

Ponderings From the Pastor

Time For Thanks

By Brad Taylor, Pastor

The Missions Committee is in need of donations to help ship Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Shipping for the Shoeboxes is \$10 for each box. We hope to ship 200 boxes. 200 boxes x \$10 = \$2,000 needed to ship the boxes. There is also a shortage of soap, wash cloths, combs, hairbrushes, coloring books and small note pads. Bring these items no later than Nov. 5. Then come help the Missions Committee with a shoebox packing party at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5.

We thank God for our veterans and would like to recognize those who have served and those who are currently serving in the military on Sunday, Nov. 12. Help us recognize those in our church family who have served by texting a photo to 918-978-5711. Be sure to give their name, branch and rank. The deadline to submit photos is 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5.

It's time to sign up for the



OGBC Family Thanksgiving Meal. Join us on Sunday, Nov. 19 immediately following worship. The church will provide ham and turkey. Members are asked to bring salads, sides and desserts. Help us know how many to prepare for by signing up at the Welcome Center desk. Please include if you will be bringing a salad, side or dessert to share.

Two fantastic opportunities for service will be available on Saturday, Nov. 25 at 10am. The Decorating Committee extends an invitation for those who would like to help decorate the

church for Christmas. The Missions Committee are also extending an invitation for you to help decorate the Christmas Float. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Onyon or Sandra Eastham for more information about decorating the church. Chip Shoun may be contacted for information about the float.

Each year the International Mission Board (IMB) of the Southern Baptist Convention invites us to join in a week of prayer for our missionaries. This year the request is to pray for peace in the Holy Land. Today, the people of the Middle East face violence and fear. We should not ignore it. We should not be silent. We should not stand still. We should cry out to God to bring about true peace as only He can. The IMB has created a prayer guide that can be emailed to those who will join in prayer for the people of Israel. Request your guide by emailing me at btaylor@ogbccatoosa.com put the words "Prayer Guide" in the subject line, and your guide will be sent as soon as possible.



Give Thanks



Submitted by Mindy Taylor, Worship Leader

The story behind the song "Give Thanks":

In 1978, a young seminary graduate named Henry Smith was struggling to find work and coming to terms with a degenerative eye condition that would eventually leave him legally blind. Despite those hardships, Henry found hope in 2 Corinthians 8:9 and penned "Give Thanks," one of the

most beloved songs of our time. And now let the weak say, 'I am strong'; Let the poor say, 'I am rich' because of what the Lord has done.

God's Word says in 2 Corinthians 8:9, You know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he

could make you rich.

So, no matter the circumstances going on in our life and in the world, we should give thanks to the Holy one. One way we can do that is fill out a card provided next to the Give Thanks Tree as part of an interactive seasonal display with what you are most thankful for. Lets fill that tree up!

Give Thanks by Don Moen

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. (Repeat) And now let the weak say, "We are strong!" Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" (Repeat) Give thanks. Give thanks.

OGBC Youth News

Submitted by Matt Shepard, Youth Leader

In October, 412 Youth Group had some fun at the Pre-Fall Festival and got the opportunity to help serve the community at the Church's Fall Festival.

On Nov. 12, we will have our second annual Youthsgiving feast! If anyone would like to provide a dish for the Youth's Thanksgiving feast, please let

Matt know!

Upcoming events:

- Nov. 12: Youthsgiving Feast (noon following service)
- Nov. 19: Church's Thanksgiving Dinner
- Nov. 22: No Youth or Awana (Thanksgiving Break)
- Dec. 3: Progressive Dinner (Time - TBD)

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Time To Sign Up For Ewomen

The 2024 Ewomen conference has a great lineup! Speakers include Tim Tebow, Chonda Pierce and Casting Crowns in concert.

Sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Desk. The conference will be March 1-2 at the ORU Mabee Center. Cost will be approximately \$75-80 per per-

son, which includes a box lunch for Saturday. The actual cost will depend on the number of tickets purchased.

Deadline to sign up is Nov. 30. Please note, if you sign up, you are responsible for paying for that ticket.

For more information, please see Vicki Albright.

November 2023

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			1	2 Jim McEntire bday	3 Carol Braden bday	4 Micah Holloway bday; Fellowship Hall reserved, 11-4
5 Daylight Saving Time ends, 2am; Nativity Bakery scene mtg, noon; OCC shoebox packing party, 5pm	6 Abby Jones bday; Community Choir rehearsal	7 Sue Pierce bday; Fellowship Hall reserved, 6-8pm	8	9 Crafty Christians, 10am	10 Jim Collins & Searra Story bdays	11 Veterans Day
12 Nativity all scenes mtg, noon; Youthsgiving, noon	13 Community Choir rehearsal	14 Fellowship Hall reserved, 6-8pm	15 Eric Treesh bday	16 Philip Ballard bday	17	18 Katie Curtis & Josh Moss bdays
19 Josh Story bday; OGBC Family Tgiving Meal, noon; Praise & Worship practice, 6pm	20 Allen Tittle bday; Community Choir rehearsal	21	22 No Youth or Awana	23 Lois Gerhard bday; Tgiving Day	24	25 Decorate Church for Christmas and Float, 10am
26	27 Community Choir rehearsal	28	29	30		

November Daily Bible Reading Plan

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 1 - Hos 7, Pss 120-122 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 9 - Joel 1, Pss 140-141 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 20 - Amos 9, Luke 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 2 - Hos 8, Pss 123-125 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 10 - Joel 2, Ps 142 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 21 - Obadiah, Luke 5 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 3 - Hos 9, Pss 126-128 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 11 - Joel 3, Ps 143 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 22 - Jonah 1, Luke 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 4 - Hos 10, Pss 129-131 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 12 - Amos 1, Ps 144 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 23 - Jonah 2, Luke 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 5 - Hos 11, Pss 132-134 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 13 - Amos 2, Ps 145 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 24 - Jonah 3, Luke 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 6 - Hos 12, Pss 135-136 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 14 - Amos 3, Pss 146-147 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 25 - Jonah 4, Luke 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 7 - Hos 13, Pss 137-138 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 15 - Amos 4, Pss 148 -150 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 26 - Mic 1, Luke 10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 8 - Hos 14, Ps 139 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 16 - Amos 5, Luke 1:1 -38 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 27 - Mic 2, Luke 11 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 17 - Amos 6, Luke 1:39 -80 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 28 - Mic 3, Luke 12 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 18 - Amos 7, Luke 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 29 - Mic 4, Luke 13 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 19 - Amos 8, Luke 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 30 - Mic 5, Luke 14 |

Watch OGBC Online Each Sunday

If you are unable to worship with us in person, you can log in to Facebook to watch the service online at <https://www.facebook.com/oak.grove.94043>.

Thank You!

Thank you for the lap quilt, flowers, cards and phone calls and prayers.

Love, Denice Jackson

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