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“Like a Tree Planted by the Water”

Judith B. Bailey

September begins a new Sunday School year as leaders, parents, dedicated teachers, children and youth come together for the most important task of helping educate Christians -training them up in the way they should go. (Proverbs 22:6) Adults and teachers continue the important task of learning as well.

I believe there is nothing more important parents can do than share genuine faith with their children daily, and in the community of believers - the church. Why do I say that? Because I believe the most important gift we can give our children is to help them know God and to follow Christ in their lives.

During the past two weeks, thousands of parents have seen their children leave for college, or even if they didn't leave home, they enter into a new relationship. As our oldest grandson left for Bridgewater College, I reflected on the challenges I know he will face. Having been a campus minister for twenty-one years, I am very familiar with the cultural aspects of college life that are not always beneficial.

So the question is how will he do? How with other first year college students do?

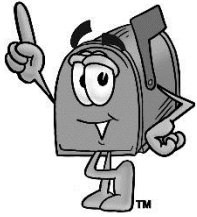
Wise choices will depend upon the way they have been taught and the company they keep. There are many references in the Bible about parenting and teaching children how they should live. For example, in addition to Proverbs 22:6; see Ephesians 6:4; Deuteronomy 4:9 and 11:19; and 2 Timothy 3:15. All have to do with constant teaching the values that will give a firm foundation for faithful living.

Let us give thanks for teachers and for leaders who give their time and attention to Christian education, to learning and teaching the Bible. And let us take the opportunity to give our children “deep roots” that will help them flourish throughout their lives.

Blessed are they who trust in the Lord,
Whose confidence is in God.
They will be like a tree planted by the water
That sends its roots out by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.
It is not anxious in the year of drought
And never fails to bear fruit.
Jeremiah 17:7-8

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What Christ Is To Us

The Shield from every dart;
The Balm for every smart;
The Sharer of each load;
Companion on the road.

The Door into the fold;
The Anchor that will hold;
The Shepherd of the sheep;
The Guardian of my sleep.

The Friend with Whom I talk;
The Way by which I walk;
The Light to show the way;
The Strength for every day.

The Source of my delight;
The Song to cheer the night;
The Thought that fills my mind;
The Best of All to find—is Jesus!

—Anonymous

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 Wednesday

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.

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Happy Birthday!

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|--------------------|------|
| Kaitlyn Hawk | 9/1 |
| Allen Perkins, Sr. | 9/3 |
| Deborah Murphy | 9/4 |
| Allen Perkins, Jr. | 9/4 |
| Janet Hawk | 9/5 |
| Alma Walton | 9/6 |
| Tom Parrish | 9/8 |
| Ralph Pleasants | 9/8 |
| Sonny Sheets | 9/8 |
| Brian Hodges | 9/9 |
| Chelsea Atkins | 9/10 |
| Westley Atkinson | 9/10 |
| Grayson Proffitt | 9/11 |
| Daniel Strebel | 9/11 |
| Teresa Miles | 9/13 |
| Lori Carrasco | 9/14 |
| Dabney Barber | 9/15 |
| Tony Gordon | 9/15 |
| A.J. Nester | 9/15 |
| Robert Atkinson | 9/16 |
| Dalton Nixon | 9/16 |
| Teresa Groome | 9/19 |
| Sabrina Kirkines | 9/20 |
| Donald Bowmaster | 9/23 |
| Monica Grooms | 9/23 |
| Frances Groome | 9/25 |
| Matt Barlow | 9/26 |
| Michael Brooking | 9/26 |
| Thomas Reid | 9/27 |
| Stacey Harper | 9/28 |
| Audrey Alford | 9/29 |
| Brandi Goff | 9/29 |
| Lorraine Majka | 9/29 |

Happy Anniversary!

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| Bobby & Betty Fields | 9/5 |
| John & Dabney Barber | 9/6 |
| Charles & Diana Wagner | 9/6 |
| Pedro & Brenda Carrasco | 9/17 |
| Robbie & Margo Parrish | 9/23 |
| Dana & Nancy Franklin | 9/27 |

OBC Sunday School Classes 2016-2017

The Sunday School is the educational body of the church where qualified people lead the class members in instructional time of divine truth. Sunday School is an important evangelical tool for the church to grow Disciples of Christ in direct support of the Great Commission as found in Matthew 28: 18-20.

Oakland Baptist Church has Sunday School classes for all ages. All of the classes use literature from Lifeway Resources, which is the Southern Baptist publishing company and the home of the Southern Baptist Sunday School board. Our class offerings are:

- Babies - 2 years
- Preschool: 3 years - PreK
- Children 1: K - 3rd Grade
- Children 2: 4th - 6th Grade
- Youth: 7th - 12th Grade
- Adult - Ladies
- Adult - Men
- Co-Ed Adult: Faith Builders
- Co-Ed Adult: The Seekers

Join us for a church-wide social on Sunday, September 4th at 9 am. A continental breakfast will be served and you will have an opportunity to learn about the Sunday School classes offered at Oakland.

Wednesday Nights

Join us on September 7th as we kick off a new year of Wednesday night activities. Dinner begins at 6 pm and cost \$3.00 for Adults - Youth and \$1.50 for Children ages 3 - 11 years. Bible Study, Youth and CIAs begin at 7 pm and Choir Practice follows at 8 pm.

Members of Oakland will lead our Adult Bible Study time. This will be a time of digging deeper into God's Word.

CIAs will be led by Sarah Blair and Sharon Kincaid. All children K - 5th grade are invited to join us for a wonderful time of learning about missions. We will travel around the world as we met children to learn about the culture and how they share the love of Jesus with those around them.

NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS

WMU Happenings...



Alma Hunt Offering & Week of Prayer for State Missions is September 11th - 18th. Oakland's goal is \$1,500. Prayer guides and offering envelopes will be on the tables in the Sunday school classrooms and church foyer.

Thank you for your support of our mission projects. In July we collected a large box of school supplies to send to area schools. During August, we collected 50 colored composition notebooks for the Goochland Women's Correctional Center.

September/October Mission Project: collect Christmas/All Occasion cards & forever stamps for the Goochland Women's Correctional Center. Place donations on table outside of copy room. Deadline to bring in items is Sunday, October 23rd.

Stop Hunger Now meal packing event is Sunday, October 9th from 3 - 5 pm at Mineral Baptist Church. We will take the bus. WMU will provide a light lunch after worship service so bring a change of clothes and join us. A sign-up sheet will be in the church foyer. Let's be the hands and feet of Jesus to help those in need.



Shoebboxes are available for pick up along with a list of suggested items to fill the box and a label. Place filled boxes on the table outside the copy room. Boxes are due on Sunday, November 13th.

If you have questions about any of the items above, contact Sharon Kincaid at grammykincaid@yahoo.com or 804.439.1417.

Children's Consignment Sale Ministry: The Consignment Ministry team is getting prepared for the upcoming children's Consignment Sale! Mark your calendars for September 29 & 30 and October 1 & 8. We welcome everyone to become part of this great ministry to help those in our community. Details on how to consign are on our church website www.oakland-baptist.com. If you would like to help work the sale, please contact Sandy Harper.



Make sure you follow our new Oakland Baptist Church Facebook page! The web address is www.facebook.com/OBCGumSpringVA. We are working hard to post current pictures and announcements to keep you informed. Check it out!

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – September 2016

| Date | Deacon | Greeter | Kid's Korner | Extended Session – Babies to 2 yrs |
|------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| 04 | Sandy Harper | Kay Amos | Lesley Alford | Sandi Blair |
| 11 | Ricky Harper | Betty Dunivan | Bill Groome | Kim Rosson |
| 18 | Betsy Young | Kim Frank | Shirley Bath | Michelle Alford |
| 25 | Bobby Fields | Hazel Morgan | Pat Groome | Sandy Harper |



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| <u>4</u> 9 am – Sunday School Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship | <u>5</u> LABOR DAY! | <u>6</u> | <u>7</u> 6 pm – WNS 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir Practice | <u>8</u> | <u>9</u> | <u>10</u> |
| <u>11</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship | <u>12</u> 10 am – WOM Morning Group | <u>13</u> | <u>14</u> 6 pm – WNS 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir Practice | <u>15</u> 10am Seniors @ Oakland 7pm WOM | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> |
| Alma Hunt Offering & Week of Prayer for State Missions – September 11th – 18th | | | | | | |
| <u>18</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship | <u>19</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>21</u> 6 pm – WNS 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir Practice | <u>22</u> | <u>23</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor Drop Off | <u>24</u> 9 – 10 am Consignor Drop Off |
| <u>25</u> 8 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship | <u>26</u> | <u>27</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor Shopping Night | <u>28</u> | <u>29</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Shopping Night | <u>30</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Shopping Night | |

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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:

Patsy Anderson
Robin Battle
Shirley Bowyer
Ruth Coleman
Ronnie Cook
Virginia Beach-Cook
Wendy Cooper
Lu Dodson
Brandon Fields
Margie Gonzalez
Bailey Grant-Dickerson
George Groome
Polly Kane
Julie Lloyd
Frank Moran
Gladys Nester
Ethel Osterbind
Louise & Robert Parrish
Callahan Phillips
Mabel & Gerald Pleasants
Heath Rains
Randy & Betty Rains
Riley Saunders
Philip Scheaffer
Shirley Shelton

Linda Shettle
Betty Smith
Jenny Smith
Nita Snead
Jimmy Stewart
Tommy Tyler
Allen Wade
Evelyn Wade
Cecil & Pete Watson
Sandi Williams
Our Country
Our Church & Youth
Interim Pastors: David &
Judy Bailey
Pastor Search Committee:
Michelle Alford
Len Archer
Bill Groome
Susan Heffinger
Kim Rosson
Our Next Pastor/Pastors

*Our Christian Love & Sympathy
The Family of Gilbert Carter
The Family of Brenda Fredericks
The Family of Bernice Walker*

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