### ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

### NEWSLETTER FOR SEPTEMBER 9 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2024



### MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

#### **SERMON SUMMARY**

Revelation 11:1-6 – Introduction to Two Witnesses for God

9/9 - II Timothy 3:15-17 and Jeremiah 15:16 "Man of God & Word of God."

9/10 - Genesis 5:24 "Intentionally Walking with God." Read Hebrews 11:5-7.

9/11 - None.

9/12 - Psalm 122 "Committing to Pray." Read I Chronicles 16:34.

9/13 - Ephesians 3:14-19 "To Know the Love of Christ." Read Revelation 11. Pastor Art continued his sermon series from Revelation with a sermon entitled "Introduction to Two Witnesses for God" based on Revelation 11:1-6. People have asked the question who are these two witnesses. More importantly instead of asking who we need to ask why? They will be phenomenal preachers sent to spread the gospel to a Christ rejecting world. In this passage we see the characters of the Bible take on flesh and blood. We also see the Antichrist. This scripture passage occurs during the interlude between the sounding of the 6th and 7th trumpets.

Back in chapter 10 verse 8, the apostle John was told to do something specific - eat the little book. When God commands something, we need to do it. Just like John did. God is measuring us. What God gives us is for our own betterment. The words spoken to John apply to us. The Bible says you are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Read I Corinthians 6:19. In Rev 11:1, John is given instructions to measure the temple and the altar as well as measuring those who worship there. He is also specifically told not to measure the outer courts as that belongs to the gentiles. Again, this is another picture of the half point of the tribulation. In verse 3, he talks about the power given to his 2 witnesses, who will serve God during the second half of the tribulation. The reference to sackcloth is important as it is a physical reminder of humility. When we witness we need to stop putting on "airs" and need to be humble. The references to the olive tree is significant as it produces the olive oil for the lampstands before God. They are symbols of the receptacles for the Holy Spirit. The Antichrist is a man treated as God and who puts

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### **ONGOING**

- 1. If you are interested in serving on any of the church teams listed in our bulletin, please contact us at this email address and we will be glad to put you in touch with the team leader or contact them directly.
- Mission Team meeting at church on Tuesday, September 17 at 6:30 pm.
- Third Saturday
   Men's Fellowship
   will be at the
   church at 6:00
   am. All men are
   encouraged to
   attend.
- 4. In
  our Catpack progr
  am (weekend
  hunger relief for
  students), we are
  preparing
  70 backpacks.. So
  we encourage you

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 16:1-3

WELCOME

In the first service we were privileged to welcome Cindy Jackson into the OCC Family. In the second service, Charlie and Penny Sloan came forward to join OCC. Please extend the right hand of fellowship to these individuals as our church continues to grow.

himself above God. The most important question to ask yourself is - "Has it changed your heart, what Jesus did for you?" Praising God for a pastor who takes the abstract and makes it real for each of us in how we serve God!

to donate childfriendly food (individual servings of cereal, pasta, meat, snack crackers, fruit bowls, trail mix, poptarts, etc).

 Next Sunday everyone is urged to bring 2 dozen cookies to church for the social team to use as desserts during meals at our Tent Revival.



### OCC MENS' FELLOWSHIP

Twelve men participated in Second Saturday Men's Fellowship this past Saturday. Next Men's Fellowship gathering will also be at the church (Sept 21) at 6:00 am. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend. All men's fellowship will be held at the church during the month of September.



### LADIES NIGHT OUT

Approximately 42 ladies attended WOW last week. The evening began with a delicious and filling meal provided by Christie Endsley. We had a great program entitled "God's Truth in My Life". Connie Langdon, Jadelynn Schreier, Stephanie Schoeneck, and Katie Gill shared their personal testimony and how God's Truth has impacted their lives. Their spoken and written testimonies touched our hearts in a mighty way. The evening concluded with Katie Phillips leading us in the worship song "The Truth".



### TENT REVIVAL - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Each year we have a tent revival during September. It is a time set aside for personal revival as well as evangelism. Here's what to expect starting Sunday, September 22. We will have one combined worship service under the tent at 10:00 am. Sunday School has been changed to 9:00 am that day. That afternoon the Richmond Masonic Lodge will come to do a fish fry for the tent revival. Set up at 3:00 pm. Meal begins at 5:30 pm. Tent revival starts at 7:00 pm. In addition to the main tent, there will be 2 smaller tents - one dedicated to prayer time with elders and church prayer team and the other will have information about the church or just answer questions in general. Each of the following nights a meal will be offered (prepared by the men of the church - Martin Griffin, Robert Phillips, Bob Griffin, etc as well as the Social Team). Monday, September 23 - set up is at 5:00 pm with a meal served at 6:00 pm. Revival starts up at 7:00 pm. Tuesday, Sept 24 - follows the same schedule as Monday with set up at 5:00 pm and meal at 6:00 pm. Revival at 7:00 pm. Final day - Wednesday, Sept 25 - follows the pattern of the previous days with set up at 5:00 pm, meal at 6:00 pm and Revival at 7:00 pm. Donations will be accepted for meals and for the revival. Please continue to cover our tent revival and church in your prayers. Reach

out and invite others to join us as we seek to experience personal revival in our relationship with God. **Sunday, September 29 - One combined worship service under the tent again.** Sunday school will also start at 9:00 on this Sunday, too.



### **CHURCH ELECTION**

I know everyone is overwhelmed with information about the national, state and local elections. But I am asking you to turn your attention to our church election. Our board of directors is elected by the church membership each year in December and begin a term of office for one year in January. Now is the time to be praying about whether the Lord is leading you to step up and serve on the church board. As stated before, it is a one year commitment. The 7 elected members compose the church board, who then elect officers among themselves. So if you feel the Lord is asking you to share your talents and resources by serving on the church board, please contact Tim O'Dell and let him know of your interest. The nominations for our church board closes at the end of October. The current church board will approve the slate of nominees at the November church board meeting. Election occurs in December. More information on the election process later.



# PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE FOR THE WORKPLACE

"Father, we lift up the business leaders in our communities to You in the name of Jesus. We ask that You guide them with wisdom and integrity in every, single decision they make. Lord, bless their personal lives and their families, granting them peace and fruitfulness amidst the many responsibilities they carry. Strengthen them to endure the pressures they face daily, and may their work bless them, and prosper in ways that reflect Your goodness and purpose. We pray that their decisions would be in accord with Your will, impacting their companies, employees, and their entire communities for the better. Surround them with wise counsel, protect them from harm, and let Your hand be evident in all they do. If they know you, bless them with Your presence and peace. If they don't know you yet, bring them and their families into a loving relationship with You, because You tell us that You wish that all people "be saved and to come to the knowledge and recognition of the [divine] truth." We trust in Your loving kindness and Your faithfulness, Father, knowing that You hear and answer our prayers. In Jesus' name, Amen."



### SEE YOU AT THE POLE

See You at the Pole™, the global day of student prayer, began in 1990 as a grass roots movement with ten students praying at their school. Twenty years later, millions pray on their campuses on the fourth Wednesday in September. See You at the Pole™ is simply a prayer rally where students meet at the school flagpole before school to lift up their friends, families, teachers, school, and nation to God. See You at the Pole™ is a student-initiated, student-organized, and student-led event. 1st Pray is the theme for See You at the Pole on Wednesday, September 25. We are asking you to pray for our young people as they come together at 7:00 am in faith and gather at the flagpole for their school united in the name of the One who died to save them and pray for their school, friends, and community just as Jesus prayed that we would. May this year's scripture from I Timothy 2:1 be fulfilled "I urge you, first of all, to pray."





### ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - "LOVE LIKE JESUS"

Rayville Christian Union Church is offering their annual fall women's conference and has invited our church to participate. The theme this year is "Love Like Jesus" and it is scheduled for Saturday, October 19 with breakfast served at 8:30 am and ends at 3:00 pm. Please register by October 1st. Questions - contact Kim Robinson (816) 776-6994.



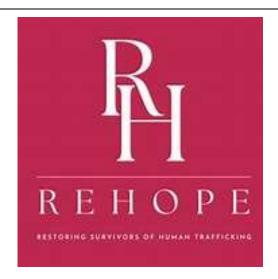
# FIELD TRIP TO THE NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL MUSEUM AMERICAN JAZZ MUSEUM

Ten OCC members and friends visited the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum as well as the American Jazz Museum on Friday, September 13, 2024. Plans are being made for future trips so stay tuned.



### VALOR RANCH FUNDRAISERS

As you know, Valor Ranch is our church veteran's mission outreach. It is their 5th Annual Runnin' for Home 5K event. If these are activities that you enjoy doing, then check out the attached flyers for details. There are many different ways that we can be the hands and feet of Jesus.



### **REHOPE FASHION SHOW 2024**

ReHope is another project that our Mission Team supports. ReHope is a faith-based 501c3 organization providing housing, treatment and lifelong sustainment services for women and children victims of human trafficking. In an effort to provide a solution to the growing epidemic of sexual exploitation, ReHope provides trauma-informed rescue and stabilization; long-term housing, therapy and healing; education, training and reintegration; as well as lifelong sustainment services. ReHope is having a Fashion Show fundraiser on Saturday, September 21 from 9am to noon to support the ministry ReHope offers. The fashion show will be at Fiorella's Event Center, 9000 W 137th St, Overland Park, KS. Their survivors will be some of the models. The girls are so excited and have been practicing. For more information, there is a

link <a href="https://rehope.ejoinme.org/fashionshow">https://rehope.ejoinme.org/fashionshow</a>. Deanne Townsend, Mission Team leader is planning to go and welcomes others to join her. Contact her at (816) 260-2403.



### NEW HOPE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

<u>Salvation</u>. Two NHMI churches are located in the midst of a voodooridden region: Chaffrey and Biley. Pastor Duckson texts, "We have young girls at the Biley School chosen to be demonic priestesses of voodoo. I tell you the truth, sometimes their parents don't accept Jesus and say to me, 'We want our children to become priestesses of voodoo. It is a great honor to be chosen.' So, the battle for the lives of these young girls becomes very very difficult and at school, sometimes in the moment, there is a demon presence because Satan has chosen them to serve him and their parents say yes to the devil. Pastor Renaud and I spend much time in prayer and decide to have a service of fasting. We invite the young girls to the service. As we pray in the Biley Church, there is much violent shaking by demons but the young girls become free of the demons and become Christians. Praise the name of the Lord Most High for the great reward of our work that He is doing in our midst."



### ANSWERED PRAYER

Janet Aldrich reports that her mom, Barbara Blubaugh, has had her first check up after her surgery and that she is doing very well. They so appreciate the prayers that were lifted on her behalf. Donnetta McDonald is home after her eye surgery and beginning the process of recovering. She still has a lot of bruising as the surgery was on her eye but she is doing fairly well. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list. Your prayers do make a difference!

### **COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER**

Sept 20-22 - Ashes to Beauty Women's Encounter

Sept 21 - 5th Annual Runnin' for Home Race for Valor Ranch. Held at the WWI National Museum.

Sept 21 - ReHope Fashion Show 2024

Sept 22-25 - Tent Revival

Sept 25 - See You At the Pole

Oct 1 – registration deadline for "Love Like Jesus" annual women's conference

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook.
- Tuesday, Sept 17 6:30 pm Mission Team meeting at church.
- Tuesday, Sept 17 7:00 pm Pray for Ray County meeting in rotunda of Richmond courthouse.
- Wednesday, Sept 18 6:00 pm Men's Bible study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, Sept 18 6:00 pm Women's Bible study meeting at the church with Kathie Paige.
- Thursday, Sept 19 7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery Lexington Group, First Baptist Church, 525 S Business 13, Lexington, MO. Contact Tamara Lane (660) 570-3761 for more information.
- Friday, Sept 20 1:30 pm Departure for Ashes to Beauty Women's Encounter.
- Saturday, Sept 21 6:00 am Third Saturday Men's Fellowship at the church. All men are encouraged to participate.
- Saturday, Sept 21 5th Annual Runnin' for Home 5K fundraiser for Valor Ranch
- Saturday, Sept 21 ReHope Fashion Show 2024
- Sunday, Sept 22 9:00 am New earlier time! Sunday School for all ages
- Sunday, Sept 22 10:00 am **One Combined Worship Service Only!** Worship service outside under the tent. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Sept 22 5:30 Fish Fry prior to Tent Revival (donations accepted)
- Sunday, Sept 22 7:00 pm Tent Revival with evangelist Anthony Gilmore

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