

# **Overture**

# The (almost) Fortnightly Newsletter of Old Orchard Church ~ August 7, 2011

#### Welcome!

Guests, we welcome you and thank you for coming! We invite you to use our **child care services** for infants through children in kindergarten, located in the church building basement. Please see nursery details below. Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. Please see the note below about it.

If you would like to find out more about Old Orchard and what we are about, please fill out one of our visitor forms in the lavender or blue pads on the chairs or in the hymnal rack.

# Our Children's Ministry

**Nursery** is offered for infants & children through kindergarten age. Our nurseries are in the church building basement.

- **♦Infant nursery** for babies, crawlers, & very early walkers.
- **Toddler nursery** for children who are walking up to three years of age. Children who turn three from January-August are invited to attend preschool worship starting September 1. Children who turn three from September-December are invited to attend preschool worship starting January 1.
- ❖ Preschool worship for age 3 through Kindergarten. Three-year-olds (see above) and four-year-olds are welcome during the whole service. Five-year-olds remain upstairs in the worship service until dismissed at 10:50.
- \* "Movies for Minors" has begun! We will have them Aug. 7 & also Aug. 21. Grades 1-5 will be dismissed at 10:50 to go to Milligan House to enjoy a short film based on the liturgy theme of the morning's worship service. Children's Worship will not meet this summer. Questions? See Mark Robertson.

#### **Sunday School News!**

Intergenerational Sunday School Class began today! Dates: August 7, 14, 21! The class is called "The Lord is Our Guide." You are invited to join us!!

This class is designed for families and individuals to come together and learn as the full body of Christ, with older generations teaching our young folks. This is also a great opportunity for families who just brought their children to VBS to continue to learn with our families here at Old Orchard. AmyRuth Bartlett will be leading songs from the Narnia program on August 7, and poetry will be read from the youth relating to our theme of God's providence. There will then be a short lesson followed by application in discussion groups composed of family units. I hope this is a great outreach and discipleship opportunity for us at Old Orchard. —*Mark Robertson* 

# Parlor Fellowship!

Theme: "Back to School"

Next Parlor Fellowship next week, August 14. Please sign up on the sheets circulating. Also, if you have a rectangular metal lunch box that you could loan us that morning, please bring it. (Please label it with your name and put it on one of the shelves in the coat room.) We will be serving our food from lunch boxes! Nancy Weir and Marie Chambers are hosting.

# **Our Library**

Please browse our selection of books in the vestibule by the kitchenette. More books are in our library rooms, located in the Milligan House on the first floor by the kitchen and bathroom. Enjoy!!

## **Mom's Group News**

The Moms' Group will meet every other Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. during the summer. Our next meeting date will be Aug. 17. Location e-mailed. Please email Kathleen Shumate if you want to be added to the list! Thanks!

#### **Youth Calendar**

Extreme Cowmilking has been scheduled! We have a farm, we've got a date, and I've been guaranteed cowmilking opportunities. Put it on your calendar:

- \*\*Friday, August 12, meeting at the Milligan House @ 7:30 am. we'll be back in the early afternoon
- \*\*Thursday, August 18- City Museum (afternoon)
- \*\*We'll wait on Six Flags until the Fall when everyone can go and it's a little cooler.
- Mark Robertson

# **Young Life Opportunity**

Recently I met with the Regional Director of Young Life St. Louis, Justin Campbell. He informed me of some recent changes in Young Life leadership and some present needs. Here in Webster Groves, the leader for the past few years has taken a different position out of state and they will now be under the leadership of Shelley Milligan. Shelley is looking for more adult leaders to serve in Webster Groves. We could also serve by bringing meals to their weekly meetings. See me for more information or if you would like to help in any way.

- Mark Robertson, Director of Ministry to Youth and Families

Below is a notice from the out-going Regional Director Justin Campbell regarding the need for more adult leaders.

#### Young Life Seeks Leaders!

Young Life is a mission community of Christ-centered people committed to reaching out to disinterested high school students with the message of Jesus. We do this through building relationships with young people, by sharing our lives and by participating with them in a variety of experiences through which the gospel can be heard and understood. If you have a heart for Jesus and high school kids this could be a great place for you to be on mission with community. Beginning September 18th we will meet for six Sundays from 3-5 pm at 418 East Adams 63122 to learn more about this opportunity. For more information or questions contact Justin. (see print copy) – Justin Campbell

#### Thank You, Old Orchard!

Dear friends at Old Orchard.

Thank you so much for your generosity at my baby shower this July. The gifts were wonderful, but it also meant a lot to have so many of you come out and wish us well. Since our families are scattered across the country, I've been a little anxious about having a community in which to raise our son. Your presence and support is therefore very much appreciated. We're counting down the days now until his birth and look forward to showing him off to you in the (hopefully!) near future.

In Christ, Erin Longbrake

## **Apartment for Rent**

My upstairs neighbors are going to be moving out at the end of August, and my landlord is looking for a new tenant. My landlord is Gary Drag, a member at Memorial Presbyterian, and a great landlord. Lina and I love our apartment, and the upstairs one is even better, really. Here's some basic facts -

Address: 3919 McDonald Ave., St. Louis, MO 63116

Here's the landlord's website, with pics for our apartment (essentially same layout for the one for lease) – (see print copy of Overture for link)

This is a 4 room apartment, upstairs, with 2 'nooks', 1 full bath, hardwood floors, beautiful plaster walls, and very pretty stained moulding. Kitchen is large, with antiqued porcelain 'rustic' style sink (really nice, better than it sounds). No disposal, no dishwasher, but a place for one (Lina and I have a great portable dishwasher, works fine, we bought it for \$75). Big basement with washer/dryer hookups. Lots of storage, shared ping-pong and darts in the basement. Garden plot out back, balcony up front with included bench. Parking is on the street, though there is one 'behind the house' spot if you can get it regularly. No problems (safety or space wise) for parking on the street.

I'm not the landlord, but our rent is \$570/month, utilities to be paid are electric, gas, and anything else you want. Able to get Dish or Charter, though we share internet with our neighbors through wireless.

I'd really recommend living here, if it suits you. I really like living under Gary, who has always been active and quick about a repair, though he can be a little casual about the 'optional stuff'. Every landlord I've had is. Had our water pipe bust once, and he fixed it personally that night and the next day. The rent is obscene cheap for a place like this, and the catch is that he prefers to rent to Christians, and runs the place without an expectation of turning a profit if he can support students, people in ministry, and families that will contribute to the community and city.

Please get in on this apartment! It's a steal and a great place to live. Forward on to others if need be. – *Owen Gentry* 

#### Music! God! Creativity! Worship!

New City Fellowship South invites you to a free workshop and performance on Friday, August 12th Worship Everywhere is a time of fellowship and learning about the ways musicians and singers use worship music outside the sanctuary. Come at 6:00pm for interactive music workshops and stick around for jazz and funk performances at 8pm! This event is sponsored by Revival School of the Arts. It is designed to encourage collaboration between current and future pastors and worship leaders, and to engage discussion on topics like:

- ~How can worship artists use their gifts in every place?
- ~What evangelism tools are we given when we use the music arts to serve God on Friday night as well as Sunday morning? How can we testify in every situation and remain faithful to God's word while loving and sharing with non- believers?
- ~Crafting good things from God's gifts for the benefit of our church family and our neighbors.

Bring your own questions, and all of your colleagues and proteges! Feel free to spread the word and contact me for more information.

**The Artists:** Along with the networking and fellowship between you and other folks in attendance, we'll have conversations with:

James Ward, Long time worship leader, composer and jazz pianist

Carl Caldwell, Producer, keyboardist, and frontman for Gospel-funk act The Distribution

Contact Michelle for more info: <a href="mailto:revivalSTL@gmail.com">revivalSTL@gmail.com</a>

#### **Help the Jennings – and Free Furniture**

**Wanted: 2 Men and a Truck** for approximately 2 hours anytime Aug 12-14. The task is to empty our storage unit and bring the contents to our house, about 1/2 mile away. We also need some items taken to Goodwill, also only a mile away. Please contact Kathy Jennings to let her know if you are able to help with this need. We will pay in cash or in kind (i.e. used furniture). See our list of give-aways on the bulletin board and in this Overture. [Editor: The list on the board may have some changes since the list in the Overture was submitted.]

New mailing address effective Aug 20: See print copy

New personal e-mail addresses:

Nelson: see print copy Kathy: see print copy

Work e-mail addresses: Nelson: see print copy Kathy: see print copy

New phone numbers to come later!

Wanted: Two maids and a bucket to clean the house well after the movers have left on August 16th. This could be done any day August 17-20. Payment in cash or in kind (see above). Please contact Kathy Jennings if you

#### Give-away list

Disclaimer: the list may have changed since this printing. Look on bulletin board and the best thing is to contact Kathy Jennings herself!

- 2 double mattress sets (all are at least 15 years old. but still comfortable and clean)
- 1 "juvenile" bedroom set (double dresser with attached mirror, tall boy chest of 5 drawers, nightstand) dark wood finish, sort of "captain's style"
- 1 analog TV with converter boxes
- large computer desk with hutch on top (bottom needs to be reinforced to be sturdy) medium wood finish (but not real wood)
- Samsung desk top computer monitor and keyboard
- small occasional table with oval glass top, bronze frame
- 2-cushion cream colored couch with bird/floral design in blue
- glass topped sofa or hallway table, legs painted black
- 3-sided wooden crate (approximately 3' x 3' x 4') good start for a doghouse or play house.
- Medium Petmate plastic dog crate, hardly used

Pictures and dimensions are available for most furniture items and the computer monitor. E-mail Kathy at see print copy. All items must be picked up between Aug 11th and 14th in West County.

#### More Jennings' News

Announcing the anticipated arrival of fraternal twins in January 2011 to Ken and Elizabeth Caldwell in Seoul, Korea. The proud grandparents-to-be are Nelson and Kathy Jennings. Please keep Elizabeth and the babies in your prayers.

#### **One Heart Family Ministries**

Did you know there are 10,000 kids in foster care in Missouri? Did you know about 1400 of those children are in need of an adoptive family? Is God calling you to help care for the "orphans" in our community? One Heart Family Ministries can help answer your questions about being a foster or adoptive family and will help guide you through the training and licensing process. The next round of the required 9 week training course will begin on Sept. 20, 2011. Please contact One Heart by August 8 to request an application to enroll in this class. Call 314-835-1690 or email Emily (see print copy)

- Submitted by Emily Nienhuis, One Heart Family Ministries

#### Lawn Mowing— Please sign-up!

Continue to look for people to mow the lawns at the church building/Milligan House <u>and</u> at the home of Willie Lee, disabled who lives in Rock Hill. **Bill Grady** coordinates lawn mowing at the church/Milligan House, and **Mark Robertson** is currently coordinating lawn mowing at Willie Lee's.

See sign up sheets! For questions, please contact Bill Grady or Mark Robertson.

#### **Grace & Peace Winter Shelter Rummage Sale**

The annual Rummage Sale raises a significant part of the Winter Shelter's (for homeless women) funding, The sale is the first two weekends of August. <u>Donations in excellent condition continue to be sought</u>. If you still have a donation, you may deliver them to Grace & Peace yourself. Call 314.367.8959 to confirm your delivery time with them. Also, you are **invited to attend the rest of the sale too**: Fridays August 12 (5 to 8 p.m.) and Saturday, August 13, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Address is 5574 Delmar, 63112

#### **ByFaith OOC Group Subscription**

You are invited to join with other OOC Tolks to get a byFaith subscription at the group rate of \$12 each. In order to participate, Old Orchard has to write one check to byFaith so we must collect checks/cash from those participating. There are samples of the magazine in the parlor. Your copy will be mailed directly to your home each quarter. If you want to participate, please fill out one of the forms on the table in the parlor, put it and your check/cash for \$12 in an envelope and give it to Durinda Hood. Checks need to be written to Old Orchard Church, but are not tax deductible because you are receiving a magazine subscription.

We have received three subscriptions, thus far. We've met our minimum for a group! Please get your

subscription in by August 21.

#### **Children's Ministry Position**

Grace and Peace Fellowship, a sister PCA church located in St. Louis City, is looking for a qualified person to oversee our children's ministry approximately ages 3-10). The right candidate must deeply love Jesus and the little children. S/he will be responsible for acting as administrator over the ministry, assisting parents in the Christian education of their children and expanding the current ministry with outreach to our neighbors' children. The position is a part-time position at 8 hours a week and \$12.75/hr (not to exceed 32 hours per month). See bulletin board for more details about the application process.

## OOC Anniversary Dates—Mark Your Calendar!!

Day of Prayer: September 7, 2011 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Weekend Celebration: September 23-25, 2011

# In Honor of OOC's 30th Anniversary

We are taking up **three collections** in conjunction with our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Please make checks payable to Old Orchard Church and designate to which fund the money shall be given.

**30th Anniversary Fund**. To help defray costs of the various things we are doing for our anniversary celebration. <u>Designate</u>: "Anniversary Fund."

Love Gift. A kind of thank-offering to the Lord for his mercies to us over these first 30 years.

- -- <u>Half</u> of what is received will go to **Jon and Tanya Coody** (PMI) as they are raising support to go to St. Petersburg, Russia.
- --<u>Half</u> will go to help **renovate 2 apartments**, providing housing for women served by the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter (Cornerstone Corporation in St. Louis City). <u>Designate</u>: "Anniversary Love Gift."

**Copper cross.** We're setting up a fund that folks can contribute to so that we can hire an artist/craftsman to build us a copper cross to go on top of the bell tower at the church. We are in the process of talking with people to get an idea of the cost of this. <u>Designate</u>: "Copper Cross"

#### Photo Albums - Your Help Is Sought!

For Scrapbook of OOC 2011 People. Two Photos & More sought of you & family. Let's fill the wall!!

The wall seems to be very empty!!!

Each household attending OOC is invited to contribute two photos: one of your household around the time that you first came to OOC and a second photo of your family now, in 2011. (Please write on a separate paper the date of photo and your names.) You may include grown children even if they do not attend OOC. The third item is to answer two questions: (1) When and how did the Lord bring you to Old Orchard Church? and (2) How has the Lord used Old Orchard Church in your lives? These are meant to be brief of course! See samples on the wall in the vestibule. And watch for more photographs on the wall!! Thanks for your help!!

--Other photos from various years are also wanted.

Please submit photos to Barb Winters or Durinda Hood. Envelopes are in the parlor for you to use.

#### **Calendar Notes**

#### **Sundays**

- Sunday School: 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School. Intergenerational class August 7, 14 & 21
- Fall Sunday School classes begin September 18
- Worship: 10:15 to 10:50 a.m.

#### **Regular Meetings**

- Moms Group Wednesday, August 17 at 9:15 a.m. See announcement for more.
- Session Meeting: August 18, 5:30 p.m.

#### **Fellowship**

- Parlor Fellowship: August 14. See announcement.
- Next Lunch at Milligan House: August 28 after worship at Milligan House.

# **August Birthdays**

8/1	Rob Futo**
8/1/92	Hannah Nelson
8/1	Alyssa Catlin
8/2/99	Jake McKie
8/3	Janice Beekman
8/3	Erin Longbrake
8/4	Jesse Cook
8/7	. Mary Beth Glasgow
8/9	Cherie LeFort
8/9	
8/9	Jessie Swigart
8/11	Madeline Boldt
8/13	Sarah Maney
8/14	Lilly Maney
8/15	
8/16	Ross Dixon**
8/16	
8/17	Stephen Helton
8/19	
8/19	
8/20	Tami Smull
8/21	
8/23	Caleb Gutierrez**
8/27	Travis Schmalhofer
8/27	
8/29	Ben Dodd
8/29	Gary Mitchell
8/30	Sophia Tamm
8/31	Melissa Nelson

<sup>\*\*</sup>members of ministry or missionary families

#### **Prayer Requests**

- 1. Jon and Tanya Coody St. Petersburg, Russia. Pray for Jon as he is raising support and will be travelling to Colorado and Wyoming in late August or Sept. Pray that the Lord will lead him to individuals and churches who can give and that he will have boldness in requesting and follow-up. Pray for the many other issues that need taking care of in preparation for their return to Russia, hopefully this fall.
- **2.** Wilma Cross Santiago, Chile. Pray that the Lord would continue to use Wilma's life and testimony to minister to the many people who she teaches and counsels. Pray that the Lord will guide others to help in the various aspects of her ministry. Pray for her stamina and health.
- 3. Rob and Tünde Futo Budapest, Hungary. Pray for rest and refreshment as their family vacations early this month. And as they return, for the planning and beginning of fall activities.
- **4. Gerry and Ruth Gutierrez Huanta, Peru.** Praise the Lord for the amazing improvement in Ruthie's condition. Pray that the tumors will continue to shrink. Pray for Gerry as her cares for her and for his health. They are praying that the Lord will give them more time to serve him in Peru.
- **5.** L'Abri Fellowship England and Switzerland. Pray for both students and staff during this transition time of terms ending, summer break and fall terms beginning. Pray for the Lord's care for those leaving, for a rest for staff and a good beginning of a new term. Pray for the Lord's provision for financial needs, especially in the Swiss branch.
- 6. Dawn Miller Madrid, Spain. Pray for Dawn as she adjusts to her time in the States, studying at Covenant

Seminary. Pray that her studies will be helpful and encouraging. Pray that the Lord will lead her into fulfilling and fruitful service in St. Louis during this time as well as support and friendships at OOC.

- 7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki Nairobi, Kenya. Pray that a godly Indian pastor can be found to pastor the multi-racial church that Joe as founded. Also pray that a good, Christian permanent home can be found for Inishma, the young girl who the Muutuki's rescued from an abusive father (who has since died).
- **8.** Luciano and Luciene Pires Goiania, Brazil. Pray for guidance and provision as they are both very tired and they need to make "timing" decisions about the future of their very fruitful work. Praise that relief has been found from allergies and Luciano's diabetes is under better control. Pray for more financial support.
- **9. Rene and Lani Quimbo Mindanao, Philippines.** In the Hillside Ministry, a so-called Christian group in a nearby town is "buying" some of their people with a financial scam. Pray for wisdom and spiritual and physical protection and strength for the Quimbo's as they deal with this and other concerns in their work. Also pray for the Lord to meet their financial needs.
- **10. Joel and Jessica Rinn Verona, Italy.** Pray for contact they will be having this month with unsaved relatives of Jessica. Pray for locations in which to hold church services and Bible studies. Praise for a church service starting for US military families in nearby Vicenza. Praise for a week's vacation last month. Pray for their witness in the small town where they live. Pray for more financial support.

#### Women's Bible Study

Friday Morning Bible Study is starting again!\* Planning on coming? Be sure to sign up on the sheets circulating today and over the next few weeks. Not sure, but interested? We want to know that, too. We will be ordering materials after Sept 5<sup>th</sup>.

What: The Gospel of Luke (with a parallel study of Luke for the children in the nursery)

When: Friday mornings, 9:15 am – 11:30 am, Sept 16, 2011 – April 27, 2012

Where: Milligan House living room

Led by: Betty McCracken Childcare: available and free

Cost: \$20 one-time materials fee (confidential scholarships available if needed) due at first class

\*Plans for an evening Bible study have not yet been finalized...more info coming soon.

--Melissa Nelson

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