THE LAMPLIGHTER – JULY, 2018

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Independence Day Lessons for Church Life

- **Return to the basics** On July 4 we commemorate the origins of our country. In terms of faith, we also periodically need to hear again the foundational stories of Creation, the Israelites and, of course, Jesus.
- Honor the gift of freedom "For freedom Christ has set us free ... do not submit again to a yoke of slavery" (Galatians 5:1, ESV). We strive as citizens to preserve and live out our national freedom. Likewise, as citizens of God's kingdom we live gladly in the freedom of salvation and share that gift with others.
- **Enjoy community** July 4 is known for picnics, parades and other community gatherings. Similarly, the church is nourished by coming together for worship, meals and other special events.
- **Be light in the darkness** As fireworks brighten the sky with light and color, the church is called to display the Gospel's unique light in a dark world. Our word *dynamite* and the Greek word for *power* as in, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you" (Acts 1:8) share a root. Through God's power in us, we share Jesus dynamically! with others.

-Heidi Mann

A Tribute to America

Please join us on Sunday, July 1st at 11:00 a.m. as we pay tribute to all military personnel who have served or are currently serving our country. We will honor members of the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Air Force and Marines. During the Procession of the Patriots, we will ask each person connected to a branch of the military to please stand and be recognized. We are asking everyone to wear red, white, and blue on Sunday, July 1st. In addition to honoring military personnel, we will also celebrate first responders. Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical members serve and protect our communities every day. We are grateful to all of you for your service and sacrifice!



















"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."



Our Christian love & sympathy are extended to:

- *Hubert Goins & family in the death of his sister, Nina Mae Hickman
- *Anne Thurman & family in the death of her father, Harold Riddle
- *The family of Virginia Trump
- *Elizabeth Medlin & family in the death of her husband, Ed Medlin
- *Judy Brewer & family in the death of her brother-in-law, Ravin Jones



Congratulations to Ashton Arellano and Chloe Gilliam on the birth of their son, Greyson Nicholas Arellano. Greyson was born on June 20th weighing 3 lbs. 15 oz. Emily Hill is the proud grandmother, Dinah DeFord the great-grandmother, and Barbara Crusenberry the great-grandmother.



Dear Oak Grove Family,

Thank you all so very much for every expression of love and concern we received during Kyle's illness and hospitalization. We appreciate your cards, calls, visits, and the food you provided. We also want to thank the church for the Gideon Bibles placed in memory of Kyle's sister, Emma Cloud. Please continue to lift Kyle in prayer. We love you and appreciate you all. Bertie & Kyle Shoemaker

I would like to say a big "Thank You' to everyone who had a part in our Vacation Bible School this year. There are so many different things that go into making it a great week for our Lord and so many people are involved that I could not begin to mention them all. It truly is a church-wide effort. We could feel your prayers each day and see the results of much planning and preparation. We averaged 101 students and one public decision was made for Christ. Please continue to pray for the seeds that were planted and the contacts that were made. Elaine Hillman



Welcome New Members

John, Whitney & Jordan Witt Parker DeFord



Oak Grove Baptist 150th Anniversary

In September 2019 Oak Grove Baptist Church will celebrate its 150th Anniversary. Our History Committee needs your help. If you have pictures, past or present, of happenings at OGBC we would greatly appreciate it if you would share them with us. Please place your photograph(s) in a labeled envelope or folder. Your pictures will be scanned and returned within three weeks. If you prefer to send via email, please scan and send them to angela@ogbchurch.org. Thank you for your help as we seek to show the history of our church!



For the month of July we are collecting school supplies for boys and girls ages 10-14. We need pens, pencils, sharpeners, colored pencils, zippered pencil pouches, safety scissors, glue sticks, and small adhesive tape. Please leave your donations in the box outside of the church office. Thank you!!



Sunday, July 8th at 6:00 p.m.

The youth and adults that recently traveled to Cleveland, Tennessee will be sharing all about their experiences on the Ocoee Mission Trip this year. It's always a blessing to hear how God worked in the lives of the volunteers and the people they served.









Each of us is called to participate in the ministry of reaching others for Jesus Christ. As we approach the new church year in September, please think about the spiritual gifts that you have been given, and where you could put those gifts to work in the church.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PM - No Service	2	3	4 4 4 4 Church Office Closed	5	6	7
8 PM Mission Team Report *Retirement Party for Patsy Tate after PM service	9	10	5:30 Church Council 6:30 Business Meeting	10:30 Senior Adult Choir & Fellowship	13	14
AM – Baptism PM I Can Only Imagine	16	17	18 6:30 Prayer Meeting	19	20	21
PARENTS DAY	23	24	25 6:30 FAMILY MISSION NIGHT	26	27	28
29 PM – Music Night	30	31 One Na	ation Under (God	Every Sunday 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship, Children's Church	Every Wednesday 6:30 Youth & College & Career Bible Study, RA's, GA's, MF's 7:15 Adult Choir