

Oakland
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Church



THE ACORN

October
2017



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Dear church family,

We've hit my favorite time of year...**Fall!** I've always been confused as to whether to call it Fall or Autumn, so I did some research. It turns out that early poets would use the term "fall of the leaves", which later turned to simply, Fall. For me, Fall means cooler temperatures, s'mores, bonfires, hayrides, and...Football! Can you remember how many times that I've used "Fall" so far?

I was a Forestry major at Virginia Tech so trees and leaves are exciting to me, and I like jumping in piles of leaves with the girls! Think of Fall as the time when you can "drop dead leaves" or old habits that have been hindering your walk with Christ for some time now, to make room for the new leaves that will "spring forth" and strengthen your relationship with Him. Leaves fall each year, but we need to be aware of leaves in our lives that need to fall daily...the only way to grow is to rid your life of the unhealthy habits, and insert routines and practices that will shine His light with even greater strength in your life.

May God continue to guide you as you walk your path for Him.

Blessings of peace,

Nate



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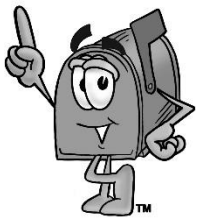
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OAKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH WEBSITE:

Have you checked out the church website lately? Changes have been made to keep the site current. If you have any pictures from events you would like to post or have any ideas or suggestions, please see Kim Rosson or email webmaster@oakland-baptist.com. We are always looking for ways to improve the site and make it a place you can go for all information on the happenings at Oakland! Check it out at www.Oakland-Baptist.com

Goshen Fall Meeting

Tuesday, October 31

10 am - 3 pm

Hebron Baptist Church

***At the corner of Hebron Church Road
and Courthouse Road, Spotsylvania***

***The Hands of Christ: Growing, Serving
& Cooperating***

Special Music: John Stiles

Mission Message: The Bridge Ministry



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!

Stephanie Amick	10/1
Hannah Harris	10/4
Gavin Marks	10/4
Julie Lloyd	10/5
Gwen Saunders	10/5
Kathy Groome	10/6
Judy Morton	10/6
Joyce Hawk	10/8
Margie Gonzalez	10/9
John Ware	10/11
Susan Heffinger	10/12
Louise Ware	10/12
Debbie Cutchin	10/12
Kay Amos	10/12
George Groome	10/12
Polly Kane	10/13
Grayson Atkinson	10/13
David Ware	10/15
Kim Rosson	10/15
Heather Hodges	10/19
Pat Groome	10/19
Grayson Grant	10/21
Elizabeth Buie	10/21
Rebecca Able	10/23
Judy Walton	10/23
Andrew Hutchinson	10/23
Gail Brooks	10/26
Kathy Pope	10/26
Rob Parrish	10/27
Alma Salazar	10/28
Frank Moran	10/28
Kelli Groome	10/30

Happy Anniversary!

Mike & Jamie Sprouse	10/4
Kevin & Jessica Osborne	10/7
Jason & Stephanie Amick	10/8
Timmy & Cassanda Jarrell	10/16
Michael & Tammy Brooking	10/16
Jeff & Gail Brooks	10/18
Tom & Claire Parrish	10/18
Billy & Judy Walton	10/19
Martin & Alma Walton	10/30

Virginia Baptist Women's Choral
Performance
Saturday, October 14th
6 pm
Second Baptist Church
Please join us for a night of music
"Celebrating the Love of God."

Youth News...

The youth families and youth committee came together for a cookout at our house a couple of weeks ago. My door is always open to our youth and families and now they know how to find me! It was a great opportunity to present the main calendar for the year and talk about things like fundraising and camp options. I like to give out as much information up front as I can so parents can mark calendars and prepare for financial commitments. I need to give a huge shout out to the youth committee! They hung in there with me in early August when we began putting the calendar together and visioning for the upcoming year.

October will be a full month. The youth committee will be in charge of the concessions for the fall Consignment Sale. If you'd like to contribute baked goods for the bake sale, we would greatly appreciate it! We are also planning a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Wednesday, October 11. If you plan to attend the Business Meeting that night, come and join us for dinner first.

The youth and CIA's will be packing the Flood Buckets on Wednesday, October 4 and delivering them to the BGAV on Monday, October 9 (Columbus Day).

Thank you for your continued prayers for our youth, for me and my family.

Shelby

Notes, Mission Opportunities & Announcements

WMU Happenings...

Our October mission project is collecting Christmas/All Occasion cards and Forever Stamps for the Goochland Correction Center for Women. Place donations on table outside copy room. Questions? Contact Sharon Kincaid at 804.439.1417.

Goshen Mission Celebration will be held on Sunday, October 11, from 3 - 5 pm at Dogwood Baptist Church. Emphasis is on the Homeless Ministry and we will pack the blessing bags. Everyone is invited to attend. Hope to see you there.

Sewing Club at Goshen: A sewing day is planned at the Goshen Ministry Center for Saturday, October 21, from 9 am - 3 pm for anyone interested in learning to make the sani-pads, pillow case dresses and shorts. Even if you don't sew, you can help! We need sewing machines, scissors to cut fabric, straight pins, pre-washed cotton fabric, and thread. Bring a bag lunch or \$10 to get lunch brought in from a local restaurant. So far, the group has completed and shipped: 550 dignity sani-pads, 239 pairs of children's briefs, 102 pillow case and t-shirt dresses, and 11 fishing kits. Questions? See Sharon Kincaid or Lesley Alford.

Thank you for your support of the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Offering. To date, we have collected \$786. It's not too late to give. Our goal is \$2,000.

Children's Consignment Ministry...

The Children's Consignment Ministry is dedicated to helping others in our community and beyond with affordable clothing and items for children. Our Spring and Fall sales bring many people to our church and gives us an opportunity to witness to them and spread the love of Jesus. Over the years, the donations of unsold clothing have gone to many families in need and to many other ministries. Most recently, we have packed up our donated items from the spring/summer sale and are delivering them to the Lighthouse Ministry in Lynchburg - our youth group served this ministry during their summer mission trip. We also keep racks of clothes and shoes on hand year round to be ready to help at any time.

A recent email from one of consignors has blessed us and confirmed why we love and are involved in this very important ministry:

Hello sweet ladies from Oakland Baptist Church!

Just want to send a message to let you know that our family is moving out of state (Florida - my husband has a new job in Tallahassee) and will of course not be able to participate in the consignment sales going forward. The sales have been such a source of blessing for our family for "I can't remember how many years." It has been a joy to regularly visit with you as well as to sell and purchase needed items through the sale. You are truly a precious group and have certainly blessed Goochland and Louisa tremendously through the ministry. Thank you for being excellent and for being a witness for the Lord Jesus Christ through the work you are doing. Lord bless you!!

If you have not helped at the sale in the past, we would love to have you join us for this ministry in helping others. You will be blessed!

Our next sale begins with drop off on 9/29 & 9/30. See Sandy Harper for times you can volunteer to help. More information on dates, times and how to consign is on the Consignment Ministry tab of our church website - www.Oakland-Baptist.com

Consignment Ministry Team: Denise Brooking, Sandy Harper and Kim Rosson

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – October 2017

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Extended Session – Babies to 2 years	Extended Session – 3 years to PreK
01	Frank Smith	Wanda Miller	Sharon Kincaid	Sarah Blair	Cheryl Driver
08	Bill Groome	Ann Taylor	Bill Groome	Julie Varnier	Kim Rosson
15	Pat Groome	Betty Dunivan	Shelby Jones	Denise Brooking	Alisha Fields
22	Lonnie Kincaid	Hilda Harper	Kim Rosson	Becky Sutterfield	Shirley Bath
29	Sandy Harper	Hazel Morgan	Shirley Bath	Rhonda Lloyd	Wendi Cooper



<u>1</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 12:30pm Deacon Meeting	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor's Shop	<u>4</u> 6pm – WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth, CIAs & Mission Friends 8 pm – Choir Practice	<u>5</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Sale	<u>6</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Sale	<u>7</u> 9 am – 12 pm ½ Price Public Sale
<u>8</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>9</u> 10 am – WOM Morning Group	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> 6pm – WNS 7 pm – Quarterly Business Meeting & Youth NO CIAs or Mission Friends 8 pm – Choir Practice	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> 9 am – 12 pm ½ Price Public Sale
<u>15</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> 6pm – WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth, CIAs & Mission Friends 8 pm – Choir Practice	<u>19</u> 10 am – Seniors @ Elpis Christian 7 pm – WOM Evening Group	<u>20</u> 7 pm – Dennis Swanberg "The Swan" Mineral Baptist Church's Family Life Center	<u>21</u> 9 am – 3 pm Goshen Sewing Club
<u>22</u> 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> 6pm – WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth, CIAs & Mission Friends 8 pm – Choir Practice	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>29</u> 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>				

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Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Henry Amos
Patsy Anderson
Paula Archer
Virginia Beach-Cook
Don Beatty
Shirley Bowyer
Josh Chance - C4C
Ruth Coleman
Brian Conrad
Bobby Cook
Lucy Cook
Kaitlyn Daniels
Robert Dorey
Margie Gonzalez
Velma Goodwin
Bailey Grant-Dickerson
Pat Groome
Kathy Jones
Victor Kandrotas
Dean & Vicki Kellison
Bryan McCallister
Frank Moran

Dale Nester
Gladys Nester
Louise & Robert Parrish
Callahan Phillips
Mabel & Gerald Pleasants
Jason Pope
Kathy Pope
Wayne Profitt
Riley Saunders
Betty Smith
Nita Snead
Walter Taylor
Karla Turman
Cecil Watson
Our Nation & Community
Our Church
Victims of Hurricane Harvey, Irma & Maria

Expressions of Sympathy to the families of:
Vernell Amos
The Crites

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

Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:
Joey Berlin, Stateside
Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside
Gabe Edwards, Stateside

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.