

The Future Is Looking Good!

I Thessalonians 4:13-18

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I. Grieving with hope is part of a Christian _____.

II. Death doesn't end promises we have _____.

Sequence of Events:

III. The comfort of the _____ state.

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- E.

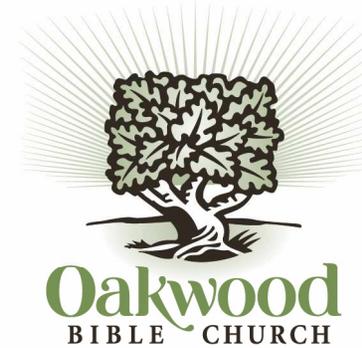
Key Passage: I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Supporting Scripture: Matt. 24:3; John 11:25-26; I Cor. 15:51-53;

II Cor. 1:20, 5:8-9, 12:2-4; II Tim. 1:9-10, Phil. 3:20-21.

Ruth's Cupboard: Pasta Sauce w/meat (24 oz.), White Sugar (5# bag), 100% Fruit Juice (64 oz.)

His Hands: Individually wrapped snacks, mini water boxes or juice boxes, canned meats with pull top lids, floss, hand sanitizer, toothbrushes, travel size toothpaste, chap stick and pocket sized Bibles.



A PLACE TO BELONG and *Grow*

December 7, 2014

"Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is."

I John 3:2 (NASB)

To Preach Christ, Teach the Bible, Disciple Believers

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Stephen Johnson, Senior Pastor
Steve Surine, Student Ministries

Bill Kiewiet, Associate Pastor
Wendy Newhouse, Admin. Asst.

Today

- 9:30 AM Nursery & Toddler's Church
Sunday School (ages 4 - High School)
College/Career
Adult Bible Fellowship
- 10:30 AM Join us for coffee fellowship in the Family Life Center
Children's Christmas Program Practice (Room 105)
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor Bill Kiewiet
Nursery & Toddler's Church
Children's Church (ages 4 - 2nd grade Room 107)
(3rd - 6th grade Room 106)

4:45 - 5:30 PM Ladies Praise Practice
5:30 - 7:00 PM Teen Embers (7th - 12th grade)



5:30 - 6:30 PM Puggles, Cubbies & Sparks
5:30 - 7:00 PM Truth & Training (Silent Night)

This Week's Activities (December 8 - 13)

- Tuesday - 6:30 PM Board Meeting
- Wednesday - 10:00 AM Prayer Meeting - Rm. 108 (Lower Level)
10:30 AM Mommy and Me - Toddler Room
5:30 PM Zumba Gold
6:00 PM Praise Team Practice
- Thursday - 6:00 PM College/Career Bible Study at the Surines
- Saturday - 10:00 AM Children's Christmas Program Practice
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Eager Hands

Upcoming Events

Churchwide

Dec. 14 6:00 PM Children's Christmas Program & Cookie Fellowship

Women's Ministries

Dec. 18 7:00 PM Sisters' Coffee Fellowship

Holiday Services Schedule

December 21 - 11:00 AM service with nursery and toddler care
(No Sunday School, Children's Church or Evening Activities)

December 24 - 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

December 28 - 11:00 AM service with nursery and toddler care
(No Sunday School or Children's Church or Evening Activities)

A brief meeting to discuss the Thanksgiving meal outreach will follow our service today in the auditorium.

The Children's Christmas Program - Sunday, December 14th at 6:00 PM is in need of cookies and volunteers to help in the kitchen. Please see the sign-up sheet at the Information Center.

Homebuilders Adult Christmas Party! - Friday, December 19th, 6:30 PM at the Strunk Home. Please come to a party for the young marrieds and adults with young families of Oakwood Bible Church! Place setting and drinks will be provided. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Also, please bring a wrapped Christmas mug to exchange with another couple (\$10 or less.) We hope to see you there!

'Mommy and Me' play date - Wednesday, December 10th at 10:30 AM in the toddler room. Come for a time to fellowship with other moms and let your children play. Any moms with children/infants at home are welcome. Call/text Andria Gipson (269)716-0144 with questions (no RSVP necessary).

Help Needed: We have several openings during the 11:00 Worship service in the Nursery and Toddler room that need to be filled. This is a very important ministry to our families and guests. Will you help in this area? Please call Erin Campbell (269-377-6931), find her in the Toddler room or write "Nursery" on a community card along with your name and contact information.

The Co-laborer's class will be having a Christmas party Saturday, December 13th, 5:30 PM at Brent and Shari Felten's home. Please bring a dish to pass and a \$5.00 ornament (one per family) if you wish to participate in the ornament exchange. For RSVP's and questions please see Nancy Eaton.

Gatekeeper openings - We are in need of individuals or families who would be willing to spend approximately 1-2 hours, once a month, to clean an area in the church. If you would be interested please contact Pastor Bill or Wendy Newhouse.

2015 Numbered Offering Envelopes are now available on the table outside of the Family Life Center (EFT givers please pick up your box of envelopes also.) If you do not currently have numbered envelopes, and would like a receipt of your giving starting January 2015, please fill out a Community Card (Attn: Karen Kortman) and drop it in the offering plate.

There was some tree work done recently at church and the wood from it is free to anyone who would like it. You'll see it piled around the church in various locations. Just haul it away.

November General Fund Offerings Month-to-Date: \$35,626.03

	<u>November Actual</u>	<u>Year-to-Date Actual Through November</u>
General Fund Offerings	\$35,626.03	\$176,284.19
General Fund Expenses	\$33,123.36	\$175,888.74
Offerings Less	\$+2,502.67	\$ +2,898.12
(Fiscal Year June 1 - May 31)		