



Overture

The Almost Fortnightly
Newsletter of
Old Orchard Church
September 2, 2012

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 for all ages usually meets at 9 a.m. (except this summer and during some holidays) Please see note below for more.

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.

❖ **Children's Worship**. For children in grades 1-5 meeting at Milligan House. Listen for dismissal announcement, usually around 10:50 am. See Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson.

Sunday School News: No Sunday School through September 9. Sunday School Training will be September 9 at 8:30 a.m. Classes resume again Sunday, September 16 (9:00 a.m.) for both adults and children.



Please browse our selection of books in the hallway 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!!



OOC Anniversary Picnic! Sunday, September 16 after worship. Please **sign-up—by Sunday, September 9**—to attend the 31st anniversary picnic! It will be at nearby Larson Park.

Our Hosts: the diaconate. We will provide meat, buns & soda.

PLEASE, RSVP (by Sunday, Sept. 9) to let us know you are coming so we can buy enough meat for everyone. Please sign-up on the clipboards, or e-mail Durinda (see print copy). Thanks for the offers of help—we still need help with set-up & clean-up, including loading & unloading items, and a couple people to help with games.

Please **bring a side dish** according to the first letter of your last name. **A-H:** Dessert; **I-P:** Favorite side dish; **Q-Z:** Salad.

Please note: voluntary contributions to help with picnic expenses will be taken at the picnic and are not required.

Questions? See Denny Reinheimer, Ben Dodd, Brad Smull, or Durinda Hood.

There will be a St. Louis L'Abri Fellowship Day Conference on Creation on Saturday, October 6 from 8:30-5pm at Westminster Christian Academy's new campus in Town &Country. Speakers include Jerram Barrs, Dick Keyes, Jack Collins, Mark Ryan and others.

Brochures for the conference are on the information table in the foyer, or email Rochester L'Abri (see print copy) for more information.

-Submitted by Katie Mohler



Send Mark Your Schedule!

Mark R. would love to come to your kid's extracurricular activities this Fall; send information for sports, plays, art showings, etc. to Mark and he will promise not to embarrass you in front of all your friends!

Congregational Meeting

The Session is calling for a brief congregational meeting on Sunday, September 23 right after worship. More information will be forthcoming.

Hospitality Ministry's Committee Leaders Meeting- Saturday, September 22, 2 pm in the Milligan House. See Katie Mohler or Nancy Snyder if you're unable to attend.

September House Church: Wednesday, September 5, 6:30 p.m. refreshments; 7:00 p.m. meeting. Luciano and Luciene Pires, PMI Missionaries to Brazil, will be sharing about their work in Goiânia.

Church Office Closed. Labor Day. Monday, Sept. 3.

Choir: Begins Thursday, September 6 at 7:15 p.m. Meeting at Milligan House. See Greg Roig for more.

English Conversations begins at 4:30 p.m. on September 7. Please see Valerie Powers for questions.

Women's Bible Study

We hope you can join us as we study the book of Hebrews! We are excited to get into the Word again together! It is such a blessing to be together as we learn and relearn who God is and his wonderful plan of redemption! This is a fantastic opportunity to grow and is a sweet time of fellowship.

All are welcome! Sign Up sheets will be coming around the communion circle the next few weeks.

When: Friday mornings, 9:15 am-11:30 am, first class Sept. 14

Where: Milligan House (just across street from church)

Led by: Betty McCracken

Childcare: available. We have 2 wonderful ladies hired to lovingly care for the children in the nursery. (Nursing moms welcome to have babies in class.)

Cost: one-time fee of \$30 to cover the cost of materials & supplies. Scholarships may be available if needed.

Contact: Melissa Nelson with any questions!

See print copy for contact info.

Evening Study - details to follow soon!



OOC Women's Book Club

Quite a few of you responded about wanting to start a women's book group at OOC, so here we go! We are only going to meet *every other month* (in November, January, March, May), so hopefully many of you can make it on a regular basis. Kelli McKie is hosting the first book group get together at her house and will be providing drinks and treats on **Saturday, November 10 from 9-11am**. The book is *Les Miserables* by Victor Hugo. (There are many editions of this book, so for consistency sake we are suggesting the abridged version, trans. by Charles E. Wilbur and intro. by James K. Robinson. It is sold on Amazon for around \$6). A new movie version, based on the musical, is coming out in December. We would also love to have a movie outing and discussion afterwards. More info about this at the November meeting. Also, for those of you who love the theater, the musical (highly recommended) is coming to the Fox in October!! Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to the book group. We will be asking for a head count closer to the meeting date so we can accordingly prepare. The group as a whole will be deciding on future reads. Hope to see you at the McKies in November!

-Kelli McKie and Katie Mohler



Children's Ministry Training Session September 9!

For Nursery, Sunday School, Children's & Preschool Worship Volunteers! On Sunday September 9, we will hold a training for all volunteers in these areas. The session will include a break-out time with your individual coordinator to discuss new policies, etc. We will begin the session at 8:30 a.m.; I will be providing snacks and juice. See you there! --Mark Robertson

Middle School & High School Parents' Meeting

Hello parents! It's important to discuss direction and goals for both Sunday School and Youth Group this year. I will let you know what to look for this year and you will have the opportunity to give feedback and ideas. It is crucial that at least one parent from each family in this category comes to the meeting, and if it is impossible, please let me know. We will meet right after worship on September 9 in the Milligan House for about 45 minutes. Please call or email if you have any questions. --Mark Robertson

Some Changes to the Nursery Schedule

Hello faithful nursery volunteers, and that means most of you! We keep having babies, and that is a wonderful thing. In order to remain fully staffed each Sunday, you will notice a few changes to the nursery schedule. If you serve in another capacity in our church, and were previously exempt from serving, you will be called upon to serve once a year in the nursery. This helps us to fill out the schedule completely, and if you are normally serving four times a year, you may be asked to serve one additional time. We are trying to come up with the best plan that doesn't add a lot of commitment for anyone. If you have any questions, please contact me, Mark R., and I'd be happy to discuss it with you. Thanks for your service; it is tremendous that we have so many children in our church!

--Mark Robertson



Men's Bible Studies & Social

--**Weekly.** Men's Weekly Friday Morning Study starts back up on Sept 7. The topic is 'Living Wisely' a study in Proverbs. It meets from 6:30-7:30 am at the Milligan House every Friday.

--The **Saturday morning** Bible study led by Hal Pendergrass will begin again Saturday, September 8 at 7:15 a.m. It will also meet Saturday, September 15.

--**1st Fridays**, 5-6:30 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next social: Friday, September 7.

For questions about the Men's Ministry, see Ed Killeen.

OOO Evening Men's Group

Announcing the formation of an OOO Evening Men's Group. Our next meeting is Monday, September 10. We will be viewing and discussing Tim Keller's DVD series *The Prodigal God*. (There is no book to buy or pre-reading required from week to week.) We will meet every other Monday at the Milligan House from 8:30 - 10:00 p.m. Awesome refreshments will be served! For further info contact Gary Glasgow, Currie Bishop, Greg Kern or Greg Roig.



OOO Retreat

Church-Wide Retreat- September 28-29

See brochure and registration forms to sign-up on the table in the parlor! Retreat dates: September 28-29.
Registration deadline: 9/16/12.

This fall's retreat is a great time to get away and fellowship with the whole church while enjoying God's good creation. The retreat will be at Eaglehurst, near Steelville, Missouri, about 100 miles southwest of St. Louis, and includes camping or cabin accommodations. Our theme is "Back to the Basics." Come and study God's Word, enjoy great meals, and explore the outdoors. The retreat brochure will give more details. See Mark Robertson for questions.

Help to Rebuild Joplin!

You're invited to join the OOC team to help rebuilding efforts in partnership with MNA & Christ the King PCA in Joplin, Missouri. We are currently considering **October 18 – 21**. (Thursday-Sunday)

All ages may apply to come in good health. We will sleep at a local church; shower facilities and meals are available for as low as \$20/day. Let Mark Robertson know if you want to join the team or want more info. mark.robertson@oldorchardchurch.org. –Mark Robertson

Lawn Mowing

Thanks to all who have been signing up! Still looking for people to mow the lawns at the church building & Milligan House and at the home of Willie Lee, disabled who lives in Rock Hill. We welcome people to help and take a turn!! See sign up sheets or contact **Bill Grady** for church's lawns or **Ben Dodd** for Willie Lee's.

Tutoring Opportunities (see bulletin board for more)

--**Tutoring sponsored by Firm Foundation/New City Fellowship/Restore St. Louis:** You're invited to spread the gospel to the urban poor through tutoring a student in grades K-12 once a week for 1-1/2 hours. Firm Foundation Tutoring's North City program meets on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 4:15-5:45 for elementary students and from 6:00-7:30 on Tuesday and Thursday for middle school and high school students. The South City program is from 5:00-6:30 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Tutors choose which day of the week, time, and location works best for them. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Laurie Jones at:[see print copy] or [\(314\)726-2302 ext. 233](tel:3147262302). Firm Foundation is a member of New City Fellowship (PCA) and Restore St. Louis. 1142 Hodiamont Ave., St. Louis, MO 63112. --Submitted by Laurie Jones

--William Yandell Tutoring Program. (Webster-Rock Hill Ministries) Rock Hill Baptist Church, 9125 Mancehster Road, Brentwood. MO 63144. Tutoring will begin on Tues., Oct. 9. Volunteer orientation will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2012 from 5:30 - 6:00 pm.

Tutoring will be on Tuesdays, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. You will be matched with a student to tutor each week. Support, supplies & snacks are provided.

Academically strong high school (11, 12 grades), college students and adults are eligible to tutor.

If interested, please contact: Janet Stobart OR Elizabeth Cawthon [see print copy for phone numbers or call Webster-Rock Hill Ministries.

9/2.....	Nancy Rogers
9/3.....	Brinson Hood
9/3.....	Lilah Raquepaw
9/8.....	Donna Pollihan
9/9.....	Lori Hendrick
9/10.....	Amy Grady
9/10.....	Durinda Hood
9/10.....	Po Sun Lee
9/11.....	Maryann Kohl
9/14.....	Dulce Brown
9/14.....	Chuck Schulte
9/15.....	Dorothy Woodson
9/16.....	Barbara Winters
9/17.....	Sue vanHoornbeek
9/20.....	Quentin McKeon
9/22.....	Kelli McKie
9/22.....	Valerie Powers
9/22.....	Joel Rinn**
9/23.....	Brianna Tamm
9/25.....	Andy Gear
9/28.....	Don Branson
9/30.....	Denny Reinheimer

**member of missionary family



The Swallows and the Nightingales
By Ben Killeen

The swallows and the nightingales,
Whom hikers hear in hallowed tales,
Shall drive me from this homely hall,
Their song a solemn siren's call.

The lively lure of love and life,
They call to me through pain and strife,
To take me ere my languor fails:
The swallows and the nightingales.

The call of lands I've not yet seen,
The lure of loves that might have been,
It draws me forth to wind and sails:
The swallows and the nightingales.

From peace and rest and life I go,
To learn of lives I yearn to know,
Escape this place; contentment ails:
The swallows and the nightingales.

Yet know the road is not a guide,
It will not be a pleasant ride,
The road will change the way that quails:
The swallows and the nightingales.

Adventure calls from far away
And echoes in my bones of clay,
It makes them firm, though sorrow wails:
The swallows and the nightingales.

I go to find fulfillment strong
I leave to hear a different song,
I walk to where my purpose lies:
The birds that call where duty flies.

Next Overture!

You are invited to write for any issue of our newsletter, the *Overture!* We welcome submissions of articles, art, short essays, poetry, etc. All submissions should be signed by the person submitting them. You can place your signed articles in the *Overture* box (in the coat room) or email them to the church office (put in subject line: *Overture*). The next issue will be out Sunday, September 16. Deadline is September 9. Liz Romines, editor.

Foreign Missions Prayer Requests for September 2012

- 1. Jon and Tanya Coody – St. Petersburg, Russia.** Pray for Jon's relationship to the new president of the university, that they would all have wisdom as they discuss and plan for the future. Pray for the Lord to lead the family to the right home church for them. While Jon's parents were visiting them from the US, Jon's uncle died suddenly. Pray for Jon's mother and family. (We don't know if he was a believer.)
- 2. Wilma Cross – Santiago, Chile.** Praise that the Mercy school and various seminars this spring and summer went well. Pray for lasting spiritual fruit in the lives of those who attended. Pray for guidance as plans are being made for this fall and winter, (summer there)
- 3. Rob and Tünde Futo – Budapest, Hungary.** Pray for Rob as he begins his fall activities (teaching, preaching, leading various groups, etc.) and for Tunde as she begins her work with the choir. Pray for the girls starting school. Pray for health for the whole family.
- 4. Gerry and Ruth Gutierrez – Huanta, Peru.** Pray for Gerry as he continues to grieve and adjust to life without Ruthie. Pray for him and MTW and they decide and implement what Gerry will be doing in the future. MTW has advised that he take time to heal and not return to Peru long term for 1-2 years. He will do varied mission work, speaking and traveling from the U.S.
- 5. L'Abri Fellowship – England and Switzerland.** As new terms begin in both branches, pray that the Lord will make clear the needs of the students and they will relate well to the staff and other students. Continue to pray for financial needs, especially in Switzerland. Pray for a qualified person to give long term care to Mrs. Schaeffer, which is made difficult due to Swiss resident permit laws.
- 6. Dawn Miller – Madrid, Spain.** Pray that Dawn will be absorbing from her studies at Cov Sem things that will enrich her ministry when she returns to Spain. Dawn is currently teaching a women's Bible Study with some non Christians. Pray that they will encounter God as they study His Word. Pray for Anna, in Spain who is not a believer yet, that she will turn to God as she is going through hard situations.
- 7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki – Nairobi, Kenya.** Pray that Joseph will find time to finish his dissertation in spite of his busy schedule in Nairobi. Pray for two men from New City, St Louis going to help in Nairobi for two years (Gary and Robin). Pray for Pastor Manoj from India who will be studying in seminary and interning with them. He plans to join them in three years when he is done with the training.

8. Luciano and Luciene Pires – Goiania, Brazil. Pray for Luciano as he undertakes the difficult task of raising support. Just since they arrived in the US, two more churches have had to drop their support. Pray that the Lord will open the hearts of individuals and churches. Pray for Pedro's adjustment to school and life in the US. Pray that OOC will shower the family with love and care. Pray that Luciano's diabetes will stay under control.

9. Rene and Lani Quimbo – Mindanao, Philippines. Pray for spiritual and physical protection and strength for Rene and Lani as they continue in the many aspects of their work. Pray especially for the long term rehabilitation efforts in the Hillside Ministry, which involves hard, and sometimes dangerous, travel and physical labor. Pray for student Eugene who is ministering alone in Zamboanga City.

10. Joel and Jessica Rinn – Verona, Italy. Praise for a wonderful family vacation with many opportunities to share the Gospel. Pray that they will find a worship location soon to rent in Vicenza for the new Trinity Church at the military base there. Praise for a new family joining and two baptisms! Pray for good teachers for the children when school starts September 12th,, especially Etienne who is entering first grade.

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