



# Acorns and Oaks

## Newsletter for Oak Grove Baptist Church Preschool and Children's Ministries

### May, 2025

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### Weekly Activities

- Sunday School – classes for all ages.  
Sunday 9:45 a.m.
- Jericho Junction (K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grades) and  
Children's Church (3 years thru 5 years)  
Sunday 11:00 a.m.
- Nursery – birth thru 2 years (all activities)
- Children's Choir (grades 1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup>) and  
Sunbeam Singers (3 years thru  
Kindergarten) – Wednesday 5:45 p.m. **Will  
be resuming in September**
- Children's Missions Organizations – GA's  
(girls grades 1-6), RA's (boys grades 1-6),  
Mission Friends (ages 3-Kindergarten)  
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

### If You Give a Mom a Muffin

If you give a mom a muffin,  
She'll want a cup of coffee to go with it.  
She'll pour herself some.  
Her three-year-old will come and spill the coffee.  
Mom will wipe it up.  
Wiping the floor, she will find some dirty socks.  
She'll remember she has to do the laundry.  
When she puts the laundry in the washer,  
She'll trip over the shoes and bump into the freezer.  
Bumping into the freezer will remind her she has to plan supper.  
She will get out a pound of hamburger.  
She'll look for her cookbook.  
(How to Make 101 Things with a Pound of Hamburger)  
The cookbook is sitting under a pile of mail.  
She will see the phone bill, which is due tomorrow.  
She will look for her checkbook.  
The checkbook is in her purse,  
Which is being dumped out by her two-year-old.  
While she is changing her two-year-old, the phone will ring.  
Her five-year-old will answer and hang up.  
She'll remember she was supposed to phone a friend  
To come over for coffee.  
Thinking of coffee will remind her she was going to have a cup.  
She will pour herself some more.  
And chances are,  
If she has a cup of coffee,  
Her kids will have eaten the muffin that went with it.

by Beth Brubaker

Happy Mother's Day!

### Looking Ahead

Sunday, May 4 – Children's Choir and Sunbeam Singers present their musicals in the evening service.

June 9 – 13 – Vacation Bible School – 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. Magnified – Made to Magnify God!

### Mission Friends

Wednesday 6:30

Ages 3 thru 5

In Mission Friends we will be studying missionaries in Southeast Asia during May. We're looking forward to enjoying some time outside and learning more about God's creations.

Ms. Candace and Ms. Jayne



## Preschool Sunday School

**Sunday 9:45**    ages 3 years thru 5 years

In May the children will celebrate Tucker, Camelia, Zoey and Lainey's birthdays. The children will learn how to worship in church. We will use Bible stories and songs to teach about Hezekiah and the people in church worshiping God, how Moses built a Tabernacle by working with others, how a widow gave all she had, and that people prayed for Peter.

The weekly lessons and Bible verses are:

**May 4: Hezekiah and the People Worshiped (based on 2 Chronicles 29) Weekly Verse: Come, let us worship God. Psalm 95:6 When riding in the car with your child, play and sing the worship songs. Remind your child that Hezekiah and the people worship God by singing.**

**May 11: Building the Tabernacle (based on Exodus 35:4-36:37; 39:32-43) Weekly Verse: We will do everything God says. Exodus 24:3 Build towers and buildings with blocks or interlocking toys with your child. Talk about the people building the tabernacle. Mention things you and your child do at church to learn and work together.**

**May 18: A Widow Gave All She Had (based on Mark 12:41-44; Luke 21:1-4) Weekly Verse: Bring an offering to church. Malachi 3:10 Review the Bible story with your child. Sing to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb": "People at church give offerings. / Offerings, offerings. / People at church give offerings. / They bring offerings to church."**

**May 25: People Prayed for Peter (based on Acts 12:1-19) Weekly Verse: Pray for one another. James 5:16 Say sentence prayers daily for many things. Help your child realize that he can pray to God about anything, anywhere. Pray as your child plays, thanking God for toys. Pray when you are in the car, asking God to help the drivers be safe as they drive. Pray for the mail delivery driver and sanitation worker.**

After our lesson, its craft time, recite our weekly bible verse and pray.

Hope to see your child on Sunday.

Miss Cathy - Preschool Sunday School Teacher



## Sunbeam Singers

**Wednesday 5:45**

ages 3 years thru  
Kindergarten

The Sunbeam Singers are continuing to learn about the Fruit of the Spirit. They enjoyed painting rocks to add to the Kindness Rock Garden at Chic-fil-A in Kingsport.

Everyone is invited to their program on May 4 at 6:00.

Come be a part of  
the fun!

Ms. Joan



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

**Sunday 11:00 – 12:00**  
ages 3 thru 5 years

The teachers help children understand the Bible Lessons on their level. They use Bible pictures, crafts, music, fun activities, and a lesson video to re-enforce the Sunday School lesson.

This month they will teach your little ones how to worship at church. The teachers will use lesson pictures to teach how Hezekiah and the people worshiped God, how Moses builds a temple, how a widow gave all she had, and how people prayed for other people. During the summer after the lesson the children will go to the playground. We look forward to having your children in Children's Church.

Miss Cathy - Children Church Director

# Children's Sunday School

Kindergarten thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Sunday Mornings – 9:45

Memory Verse for May: "Don't let anyone despise our youth, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity."

1 Timothy 4:12

Sometimes being a young person is hard. How do you know what God expects from you? Our Bible verse for May tells us to be examples – yes, even young people are to be examples for others to follow. In Sunday School each week, we look into God's Word, the Bible, to see how God expects us to act.

This month we will be studying:

May 4 – Delight in God's Word (Psalm 119) God's Word is true, and His righteous truths last forever.

May 11 – God Created You (Psalm 139) God Created me, knows me, and has a plan for my life.

May 18 – Obey the Word (James 1-3) When followers of Jesus obey God's Word, their actions and words show their faith is true.

May 25 – Be Humble (James 4-5) God blesses those who are humble.

Join us in Sunday School each week and look into God's Word to learn how you can be a good example for your friends and family.

In Christ's Love,

Mrs. Elaine Children's Sunday School Director

## Children's Choir

Wednesday 5:45 Grades 1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup>

The Children's Choir will be singing the musical Legends at Camp Garner Creek on Sunday, May 4th at 6:00

p.m. Come learn about some of the

legends in the Bible – Daniel, Ester, and

Joshua. Sometimes God also uses

ordinary people as heroes – people like YOU!

Diane and Robin



## Girls in Action - GA's

Wednesday at 6:30 Girls Grades 1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup>

## Royal Ambassadors - RAs

Wednesday at 6:30 Boys Grades 1—6

Adam and Millie Johnson are missionaries in Southeast Asia. During COVID-19 they used the Southern Baptist ministry called Send Relief to help over 4,000 factory workers receive food for 3 months when they had no way to earn money. The project helped the believers show God's love through encouragement, prayer, and Bibles during this very difficult time.

Today The Johnsons use smartphones to share videos and attention-getting ads about Jesus. In a city of around 10 million people, today's technology and social media allow them to reach out to share information, start online conversations, and set up face-to-face meetings with people who want to learn more about Jesus.

Join the GAs and RAs this month as we learn more about Adam and Millie and how we can help them share God's love from right here in Mt. Carmel, Tennessee!



27 "She watches over the activities of her household and is never idle.  
28 Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also praises her."

Proverbs 31



# Jericho Junction



Jericho Junction is a children's ministry for kids in Kindergarten thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. It meets at 11:00 on Sunday mornings during the worship service. Children will be learning from the same scripture their parents are learning from in the adult worship service. The kids are excited as we use songs, puppets, and video to teach each week.

## Looking Ahead for Our Little Ones...

*Ages Birth thru 2 years old*

April was busy in the nursery area!! The kids loved talking about Jesus and Easter. Parents, your littles are some smart cookies! We sang songs, colored scripture pages and even had our own little Easter Egg hunt. On Easter Sunday during Sunday School the kids looked and talk about the Resurrection using a visual aid (Resurrection eggs). They loved it!!!

May is a busy month in the church and we will keep the littles busy as well. Moms, make sure you check their bags each week for any goodies they may do! You never know what treasures you may find...

Thank you for sharing your sweet blessing each week with us! **Again, we would like to mention, if your child has been vomiting, had diarrhea, or had a fever in the last 24 hours prior, please do not bring them into the nursery.** We understand germs are everywhere, but we are striving towards keeping these precious babies and toddlers as healthy as possible. We are motivated to clean our nurseries on a regular basis, if you, as a parent, would like to volunteer to come in and help maintain a clean space, we would appreciate it. As always if you ever have a concern, please feel free to reach out to either of the directors.

Lastly, we still need volunteers. If God has been calling you to serve, please consider our nursery. We would love to have you!

**“We love because he first loved us” 1 John 4:19**

Mrs. Stephanie and Mrs. Lindsay

