

CONNECTIONS

Oakmont Baptist Church

January 2010

Can you imagine a worship service where music is not sung or played? Prayers are offered, scripture is read, God's tithes and our offerings are received, and God's word is preached and proclaimed. Not a sound, though, is heard from any musical instrument, and voices are silenced from singing the great hymns and other music of our faith. I could endure that type of worship gathering perhaps once, but then my heart, voice, and ears would long to welcome God's beautiful gift of music back into the mix of worship.

Oakmont has long enjoyed a rich tapestry of worship through vocal and instrumental expressions of music. I am looking forward to elevating music to an even greater level of importance in our worship gatherings during 2010.

While on sabbatical this past summer, I spent over two weeks working on sermon themes, texts, and titles for 2010. I have developed a year-long preaching plan that will allow us to celebrate the abundant diversity of hymns and other Christian music that is a part of our Christian tradition.

Specifically, rather than beginning with a scriptural theme and coordinating the biblical text with music, choral anthems, and contemporary Christian music (depending on which worship service you attend), I began my annual sermon planning process with a hymn or another selection of Christian music and then moved to a biblical text. It's my hope not only

to preach clearly from God's word, but to use the musical texts to show how they complement and affirm our Christian beliefs, convictions, and actions.

It's been said that the person who selects the hymns and other music for a worship service is that church's chief theologian. I think there is a great deal of validity in that statement, primarily due to the great truths declared through the lyrics of our Christian music. I'm fairly confident that most people would never suggest that the words of hymns and other Christian music are on the same par as the words from the Bible. We can safely acknowledge, however, that so much of our theology is derived from the music that we sing, play, or hear in our Sunday worship experiences.

I am hopeful that before the conclusion of 2010, you will get to sing one or more of your favorite hymns or selections of Christian music. I am grateful in advance for the leadership that Michael McKnight, other church staff musicians, and a host of other volunteer leaders and participants offer toward making music such a meaningful part of our worship gatherings each week. May God bless us in the coming year as we offer our worship to Him with grateful and musical hearts!

Your Pastor,
Greg Rogers

Songs that Preach

OAKMONT 101

January 24th & 31st
3:30-6:30 p.m.

You should plan to attend both sessions.

*For People Who Want
to Know More About the
Oakmont Church Family*

SEMINAR TOPICS WILL INCLUDE...

HOW OAKMONT BEGAN OVER 45 YEARS AGO

Some of our charter members will be present to share their experiences

WHO ARE BAPTISTS?

What do Baptists believe?

How are Baptists similar and different from other Protestant denominations and Catholics?

MINISTRY

OPPORTUNITIES

Oakmont leaders share how our church works and ways you can be involved in Oakmont's ministry.

**Sign Up in
Grand Central
or Call the
Church
Office.**

CHANGE FOR LIFE

Take a baby bottle from the display in Grand Central and fill with silver change, dollars, or checks (made payable to CPC).

Return by February 28th.

Proceeds will be used to minister to and counsel women and men in crisis pregnancy situations, and to provide Bible studies, parenting classes, ultrasounds, etc.



FRESH GROUNDED
FAITH
WARM YOUR HEART, AWAKEN YOUR SPIRIT

FEATURING
Jennifer Rothschild
Speaker - Best Selling Author and Bible Study Teacher

SPECIAL GUESTS

- Logi Wilson - Special Guest - Author - Love You to the End
- Christy Jennings - Special Guest - Ministry Director

January 29-30, 2010
FRIDAY: 7:00-9:00 PM - SATURDAY: 9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Covenant Church
400 Corey Road, Winterville, NC

Contact Gayle Daniel (756-5000) for information about group tickets.

"Jennifer Rothschild is the real thing. She knows what she's talking about." - BETTE MIDLER



Each month Oakmont has designated one Sunday as a Sabbath Sunday when afternoon and evening activities are suspended.

This practice allows us to worship well and rest well.

Sabbath Sundays for 2010

- January 17
- February 14
- March 7
- April 4
- May 9
- May 30
- June 20
- July 4
- August 8
- September 5
- October 31
- November 28
- December 26



japanese
table talk
Friday
January 8th
6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Come and join in a time of **fellowship** with other **internationals** in our community.

JANUARY 10, 2010
BIG BREAKFAST SUNDAY
 A GREAT time to join a Sunday School group at 8:20, 9:40, or 11 o'clock

Adult
Sunday School
Communities
Winter Term
January 10-March 14, 2010

<p>9:40 Session</p> <p>20's Community (Yasinsac · Room 609) <i>Sermon on the Mount</i> led by Sharron Edwards</p> <p>30's Community (Bell · Room 606) <i>Sessions with Luke</i> led by David Eberenz</p> <p>Minding the Heart Community (Davenport · Room 310) <i>Revelation</i> led by Nelson Cooper</p>	<p>11:00 Session</p> <p>Mid 20's-Mid 30's Community (Walker · Room 609) <i>Sessions with Corinthians</i> led by Jason Barclift</p> <p>Mid 30's & Above Community (Carroll · Room 610) <i>Hollywood Jesus: Part II</i> led by Mac Williamson</p> <p>Everyday Faith Community (Ross & Ocker · Room 606) <i>Ten Commandments from the Backside</i> led by Steve Prevatte and Carrie Sowash</p>
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Thinking About Marriage?

Pre-Marital & Newly Married Seminar

Saturday, January 30, 2010
9 a.m. until 12 noon

and

Sunday, January 31, 2010
12:45 p.m. until 3:45 p.m.

Contact Greg Rogers, Beth Thompson or Steve Prevatte
for more information.

Call the Church Office to Sign-up.



a meeting of Oakmonters who gather for the
purpose of being the presence of Christ through
outreach, inreach, sending cards,
making phone calls, and prayer

3:00 until 5:00 p.m.

January 10th

February 21st

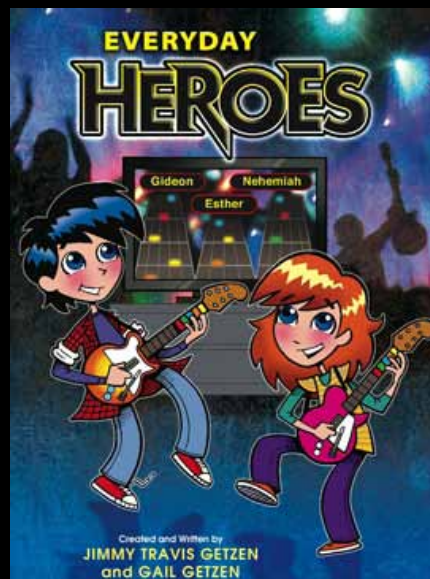
4:00 until 6:00 p.m.

March 21st

April 18th

May 16th

Children's Musical 2010



Grades 3-6

Premier Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 6th

@ 6:00 p.m.

First Pizza Lunch

Sunday, January 10th

12 noon until 2 p.m.

Solo and Drama Auditions Held

Performance: 04-21-10

SING
FOR
Joy

**JOY Singers'
Spring Mission Trip
April 6-8, 2010**

The group will travel to Caswell
and the coastal part of North
Carolina sharing Christ through
music and fellowship.

Cost \$125 (plus 3 lunches on the
road). Covers lodging, snacks,
and 4 meals.

Deposit of \$65
due by January 31st.

**YOUTH
SUNDAY**
February 14, 2010



Spirituality Retreat

March 5-7, 2010

SACRED PATHWAYS



Join us March 5-7, 2010 at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro, North Carolina for the 13th Spirituality Retreat.

Oakmont will join with others from The Memorial Baptist Church and Immanuel Baptist Church for this time of retreat and renewal.

The weekend includes times of worship, sharing, fellowship, study, quiet and reflection.

This year's presenter is **Wendy M. Edwards**. Wendy worked for the Baptist State Convention of NC for over 20 years in the areas of discipleship and spiritual formation.

The theme for the weekend will be "Sacred Pathways." Each of us has one or more distinct spiritual temperaments by which we express our relationship with Jesus Christ. During the retreat we will learn about those paths and discover the one that leads us most naturally into a deeper relationship with our Lord.

\$110 per person (double occupancy) for first-time attendee
\$134 per person (double occupancy) for returning participants

Cost includes 2 nights lodging and 5 meals

A non-refundable (but transferable) deposit of \$60 will reserve your space



UPCOMING

Regular Schedule

Sundays

- 8:20 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:00 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
- 9:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:40 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Emerge Worship Experience
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Praise Team Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Room Opens
- 5:30 p.m. Joyful Sounds Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Dinner
- 6:00 p.m. Highest Praise Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Small Group Bible Studies

Mondays

- 9:30 a.m. Ministers' Prayer Time
- 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study (2nd & 4th weeks)
- 7:30 p.m. Men's & Women's Prayer Groups

Tuesdays

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Coffee Talk (1st week)
- 10:00 a.m. Steadfast Mission Group (2nd week)
- 11:30 a.m. Senior Adult Lunch Bunch (2nd week)

Wednesdays


- 10:00 a.m. Mission Action Group (2nd week)
- 12:30 p.m. Baptist Men's Lunch (uptown Chico's)
- 4:00 p.m. JOY Singers' Rehearsal
- 5:15 p.m. Fellowship Supper Begins
- 5:45 p.m. Library Opens
- Preschool Childcare Begins
- 6:00 p.m. Preschool & Children's Choirs
- Youth Room Opens
- 6:15 p.m. Adult Small Group Studies
- 6:20 p.m. 30 Minute Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Connect Worship
- 6:45 p.m. Preschool & Children's Missions
- Orchestra Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Emerge Musicians Rehearsal

Thursdays

- 7:00 p.m. Java Junction

Fridays

- 6:30 p.m. Japanese Table Talk (1st week)

SUNDAY	MON	TUE
3	4 9:30 a.m. Flower Team 6:30 p.m. T.W.I.G. at Zoe House	9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Coffee Talk
10	11 6:30 p.m. Property & Space Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study	10:00 a.m. Steadfast Mission Group 11:30 a.m. Senior Adult Lunch Bunch @ V
17	 <p>All Afternoon and Evening Activities Suspended</p> <p>sabbath day</p>	18 5:00 p.m. Youth Ski Team Returns
24	25 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study	
31	February 1 7:00 p.m. T.W.I.G. Bingo at Nursing Home	9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Coffee Talk 10:30 a.m. JOY Singers Concert at Golden
7	8 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study	10:00 a.m. Steadfast Mission Group 11:00 a.m. Senior Adult Lunch at V

EVENTS

JANUARY 2010

MON	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURS	FRI	SAT
5	6	Regular Wednesday Night Activities Resume	7	8 6:30 p.m. Japanese Table Talk	9
12	13 10:00 a.m. Mission Action Group	14	15	16 8:00 a.m. Youth Ski Trip Begins	
19	20	21	22	23 8:30 a.m. WMU Round Table Book Club 10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Easter Music Kick-Off	
26	27 No JOY Singers' rehearsal	28 11:00 a.m. JOY Singers' Concert at Spring Arbor	29 7:00 p.m. Jennifer Rothschild Conference at Covenant	30 9:00 a.m. Premarital Seminar 9:00 a.m. Jennifer Rothschild Conference at Covenant	
2	3 No JOY Singers' rehearsal	4	5	6	
9	10 10:00 a.m. Mission Action Group 11:00 a.m. JOY Singers' Concert at Brithaven	11	12 6:30 p.m. Japanese Table Talk	13 10:00 a.m. SRBA Lunch & Meeting at Immanuel 10:30 a.m. Youth Sunday Rehearsal & Pizza Lunch	

Supplies Needed for Medical Team to Belize



Vitamins
(children and adult)

Anti-inflammatories
(Ibuprofen)

Pain Medicines
(Acetaminophen)

Antihistamines
(Benadryl, Claritin, Zyrtec)

Decongestants,

Heartburn Medications

Antidiarrheal Medications

Topical Steroid Creams

Antifungal Creams

Antibiotic Creams
(Neosporin, Polysporin)

**Bring to the Drop Zone
by January 31st.**

Oakmont Square Apartments Needs



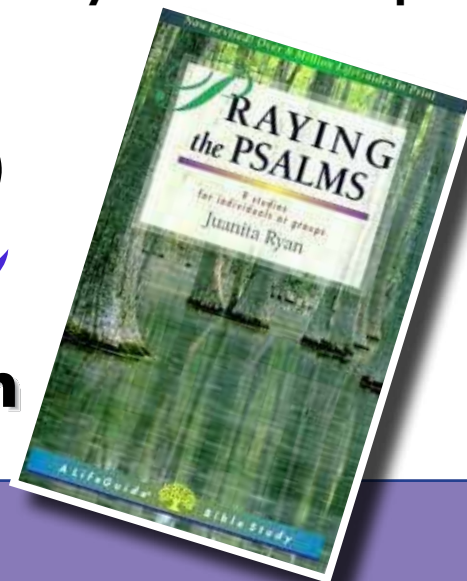
Digital Camera
to be used to take photos of apartments at move-in and again at move-out. Perhaps you got a new camera for Christmas and wish to donate your old camera.

**Heavy Duty
Playground Equipment**
must be able to stand up to hard use, preferably made of treated lumber.

contact Myron Foor
(oakmontsqapartments@embarqmail.com)
for more information

Thursdays • 7:00 p.m.

Connecting Single Adults in the Greenville area for Bible Study and Fellowship



**Kickoff • January 7th
New Study begins January 14th**



New Arrival

Levi James Hinson
December 31, 2009

son of
Chris and Christine Hinson

grandson of
James and Annie Chow

New Members



Nancy Niemi
joined December 6, 2009



Becky Colclough
joined December 6, 2009



January 6

Creamy Beef Stroganoff
Buttered Egg Noodles
Honey Glazed Carrots

Kid's Choice
Pizza

January 13

Oven Baked Ribs
Macaroni and Cheese
Peas with Mushrooms

Kid's Choice
Smaller portion of adult entree

January 20

Baked Ziti; Salad Bar
Oven Roasted Garlic Bread
Buttered Corn

Kid's Choice
Spaghetti & Turkey Meatballs

January 27

Chicken Pot Pie
Oven Roasted Potatoes

Kid's Choice
Oven Baked
Chicken Tenders



Remember in Prayer

On-going Prayer Concerns

Pete Carraway
Peggy Case
Jeanne Conklin
Kara Gay
Ruth Ann Henriksen
Alma Mills
Camille Rollins
Gene Thornton
Lily Weaver
Ernest Willoughby's mother

Sympathy

Elaine Anderson's Mother
December 6, 2009

LuAnn Sullivan's Mother
Terry Snowden's Mother
Ashley Broome's Grandmother
December 13, 2009

Jackie Tew's Mother
December 15, 2009

Lou Ann Tetterton's Father
December 15, 2009

Ginger Barrier's Mother
December 18, 2009

Andy Mitchell's Sister
December 25, 2009

Ed Congleton's Father
December 27, 2009

Layne Rogerson's Grandmother
December 29, 2009

MINISTER ON CALL

January 1-3	Michael McKnight	321-0285
January 9 & 10	Beth Thompson	757-1233
January 16 & 17	Steve Harding	353-5053
January 23 & 24	Amy Andrews	756-0721
January 30 & 31	Steve Prevatte	758-4452
February 6 & 7	Greg Rogers	756-9992
February 13 & 14	Michael McKnight	321-0285
February 20 & 21	Beth Thompson	757-1233
February 27 & 28	Steve Harding	353-5053



All the Members

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Mr. Mark Davies

Food Services Director

Thank
You



Special Thanks to...

- Bobby and Sue Price who designed and built the beautiful poinsettia tree in the narthex during the Advent Season.
- to KC Elswick and Maggie Watson who help set up the poinsettia tree.
- to the volunteers who helped water the poinsettias throughout the church.
- to the crew who helped to set up the Christmon Tree.

The Church Staff would like to thank everyone for the cards, goodies, and well wishes received during the holiday season.

Our Record of Faithfulness

11-22-09 11-29-09 12-06-09 12-13-09

Attendance

8:20 Sunday School.....	94	82	93	87
9:40 Sunday School.....	176	163	193	148
11:00 Sunday School.....	163	155	164	160
Total Sunday School	433	400	450	395
9:40 Worship	313	290	303	397
11:00 Worship.....	318	257	314	305
Total Worship Service	631	547	617	702

Budget

Weekly Budget Amount Needed.....	\$33,712.33	\$33,712.33	\$33,716.33	\$33,716.33
Receipts this Week.....	\$24,125.41	\$28,336.25	\$36,986.33	\$31,141.51
Amount Needed Year to Date.....	\$1,584,479.51	\$1,618,191.84	\$1,651,904.17	1,685,616.50
Receipts Year to Date	\$1,368,244.61	\$1,396,580.86	\$1,433,567.19	1,464,708.70
Amount Under Budget	(\$216,234.90)	(\$221,610.98)	(\$218,336.98)	(220,907.80)

no limits

no limits Fund This Week.....	\$3,632.50	\$5,882.50	\$2,516.00	1,625.00
no limits Fund to Date	\$1,380,203.72	\$1,386,086.22	\$1,388,602.22	1,390,227.22

Special Offerings

Communion Month to Date.....	\$3,203.22	\$3228.22	\$2,469.72	\$2,824.72
NC Baptist Children's Homes to Date	\$3970.00	\$4,310.00	\$4,410.00	\$4,410.00
CBF Global Missions to Date			\$270.00	\$2,247.38
SBC Lottie Moon Missions to Date			\$253.00	\$2,398.38
Christmas Eve Offering to Date.....				\$25.00

12-20-09 12-27-09 01-03-10

Attendance

8:20 Sunday School.....	89		80	
9:40 Sunday School.....	178		163	
11:00 Sunday School.....	164		162	
Total Sunday School	431		405	
9:40 Worship	329		293	
11:00 Worship.....	306		261	
Total Worship Service	635	364	554	

Budget

Weekly Budget Amount Needed.....	\$33,712.33	\$33,712.33	\$32,682.98	
Receipts this Week.....	\$65,654.40	\$82,774.08	\$25,520.02	
Amount Needed Year to Date.....	\$1,719,328.83	\$1,753,041.00	\$32,682.98	
Receipts Year to Date	\$1,530,363.10	\$1,613,137.18	\$25,520.02	
Amount Under Budget	(\$188,965.73)	(\$139,903.82)	(\$7,162.96)	

no limits

no limits Fund This Week.....	\$6,656.66	\$3,244.00	\$1,324.50	
no limits Fund to Date	\$1,396,883.88	\$1,400,127.88	\$1,406,552.38	

Special Offerings

Communion Month to Date.....	\$2,849.77	\$3,013.72	\$667.00	
CBF Global Missions to Date	\$3,005.38	\$3,505.83		
SBC Lottie Moon Missions to Date	\$3,121.38	\$3,585.83		
Christmas Eve Offering to Date.....	\$225.00	\$5,586.89		

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9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.



Connecting Lives with **CHRIST** as the Center: Through Reaching, Growing, and Going