



OVERTURE

The (Almost) Fortnightly Newsletter
Of Old Orchard Church
August 18, 2013

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 is off for the summer. Please see the 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 they are dismissed at 10:50.
- **Children's Worship** will not be meeting through the end of August. Please see Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson with questions.
- **Children's Activity Bags in Worship!** Parents, each week there is a new activity sheet for children in the colored bags which are in a box alongside the windows in the back hallway. These sheets are a way to help children engage in worship; if they are not yet reading, perhaps you can assist them after the service with some of the questions, though there are also graphics and games for all to enjoy according to that week's theme. Let me know if you have suggestions, as we seek to help the whole family worship well Sunday mornings!

Sunday School News



Sunday School will resume on **September 8th, at 9:00 a.m.**

Women's Ministries



Bible Study: see below for what is being offered this fall.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - ROMANS!

When: Tuesday mornings, 9:15 a.m. - 11:30, September 10, 2013 - April 15, 2014

Where: The Milligan House, 639 Amelia

What: The Book of Romans (materials given out first class, cost last year \$30/book, this year's price still TBD, but it won't be over \$30) (don't let cost be an issue...if you need financial help or if you need to pay in increments, please see Melissa Nelson)

Who: Led by Betty McCracken, 40+ years of teaching experience

Format: We gather in the living room around the fireplace, grab some treats, have a short time of singing/worship, then jump into our study. We walk through the questions one at a time in a discussion format. Questions always welcomed! End with prayer. There is usually some time to visit & have more snacks if you want, before you pick up the kiddos. All are welcome. Please invite your friends and neighbors!

Childcare: 2 Nurseries Available (infant/early walkers and toddler/preschool) in the church nurseries (basement of church) kids can be dropped off as early as 9:05 and need to be picked up no later than 11:15. Two childcare workers for each room. All workers have been background checked and have excellent references. Workers each week will be leading your children through a bible story and song, & snack. Also lots of time for free play. If workers need to contact you during the study, you or our childcare coordinator will receive a text. ** Because of budget constraints we will be asking moms to pay a small fee for childcare, amount TBD. (Again, don't let this cost keep you from coming. Please talk to Melissa)

Note: WE NEED TO KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING BY AUGUST 25th so that we can order books. **WE ALSO NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY CHILDREN WILL BE NEEDING CHILDCARE AND THEIR AGES.**

Contact

Melissa Nelson/see print copy (call or text)

Betty McCracken/ see print copy

Evening Study

Hoping we can offer an evening study option. No details yet. Please pray God would provide the right person to lead.

Men's Ministries



Bible Study

- Bi-weekly Monday evenings from 8:30 – 10 p.m. (Milligan House)

Next study is Monday, August 26th. Awesome refreshments will be served! For more information, contact Gary Glasgow or Greg Roig.

- Weekly on Friday mornings from 6:30-7:30 a.m., at the Milligan House. The Friday Bible study is studying 2nd Timothy.



Men's Social

1st Friday of the month, 5-6:15 p.m. at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next social: Friday, September 6th, 2013. *For questions about the men's ministries, please see Ed Killeen.*



Fall Nursery Schedules (Sept-Nov) are available for pickup in the foyer of the church. Please find yours with your last name on it take it home. Questions or issues, please contact Margaret Wilke.



- ❖ **Grace & Peace Winter Shelter 2013 Rummage Sale!** To benefit the Grace & Peace Women's Emergency Winter Shelter. Here's another way of supporting the Winter Shelter: make a donation or come to the sale and buy!
 - Donations of items will be accepted Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every week from July 8th until August 22nd.
 - Please bring your "rummage" to 5574 Delmar Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63112. Please note: they accept donations in excellent condition—others won't sell. Call Melody at (314) 367-8959 or e-mail graceandpeace1@sbcglobal.net if you want to help out or have questions.
 - The last week of the sale itself is coming up! Friday, August 23 (5 to 8 p.m.) and Saturday, August 24 (8 a.m. to 1 p.m.). See flyer posted on the Mercy Ministry board.

- ❖ **Stated Session Meeting:** August 20th, 4:30 p.m. at Milligan House.

- ❖ **Next Lunch at Milligan House:** Lunch on August 25th with Katie Mohler & Betsy Tevebaugh hosting. No lunch in September, but we'll have our annual picnic (see below).

- ❖ **Staff Vacation.** Durinda Hood will be away September 1st through September 9th.

- ❖ **September's House Church:** Wednesday, September 4th at 7:00 p.m.

- ❖ **Tender Mercies Prayer Group:** "...because of the tender mercy of our Lord..." When & Where: Saturday, September 7th, 9:00 a.m. at the Milligan House. Join us as we ask our God to shine His light on our grown covenant children who are walking in darkness. See Nancy Weir for questions.

- ❖ **Sunday School:** resumes on September 8th, at 9:00 a.m.

- ❖ **Annual Anniversary Picnic:** Sunday, September 29th. Mark your calendar! Your hosts: the diaconate with help from the Hospitality Ministry.

**Free Events: Sponsored by Francis Schaeffer Institute partnering with
Memorial Presbyterian Church**

An art historian and former museum curator, Dan Siedell is the author of the much acclaimed "God in the Gallery: A Christian Embrace of Modern Art" and is currently

the curator of LIBERATE, the outreach ministry of Tullian Tchividjian and Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The events are free and open to the public.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5 at 7:00 PM

"Who's Afraid of Modern Art?"

Lecture followed by Q&A

Location: THE CHAPEL (6238 Alexander Dr., 63105)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6 at 10:00 AM

Gallery talk at the SAINT LOUIS ART MUSEUM on postwar German art in the newly completed East Building

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6 at 7:00 PM

"Echoes of Eden: An Evening with Professor Jerram Barrs"

Dan will be participating in a panel discussion after Barrs' lecture on art, literature, and the Christian imagination.

Location: COVENANT SEMINARY (12330 Conway Rd., 63141)

Join Our Mission of Service in Santiago, Chile - June 2014

Join our team as we serve in Santiago, Chile with Wilma Cross. She operates Ruhama House, a shelter for women and she desires our assistance in making repairs, painting, and meeting needs in their community at Ruhama. The home will be closed in the time we will be there and so we will stay at Ruhama House. Come and help with the project, learn more about what Wilma is doing in Chile, and explore a wonderful city! Informational meeting, Sunday, September 8 after church in the Milligan House. All who might be interested or have questions should attend this meeting. See you there!

--Mark Robertson

Tutoring

There are various opportunities in the metropolitan area to tutor children. Here are a couple of them. --Durinda Hood

- ***"Firm Foundation": New City Fellowship (north & south) Tutoring Opportunities:*** 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 5:30-7:00 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: Laurie@ncfstl.org or (314)726-2302 ext. 233. Firm Foundation is a ministry of New City Fellowship and Restore St. Louis.

- ***Webster Rock Hill Ministries' William Yandell Tutoring Program.*** Registration of students takes place September 10. They are in need of a second program coordinator. They have a co-coordinator, but she needs a partner. This is a paid position. They need a person who enjoys working with children and adults-rejoices in student progress, and likes to creatively prepare a positive learning environment. If interested in the program coordinator position or volunteering with this tutoring opportunity, contact Ed Johnson, (314) 961-5082.

4 Positions for Childcare Workers at the Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Four loving childcare workers needed in the nursery during our Tuesday Morning Bible Study. You would join three other workers in caring for children ages 0-5.

Duties include welcoming moms at drop-off, supervising and playing with the children, helping our lead Childcare worker with the children's lesson, setting out snack at snack-time, changing diapers, putting babies down for naps as needed, and communicating any needs or issues to the Bible Study coordinator and/or to the moms.

Hours are 9:05 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. and the **pay** is \$25 weekly. We will do a background check on qualified candidates.

The time frame is September 10th, 2013 - April 2014 (possibly going into mid-May).

Please include a brief introduction about yourself as well as a short list of your experiences or qualifications by emailing Melissa Nelson (see print copy for e-mail).

American Heritage Girls

American Heritage Girls is a nationally known premier scouting organization for girls in K-12th Grade. Troops offer girls opportunities to build relationships and learn valuable life skills in a welcoming God-honoring environment. The Kirk of the Hills Troop MO 9522 invites you to join us at our August 22nd Birthday Party and Registration night from 6:00-7:15 p.m. The Kirk of the Hills Church is located at 12928 Ladue Road Creve Coeur MO 63141. Girls will play games while parents will have a chance to register and learn about AHG. Events for this upcoming year include earning badges, PJ movie night, Father/Daughter Picnic, Chocolate Extravaganza and service

projects. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Laura Stanfill at [see print copy].

--Submitted by Suzanna McKeon

A Class for Boomers and Beyond: Medicare 101

Are you approaching age 65 and Medicare eligibility? Do you have questions about Medicare? Call Shepherd's Center at 314-395-0988 to register **for Thurs. Sept. 12 at 5 pm for Medicare 101**: an educational tool to help individuals make important Medicare decisions. The topics that will be discussed include an introduction to Medicare, a discussion of Medicare Part A/B, Medicare Supplement and other Medicare product options. Presentation by Jon Graf of Thrivent Financial at the Shepherd's Center.

– Submitted by Durinda Hood

Shepherd's Center offers AARP Safe Driving Class

On **Thursday, October 3rd from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, Shepherd's Center will offer an annual AARP Safe Driving Class. Cost is \$12 for AARP members/\$14 for non-members. Registration by September 26 is required, call 395-0988. Check with your insurance company to see if you will receive a reduction for attending. Class is free for Shepherd's Center drivers.

--Submitted by Durinda Hood

(Shepherd's Center is located at 1333 W Lockwood Ave, Glendale, MO 63122; Shepherd's Center is "an interfaith volunteer organization that provides programs and services for older adults.")

Building Use Notes

Please note that the following events scheduled in our facilities, as it may impact those of you who might "drop by" one of our buildings.

- ***Cornerstone Corporation's Board Meeting***: Saturday, August 24, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Please note: the following is a regular use of the church building:
 - ***A neighborhood Bible Study***, led by a retired pastor in the neighborhood, every Sunday evening, will be using the *Church Parlor and Nurseries* beginning Sunday, August 18th, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. (unless that time conflicts with an OOC-sponsored event).



Post

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for the meals that you provided for our family following the birth of Hope. We are so thankful for your thoughtfulness and care. The meals were a blessing to us.

With love,
Brad, Tami, Andy & Hope Smull

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 8th. Deadline for submissions is September 1st.
Next Editor: Liz Romines



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