

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR JULY 8 TO JULY 14, 2024



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

Monday 7/15 - Ephesians
4:25- 5:2 "Speak the Truth
Graciously." Read Matthew
15:11 and Genesis 50:20.

Tuesday, 7/16 - Ephesians
5:8-14 "Intentionally
Reflecting the Light of
Christ." Read Matthew 5:14
and Romans 12:1-2.

Wednesday, 7/17 - Proverbs
16:1-3 "Discerning
Decisions: A Heart
Change." Read Jeremiah
29:11 and Proverbs 3:5-6.

Thursday, 7/18 - Genesis
1:24-28 "Stewardship."

Friday, 7/19 - I Timothy 2:1-4
"Prayer." Read II Chronicles
7:14 and Isaiah 26:3.

SERMON SUMMARY

Revelation 7:1-8

Pastor Art continued his sermon series on the Book of Revelation with a sermon entitled "God in His Wrath, Remembers Mercy - Part 1," based on Revelation 7:1-8. Pastor Art introduced this passage by talking about "Doulos," or a bondservant; someone who volunteers to be a slave. When you are saved and the Holy Spirit resides in you, you become a servant of Christ, a voluntary slave. As we continue to study the tribulation, we cling to the fact that we are set aside because we are holy. Read Habakkuk 3:2. Keep in mind that God means what He says and says what He means. Don't put off coming to Christ. The tribulation will not be a good time. But people will be saved during the tribulation.

Pastor Art backed up to include Revelation 6:17 in his scripture reading because it is important that we know the answer to that question of who. Who will be able to stand? This is a parenthetical statement, a statement that supports a previous statement but not necessarily in chronological order. A statement that makes everything clear. It builds on prior knowledge and information. These events in today's scripture passage are happening prior to the opening of the 7th seal. "After these things" is referring to Revelation chapters 1 through 6. The winds represent the wrath of God and the four angels from the North, South, East and West are tasked with releasing this wrath. Angels are used throughout Revelation. In fact, they are used 67 times. Lucifer was a fallen angel that became Satan. Read I Peter 5:8. The angel ascending from the East has authority from God

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. Fourth Saturday Men's Fellowship will be at the church (July 27). All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.

CALL TO WORSHIP





Read Psalm 32:1-2





WELCOME

During the first worship service, we were delighted to welcome Ashley and Bridget Smith into the fellowship of this church. They have actively been worshipping with us for some time. Please reach out and extend the right hand of fellowship to this family.

and in a domineering voice tells the other angels to hold back. The 144,000 are bondservant evangelists and must be sealed by God. This is not the first time that God has sealed His own. Examples include Noah and his family. When Noah had completed the ark and boarded all the animals and his family. He pulled up the ramp and God sealed all of them in. In the book of Joshua, Rahab helps the Israeli spies and she and her family receive God's seal of protection. The first passover in Egypt is another example of being sealed by blood and protected by God. Read these New Testament scriptures about being sealed: Ephesians 1:13, Romans 8:38-39 and Ephesians 4:30.

People wonder why the 144,000. There are 4 reasons. 1) Simply put, God's people are the children of Israel. 2) If it wasn't for Jews, we wouldn't have the Bible. It was written by Jews. 3) Jesus, our redeemer, came from the covenant people of God. 4) 144,000 will be evangelists to the world. Don't be left behind. Today's scripture passage emphasizes the importance of our need to evangelize. Free will exists for us to make choices. Praising God for a pastor that can so clearly state God's call on our lives to reach out to others.

	<p>SPECIAL MUSIC</p> <p>In both services we were blessed by Cheryl Schreier as she shared her musical talents with us. Cheryl has been active in our church family for quite awhile. She serves as a children's Sunday School teacher, works VBS, sings in the Christmas choir, helps with dinners, and picks up trash after services. Yet God called her to step out of her comfort zone and share a solo acappello and to sign the words as she sang them. She sang "He is the Lord!" beautifully. Thank you, Cheryl, for presenting a beautiful picture of responding to God's call to serve!</p>
	<p>OCC MENS' FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>There were nineteen men at "Fellowship on the Farm" this past Saturday. Fourth Saturday Men's Fellowship will be at the church (July 27). All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.</p>
	<p>LADIES NIGHT OUT</p> <p>Social Team cordially invites all the women of the church to a Ladies Night Out on Friday, August 16 at 6:00 pm. Our fellowship time will be in the church. Please bring a snack to share as we fellowship and watch a movie. Questions - contact Cappi Lawrence, Social Team leader (816) 826-8115.</p>
	<p>DELIVERY OF VETERANS SERVICE PROJECT TO VALOR RANCH</p> <p>After another large donation on Sunday, a small delegation from OCC met with Debbie Childress of Valor Ranch to do a final delivery. She was absolutely overwhelmed with thanksgiving for the generous financial donation as well as the abundant supply of clothing provided by OCC. Thank you for supporting our veterans through this project.</p>

	<p>PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE</p> <p><i>"Lord, we lift up the 22.6 million people who make up our government. We lift up Your word over them, from Proverbs 3:27-32, asking that You would bless these workers with generosity and diligence. Protect our public servants from those who would seek to bring harm to them or their families and protect their hearts from discouragement. Lord, lead them to conduct all of their business and responsibilities with honesty and righteousness. We pray that You would soften any hearts that are hardened or jaded – use us Lord, that the flame of the Holy Spirit within us would shine as a light to any hearts walking in darkness. Teach us to overflow with gratitude toward these diligent workers, and to respond to them in a manner that honors the Prince of Peace even when we become frustrated. Open our eyes to see the open doors You give us to make a Kingdom impact on government leaders. In Jesus' name, Amen."</i></p>
	<p>NEW HOPE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL UPDATE</p> <p>Pastor Duckson recently took students from the school on a summertime trip. He texts, <i>"Today the children of Biley School spent a good time at Fort Liberte. It is a beautiful place (the beach). I study with them about "The Prodigal Son" (Luke 15) This is a good subject for them to hear. They listen well. We have 86 children with us, 4th grade to 9th grade, and a few from Limonade secondary school were there also. Angekerline Saint Juste of the 9th grade shares 'We are very happy about this program. It was a good time for us. This is the first time I am visiting this place. It is exciting (the beach).' "</i></p>
	<p>PRAYER</p> <p>Pastor Art has spent time in both his devotions and Sunday messages emphasizing the importance of prayer in the life of a Christ follower. August presents a number of opportunities to engage in corporate prayer. On Thursday, August 1, we will be having our all church prayer meeting at 9:00 am at the church. Then on Thursday, August 8, we have our 24 hr prayer vigil for Israel. Following that is an opportunity to prayer walk around the Richmond Schools on Saturday, August 10. This is the second year that we have prayer walked in Richmond. Then our annual prayer walk around the Orrick Schools is on Saturday, August 17. Each of these prayer events sponsored by OCC has a printed prayer guide to assist you in your prayer time. Please consider joining us for any or all of these prayer times. You will be uplifted and encouraged through your participation.</p>
	<p>ANSWERED PRAYER</p> <p>During Women's Bible Study this past Wednesday, Maxine Gambino shared how she has seen God's hand at work in her life since her cancer diagnosis, testing and treatment. Sometimes when we are in the midst of a health crisis, Satan stirs up so much chaos that we can fail to see that God is with us. We are thanking God that He has given Maxine spiritual eyes to see His hand at work in her life. She related numerous instances that were clearly God orchestrated. God tells us in His Word that He will never leave or forsake us. He is faithful to do what He says. Praising God for who He is and for His guiding hand upon Maxine both now and forever more. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list. Your prayers do make a difference!</p>

COMING UP IN AUGUST

Aug 10 -Prayer walk Richmond Schools

Aug 16 - Ladies Night Out

Aug 16-18 - Men's Encounter

Aug 17 - Prayer walk Orrick Schools

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in each weekday morning for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" on facebook.
- Wednesday, July 24 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, July 24 - 6:00 pm - Women's Bible study meeting at the church.
- Thursday, July 25 - 10:00 am-3:00 pm - Good Samaritan Emergency Outreach Mobile Unit will be in the church parking lot to help out. Questions contact Kriston Mosley (816) 310-9651.
- Thursday, July 25 - 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, July 27 - 6:00 am - Fourth Saturday Men's Fellowship will be at church. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- Sunday, July 28 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, July 28 - 9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages
- Sunday, July 28 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, July 28 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - OCC 101 (an entry level Bible study for any interested party led by Pastor Art). Childcare available at the church.
- Sunday, July 28 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Children & youth group

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