



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

You can give a gift of joy and a message of God's love by giving a shoe box full of goodies to children. It is the world's largest Christmas project. For many of these children, the shoe box will be the first gift they have ever received. The National Operation Christmas Child Collection Week is Nov. 16-23. Start collecting your shoe boxes. More details coming.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Tammi Threlkeld
- 9 Harley NeeSmith
- 10 Teresa McCrillis
- 12 Shelia Thigpen
Robert Pierce
- 18 Shirley Odum
- 22 Carylon Carroll
- 23 Hildergard Stanley
- 28 Clay Callahan
- 29 Andrea Weaver
Al Rahn

WOMEN ON MISSIONS

The Women on Missions will meet for an evening of food and fellowship on Monday, October 12th at 6:00 P.M. at Shoney's Restaurant. Our mission emphasis for October will be a card shower for the Oaks card ministry. Please bring a box of cards (cheer and encouragement) postage stamps, and/or pens. See Kathy Gunn for more information

Pastor: Rev. Josh Hughes
Worship Leader: Dr. Glenn Eernisse
Youth Minister: Ms. Rustin Howard
Pianist: Mrs. Wanda Delk
Organist: Mr. Jared Register

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening	Wednesday Evening
9:45 Sunday School	5:00 Handbell Choir	5:15 Children's Choir
10:55 Morning Worship	6:00 Evening Worship	5:30 Church Supper
	6:00 Youth Gathering	6:15 The Edge (Youth)
	6:45 Choir Rehearsal	6:30 Children on Missions
		6:30 Adult Bible Study



The Oaks

"Where Vision and Tradition Grow Together"

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N Dear Oaks Family,

E Two weeks ago, our church did something that we had never done before...
W we recorded the morning worship service. With the gifts made available in memory of Mrs. Lucy New, the church was able to purchase a new sound system. I want to thank Dr. Wilbur New for casting the vision of providing the worship services to those who may be homebound, or absent from the Sunday morning worship service. Furthermore, we now have personal assisted listening devices that are available to help those who may be hearing impaired; please let us know if you need this assistance. Thank you for all who gave to this cause. We look forward to using this system to the glory of God for many years.

O On Sunday night, October 25, 2009, we will be having Trunk or Treat.

M Trunk or Treat is a great time of food, fellowship and fun; plus, it is a safe alternative for kids to Trick or Treat. We begin at 6 P.M, so we ask that all the cars be in the parking lot at 5:30 P.M. The kids will go car to car, asking for candy. After that, there will be games, a hay ride, and The Men on Missions will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs. If you are looking for a way to help, you may donate candy to be shared. (Please note that all candy should be individually wrapped and age appropriate.) We look forward to this even every year and we cannot wait to see you there.

O As a final note, I want you to begin collecting shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. OCC collection week will be November 16th-23rd. Last year we collected 52 boxes. This year, our goal is 75. You may bring the shoe boxes to the church at your convenience. If you are interested in helping plan and promote OCC, contact Charlene Dupree or the church office.

S Thank you church for all you do, and for your willingness to serve. May God bless you, as you bless others.

In His Peace,

Josh

October Volunteers

Crib Nursery Sunday (AM)

Oct. 4	Karen Mullinax & Shelia Thigpen
Oct. 11	Mary Georgia Moore & Karmen Mixon
Oct. 18	Jill Murphy & Tammi Threlkeld
Oct. 25	Lindsey Moore & Suzanne Beach

Toddler Nursery (AM)

Oct. 4	Barbara Hartley & Deborah Dotson
Oct. 11	Courtney Gay & Karen Ouzts
Oct. 18	J.D. Lockley & Becky Fitzgerald
Oct. 25	Susan Waters & Amy Moore

Nursery Sunday P.M.

Oct. 4	Pete Frost
Oct. 11	Brian Colson
Oct. 18	Laura Kate Jones
Oct. 25	Jill Murphy

Nursery Wednesday P.M.

Oct. 7	Shirley Odum
Oct. 14	Betsy Rollins
Oct. 21	Susan Waters
Oct. 28	Pete Frost

Ushers

Oct. 4	Rick & Barbara Hartley
Oct. 11	Bruce & Adeline Frost
Oct. 18	Rusty Howard & Sonny Odum
Oct. 25	Haile Thompson & Caitlyn Sutton

Building Manager for October

Robert Moore

Stewardship Report

Monthly Budget Needs: \$18,861.67
Received in September:
General Fund: \$ 19,674.10
Designated Funds: \$ 4,078.76



The Oaks Chancel Choir

We are still looking for new members! Advent is coming and we'll be starting work on music for the season soon. Our weekly worship attendance is growing - Singing in the choir assures you of a seat every week! Join us each Sunday evening following the evening service.



Youth Mailbag from The Oaks!

September was a big month for the youth at The Oaks. Along with other church members, we participated in the nation wide effort of rebuilding our communities and uplifting each other in the annual Eleven on Eleven event. We ministered to hospice patients, people at Summer's Landing and Bethany Assisted Living, and others in our community. We cleaned yards, painted fingernails, played cards, and visited. We were able to serve God while completing simple tasks that we often take for granted. Thank you to all of those who participated and made this event successful!

On Sunday September 13, the youth led the entire worship service. I was so proud of the fact that many of them conquered their fears of public speaking and served God through their leadership. We are so fortunate to attend a church who values youth and their abilities to serve.

On that Sunday night, we held our annual talent show to raise money for our youth program. We raised over \$950 and had a lot of fun doing it! This money is used for such things as our summer mission trips, ski trips, and other events that take place throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support as our program continues to grow and as we use our talents and abilities to share God's word with others.

These students are the future leaders of our church and our community. Please join me in praying for them each day as they find their places in the world and their purpose in life.

~Rustin



Children's Choir Notes

Children's Choir continues to go well each Wednesday evening. Children are memorizing hymns and earning rewards in the Hymns 'n' M & M program. We are playing music learning games, playing instruments, learning songs for worship and having a great time together. Don't forget choir each Wednesday at 5:15 - it's not too late for new members, Kindergarten through 5th grade!