



Acorns and Oaks

Newsletter for Oak Grove Baptist Church

Preschool and Children's Ministries

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Weekly Activities

Missionaries of the Week

As part of the Southern Baptist organization, we at Oak Grove help support missionaries around the world through our prayers and money. A part of each dollar given through your tithes and offerings goes to help missionaries tell others about Jesus.

During October pray for these missionaries:

Week 1: Ahmad Muqtasid in Arkansas (North American Mission Board - NAMB) and TG serving the Central Asian peoples (International Missionary - IMB)

Week 2: Joseph Gibbons in Nevada (NAMB) and DB serving the South Asian Peoples (IMB)

Week 3: Pete Kirwan (NAMB) in Kansas and HL (IMB) Northern African and Middle Eastern People

Week 4: Natalie Osmani (NAMB) in Tennessee and Dodie Glover (IMB) with American Peoples

Week 5: Ian Kitchen (NAMB) in North Carolina and JM (IMB) with European Peoples

When praying for missionaries celebrating birthdays this month, ask God to help with the following:

- ✚ Missionaries to be filled with the joy of the Lord
- ✚ God to provide friendships for missionaries who are far from home
- ✚ Missionaries and churches to have places to worship

- **Sunday School** – classes for all ages.
Sunday 9:45 a.m.
- **Jericho Junction** (K thru 6th grades) and **Children's Church** (3 years thru 5 years)
Sunday 11:00 a.m.
- **Nursery** – birth thru 2 years (Sunday School and Sunday morning worship services)
- **Children's Choir** (grades 2nd thru 6th) and **Sunbeam Singers** (4 years thru 1st grade) –
Wednesday 5:45 p.m.
- **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.

Mission Friends

Wednesday 6:30 Ages 3 thru 5

How does a nurse help people learn about Jesus? During October the Mission Friends will learn how Harrison Martin gets to share Jesus with people in Eastern Europe while he helps them get well. Come learn about the missionary with a bandaid.

Ms. Jayne

Come one, come all, first grade to sixth grade children! Where you ask? To Oak Grove's Sunday Night Fun Time in the Children's Department where you will become good friends with your Bible, memorize scripture and doing all this while playing games and other fun activities.



WHEN?
Sundays at 5:30 pm

BIBLE DRILL, JR
1ST-3RD GRADE

CHILDREN'S BIBLE DRILL
4TH-6TH GRADE

Preschool Sunday School

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

In October, the children will learn about the Word of God. They will discover that God told Jeremiah what to write, Ezekiel offered hope to His people, the prophets told things about Jesus, and Jesus read the scriptures.

The weekly lessons and Bible verses are:

October 5 - God Told Jeremiah What to Write (based on Jeremiah 36) **Weekly Verse:** *The Word of God, the Bible, lasts forever.* **1 Peter 1:25 Family Activity:** Spend time one-on-one with your child looking through your child's Bible and your Bible. Mention that both Bibles have God's words written in them. Say that we can learn more about God and Jesus and how we are to live and treat others from the Bible. Look at any pictures in the Bibles. Read aloud 1 Peter 1:25. Let your child see you reading your Bible so he begins to realize the importance of the Bible.

October 12 - Ezekiel Offered Hope (based on Ezekiel 37) **Weekly Verse:** *I am your God.* **Ezekiel 37:27 Family Activity:** Place your child's Bible inside a gift bag along with a baby toy and a set of keys. Show your child the bag as you say: "I put some items in the bag. One of the items in the bag is for people of all ages from very young babies to the oldest adults." Let your child guess a few times what could be in the bag. Remove and show the baby toy. Ask if this is for all ages of people. Repeat with the keys. Then let him pull out the Bible. State that the Bible is a special gift from God for people of all ages. Mention that we learn what to do and how to treat others from reading the Bible. Say we also learn about God and Jesus. Take time to look through the Bible at the pictures, maps, and text. Turn to Ezekiel 37:27 and read aloud the verse or say the verse from above.

October 19 - The Prophets Told About Jesus (based on Isaiah 7:14; 9:6; 11:1-5; Micah 5:2) **Weekly Verse:** *The Bible teaches about Jesus.* **2 Timothy 3:15 Family Activity:** Help your children learn the prophets' names. Write the letters I and M on tape and attach to blocks or other toys. Show each block, stating the name that goes with the letters. Show the letters as you play, encouraging your child to say the names. Give assistance as needed. Mention that what the prophets said is found in the Bible.

October 26 - Jesus Read the Scriptures (based on Luke 4:16-22) **Weekly Verse:** *Jesus said, "The Scriptures tell about Me."* **Luke 4:21 Family Activity:** Read your child's favorite book to him. Say that Jesus read the Scriptures to the people. Open your Bible and read aloud two or three of your favorite verses or use these: John 20:31; Acts 2:22; or Acts 10:38. **Family Activity:** Say that we can read about Jesus in the Bible. The Scriptures in the Bible still tell about Jesus.

After our lesson we will recite the weekly Bible verse then have snack time and prayer. We end Sunday School with Music time or a visit to the playground.

See you Sunday!

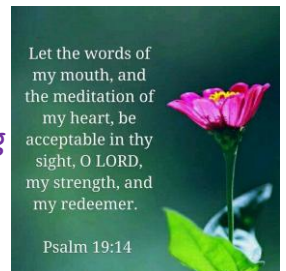


Wednesday 5:45
ages 4 years thru 1st Grade

The Sunbeam Singers are back on Wednesday nights in full force. The children are learning about the very first Christmas! They are looking forward to sharing the story of Christmas along with several songs in December.

We start each practice by working on memorizing Psalm 19:14.

Ms. Joan



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

We welcome Cindy Fleenor as our new Children Church Leader, and we are thankful she will be teaching our children about Jesus.

The children will learn about God's word. This month the children will learn how God told Jeremiah what to write, Ezekiel offered hope, the Prophets told about Jesus, and Jesus read the Scriptures. The children will make craft projects, color lesson sheet, and watch a video as they learn about God's Word and pray. They will end with Music time or a visit to the playground or gym.

We look forward to having your child in Children's Church.

Miss Cathy



Children's Sunday School

Kindergarten thru 6th Grade
Sunday Mornings – 9:45

Memory Verse for October: "For God loved the world in this way: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

Sunday School is such an exciting place to be! We have great teachers, lots of excited children, and hot chocolate with extra marshmallows. During October we will be learning more and more about Jesus; what could be more exciting than that!

October 5 – Jesus is the Word (John 1:1-28) Jesus, the Word, is fully God and became fully human to dwell with His people.

October 12 – Jesus and Nicodemus (John 3:1-21) God sent Jesus to rescue us from our sin and give eternal life to all who believe in Him.

October 19 – Jesus Fed the 5,000 (John 6:1-15) Jesus showed the people that He is the Messiah – greater than the prophet Moses.

October 26 – Jesus Is the Light of the World (John 9:1-39) Jesus seeks us and invites us to trust in Him as our Lord and Savior.

Join us each Sunday morning and learn more about Jesus and how much He loves you!

In Christ's Love,

Mrs. Elaine Children's Sunday School Director

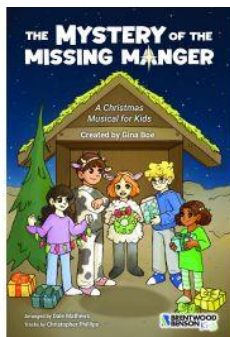
Children's Choir

Wednesday 5:45 Grades 2 thru 6

Children's Choir is busy working on new music for the Thanksgiving Worship Service and the Children's Choir musical. The Christmas musical is "The Mystery of the Missing Manger."

Come now and be a part of the Children's Choir and help us lead in Thanksgiving worship and solve this Christmas mystery.

Diane



Girls in Action - GA's

Wednesday at 6:30 Girls Grades 1st thru 6th

Royal Ambassadors - RAs

Wednesday at 6:30 Boys Grades 1—6

What are the things you like to do? Harrison Martin liked science, math, and helping people.

This month the GAs and RAs will learn how God used the things Harrison loved to do to tell people about His love and His Son, Jesus. Harrison works with a mobile medical clinic called CLETUS in Eastern Europe. He and his team travel around and help people who can't afford to see a doctor. After they help them feel better, he is able to share the gospel of Jesus with them.

Be a part of GAs and RAs on Wednesday nights and learn about missionaries around the world, how we can help them, and how we can be missionaries right here at home! And, it's a lot of fun, too!



"We cared for you. We loved you so much. So we were happy to share with you God's good news. We were also happy to share our lives with you."

1 Thessalonians 2:8

Jericho Junction



We had an incredible start to the new year in Jericho Junction. We had 41 children celebrate with us where we had a giant cookie cake, pizza, and a bounce house! We are looking forward to an exciting year of meeting new friends, learning new songs, studying and worshipping God!!



Looking Ahead for Our Little Ones...

Nursery News

Fall is in the air!! Leaves are starting to change and some mornings have a little chill in the air. The littles have been busy learning about Noah and the Ark and talking about all the different animals we can find on the Ark. Parents, keep a look out for those Sunday School crafts. The kids love making moms and dads those fridge worthy trophies!

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 the director.

If you have a child that attends any of the areas in the nursery or preschool department (behind the glass doors) please make sure that we have current contact information on file for your child. Use this QR code to update or add records or see your child's teacher when you bring him/her in.

Nursery is currently available during Sunday School and Sunday morning worship.

Lastly, we still need volunteers. If God has been calling you to serve in our nursery or preschool departments, we would love to have you!

Mrs. Stephanie

