

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR OCTOBER 7 TO OCTOBER 13, 2024



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

10/7 - I Samuel 17:36-37 "How God Prepares You to Overcome Giants in Your Life." Read Matthew 28:20.

10/8 - Nehemiah 8:6-18 "A Picture of the Church and How We are to Respond."

10/9 - Proverbs 16:1-3 "Godly Decisions." Read James 1:5, Proverbs 14:12, and I Corinthians 13:12.

10/10 - Isaiah 55:8-11 "God Has a Plan."

10/11 - I Peter 4:7-10 "A Servant of God." Read Psalm 100:2.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 63:1-3

BAPTISM

In the Second Worship Service we were privileged to see and hear Sara Krueger's testimony for Christ. Sara came forward during the tent revival and prayed to accept Jesus as her Lord and Savior. Today she bears witness to others of her decision to live for Jesus by being baptized. Please reach out and extend the right hand of fellowship to her and help her feel loved by her church

SERMON SUMMARY

Revelation 11:6-14 – Power, Destruction & Resurrection

Pastor Art returned to our in depth study of the book of Revelation with a sermon entitled "Power, Destruction and Resurrection," based on Revelation 11:6-14. Verse 6 talks about the power of witnessing. Witnessing, plainly put, is explaining to the world why we are happy because of God. The witnesses in Revelation are God's response to the question of why. It is for the glory of God! The sermon title "Power, Destruction and Resurrection" is a description of Jesus Christ.

What happens when we have power in our witness? Those called by God are empowered to bring the gospel. The gospel changes lives. Pastor Art acknowledged the witness of a godly couple during his teen years. That couple was Pat and Holly Gorsett. Pat taught Pastor Art how to play the banjo and invited him to join their musical group. Everything they did (Pat & Holly) was connected to their relationship with God. They were a powerful influence in Pastor Art's life.

The power this scripture passage refers to is from God. These witnesses are in the future. It is a prophecy that is now attainable based on the electronic age that we are living in. These witnesses were doing supernatural things. They

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.
2. In our Catpack program (weekend hunger relief for students), we are preparing 70 backpacks. One in five students in Orrick Schools is food insecure (hungry). So we encourage you to donate child-friendly food (individual servings of cereal, pasta, meat, snack crackers, fruit

family. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact Pastor Art (816) 935-8179.

HOW WE CAN TESTIFY (WITNESS) IN OUR EVERYDAY WALK WITH CHRIST

- Invite a friend to attend or watch church with you. ...
- Exhibit the Fruits of the Spirit in your dealings with people (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control).
- Send a note of biblical encouragement. ...
- Show integrity and good character that reflect our Christian values.
- Ask someone how you can pray for them. ...
- Bless someone with a thoughtful gift.
- Be well-versed in the Scriptures and memorize verses and passages that you can use to share the Gospel.
- Be approachable and friendly
- Show Compassion in times when others need you.
- Show Grace when others make mistakes
- Plant seeds about our bible study times and church worship services
- Offer to pray with folks when they are down
- Offer to pray over a meal when out to eat with others
- Share your personal testimony of how Christ came into your life
- Don't partake in crude or dirty jokes same with filthy language
- Keep your bible on your desk at work.

are a threat to the world. It is the power that God gives you to be firm in your stand and witness yet others are against you.

Verse 7 reminds us that at the end of their testimony (3 1/2 years), they will be killed. Their dead bodies will be left on the streets of Jerusalem (vs 8). Read Revelation 9:11. The Hebrew term **Abaddon** and its Greek equivalent **Apollyon** appear in the Bible as both a place of destruction and an angel of the abyss. It is also called the Angel of Destruction. This is who kills the witnesses. Read Revelation 17:8 and Revelation 20:1, 3. God allows the beast to kill the witnesses. It is a desecration to leave a body unattended. There is no honor or respect shown to these individuals. The rest of the world is partying. It is a picture of the Anti-Christmas. The world celebrates Christmas but Christ followers celebrate the birth of Christ.

By speaking the gospel truth, these two prophets tormented those nonbelievers. Vs 11 tells us that God breathed life into their bodies. A miracle occurred and he called them home. Everyone witnessed this and were afraid. Vs 13 predicts another earthquake and survivors give glory to God. Read Matthew 28:11-15. This documents that people (guards) were bribed to tell a lie. There is a difference between glorifying God and knowing who God is. Are you ready? Read Romans 8:28 and John 10:27.

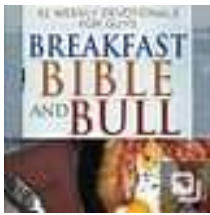
In your witness are you using God's purpose in you to bring the truth and the gospel of Jesus Christ to others? That's what we are called to do. Praising God for a pastor that speaks plainly what the gospel is and what we are called to do!

3. bowls, trail mix, poparts, etc).
3. Third Saturday Men's Fellowship gathering will be hosted by Keith Logan at Fourth Quarter Farm, 3521 SE Yankee Ridge Road, Kingston, Mo 64650. Gathering starts at 6:30 am. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
4. OCC Youth are requesting bags of candy so that our church can participate in the Orrick Trunk-or-Treat event at the end of the month. Please help our youth serve the Orrick Community.
5. Operation Christmas Child has kicked off. There are multiple ways you can participate and be the hands and feet of Jesus (see list).



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 begins 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 close at the end of October. The current church board will approve the slate of nominees at the November church board meeting. The election occurs in December. More information on the election process later.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

For the Second Saturday Men's Fellowship, there were eight men in attendance at the church. Breakfast, Bible & Bull, Third Saturday Men's Fellowship hosted by Keith Logan at Fourth Quarter Farm, 3521 SE Yankee Ridge Road, Kingston, Mo 64650. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.



PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE REGARDING PASTORS AND THEIR FAMILIES

"Lord, You are our Good Shepherd, our Redeemer. We praise You for calling and equipping many believers to shepherd Your flock, the Church. We lift up these spiritual leaders in prayer right now, asking that You would fill them with Your Holy Spirit for every task and mission that You have called them to accomplish. Lord, do not let us as the Church body consign the responsibilities of evangelism and discipleship to the 'professional Christians.' Help us behold these leaders as fellow Christians that You have called to shepherd and equip us to fulfill the Great Commission together. Protect and strengthen pastoral families who serve and sacrifice together for the sake of the pastoral calling. Keep pastoral marriages secure and cover their children from things inside or outside the church environment that would harm them. Bring forth trusted confidants and prayer partners to walk alongside pastors as they face many challenges and celebrate Your triumphs in their congregations – may these fellow believers speak Your truth into their lives to keep them grounded and encouraged in You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen. "



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are delivered together with the Good News of Jesus Christ as expressions of God's immense love for a child. Our OCC Mission Team has set a goal of 200 shoeboxes for this year. Collection dates are from October 13 through November 10. Shoebox Dedication is November 17. Here are the ways you can participate:

1. Donate to cover the shipping cost of \$10 per box (make check to Orrick Christian Church and put shipping in the memo)
2. Pack your own shoebox - information and shoeboxes in foyer and annex
3. Bring items from the shoebox list (see attachment) and the youth will pack at their packing party as a service project on Sunday, November 10
4. Sponsor one of the following items for shoeboxes: (Crayons - \$75; Colored pencils - \$80; Pencils & sharpeners - \$75; Bars of soap - \$200; Wash cloths - \$90; Toothbrushes - \$50). To sponsor an item contact Deanne Townsend (816) 260-2403 or Lisa Shelton (816) 210-9455

Join us for Operation Christmas Child. You will be fulfilling the Great Commission in a powerful way. Mission Team is trusting God to work through his saints at Orrick Christian Church to make all of this happen.



MISSIONARIES TO SPEAK ON OCTOBER 20

During our worship services on Sunday, October 20, Jared and Anna Odle will be speaking about the mission work they do in Ghana. There will be plenty of opportunities to talk with them and ask questions. Two years ago when they spoke, they also brought some of the crafts from Ghana to sale. OCC supports the work that Jared and Anna Odle do through their Developing Kids Ghana literacy program and church plants.



CHRISTMAS IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Sunday, you heard the Mission Team talk about Operation Christmas Child and collecting items for that mission outreach, which will be kicking off Sunday, October 13. Well, the Worship Team is getting ready to kick off their Christmas Choir in mid-October. If you are interested in singing with this group, please reach out to Sherry Smith (831) 206-1217. Last year we were totally blessed by their moving Christmas music and testimonies. Who knows what they have planned for this year? Regardless, it will touch our hearts and souls.



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.



THROWBACK WORSHIP NIGHT

You are cordially invited to Rayville Christian Union Church on Saturday, November 2nd for Throwback Worship Night. The concert kicks off at 6:30 pm. Enjoy worship music from the 1990's and 2000's. There will probably be a free will offering collected.



"I STILL DO" MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER BY ENCOUNTER MINISTRIES

"I Still Do" is a weekend event for every couple. Whether you are engaged (separate hotel rooms required), newlyweds, or oldie-weds, or somewhere in between, you don't want to miss this life-changing weekend! The weekend will be filled with powerful teachings from the Word of God, coupled with personal testimonies for a powerful event sure to inspire a deeper level of intimacy with God and your spouse. Early bird pricing is \$165 per couple (ends October 1st). Regular pricing is \$195 per couple. This is a live event on November 8 and 9 with keynote speakers Jeff & Sheila Brawley as well as other Encounter Ministry couples. The weekend is packed with 6 sessions, worship, testimonies, live teachings and lots of fun! This event takes place at Branson Convention Center at the Landing, 200 S Sycamore St, Branson, MO 65616.





PASTOR APPRECIATION FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

You may not realize that October is designated Pastor Appreciation month. Social Team is planning a Pastor Appreciation Fellowship Brunch during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, October 27 in the fellowship hall. Pastor Art also celebrates his birthday in October. Besides excellent food for brunch, there will be a gift bag in which you can place your pastor appreciation notes and birthday cards. Our pastor spreads himself pretty thin at times to meet our needs and pastor this flock. Now is the time to minister to him and his family as God directs you.



TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Yes, autumn is finally here and Orrick is preparing for their annual trunk-or-treat event on Front Street. The street is blocked off for several blocks and caring individuals decorate the trunks of their cars and hand out candy and other treats. The OCC Youth will be participating and may or may not decorate the church bus for this event. Trunk-or-treat is scheduled for Sunday, October 27 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. How can you support this safe and fun community event? There are two ways to support it. You can choose to decorate your own vehicle and hand out treats or you can buy a bag of candy and drop it off at church for the OCC Youth to hand out from our church bus. Either way you are being the hands and feet of Jesus by supporting this safe community event.

	<p style="text-align: center;">DEER – OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE HANDS & FEET OF JESUS</p> <p>Claire Burch, the Ray County Conservation Agent, has reached out to Pastor Art and the other clergy of Ray County for any names and contact information of families that may need deer meat this fall/winter. She would like to compile a list of names that she can contact within the county, anytime a deer is seized or put down due to injury. She would be able to transport the deer to the family. Then the family would need to be able to process the deer or find someone willing to process the deer. So if you know of a family in need that would appreciate this type of help, please let Pastor Art know so that he can pass the information on to this woman.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">ANSWERED PRAYER</p> <p>We are praising God that Billy Marrant is out of the hospital and convalescing at home on oxygen. Please continue to lift him up with his cancer treatment. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list. Your prayers do make a difference!</p>

COMING UP IN OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

- Oct 19 - Ray County Annual Women's Conference "Love Like Jesus"
- Oct 27 – Pastor Appreciation/Birthday Fellowship Brunch
- Oct 27 - Trunk-or-Treat
- Nov 2 - Throwback Worship Night
- Nov 8-9 - "I Still Do" Marriage Weekend
- Nov 17 - Shoebox Dedication Sunday

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook.
- Tuesday, Oct 15 - 7:00 pm - Pray for Ray County prayer meeting in the rotunda of Richmond courthouse. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Wednesday, Oct 16 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study with Tim O'Dell.
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- Thursday, Oct 17 - 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.
- Saturday, Oct 19 - 6:30 am - Bible, Breakfast & Bull, Third Saturday Men's Fellowship hosted by Keith Logan at Fourth Quarter Farm, 3521 SE Yankee Ridge Road, Kingston, Mo 64650. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- Saturday, Oct 19 - 9:00 am - Ray County Annual Women's Conference "Love Like Jesus," Rayville Christian Union Church.
- Sunday, Oct 20 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Oct 20 - 9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages
- Sunday, Oct 20 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Oct 20 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Bible 101 with Pastor Art
- Sunday, Oct 20 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Youth group meets

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