

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 13 TO JANUARY 19, 2025



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

1/13 - Matthew 14:22-33
"God Goes Through the Storms With Us." Read Isaiah 41:10, Matthew 28:18 and John 14:6..

1/14 - Matthew 6:22-23
"What These Little Eyes See." Read Philippians 4:8 and Genesis 4:6-7.

1/15 - John 4:23-24 "True Worshippers." Read Romans 12:1 and Psalm 81:1-11.

1/16 - Psalm 95 & 96
"Worship Worship." Read Matthew 4:10, I Corinthians 10:31, Colossians 3:16-17 and John 14:6.

1/17 - John 13:1-17
"Servant Like Jesus." Read Matthew 20:26-28.

SERMON SUMMARY

Matthew 28:18-20 and John 13:10-17 – To Make Disciples We Must First Be Disciples – Part 2

Pastor Art continued his mini-series on discipleship. This week his sermon was entitled "To Make Disciples We Must First Be Disciples - Part 2," based on Matthew 28:18-20 and John 13:1-17. Before we can make a disciple, we must first understand what a disciple is. You must be a worshipper, worker and witness. Worshipping encompasses more than just singing. It is your whole attitude and involves reading the Bible, praying and communing with God. Christ calls us to serve within the Body of Christ. We share the love of Christ in our church, community and world. There is no special club or gate to enter through. Membership is based on accepting Christ as your savior.

Matthew 28 gives a commission to the church. It is a call from God. How do you get involved? Seek opportunities to serve Christ Jesus. Learn to be the hands and feet of Jesus. The passage in John 13 reminds us that Jesus was loving his disciples to the very last moment. To be a Christ follower means that you understand what Jesus was teaching and are following him. His disciples followed Him for 3100 miles during the last three years of his life. Our walk should be intentional. Jesus set the example of humbling himself to wash their feet in order to teach them to love one another. Doing something for someone else even when it may be uncomfortable. Take the position of the lowest of low so that He could demonstrate its importance. They came to spend time with their savior and teacher. Read John 14:12. We are called to serve within before we can serve on the outside. It is your job! It is a reflection of what we should be doing. The feet washing was sort of passing the baton. Read Galatians 10:6,

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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 bowls, trail mix, poptarts, etc).
3. "Fellowship on the Farm" hosted by Drew Giltt at the Farm shop, 8804 Wollard Blvd, Richmond, MO at 6:00 am on the fourth Saturday of

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 100:1-5

John 13:34, and I John 3:23. Loving one another and tending to their needs is a radical departure from the worldly view at that time. Read John 3:14-15.

WELCOME

In the second worship service, we were privileged to see Kristen Wilde come forward. Kristen is a born again, baptized Christ follower, who wanted to make OCC her home church. Please extend the right hand of fellowship to Kristen.

James and John requested to sit beside Jesus. Jesus replies that humility makes you great. Even the Son of Man (Jesus) came to serve. Jesus' disciples are to be different- not being served but serving others. Wanting others to serve like Him. Read Matthew 25:33-46. This passage is referring to the church and Christ followers. He is commending those who followed Him through service. Read Joshua 24:14-15. Serving believers is serving God. The scriptures clearly say so. Praising God for a pastor who shares Biblical truth and sets an example for his flock to follow!

January (Jan 25). . All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.

- 4. Mission Team is asking you to start collecting now for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox and Kids' Christmas Store. So as you come across great clearance items considering purchasing for these projects. Collection bins in the entry way to the church.

YOUTH



Seventeen youth in attendance this evening. Youth are setting goals for what their program looks like this year and beyond. A wonderful object lesson brought by Trey Endsley showing that by Grace through Faith in Jesus we are washed of our sins.

Focus verses: Ephesians 2:1-10 and John 3:16-17

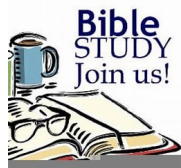
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



We had 6 men at "Bible, Breakfast & Bull" hosted by Keith Logan. They enjoyed breakfast with a discussion on the importance of being a Godly man in today's world. Breakfast included- hash brown casserole, biscuit and gravy casserole, bacon, scrambled eggs, biscuits and coffee...and lasted nearly 3 hours. 🙌

Next men's fellowship will be "Fellowship on the Farm" at Drew Gill's Farm shop, 8804 Wollard Blvd, Richmond, MO at 6:00 am on the fourth Saturday of January (Jan 25). All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.

NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING



Live in Kingston, Cowgill, or Polo, and looking for a small group? A new study in Romans begins this Wednesday evening for the OCC Northland small group - singles and marrieds are welcome. For more information, contact: Frankie Logan 281-682-8712.



PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY & PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

"Lord, we praise You first as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. You are the first and utmost authority in heaven and earth as well as in our hearts and homes. In honor and prayer, we celebrate those who hear Your call on their lives and obey You even in great sacrifice or the shadow of death, but our worship belongs to You alone. Thank you for the life and sacrifice of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and all who stood with him for righteousness in a righteous manner. May we never engage in or excuse sin for the sake of a cause in the name of Christ.

We pray now for all who You have called to serve in our government from our President to Congress, throughout the White House and the Capitol, in the courts across our country, and all You have established with governmental authority in our states, cities, and districts. We pray they will seek You always and serve under Your authority, anointing, and appointment. Preserve and protect them from any earthly agenda whispered by the enemy that leads us into wickedness apart from Your Word, will, and ways. We commit to pray fervently for them and serve beside them to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with You. Deliver us from evil, as You engage and equip us to stand together and fight the good fight, spreading Your gospel and making disciples throughout our days. Please guide and guard their hearts, families, and staff as You strengthen these leaders to stand and serve, knowing Your Word will guide them, Your lovingkindness will hold them up, and Your comfort and courage will delight their soul.

May they lead as You lead them. In the mighty and matchless name of Jesus we pray, Amen!"



GLOBAL CELEBRATION OF PRAYER

Join us for this exciting event, Global Celebration of Prayer, January 20-24, 2025! Pray in unity with Moms in Prayer groups in more than 150 countries. Each of us will use the same prayer sheet, God is the Victor. We will cry out to God for the children and schools, asking our Victorious Lord to bring salvation, transformed hearts, and His will to be done in communities worldwide. You can pray in a group or on your own. Global Celebration of Prayer January 20-24, 2025.



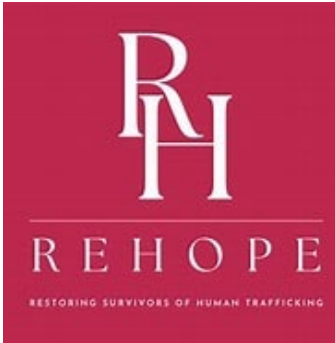
VALENTINE'S SWEETHEART DINNER

It's back! You are cordially invited to a Valentine's Sweetheart Dinner on Sunday, February 16 for dinner and dessert auction. Dinner starts at 5:00 pm at the Home Place at Valley View, [35920 State Hwy T, Camden, MO](#). This event is hosted by OCC Youth and OCC Social Team. A spaghetti dinner with salad and garlic bread is provided for a love offering. Everyone is challenged to bring a dessert for the auction. All proceeds from the dessert auction will go toward sending our youth to church camp. This is a fun event. Reach out and invite a friend or two!



ASHES TO BEAUTY WOMEN'S ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Ashes to Beauty weekend is designed for every women 18 years and older. It is about encountering Jesus at the Cross in a new and personal as well as intimate way. There are 12 sessions that relate to a woman's life. Each session will include praise and worship, personal testimonies, teachings from God's perspective, and a time of reflection. First weekend encounter in 2025 is February 21-23. Contact Laura O'Dell (816) 868-3875 if you are interested in attending. She will assist you with making arrangements.



RE-HOPE GALA FUNDRAISER

Join us for a special night as we celebrate our 11th Annual Freedom Gala on Saturday, January 25 at Fiorella's Event Center. Not only does your ticket include a delicious meal plus inspirational program, but join us for a Pre-Event Social Gathering from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Take time to peruse the silent auction, get a preview of live auction items plus learn more about the problem of human trafficking and the mission and work of REHOPE. Dinner will begin at 6:30 followed by the program. The evening concludes around 8:30pm.

January is National Human Trafficking Prevention Month – a time to honor survivors and to learn how we can spot signs of trafficking. For more information visit: <https://www.doi.gov/oles/national-human-trafficking-prevention-month>



VALOR RANCH FUNDRAISER

We are excited to be hosting the 5th Annual Wyatt Childress Memorial Poker Tournament on Feb. 1. It's in memory of an amazing young man, who died by suicide in 2020. For a minimum donation of \$100, your business name (or individual) will be on every table at the tournament, featured on our social media, and featured on our new Sponsor tab on our website, for the whole year! In addition, you'll be entered into a drawing for a \$100 gift card to Grand Street Cafe on the Plaza, which is where Wyatt worked. Who wants in? Registration to play is also open at ValorRanch.org. 🇺🇸❤️♠️♦️♣️

It has come to our attention that there is some confusion about Valor Ranch. First, OCC does not and never will condone gambling. Second, Valor Ranch is our local veterans service mission organization (they have relocated to Ray County). We post information about Valor Ranch just as we do our other missions - Bridge of Hope, Migrant Farmworkers Project, ReHope, Developing Kids Ghana, and New Hope International Mission (Haiti). Third, we edify (uplift) and encourage others. This fundraiser for Valor Ranch is a Memorial fundraiser. It is part of a family's grief journey. We would never disrespect anyone's grief journey. That being said, if anyone would like to organize a different fundraiser for Valor Ranch, we would support your efforts. We hope this makes this posting about Valor Ranch a little clearer. If not, contact Pastor Art or Barbara Britt.



ANSWERED PRAYER

Betty Wilson received good news this week! The doctor has released her and she is back at work. Praising God for his healing touch and all the saints prayers. Karen Hockman is over COVID and has asked to be removed from the prayer list. She greatly appreciated prayers during her struggle with COVID. Mike just learned that Rev Terry Barnes is back home following an extended hospital stay for respiratory arrest. Praising God for his recovery. My sister, Debbie Hill, completed her course of radiation for breast cancer and rang the bell last Friday. She is deeply appreciative of all the prayers lifted on her behalf as she continues this health journey. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list. Your prayers do make a difference!

COMING IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

Jan 20-24 - Global Celebration of Prayer
Jan 24-26 - Men's Encounter
Jan 25 - ReHope Freedom Gala
Feb 1 - Valor Ranch Fundraiser
Feb 16 – OCC Valentine Sweetheart Dinner Fundraiser
Feb 21-23 - Ashes to Beauty

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook.
- Monday, Jan 20 - 6:00 pm - Communications/Prayer Team planning meeting at the church.
- Monday, Jan 20 - Global Celebration of Prayer begins
- Tuesday, Jan 21 - 6:00 pm - Outreach to Cedars in Liberty. Contact Phil Boude if interested in helping to teach a Bible study at this center.
- Tuesday, Jan 21 - 7:00 pm - **Pray for Ray County**, meeting in the courthouse rotunda. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Wednesday, Jan 22 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, Jan 22 - 6:00 pm - Women's Bible Study.
- Thursday, Jan 23 - 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, Jan 24 - Global Celebration of Prayer ends
- Friday, Jan 24 - 1:00 pm - Shuttle bus leaves church parking lot for Men's Encounter
- Saturday, Jan 25- 6:00 am - "Fellowship on the Farm" hosted by Drew Gill at the Farm shop, 8804 Wollard Blvd, Richmond, MO at 6:00 am. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- Saturday, Jan 25 - 5:30 pm - ReHope Freedom Gala
- Sunday, Jan 26 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Jan 26 - 9:45 am - Sunday School classes for all ages.
- Sunday, Jan 26 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Jan 26 - 5:00-7:00 pm - OCC Doctrinal study begins with Phil Boude and Pastor Art (childcare provided)
- Sunday, Jan 26 - 5:00-7:00 pm - Youth groups meet at OCC
- Sunday, Jan 26 - return from Men's Encounter

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