

THE LAMPLIGHTER – MAY, 2019

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By: Todd Haley

Dear Friends and Family of Oak Grove,

Spring is one of my favorite times of the year. The weather is finally turning warm, the plants begin to flower, and being back in the hills of Tennessee is exciting. We just finished the Easter Cantata. Our choir and actors truly brought the message of Easter to life. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make the event such a success. I believe the hard work put in on Friday and Saturday resulted in over 420 people participating in 11am worship on Easter morning. I know of one person in particular who had never been to our church before Friday night. They were so touched by what they saw that Sunday morning they came here to worship. It is great to see how God is moving.

As we look to the near future, we have an incredible opportunity for anyone and everyone to participate with the church. We have a group going to Ocoee, TN to work on houses and reach out to people. Last year we had 35 youth and 10 adults go on the trip. This mission trip will be an excellent opportunity to serve God. Those going on the trip will be leaving on Sunday morning and returning Friday night, June 16th – June 21st. There is a small cost involved. Last year adults were asked to pay \$135, and the youth were asked to pay \$60.

This year it may be a little different but comparable. This is the least expensive mission trip you have ever had the opportunity to attend. If you cannot go, perhaps you feel led to give toward the trip. Gas, van rental, necessities all add up, and you could make a big difference with a gift. Whether you go or give, every one of us needs to be praying. We want God to be glorified by all that we do, especially as we commit a week of our lives to go and help others in the name of Jesus Christ. If you would like to go, or just want more information, please see Ramona Adams or call the church office and we will answer any questions you may have. This is a great opportunity. We don't want anyone to miss out on what God is doing.

Have a Great Day,
Pastor Todd Haley



Thank you so much to all the folks who made 'The End of the Beginning' such a wonderful and worshipful two evenings! And what two great crowds attended!

It was a great job by our drama team, supporting cast and I don't ever remember the choir sounding as well as you did Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning! I know that you did it with a passion to benefit God's Kingdom.

We now turn our attention to our Youth Choir's spring musical this Sunday evening, followed by our Sunbeam Singers on May 5th at 6:00 p.m. and our Children's Choir on May 15th at 6:30 p.m. Let's please be supportive of our aged group choirs.

In Christian Love, Doug



Our Christian love & sympathy are extended to:

- *Bobby Pendleton, Anna Sensabaugh & families in the death of their wife/sister, Rosa Pendleton
- *Jimmie Smith & family in the death of her husband, Skip Smith
- *Louis & Marlene Collier & family in the death of their daughter, Kelli Howard
- *Yolanda Clark & family in the death of her aunt, Jan Whitaker
- *The Family of Peggi Cook in her death



Dear Church Family,
 We are so blessed to be a part of this great family of Christians. We wanted to say thanks for all the prayers, calls, visits, texts, and gifts you bestowed on us during Bill’s hospital stay and recovery. We love each and every one of you.
 Love in Christ, Bill & Brenda Philyaw

Oak Grove Church Family,
 Thank you very much for the generous donation to the Pregnancy Help Center. Your support is greatly appreciated!
 Sincerely, Kelly Snodgrass

Thanks for all the calls, cards, visits, and especially your prayers.
 Paul & Sue Couch



Happy
Mother's
 Day

Thank you Mom!

“Thank you” just doesn’t seem to have enough meaning to express the gratitude a mom deserves. We are grateful for the love, care and sacrifices you make daily. May God bless you on this upcoming Mother’s Day!

*Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:
 Proverbs 31:28*

*From the Education
 Minister*



Bible study – it is something that each one of us should be doing, not only at church but also in our homes. Paul instructed Timothy in 2Timothy 2:15 to present himself as one approved.... rightly handling the word of truth. God expects the same of us today. To rightly handle the word of truth, we must read and understand it. Each of us should spend time daily in His word to understand His will for our lives. If you don’t know where to start, here are a few ideas.

1. Read a chapter each day starting in Matthew 1. If you have questions about what you have read, write them down and ask your Sunday school teacher or one of the staff.
2. Daily devotions. These are available online at different sites. You can buy these in printed books at Walmart or Amazon or your favorite book store. We also have a limited number of printed devotions (Open Windows) in the office for you to take if you would like one.
3. The You Version Bible app offers many daily reading plans. It also offers many plans that help track your progress of reading through the Bible.

What I am trying to say without belaboring the point is that there are so many ways to keep you in God’s Word each day. Don’t let another day slip by without diving into scripture.

Blessings, Eric



May 19- We will recognize the graduating Class of 2019 in our morning Worship service. If you are graduating High School or College please let me know.

May 22- Family Mission Night the Ocoee Mission Team will be serving a meal. We will take up donations that night to offset the cost of the mission trip.

June 16-21- Ocoee Mission Trip. If you have not signed up, do so now.

Ramona Adams

MAY SHOEBOX

Let us shop for you this month! During the month of May we are asking for donations to purchase soccer balls and pumps for shoeboxes that will be sent for Operation Christmas Child. We are able to buy the balls in bulk, resulting in lower prices. Each gift of \$7.00 will purchase a soccer ball and a pump.



If you'd like to donate, please mark your envelope "Shoebox Ministry". Our goal is to collect enough money to send 250 balls and pumps. Thank you!

Celebrating 150 Years

Oak Grove Baptist Church 1869-2019

We are excited to welcome Reverend Richard Harris to Oak Grove on Sunday, May 5th. Brother Richard will bring the morning message that day. Please plan to visit with Richard and his wife, Shirley from 9:00-9:45 that morning on the mezzanine.

Upcoming Dates:

June 2 – John Parrott

July 21 – Dr. Walter Crouch

August 18 – Dr. Benny Keck

September 8 – Homecoming - Chuck Frazier

We hope you will join us as we celebrate!

May Happenings



Wednesday, May 1 – VBS Meeting (FH) at 5:30 p.m. All workers are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, May 2 – National Day of Prayer Observance at Jaycee Park in Church Hill at 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 4 – GA Mother/Daughter Tea All GA's, their mothers and grandmothers are welcome to attend. Wear your finest Sunday dress and join us for this time of fellowship. Please RSVP to Samantha Stidham or Sarah Jones if you plan to attend.

Sunday, May 5 - AM – Guest Speaker Richard Harris PM – Sunbeam Singers present "God is our Superhero"

Thursday, May 9 - Senior Adult Fellowship (FH) All seniors age 55+ are welcome to join us at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 12 – Mother's Day, Parent/Child Dedication during 11 a.m. service. If you'd like to participate, please email (angela@ogbchurch.org) or call the church office at 357-7241. No PM service or activities that day.

Wednesday, May 15 – Children's Choir presents "(UN)Changing"

Sunday, May 19 – Graduate Recognition Sunday – please see Ramona Adams to participate.

Wednesday, May 22 – Family Mission Night Ocoee meal in the gym at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 26 – No PM service or activities

Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day – Church office closed



Each year on Mother's Day we collect a special offering to benefit Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes. These homes provide Christ-centered, nurturing homes for children in difficult situations across Tennessee through compassionate on-campus homes and foster families. TBCH believes every child should experience the stable, nurturing love of a family. They also believe the most crucial thing that can be shared with a child is the love and hope of Christ.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Every Sunday 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship, Children's Church 6:00 PM Worship</p>	<p>Every Wednesday 6:30 Youth & College & Career Bible Study, RA's, GA's, MF's 7:15 Adult Choir</p>		<p>1 5:30 Church Council, VBS Meeting (FH) 6:30 Prayer Meeting</p>	<p>2</p> 	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>10:00 – FH - GAMother- Daughter Tea</p>
<p>5 9:00 Meet and Greet w/ Richard & Shirley Harris AM Richard Harris PM Sunbeam Singers Spring Musical</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 6:30 Business Meeting (Elect Committee on Committees)</p>	<p>9 10:30 Senior Adult Choir & Fellowship (FH) 6:30 TBMB Reaching Kids in Your Zip (New Fellowship Ministries, CH)</p>	<p>10</p> 	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p>  <p>TBCH Offering AM Parent/Child Dedication No PM Service</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>  <p>6:30 Children's Choir Spring Musical</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 8:00 Deacons' Meeting AM</p>  <p>12:00 – FH Baby Shower for Matt & Ashley Helton</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 6:30 Family Mission Night</p> 	<p>23</p>  <p>Calvary Baptist Church Mission Team (Gym) May 23-31</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 12:00 FH – Tina Marshall</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>  <p>Church Office Closed</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 6:30 Prayer Meeting</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	