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Woman Wins \$10 million After Accidentally Pushing the Wrong Button on Lottery Machine

Last November, Edwards had just put \$40 into a lottery ticket vending machine at a supermarket in Los Angeles when "some rude person" bumped into her, causing her to accidentally push the wrong number on the machine.

"He just bumped into me, didn't say a thing and just walked out the door," Edwards said. But once she was in her car, she started scratching the \$30 ticket, and realized she'd won the top prize of \$10 million.

"I didn't really believe it at first, but I got on the 405 freeway and kept looking down at (the ticket), and I almost crashed my car," Edwards said.

Article found in NPR <u>STRANGE NEWS</u> by <u>DEEPA SHIVARAM</u> April 7, 2022 10:22 AM ET https://www.npr.org/2022/04/07/1091403634/woman-wins-10-million-lottery-wrong-button

Friends and Family of Oak Grove,

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. **Matthew 13:44**

Do you realize that a treasure worth far more than \$10 million is nearby? In fact, if you are a believer, you already have the keys. Even more remarkable than having the keys, you have the opportunity, no the expectation, no, the obligation to share it with others. Even with sharing it, you never lose it; it only grows. Now that is a treasure worth having.

"What is it?" you might ask. It is the Kingdom of God, and it does not wait until we are dead to allow us to access its wonderful benefits. We have access to the God of all creation, and He not only is willing to listen and act, He desires to listen and act on our behalf. Jesus said in **Matthew 7**:

7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? 11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! 12 Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

So today, what about bumping into someone and sharing the Good News. For the person who believes, the greatest treasure is just a prayer away.

With love, Pastor Todd



Our Christian love & sympathy are extended to:

- *Kyle Richardson in the death of his wife, Joyce Richardson
- *Maxie Shanks in the death of her brother, Russell Doty
- *Wally Ferrell & family in the death of his brother, David Ferrell
- *Kenneth Holcomb & David Holcomb in the death of their sister-in-law, Rita Holcomb



We would like to extend a special welcome to our newest members! We're so glad to have you!

Craig Adkins, Tina Gutierrez-Cruz, Lauren Light, Natalie Jennings, Kendal Taylor, & Annalee Wagner



A very heart-filled thank you to everyone involved in the Easter drama. You were wonderful to work with and did a phenomenal job. It was a true blessing to all.

Jaynie Connell & Scott Byerley

Dear Church Family,

There are no words to express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy and support you have given in the passing of my father.

With Love, The Family of Clarence Nelms



Well, April has come and gone and now we are deep into spring! Our study in 1 Thessalonians has been such a blessing as we see how Paul encouraged that very young church at Thessalonica in their walk with Christ. During the month of May, we will dive into 2 Thessalonians and continue our study of Paul's ministry to the church at Thessalonica and to all of us who read it now.

Blessings,

Eric



We will be recognizing our High School Seniors in the morning worship service on May 22, 2022. If you would like to participate please let me or Angela know. We will also have a meal that evening at 5:00 to honor the graduates and their families.

If you are graduating college and would like to be recognized, please let us know. We will recognize you during the morning worship service. I would like to say I am so proud of all of our graduates and thankful God has allowed me to be a part of their lives. I look forward to seeing how God is going to use them to make a difference in the world. Ramona

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2022!

Jared Counts, Ayden Dobbs, Alden Gage, and Lillie Redwine



To Our Church Family,

Let me begin by thanking our choir, drama team and directors, sound techs, live stream personnel, spotlights, narrator, nursery workers, and our church family for attending the Easter cantata and inviting others as well. Most of all, praise be to God for blessing us with so much talent at Oak Grove.

I don't remember directing a more spirit-filled musical on Saturday evening and Sunday morning....to a full house on both occasions! To all of you... thank you and let's keep inviting folks and praying for God's spirit to continue to move as we seek His will.

Please mark May 1st on your calendar at 6:00 p.m. Our Sunbeam Singers and Children's Choir will present their spring musicals. Let's support these programs as the children are the future of our church!

In Christian Love, Doug



New Adult Sunday School Classes

We are excited to offer two new Adult Sunday School classes. Elmer Dockery and Richard Slaght will begin teaching these new classes on Sunday, May 1st. Both classes will be held on the second floor of the Family Life Center.



Sunday, May 8

A Child's Perspective

A group of second-graders was quizzed about what ingredients their mothers are made of. One child said, "God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world, and one dab of mean."

To the question "What does your mom do in her spare time?" one youngster said, "Mothers don't do spare time."

When the children were asked "Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?" one child replied, "God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me."

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Child Dedication

We will have our Child Dedication service on Mother's Day, May 8th during Morning Worship. If you would like to participate, email Angela (angela@ogbchurch.org) or call the church office with your information. Please include the child's name and birthdate, parents' names, and a photo of your little one. Each child will receive a certificate and small keepsake. Deadline to register is Sunday, May 1st.

Tennessee Baptist Children's Home Mother's Day Offering

We will collect our Annual Mother's Day Offering on Sunday, May 8th. If you would like to donate, please mark your envelope "TBCH".



Sunday, May 1st at 6pm

Children's Choir & Sunbeam Singers Spring Musical

Thursday, May 5th

National Day of Prayer – People are asked to turn to God in prayer and meditation.

Wednesday, May 11th at 5:30pm

VBS Meeting (FH). All workers are encouraged to attend. If you have not signed up yet, you are still welcome to come.

Saturday, May 14th - 11:30-1:30

Ladies Luncheon in the Gym. ALL LADIES WELCOME! Melody Keck will be our guest speaker for the day. We will have a delicious lunch, sweet fellowship, and DOOR PRIZES! Invite someone to attend with you. Please RSVP by May 5th to Kathy Salyer at 360-3675 or the church office.

Sunday, May 22nd - 11:00 Service

High School Graduate Sunday – Those wishing to participate need to submit an informational form, along with pictures for a slideshow.

Monday, May 30th - Memorial Day

One Memorial Day, some children were asked what the holiday meant to them.

"That's the day the swimming pool opens!" answered one eager boy. What he didn't realize or appreciate was that he can freely go to the pool because more than one million people have put their lives on the line to preserve America's democracy. Many of them have died so citizens of other countries might also enjoy the privileges of political, social and economic freedom.

Memorial Day is our opportunity to pause and remember the sacrifices of many of America's best citizens. They made the supreme sacrifice on our behalf, so please remember to honor these heroes on May 30. The NewsletterNewsletter May 2008



May Shoebox Collection

The Shoebox Ministry team is asking for donations to purchase soccer balls and pumps for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox gifts. Your gift of \$8.00 will purchase a soccer ball and a pump. If you would like to give, please mark your envelope "Shoebox Ministry".

Thank you in advance for your support!



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