6
Loren & Betty Stanley	4/11
Gerald & Mabel Pleasants	4/13
Shannon & Amy Fields	4/17
Kent & Karen Nicely	4/20
Mark & Denise Brooking	4/23
James & Julie Lloyd	4/25
Glenn & Sandi Williams	4/25
Alex & Virginia McDonald	4/28
Donnie & Louise Ware	4/28

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY - Bibles for Panama

The leaders of the Chiricana Baptist Association, who the Goshen Associate has worked with over the last 5 years, has an opportunity to go into public and private schools to share what the Bible means to them, give their testimonies, share their faith and hand out Bibles. How can Oakland help in spreading the gospel? A case of Bibles costs \$73. We will collect money from March 13 - July 24. The CIAs will make a display outside the copy room and provide a container for donations - cash or check. Make checks payable to Oakland Baptist and put note on memo line "Goshen - Panama Bibles."

Goshen Spring Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

3 – 6 pm

Mount Gilead Baptist

4768 Shannon Hill Rd

Columbia, VA 23038

- Hands of Christ Ministering in South Africa (Don and Cheryl Allen founders of Door of Hope)
- Hands of Christ in Israel (Rev. Bader Mansuar)

Pre-Conferences

Before the Goshen Spring Meeting

1 – 2:30 pm

Pre-register at 540.894.8440

Don & Cheryl Allen talk about their new ministry in South Africa

Rev. Bader Mansuar will talk about being a Baptist in Israel

NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Training for Children's Workers: Nancy Ryalls, Children's minister at First Baptist Church, Charlottesville, will be leading a children's workshop at Oakland on April 2 from 9 am - 3 pm, lunch included. Nancy is a wonderful Christian and popular seminar speaker. All are invited. Please sign up on list in the foyer.

Women's Ministry Opportunities...

Evening Book Club is reading *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee. They will meet at Sharon Kincaid's house on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7 pm.

Bible Study: Come join us every Monday night at 7:00 as we study *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*, written by Joanna Weaver and facilitated by Betty Rains. Books cost \$8.46.

Consignment Ministry News:



Would you like to be a consignor or know someone who would? Maybe you just want to know what's involved in being a consignor. We have set the dates for our **Spring Consignment Sale** and the system is ready for you to register and start entering your items. Never consigned before? It's easy, visit our website: www.oakland-baptist.com, click Children's Consignment Sale Ministry (CCSM) link for all information regarding registration, what we will accept, hanging clothes, etc. Last day to enter items for the upcoming sale is, Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 11:59pm. Important dates to remember: DROP OFF - Friday 4/8/15 - 6:30-8:30pm; CONSIGNOR SHOP - Tuesday 4/12/16 - 6:30-8:30pm; PUBLIC SALE - Thursday 4/14/16 & Friday 4/15/16 - 6:30-8:30pm; Saturday 4/16/16 & Saturday 4/23/16 - 9am -noon; and PICK UP - Sunday, 5/1/16 - 1:30-2:30pm. Feel free to forward this information to your friends and family that would be interested in consigning. We always welcome new consignors!

Thank you for your participation, support, and prayers in our consignment sale and making this a very successful ministry. Questions? Email us at consignment@oakland-baptist.com or see a member of the CCSM Team: Denise Brooking, Sandy Harper, Kim Rosson, or Angie Wright.

Goshen Association will be hosting **IMPACT VA** in Orange this summer from July 10 -16. Volunteers are needed for the following positions: Crew Chiefs & Adult Crew Members, Runners, Refuse Hauling & Lunch Preparation. See letter from John Miller regarding position descriptions on bulletin boards in hallways. If you would like to help out, contact John @ 540.894.8440.



WMU Happenings...

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering - Let us give thanks that we have exceeded our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Goal of \$1,000 this year by \$20. Thanks for your sacrificial giving and support. It's not too late to give.

Twelve ladies enjoyed a time of fellowship and food on March 20th. Thanks for all the donations for our baby layettes as well as two handmade quilts. Thanks Louise and Jeni. The baskets will be delivered to Goshen.

On Saturday, May 7th, we will have an opportunity to help with the yardsale at RuraLove. We will work from 7 am - 1:30 pm. If interested in helping, contact Sharon Kincaid at 804.439.1417 or grammykincaid@yahoo.com.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – April 2016

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Nursery
03	Kim Rosson	Kim Frank	Lesley Alford	Michelle Alford
10	Len Archer	Hazel Morgan	Bill Groome	Sandy Harper
17	Paul Archer	Betty Stanley	Shirley Bath	Kim Rosson
24	Lonnie Kincaid	Ann Taylor	Betty Rains	Cheryl Klaty



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<u>3</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship w/Sarah 12:30 pm Deacon's Meeting	<u>4</u> 7 pm – Bible Study	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir Setup racks for Consignment	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consigner Drop Off	<u>9</u>
<u>10</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 11:15am Children's Worship w/Susan 1 pm – Final Setup for Consignment	<u>11</u> 10am – WOM Morning Group 7 pm – Bible Study	<u>12</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor Shopping	<u>13</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Quarterly Business Meeting	<u>14</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignment Sale	<u>15</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignment Sale	<u>16</u> 9am – 12 pm ½ price Consignment Sale
<u>17</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 11:15 am Children's Worship w/Shirley 12:30 pm – Youth Committee	<u>18</u> 7 pm – Bible Study	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>21</u> 10am Seniors @ Gum Spring 7pm WOM	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u> 9 am – 12 pm ½ price Consignment Sale
<u>24</u> 8:30 Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 11:15 am Children's Worship w/Betty	<u>25</u> 7 pm – Bible Study	<u>26</u> 6:30 pm – until Consignment Resort	<u>27</u> 6pm WNS 7pm Adult Bible Study, Youth, & CIA's 8pm Choir	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>

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*Changes to your name, address, birthday, or anniversary?
Please contact your deacon or call the church office at
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Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Lesley Alford
Shirley Bath
Donna & Robert Burris
Ruth Coleman
Lou Dodson
Shearin England
Brandon Fields
Bailey Grant-Dickerson
Margie Gonzalez
George Groome
Hallie Hicks
Elijah Justiniano
Roy Lee
Frank Moran
Gladys Nester
Claire & Tom Parrish
Louise Parrish
Sandy Patterson

Mabel & Gerald Pleasants
Heath Rains
Randy & Betty Rains
Frank Sheffield
Jenny Smith
Ron Taylor
Our Country
Our Church & Youth
Homeless
Community Needs
Unspoken Prayer Requests

Our Christian Love & Sympathy:
**Jeni DeRusha & Family in loss of her
uncle**

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

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, Deployed

The prayer concern is completely revised monthly through mentioned prayer concerns, website submissions, email (communication@oakland-baptist.com) or by contacting Sharon Kincaid by the 15th of each month