

OOO Tidbits
Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church
January 2, 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. and is offered for all ages. See note about Adult Sunday School class.

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. Will not meet today. Expected to resume January 9.

Sunday School News

No Sunday School today January 2, & next Sunday January 9, 2011. Children's Ministries' volunteer training will be during the Sunday School hour on the 9th. **Adult Classes:** New Members' class to begin Sunday, January 16. Class on Finances will begin Sunday, January 23. See descriptions on the back page of this *Tidbits*.

Funding Needed for Valerie Power's Trip

Valerie's love for the people she ministers to in Tatarstan was so evident in the great presentation she gave in the worship service recently. If you would like to help financially to make her trip possible, you can do it by making out a check to OOC and put "Valerie's Mission Trip" on the memo line. --Submitted by the Foreign Missions Ministry

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. The next issue will be out Sunday, January 9, edited by Jim Lowe. Deadline for articles will be Sunday, January 2.

Youth Group

Tonight! Kick-Off Dinner on Jan. 2 at the Milligan House. We'll have dinner and talk about some ideas for the youth! See Mark Robertson, Director of Youth and Family, 314-707-6050 if you have questions.

Hospitality Ministry Meeting

The **Hospitality Ministry** will meet in Milligan House on Saturday, January 15th at 10 a.m. to plan events for the new year. New members are welcome to come and learn how to participate in this important aspect of our church. See Kathy Jennings, Hospitality Ministry Coordinator, for questions.

Adult Choir

Meets Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. No choir this Thursday, January 6. Please see Greg Roig, music director, for schedule & questions.

Men's Bible Study

Due to the holidays, our next study will be this Saturday, January 8, 7:15-8:30 a.m. at Milligan House and then again on Saturday, January 22 also at 7:15 a.m. Newcomers welcome! We usually meet the first and third Saturdays of the month and are studying the book of Revelation. — Hal Pendergrass

House Church Meets this Wednesday

Please join us this Wednesday, January 5 for House Church at Milligan House. At 6 p.m. we will gather for a pot-luck supper—bring a dish to share! At 7 p.m. we will meet and hear from **Heidi Lutjens** (Ron and Katherine's niece) about her two years working in Uganda as a missionary nurse, and then pray together for various needs.

Adult Sunday School Class To Begin:

Struggling to Know How Best to Manage Your Money as a Follower of Jesus?

How can I honor God with my money? Can I afford to tithe? Is putting money into savings a luxury? Is credit card debt a bad thing? And so on. These are practical questions serious Christians wrestle with and need to answer. But there's help! On **Sunday, January 23**, at 9 a.m. sharp we will begin our winter semester of adult classes during the Sunday School hour. This year we are featuring a class listening to talks (via CD) given by Dave Ramsey, a believer in Christ and a financial counselor who has helped thousands of people learn some basic "money principles" set out in the Scriptures. Even if you feel like you've answered some of the questions above, come join us anyway, and treat it as a kind of "refresher course." ---Ron Lutjens for the Session

Women's Bible Study

Both of the women's Bible studies are studying the book of Genesis. The Morning Study meets Fridays, 9:15 am - 11:30 am, @ Milligan House (child care available.) and **will meet this Friday, January 7, 2011.**

Evening Study meets Thursday evenings also @ Milligan House, 7-8:30 pm. No childcare available. The evening study **will meet January 13, 2011.** For more info about either study, please contact Melissa Nelson.

January 2011/a few Calendar Notes

Tuesday, January 4. Session meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Milligan House

Wednesday, January 5. House Church. 6 p.m. pot luck supper (bring a dish to share)
7:00 p.m. Meeting at Milligan House

Sunday, January 9. Bagel Fellowship after worship

Tuesday, January 11. Arts Ministry. 7:00 p.m. at Milligan House

Sunday, January 16. Sunday School resumes.

Sunday, January 23: Lunch at Milligan House

Tuesday, January 25, Leaders meeting.

January 2011 Youth Calendar

Jan. 2 - Kickoff Dinner at the Milligan House (for parents and teens - RSVP to Mark Robertson)

Jan. 9 - The Life of Jesus - Jesus and Popular Music

Jan. 16 - The Life of Jesus - Jesus and Outsiders

Jan. 23 - Demolition Ball!!!! (bring \$10—pizza included)

Jan. 30 -The Life of Jesus - Jesus and Genealogy

What's Church Membership About?

The annual New Members' Class will meet in the Milligan House dining room beginning **Sunday, January 16** at 9 a.m. sharp. The commitment to take this class is not necessarily a commitment to become a formal member of Old Orchard Church, but you will learn a lot about what the Scriptures teach concerning the church. And if you already know that you want to throw your lot in with us and become a member, then we ask that you take this 18-week class. 18 weeks sounds like a long time, but I've led this class for 29 years now, and we always have a great time in it—and I always learn something new about Christ's church! Please call me at 314.962.6196 if you are interested to join us! Thanks.

--Ron Lutjens, for the Session

Our Sympathies

We extend our sympathies to Keith Germer, on the loss of his mother, Lorraine, 84 years old, two days after Christmas. The funeral service will be on Monday, January 3, at 10 a.m. at J.B. Smith Funeral Home on Manchester Avenue in Maplewood (between Big Bend and Sutton). Do be praying for Keith and his wider family as they grieve their loss.

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