

The Acorn

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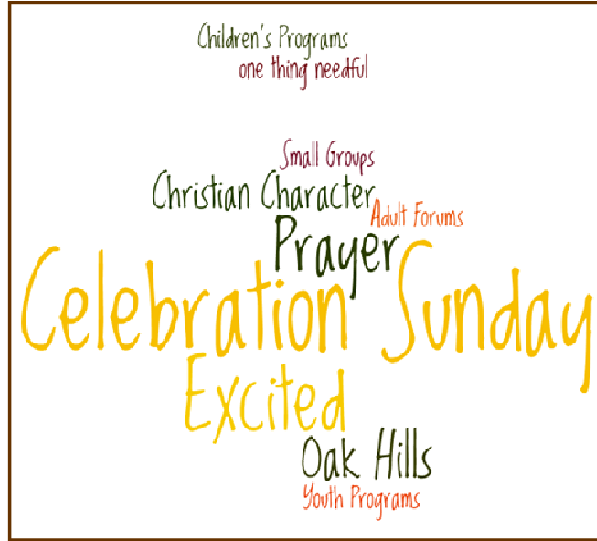
From the Desk of Pastor Kimlyn.....

Celebration Sunday is September 12th, and I am excited! I am excited because Celebration Sunday marks the official beginning of fall adult forums, fall youth and children's programs, and the start of a number of groups of study and fellowship that meet at Oak Hills and in many homes. I am looking forward with expectation to what God will do in our classes and the groups that meet.

these things solely as activities when what is of most importance is the

purpose of all activity is to shape us individually as believers and as a

gathered community into conformity to the character and mind of Christ. For example, we often say that we should share the Gospel with others, and we should. But the question really is best approached by asking, "What kind of person shares the Gospel with



So often we think of

character that God's Spirit shapes through them, for all good activity not only shapes but flows out of our Christian character, and the

others?" And the answer is: "One who is committed to and excited about Christ and sees the work of God in his or her

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OHBC Mission Trip to Haiti—October 3-10

Four from the OHBC congregation, along with several other volunteers from Sioux Falls, will be going to Haiti in October. They are partnering with Mission Haiti, a non-profit organization with a heart to provide a home for the orphans, an education for the children, compassion for the poor and to make disciples so as to change uncountable lives.

Please pray for the team as they begin meeting for team building exercises and devotional time.

Members from OHBC:
 Kristen Buschena
 Tyler Gustafson
 Daryl Pearson
 Sara Johnson

If you would like to donate items for them to take along, place them in the box in the church foyer. Items needed include things such as:

chalk, protractors, compass, calculators, jelly, miracle whip, canned chicken, macaroni and cheese, malt-o-meal, cloth diapers/pins/plastics, rattles, pair of adult rubber boots, crank flashlights, lifejackets, and children's vitamins. A variety of other needs are listed on the website at www.mission-haiti.org.



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own life, one who is growing through the Spirit into greater and greater conformity to Christ, and thus into greater maturity and wisdom." We can teach methods of evangelism, just as we can teach methods of Bible study, and, make no mistake, these are wonderful and needed things. And yet the methods are only useful when used by persons who desire to use them, by persons who truly commit themselves to evangelism and study because they are committed first of all to Christ and his kingdom and have grown to become persons who deeply desire to share the Gospel with others because they know it is the most important of all things. Such persons know that only the Spirit can make

good things happen, and that it is not General Electric, but the Spirit, that "brings good things to life". And so they know that everything must begin and end with prayer. For prayer is the one thing we do in which we acknowledge that there is nothing we can do that can be effective apart from the power of God's Spirit.

It has been said that a great temptation in business is to confuse activity with effectiveness. Perhaps a great temptation for all who follow Christ is to confuse activity with its purpose. And the purpose of programs and activities is not simply to perpetuate programs and activities, but to multiply and mold disciples of Jesus Christ and to watch the

miracles that God does through our very imperfect efforts. And so Jesus had to remind Martha that not all activities are equal, and that sometimes we must set aside activity altogether to reflect and meditate on the "one thing needful..." (Luke 10:41-42).

And so, I am most excited about the way that God will work through the Bible studies, and forums, and classes, and groups, and all other things in the life of our church family to shape and mold us to be more and more conformed into the image of his Son, so that we might have his mind in us (Phil. 2:5 NRSV), and become more and more the people he desires us to be, people who are united, and holy,

and who look out to a changing world not with fear and anxiety but with great faith and hope and love, just as God himself "so loved the world..."

I am excited for Celebration Sunday and for all that God will do that day and throughout the year beyond what we might even imagine. May He alone receive all the glory.

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." (Eph. 3:20-21).

Men's Ministries News—Time for Breakfast!

I hope you had a great summer with your families and friends. As always, it goes too fast.



We will begin our once a month,

Saturday morning breakfast and fellowship time, Sept 18th at 8:00 a.m. We will make announcements in church and have it in the bulletin.

Also look for a reminder card in the mail.

Lets get this year off to a great start! There are a lot of new faces, so invite as many men as you can. We all know it's a lot easier to go somewhere new if you are invited!!

If you have any questions or



suggestions please call or e-mail me.

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Three Adult Sunday School Classes Offered Fall 2010



What Does the Bible Say About Suffering?

“Why does God, who is both wholly good and completely powerful, allow suffering to unfold?”
Join us for an exploration of eleven key biblical texts, each of which interacts with this question in a different way, filling out the mystery of suffering.

Facilitator: Brian Gregg



22:30

22:30, the adult forum for folks 22 – 30 years old—or thereabouts—will resume this fall. The group will once again meet in the Fireside Room to study God’s word and share their lives with one another.



Our Favorite Psalms

Some of you will remember “Choose Your Own Adventure” books from your childhood. We’ll be taking a similar approach as we look closely at some of our favorite psalms. Each week, we’ll explore one or more psalms selected by guest presenters or by those attending the class. We’ll share our favorites and the significance they hold for us, and discuss the beauty and the theology they contain.

Facilitator: Greg Dyer (and many others)

Check out the Fall 2010 Small Group Opportunities

<p>The Well</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 4th Sunday at 6:00 pm · Meet at OHBC Youth Room · Dave Campbell · 332-2648 	<p>Youth Parents Bible Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Wednesday at 6:30 PM · Meeting at the Beukelman Home 	<p>Men’s Bible Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Monday at 7:00 pm · Meeting at Oak Hills · Tony Goettsch · 274-9202
<p>Biblical Backgrounds Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Wednesday at 6:30 PM · Meeting at Oak Hills · Roger Winegar · 712-472-2565 	<p>Children of the Sixties Bible Study and Fellowship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 1st & 3rd Sun at 5:30 pm · meet at the Thorson home · Rick Johnson · 339-1383 	<p>Marriage Small Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 1st and 3rd Friday at 6:30 pm · (2nd & 4th of each month) · Andy & Sara Traub · 275-4889
<p>Women’s Study: “Breaking Free” by Beth Moore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Thursday at 9:00 AM · Meeting at Oak Hills · Gelene VanNoort · 376-4288 	<p>Women’s Study: “Stepping Up” by Beth Moore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Thursday at 6:30 PM · Meeting at various homes · Janna Thorson · 261-2578 	<p>Women’s Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Thurs at 6:30 PM (every other wk) · Beginning late Sept/early Oct · Marlene Slothouber · 334-4487

If you are leading a study that is not listed or are interested in starting a new group, please contact the church office so we can add you to the list.

Where can you volunteer at LifeLight?

LifeLight is being held please consider volunteering your services for the festival over Labor Day weekend, it would be fun to have you adopt an artist booth for a 4-hour shift as a group! Let me know your availability if you are interested.

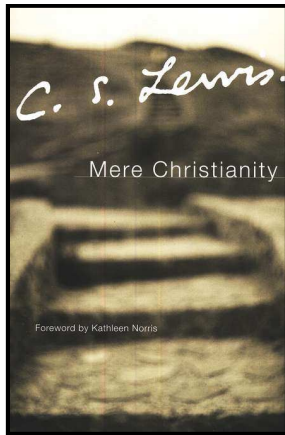
Providing snacks for volunteers is also an option to help. Contact Marlene Slothouber for more information. (334-4487, m_slothouber@hotmail.com)



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For more information and the schedule of musicians, go to: www.lifelight.org

SQUARE: October: *Mere Christianity*



October 5, 2010

7:00 pm; Room 213 of the Cleveland Center on the campus of the University of Sioux Falls

Mere Christianity

by C. S. Lewis

Facilitator:

Pastor Kimlyn Bender

This year's SQUARE—a readers' forum sponsored by Oak Hills—kicks off with a discussion of C. S. Lewis's *Mere Christianity* on Tuesday, October 5th, at 7:00 pm, in room 213 of the Cleveland Center on the campus of USF. (All discussions are planned for the first Tuesday of the month at this location.)

Many at Oak Hills will recall that the readers' forum that became SQUARE began nearly ten years ago under the title Aslan's Forum. Thus, the life and work of C. S. Lewis has been a shaping influence on the entire reading series. Over the years, we have read a number of books by and about Lewis. This year, we're taking a look at *Mere Christianity*, the book developed from a series of radio interviews on the BBC during the early 1940s. While we think of Lewis as the author of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, his public reputation was initially built upon the popularity of these radio programs. Now, seventy years later, *Mere Christianity* continues to be regarded as one of the most influential Christian books of the last century.

We invite you to secure a copy of the book and join us for what promises to be a moving and substantial discussion. Additional information about SQUARE and *Mere Christianity* will soon be available the following website:

<http://sio.midco.net/gad>.

Life Light Music Festival to be held September 3-5

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*To join other friends from Oak Hills,
look for our flag (see below).*



Women's Ministries News



WINGS Painting Day Encore

Imagine 13 ladies (and one very helpful young girl!) with brushes and rollers and ladders and dropcloths swarming all over one home on a sunny, warm Saturday in early August and you have a picture of the painting day that WINGS (Women in God's Service) participated in with Norberg Paints and Habitat! Norberg Paints is celebrating 125 years as a family business and has pledged the paint for up to 125 homes, relying on groups of volunteers from the community to provide the brush power. The ultimate purpose is, in Jesus' name, to bless

those who do not have the resources to tackle a painting project...the reality is that those of us who were able to participate were

neighbors who stopped by to check on the progress. We developed rhythm and teamwork as we painted our way around the



blessed as well! The day was filled with conversations and laughter, and with getting to know Sue, the homeowner, and many of her friends and

house and got to see Sue's delight and gratitude as we finished her home. From the day-opening prayer to the closing clean-up, the day was not only about

giving of our time but of God blessing us with new friends and a deep sense of satisfaction. Since we had such a great time (and would hate to see any of the Norberg paint go to waste!) we have scheduled a second house painting day for Saturday, Sept. 18. You can call or email Marlene Slothouber (334-4487, m_slothouber@hotmail.com) for more details or to put your name on the list. Whether you can offer a couple hours or the whole day, we would love to have you join us as we take another opportunity to live out the message in our name...Women in God's Service!

The Four Seasons of Women's Ministries Events



The Women's Ministries Team strives to plan events that help fulfill our vision. Our goal is to plan four seasonal events that enforce our vision. This past **spring**,

we held the Port Paradise Cruise Retreat. This **summer** we enjoyed the Progressive Dinner on June 24.

Mark your calendars...
Our fall event will be a

card-making demonstration and party on Saturday, September 25. For **winter**, our annual Christmas Tea Open House will be held on Saturday, December 4.

Save the dates of these upcoming events. As the seasons and events approach, watch the Acorn for more specific information on the event.

Children's Ministries News

faith, friends & fun



Foundations of Faith



Children's Ministry will be offering the Foundations of Faith class starting October 3rd. We are trying something new this year

and having class from 12:30-2:00. We will have a working lunch so remember to bring a sack lunch. Kids

in 3rd grade and older who are interested in baptism can contact Shelly Haan (shaan@oakhills.net) for more information and to sign up to participate in the class.

Children's Ministry is still seeking volunteers for Nursery, Sunday School and F.W. Friends. Contact Shelly Haan if interested (376-4396 or shaan@oakhills.net)

Please note: the dates for Volunteer Training are on the calendar (see page 9).

**The B-I-B-L-E,
Yes, that's the
Book for Me! I
stand alone on the
Word of God, the
B-I-B-L-E!**

We want our kids to stand on the Word of God That is why, during the 11:00 service, we will be handing out Bibles to kids in Kindergarten and 1st Grade. Please contact the office (332-2648) if you are interested in your child receiving a Bible.

Sunday School Promotion is Sunday, September 12

Kids will move to their new Sunday School classrooms on this day. We need updated registrations for all kids. Please complete the form and drop it in the box at the Welcome Center. Also, our class sizes got way too big last year so we sat down and got creative. Please note classroom assignments.

9:45 Sunday School

Room 101: Preschool & Toddlers
Room 100: K-1st Grade
Overflow side of Nursery: 2nd-3rd Grade
Room 103: 4th & 5th Grade

11:00 Sunday School

Room 100: Preschoolers (4 yrs-PreK)
Room 101: Toddlers (2-3 yrs)

All class assignments are the age of the child as of September 1, 2010.

Please note that we require parents of kids Toddler -3rd Grade to sign their children in and out of the classroom. Kids 4th -5th grade are dismissed to find their parents after class.

The Celebration Continues

Join us Wednesday, September 15th, 2010, from 6:30 -8:00 for another year of F.W. Friends. Through singing, journaling, playing games and spending time in the Word, kids ages 5 years -5th grade can experience the fellowship of friends and the joy of living a Christ centered life. Join us every Wednesday & don't forget to bring a friend.



Thanks to The following folks who volunteered to help in summer Sunday School.

David and Tracy Sellars
Susan and Jeremy Bill
Bruce & Debbie Watley
Jen Sevold
Chris & Robin Ernster
Jay & Sarah Hutton
Jill & Ryan Palcovic

Julie & Brian Gregg
Lauren & Susan Heerts
Derek & Toni Outland
Nancy Thomas
Jeff & Cathi Clapper
Bill and Kathy Harris
Nancy Jelen

We are proud to be able to offer Sunday School to our children during the summer months but it doesn't happen without our volunteers. Thanks to everyone who put forth the time and effort.

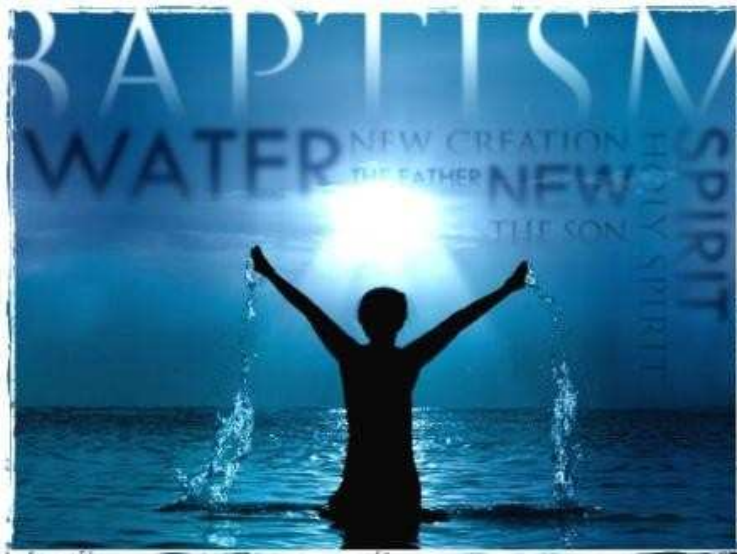


UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- **September 12th**
Celebration Sunday!
Potluck after church
- **September 26th**
The Well
6:30pm
- **September 29th**
MS & HS Service
Project 6:30pm
(more details to come)
- Watch & Listen for further details on the baptism class to be held at the Dairy Queen on South Minnesota Avenue
- Don't forget to head out to the **LifeLight Music Festival** on September 3-5

What's Goin' On Here?

Baptism Prep



If you are a middle school or high school student who has not been baptized, please think about joining us for baptism prep this month. We will meet together for three consecutive weeks and talk about the questions surrounding baptism. We will look at the what it meant for Jesus to be baptized in the River Jordan by John the

Baptist, and what it means for followers of Jesus to follow him into the waters of baptism today. Baptism is central to understanding the life of faith and it is an opportunity for us to follow our Lord's example. Because this is such an important step in your faith journey, we have provided a few separate Baptism prep sessions for us to unpack what this all means. We will meet on three consecutive Tuesday nights (to be determined) at the Dairy Queen on Minnesota Ave. If this is something that is of interest to you, or if you have more questions please call Dave at the church (605) 332-2648.

LifeLight Music Festival



Hey! For those of you who are heading out to the LifeLight Music Festival this year (September 3-5), I wanted to let you know that we are planning to meet Friday night to grab some supper and then head to the David Crowder concert together. The concert starts at 9:30 so let's meet for dinner about 7:30 out at the festival site, and then head to Crowder. If you are planning on joining us please met know so I am not eating a corn dog by myself! Ha! Ha!

Dave



Oak Hills Baptist**Student Ministries Staff**

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Ashley Maturan

Korey Peterson

Kate Friesen

Jessica Goede

PRAYER WALL

⁹"This, then, is how you should pray:

"Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
¹⁰your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is
in heaven.

¹¹Give us today
our daily bread.

¹²Forgive us our debts,
as we also have
forgiven our debtors.

¹³And lead us not
into temptation,
but deliver us
from the evil one."

-Matthew 6:9-13-

College Ministry

Welcome back college students! We are excited that you are back for another school year! I wanted to let you know about what is happening this year for you all. 6-Pack Sunday is a free meal after the 11:00 service on the 2nd Sunday of the month. (You will also receive a FREE 6-Pack of juice, water, or soda.) *The Well*, is a time to get away from campus for a while, have some food, worship together, and share what God is doing in your life and how we can pray for you. The Well will meet in the youth room, which is just down the hall from the sanctuary. Also, April 1-3, we are

going to be heading to Fort Worth, TX for the Passion 2011 conference. This is an awesome opportunity that I will share more about in the weeks ahead! It's awesome to have you back!

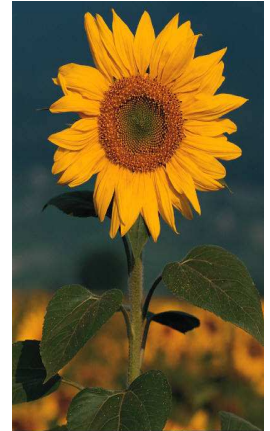
SYATP!

Hey Students!

Take out your phone and put September 22nd in your calendar. If you don't have a phone—write September 22nd on your parents calendar. September 22nd is the annual See You At The Pole prayer meeting. Wednesday morning September 22nd before school starts, students all over the country will be meeting at their flag poles in the front of their schools to pray. I know that this means getting up a little bit earlier than you are used to, or convincing your band director to let you out of band on this day—but it is well worth it. This is an awesome opportunity for you to take a stand at your school for Christ. If you have any questions about what time it starts give me a call. Don't miss this opportunity to cover your schools in prayer!

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm MS Youth 8:15 pm HS Youth	2 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	3 6:30 pm Marriage Bible Study	4 8:30 am Prayer 
5 7:30 am Prayer 8:30 am Worship	6 Labor Day  Church Office is Closed	7 6:30 pm Sunday School Training	8 6:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm FW Friends Training 6:30 pm Youth Parents Bible Study 6:30 pm MS Youth 8:15 pm HS Youth	9 6:30 pm Sunday School Training 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	10	11 8:30 am Prayer
12 Celebration Sunday 7:30 am Prayer 8:30 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 12:00 pm Potluck	13 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Women's Ministry Team Meeting	14 7:00 pm Leadership Council	15 6:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm FW Friends 6:30 pm Youth Parents Bible Study 6:30 pm MS Youth 8:15 pm HS Youth	16 9:00 am Women's Bible Study	17 6:30 pm Marriage Bible Study	18 8:00 am Men's Breakfast  Brushes of Hope
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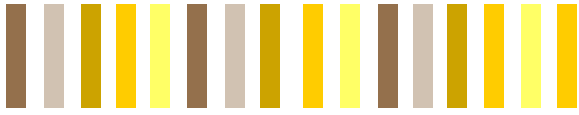


Anniversaries:

- Sept 8 Veryl & Barb Ramse
Mark & Carrie Schmidt
- Sept 9 Dave & Amber Grayson
- Sept 11 Veryl & Kathy Altman
- Sept 13 Scott & Mer Johnson
- Sept 19 Bryon & Gail Jamison
- Sept 21 Scott & Paige Honner
Matt & Yvonne Smith
- Sept 25 Rob & Jennifer Sevard
Mark & Heidi Terveen
- Sept 30 Doug & Shelly Hoffman

Birthdays:

- Sept 1 Ross Sellars
- Sept 2 Kay Harms
Kinsey McDonald
- Sept 3 Linda Beck
- Sept 4 Gina Benz
Sara Johnson
Autumn Sellars
- Sept 5 Jeanette Kostboth
- Sept 6 Ryan Hebner
Ashley Jucht
- Sept 7 Erin Haan
- Sept 9 Maria VanDriesen
David Watts
- Sept 10 Ruth Bauer
Wayne Slothouber
- Sept 14 Caden Larsen
- Sept 15 Julie Kolling
- Sept 16 Leah Hebner
Michelle Nelson
Jason VanRuler
- Sept 19 Kristy Beukelman
Ron Haan
- Sept 20 Dietrich Haan
- Sept 21 Andrew Bender
Karissa Trobec
- Sept 22 Hope Petersen
- Sept 27 Cohen Nelson
Jonathan Susemihl
- Sept 29 Julie Gregg
Joshua Reynolds
- Sept 30 Ruth Dunkle
William Schmidt



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COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Celebration Sunday Potluck :: September 12th

Please join us after the 11:00 o'clock service for a
wonderful time of food, fun, and fellowship!

Last Names A-M please bring a Main Dish and a Dessert.
Last Names N-Z please bring a Main Dish and a Salad.

