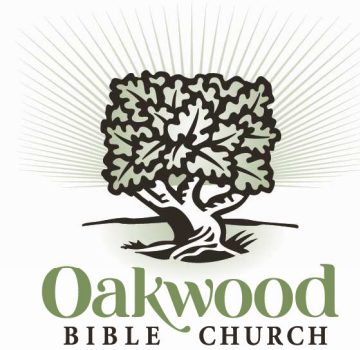


For Those Who Wait
Luke 2:25-32 / Isaiah 40:31
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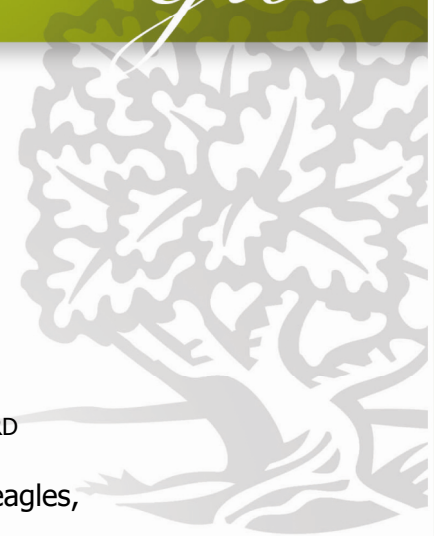
Ruth's Cupboard: There are many items needed this month, please pick up the list at the Information Center.
His Hands: Canned meats with pull-top lid, individually packaged snacks (applesauce, granola bars, fruit snacks, etc.)



A PLACE TO BELONG
and *Grow*

December 22, 2013

"Yet those who wait for the LORD
Will gain new strength;
They will mount up *with* wings like eagles,
They will run and not get tired,
They will walk and not become weary."
Isaiah 40:31 (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 Coffee fellowship in the Family Life Center
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor Steve Johnson
Nursery & Toddler's Church
Children's Church (ages 4 - 6th grade)
- 12:30 PM College & Career Lunch at the Feltens

Our 98th Year



7:00 - 9:00 PM Teen Embers Christmas Party (Grades 7th - 12th) at Oakwood

This Week's Activities (December 23 - 28)

- Monday - 7:00 PM Basketball
- Tuesday - 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service
- Wednesday - Office will be closed

Upcoming Events

Children's Ministries

Jan. 12 AWANA clubs resume

Teen Ministries

Dec. 31 9:00 PM New Year's All-Nighter

Jan. 11 Kalamazoo Gospel Mission

College & Career

Jan. 19 12:30 PM Lunch

Women's Ministries

Jan. 11 9:00 AM Eager Hands

Jan. 16 7:00 PM Coffee Fellowship

Jan. 25 9:00 AM Pinterest w/a Purpose

Men's Ministries

Jan. 4 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship

Young At Heart

Jan. 12 12:15 PM Dinner

Holiday Services Schedule

December 24 - 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

December 29 - 11:00 AM service with nursery and toddler care
(No Sunday School, Children's Church or Evening Activities)

January 5 - 11:00 AM service with nursery and toddler care
(No Sunday School or Children's Church or Evening Activities)

The Elders have interviewed **Danielle Daugherty** and recommend her for church membership.

Congratulations to Derek & Rebecca Scheffers on the birth of their son, Isaac Phillip, born on December 15th at 11:16 AM, weighing 7 lbs. 7 ozs.

As we come to the close of 2013 your year-end giving is essential in meeting our ministry goals. Thank you in advance for your sacrificial offering.

Help Wanted: Our Youth Group New Year's Eve All-Nighter is fast approaching and we are in need of adult volunteers to serve as chaperones. The event will take place at Oakwood from 9 PM until 6:30 AM. If you would be willing to help out during all or part of the night, please talk to Pastor Surine.

2014 Numbered Offering Envelopes - If you have or have not yet picked up your offering envelopes for 2014 please verify that the number on the label next to your name matches the number on the envelopes. If they do not match please return your box to the office so the correction can be made. For those who give via EFT, please also pick up your envelopes. If you do not currently have numbered envelopes, and would like a receipt of your giving starting January 2014, please fill out a Community Card and drop it in the offering plate.

Women's Ministry Opportunities

Eager Hands - January 11th, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM in the Family Life Center. Come for a little while or spend the day. This is a great time to work on all those projects you've wanted to start or haven't had time to finish.

Sisters' Coffee Fellowship - Thursday, January 16th, 7:00 - 8:30 PM at Dunkin Donuts (Corner of Whites Rd. & Westnedge). Ladies of all ages are invited. We hope to see you there.

Save the Date - Pinterest with a Purpose, Saturday, January 25th 9:00 AM - Noon in the Family Life Center. More details to come.

December General Fund Offerings Month-to-Date: \$ 24,195.99

	November Actual	Year-to-Date Actual Through November
General Fund Offerings	\$32,376.02	\$211,470.63
General Fund Expenses	\$39,461.07	\$227,424.87
Offerings Less Expenses	\$-7,085.05	\$-16,274.26
(Fiscal Year June 1 - May 31)		

2nd Qtr Benevolence	\$ 451.00	<u>Mortgage Balance</u>
2nd Qtr Debt Retirement	\$3,687.00	\$30,636.93 (As of 11/30/13)