

## Ponderings From The Pastor

By Nick Garland, Interim Pastor

What a privilege you have afforded Jenine and me! It is so good to get to worship with you at Oak Grove every Sunday! Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Interim Pastor for these past weeks. You are a faithful congregation who are consistent in your worship attendance, singing with joy in the services, giving consistently to the work of the LORD, and welcoming folks like us from the first day we worshiped with you. Thank you so very much!

We are praying for the decisions that are facing your church in the near future. Although you have welcomed us warmly, Jenine and I know that our time with you is limited. Soon, you will elect a Pastor Search Committee to begin the process of finding your next pastor. Please don't wait until they are elected to pray for them.

PLEASE PRAY NOW....

1. For the LORD to prompt Oak Grove members to vote for

Search Committee members who are faithful to the LORD in prayer, consistent in service roles they currently have, members who will be good ambassadors for the church, members who are committed to search for the person that will be readily welcomed as the new pastor and one who will be followed as he is called to lead you in the years to come.

2. Pray for a "pastor" who will be a good shepherd of the flock here at Oak Grove.

3. Pray for a "workman who will rightly divide the Word of Truth" in every sermon, Bible study, and personal interaction with members and prospects.

4. Pray for the LORD to work mightily in all of the hearts of Oak Grove to ignite a fire for evangelism, prayer, a zeal for learning new insights from God's Word, an eagerness to serve in ministry opportunities, a passion to see lost folks saved, and be

ready to step up when the new pastor comes to be a faithful volunteer....by answering when asked to serve, "Here I am. Use me!"

I would like to commend you for the way you are serving already. It is good to see so many of you who are faithful weekly in attendance. And, it has been so good to see visitors weekly. Likely, you have friends that are near to the church that would come if you invited them to "sit with you this Sunday." Please, let's make this Spring season a time for inviting, praying for God to bring, and for being very welcoming to all who attend.

Hoping to see you Sunday morning as we continue the study of the life of our LORD JESUS through the account of Mark's Gospel.

Blessings....

Nick Garland

# Children's Church Lesson Calendar

Submitted by Gayla Pruett

March 2 — John Baptized People, led by Jim and Nancy Onyon

March 9 — An Ethiopian Believed, led by Charles and Gayla Pruett

March 16 — Peter Wrote Letters, led by Jeana Drew and Cassell Drew

March 23 — Fruit Of The Spirit, led by Matt and Jennifer Chambers

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## OGBC Youth News

Submitted by Matt Shepard, Youth Leader

412 Youth's Chilli Cook-Off and Silent Dessert was a success! We raised \$1,852 for our youth. We appreciate everyone who showed up and brought chili and/or desserts despite the weather.

On March 22, we will be putting on a church-wide movie night in the main sanctuary.

Dates to know:

April 27: Looking for a place to do a pickleball tournament or possibly putt-putt.



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## OGBC Deacons:

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Rick Kibbe 405-742-8857

David Gaulding 918-740-0035



Sunday Morning Services are no longer streaming via FaceBook live. The live stream has moved to YouTube@OakGroveBaptistChurchCatoosa. A YouTube account is not needed and you can watch for FREE!

The link is:

<https://youtube.com/@oakgrovebaptistchurchcatoosa?si=XB8x6oa7oyBn0PgB>.

**Daylight Saving Time begins  
2 a.m., Sunday, March 9!**



# March 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 Ladena Kibbe bday
2	3 Ladies Exercise, 9am	4	5 Ladies Exercise, 9am	6 Brian Holloway & Jonathan Treech bdays	7 Adult Game Night, 7pm	8
9	10 Ladies Exercise, 9am	11 Taylor Shepard bday	12 Ladies Exercise, 9am	13 Crafty Christians, 10am	14	15 Church reserved
16	17 Ladies Exercise, 9am	18	19 Ladies Exercise, 9am	20	21	22 Youth hosting Movie Night, 6pm
23	24 Annie Johnson bday; Ladies Exercise, 9am	25 David Moreau bday	26 Ladies Exercise, 9am	27 Crafty Christians, 10am	28 Debbie Santmyer bday	29
30 Wanda Jones bday	31 Connie Jones bday; Ladies Exercise, 9am					

# March Daily Bible Reading Plan

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| <input type="checkbox"/> March 1 Num 14-15, Ps 90 | <input type="checkbox"/> March 9 Num 33-34   | <input type="checkbox"/> March 17 Deut 17-20        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 24 Josh 5-8   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 2 Num 16-17        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 10 Num 35-36  | <input type="checkbox"/> March 18 Deut 21-23        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 25 Josh 9-11  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 3 Num 18-20        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 11 Deut 1-2   | <input type="checkbox"/> March 19 Deut 24-27        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 26 Josh 12-15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 4 Num 21-22        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 12 Deut 3-4   | <input type="checkbox"/> March 20 Deut 28-29        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 27 Josh 16-18 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 5 Num 23-25        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 13 Deut 5-7   | <input type="checkbox"/> March 21 Deut 30-31        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 28 Josh 19-21 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 6 Num 26-27        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 14 Deut 8-10  | <input type="checkbox"/> March 22 Deut 32-34, Ps 91 | <input type="checkbox"/> March 29 Josh 22-24 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 7 Num 28-30        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 15 Deut 11-13 | <input type="checkbox"/> March 23 Josh 1-4          | <input type="checkbox"/> March 30 Judg 1-2   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 8 Num 31-32        | <input type="checkbox"/> March 16 Deut 14-16 |   | <input type="checkbox"/> March 31 Judg 3-5   |
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## March Sermon Calendar

March 2: "A Father's Disappointment With Disciples" – Mark 9:14-32

March 9: "Bragging Rights" – Mark 9:32-37

March 16: "They Aren't Like 'Us'" – Mark 9:38-41

March 23: "Destination Hell" — Mark 9:42-50

March 30: "God's Marriage Plan Is For Life" — Mark 10:1-12

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