OOC Tidbits ~ January 12, 2014 ~ Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church

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 offered for all ages. 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 dismissed at 10:50.
- **♦ Children's Worship**: for children in grades 1-5 at Milligan House. Listen for the dismissal time to be announced. See Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson for 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! Please remember to return the bags to the bins in the hallway at the end of the service. —Mark Robertson

Parlor Fellowship

Please join us today after worship for food and fellowship. Thanks to Ed Killeen and the men in the fellowship for hosting.

Lunch@Milligan House: January 26th, 2014

Sunday School News

Sunday School for all ages resumed today. **Adults:** Mark Robertson begins teaching an adult Sunday School today for 3 Sundays on a book by Paul Miller titled "A Praying Life: Connecting with God in a Distracting World." The class will discuss: Praying like a Child, Prayer in a Distracting World and Praying in Real Life. This seems like a fitting topic to set our minds and hearts upon as we begin the new year. Join us for teaching and discussion at 9 a.m. in the living room of

Milligan House. Child care is provided. –Margaret Killeen **New Members Class** begins today as well. See Ron Lutjens for questions. Meets in the Milligan House dining room.

Congregational Meeting

Brothers and sisters,

Your elders have called a congregational meeting for **Wednesday**, **January 22**, **at 6:45 p.m.** for the presentation of church officers who are up for election. The roster is as follows:

Matt Philip, first-time candidate, up for the office of elder for a 2-yr. term. Matt's spiritual autobiography will be published and distributed to the fellowship on Sunday, January 5. Matt, nominated last year, has completed the apprenticeship work and desires to stand for this office. The Session, believing Matt to be qualified for it, is willing to lay hands on him and ordain him to the office of elder if you, the fellowship want him to serve you in this way.

Nate McKie & Greg Roig, first elected in 2008, are both up for their 3rd term for the office of elder (it would be a 3-yr. term). Greg and Nate have served the fellowship well as elders, and the Session is willing to have them continue in this office, if that is the will of the body.

Please review the qualifications for the office of elder as set out in the Word of God (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Peter 5:1-4), and then talk with these brothers and their wives about the work of an elder--their availability for it, their desire to do it, their insights into what it means to give spiritual oversight to the body of Christ. And above all, be in prayer that the Lord would continue to give us, and bless us with, godly leaders.

--Ron Lutjens, Moderator, for the Session

~ Women's Ministries ~ Morning & Evening Bible Studies

Ladies, we welcome you to attend either study. **The morning study will not resume until February 4.** The evening study will resume this Thursday, Jan. 16.

Times: Tuesday mornings - 9:15-11:30 am;

Thursday Evenings – 7:00-8:30 pm

Location: Both are at Milligan House (639 Amelia)
What we're studying: The Book of Romans.
Leaders: Betty McCracken/Morning Study.
Dawn Miller/Evening Study

Format: Discussion format. Prayer & fellowship.
Childcare: Available for morning study for \$3/family.
(Confidential financial help is available, see Melissa Nelson.)
However, no childcare offered for the evening study.
Questions? Melissa Nelson or Betty McCracken. or

Dawn Miller.

Men's Bible Studies

- ★Bi-weekly Monday evenings from 8:30 10 p.m. (Milligan House) Next study is tomorrow evening, Monday, January 13. Awesome refreshments will be served! For more infor, contact Gary Glasgow or Greg Roig.
- ★Weekly on **Friday mornings** from 6:30-7:30 a.m., Milligan House. For more info contact Brad Smull or Ed Killeen.

Men's Social

1st Friday of the month, 5-6:15 p.m. at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next social: Friday, February 7.

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

Tender Mercies Prayer Group

Saturday, January 25, 2014, 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.

Hospitality Ministry's Annual Meeting

The Annual Hospitality Committee Meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, February 1**, 9:30-11:30am at the Milligan House. To all OOC ladies, if you are interested in this church ministry please join us, even if you are not a chair of one of

the many hospitality committees. We welcome your input! If you are able to bring a treat that would be great! Tea and coffee served. Warmly, Katie Mohler (For any questions please email Katie.

Old Orchard Talent Show, March 2

Come one, come all! Show us what you've got! The Talent Show is a great way to have fellowship together and enjoy the talents that God has given us. We encourage all ages to participate; please email Pastor Mark if you would like to be included in the show! And we hope everyone else will make plans to attend.

Important Position Available Now!

Are you interested in helping OOC stay supplied with its basic needs (tp, paper plates, napkins, coffee, tea)? Do you enjoy shopping to find bargains and great prices? Well, I have the perfect volunteer job for you at OOC supplies ministry! After many years (so many I have lost count!), I would like to retire from this rewarding and challenging position. I would like to resign as purveyor of supplies ASAP, but will be available for help, advice, etc., to the lucky person who takes over this responsibility. Please let me and/or Durinda Hood know if you are interested in assuming this necessarily important ministry. But don't delay! You could miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Act NOW, and assure yourself of a great resume item! If you need more information or just want to sign up, the best place to reach me or leave a message is at my home phone. Durinda can be reached by e-mail or at her office phone (314-962-3795). Thanks for considering this position. OOC NEEDS YOU!! -- Donna Pollihan

Please **thank Donna** for serving the congregation in keeping us supplied for several years now. Please let one of us know if you are interested in taking on the job. --Durinda Hood

OOC Directory

In the next couple of weeks those in the current directory will be sent an email asking you to verify and update your listing. It is important for your to reply as soon as you can to the e-mail request, even if there have been no changes. These e-mails will come from (see print copy) instead of the office e-mail address). —Thanks, Durinda Hood

Not in the directory yet?: Please submit your directory information either by completing the online form on the church's website or by filling out a paper form. Paper forms will be posted on the bulletin board. Please turn in to Durinda Hood's mailbox.

OOC Talk: If you would like to be added to our inhouse, congregation-wide e-mail list, OOCTalk, please e-mail office@oldorchardchurch.org and a link to the subscriber list with instructions will be e-mailed to you. Nate McKie, one of our elders, administers this list.

Thanks, Durinda Hood

Photo Directory

To view the confidential online version of the OOC photos, please see instructions on the photo board. The photo directory is available through Old Orchard church's website.

Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, January 28, 5:30 p.m. at Milligan House

Activity In Church Building:

Please note that the following activity is scheduled in our facilities. The basement and nurseries on Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. is used for a Bible Study led by a retired pastor in the neighborhood.

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 January 19. Deadline is today. Next Editor is Jim Lowe.

Want to be an Editor?

Anyone ready to be an occasional *Overture* editor? Let Durinda Hood know.

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