



# Oakdale Messenger

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July 2009

## SHINE THE LIGHT FOR JESUS

### GROUND BREAKING & KICK-OFF FOR STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM JULY 26, 2009

**“Let your light so shine before men...”  
Matthew 5:16a**

Are you committed? Our church has just committed to a loan for \$423,000. The papers were recently signed. This financial commitment is for the building needs that are essential for our church to function properly and utilize our existing space. The building team has done an excellent job of identifying our needs and not our wants. This building program is primarily to add bath room facilities and an elevator to allow access to our existing second floor space.

Our church offerings as of May are trending to meet our annual budget. However, the budget will have to be amended to add approximately \$3600 per month for our building payment. Please ensure that we do not have a summer slump in our budget offerings.

The Stewardship team will be unveiling a program in the near future to help us retire the building debt. Please be in prayer about your commitment to help retire the church building debt. If we could get 90 people to commit \$10 additional dollars per week this would make the new loan payment. Will you be committed to repaying this loan?

Your Stewardship Team

**“Jumping for Jesus”  
Michelle Marks, Director,  
Oakdale Childcare Ministry**

**Happy Birthday!!**

7/7 Serenity Hinton	7/12 Dylan Price	7/7 Ms. Misty
7/8 Peyton Eason	7/17 Summer Joyner	7/18 Ms. Tameka
7/9 Kameron Barnes	7/19 Blake Batts	7/20 Ms. Michelle
7/10 Jimmy Harrison	7/22 Greyson Vaughn	
7/11 Braiden Warren		

Summer is off to a great start. We have a big group of school age children enrolled in the summer day camp. It is truly a blessing to have this area of our ministry filled to capacity. The children are enjoying great Bible lessons, crafts, worship songs, and many outside activities. We just recently had a group to graduate from our Pre-K class. The ceremony was very cute and simple and we had a great family fellowship following the ceremony with hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the fixings along with some really tasty desserts. I have to thank several that have helped me this year from our ministry team, and some that just volunteer their services to make our program a success. A special thanks to God, Jan and Bert Peele, Phil and Deborah Wood, Trina Rhodes, Ann Rhodes, Christy Joyner, and to my husband, Kevin. I can always count on them. The rest of our groups, from infants on, are enjoying some water days, many wagon rides, and outdoor play. Our Bible focus for each group this month is All American Spirit, Moses Leads God’s People, and God Gives Us Rules. Watch for photos to be posted to the web from our different summer activities soon.

God Is Good, All the Time, All the Time God Is Good

Ms. Michelle  
Childcare Director

**SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2009  
SUNDAY MORNING**

**Call 2 Fall**

On Sunday, July 5, we will be praying with millions of Christians in tens of thousands of churches who will fall to their knees as one, praying for America as a nation.

**SCHEDULE**

9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship  
(No 8:30 AM Worship)



**SUNDAY NIGHT  
CHURCHWIDE COOKOUT  
6:00 PM**

(Each family, please bring a 2 liter drink  
and a dessert)

**Youth Ministry Update**

**Upcoming Events:**

- July 2** S.L.A.M. (Summer Life and Missions ) Time TBA  
Parents are invited to serve alongside!
- July 3** Trip to Tucker Lake (Time TBA) Cost: Approx. \$10  
Bring 1 piece swimsuits and come ready for fun!  
(See Youth Website for details)
- July 5** No Youth night-Church-wide cookout
- July 9** S.L.A.M.
- July 12** 7:00-9:30 PM Youth Night at Tony Lassiter’s (tentative)  
Come ready for mud volleyball!
- July 16** S.L.A.M.
- July 19** No Youth night/Church-wide Fellowship Meals
- July 23** S.L.A.M.
- July 26** 6:00 PM Youth lead in Evening worship  
7-9:30PM Youth Night at Buie Holder’s
- July 30** S.L.A.M. Reward Day

Pastor Brooks

**W.O.W. (Worship on Wednesday)**



- August 5** Dr. Mike Garrett
- August 12** Special Speaker
- August 19** Children & Youth Camp Report
- August 26** Celebration Banquet



## Preschoolers Fun Day



## at Sunset's Spray Park

*Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>*

Babies through rising kindergarteners and their families are invited to attend this fun-filled event.

Each child will ride the train and carousel and play in the spray park.

Please meet at Sunset Ave. Park, in Rocky Mount, at 11am.

Each attendee will need to bring a bagged lunch. Beverages will be provided.

Also remember to bring a towel, sunscreen, and a change of clothes.

Questions? Call Mrs. Jennifer 985-0456

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## *Children's Camp Fundraiser*

### **No time to wash your car? Let AutoBell do it for you!**

The children will be selling carwash tickets to help offset the cost of summer camp.

Your ticket can be redeemed for AutoBell's Full Service Wash which includes: Vacuum carpet and seats, Dust Inside, Towel Dry Exterior, clean windows interior and exterior. Cost of ticket? \$13.95 The ticket never expires and can be used at any of the 55 AutoBell locations.

Oakdale will profit **\$6.97** for each ticket sold. Tickets can be purchased through **July 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Thank you in advance for your support!

**CHURCH  
MAILROOM**



To Our Church Family,

Laura & I want to thank our church for all your PRAYERS, visits, cards, phone calls, and food.

Laura is getting better and stronger each day. Please continue your prayers and your support during her recovery. If it weren't for the love of God and our church family, Laura would never have survived this ordeal.

Love to all of you,  
Bob & Laura Van Scoik

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To My Church Family,

Thank you all so very much for the many acts of love you've shown to my son, Ernie, Amanda, and their family! Your prayers & your kindness have been such a blessing to all of us! You never cease to amaze me and I love all of you. Please keep us, Ernie & Amanda, and all of us in your prayers. Thanks also to Pastor Roy & Pastor Joe. You all are a real blessing!

Rochelle & Brent

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Dear Oakdale,

Please accept our sincere thanks for the donations that have been made to our FCA Club this year. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Dr. Laverne Daniels, Principle  
West Edgecombe Middle School

**THANK YOU!!**

Thanks to all the volunteers, for making our Vacation Bible School such a success!

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

**OAKDALE BAPTIST CHURCH  
TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009  
4:00 PM-8:00 PM**

Our Sympathy to:

Randolph & Theo Denson on the death of their daughter, Pat.

**ClerksCorner Linda Ruffin, Church Clerk**

Welcome New Members :

Johan B. Armstrong, Codey Wayne Whitely, Chelsea Ann Whitley

Their address is:

2618 Beechwood Dr., Tarboro, NC 27886

Matthew Cobb , Justin Cobb

Their address is:

530 Maude Rd., Rocky Mount, NC 27801

**CHURCH-WIDE  
FELLOWSHIP MEALS**

**Sunday, July 19, 2009**



**Watch for details for our first annual  
"Church-Wide Fellowship Meals".  
This will be a time to make new friends  
and fellowship with fellow church  
members.**



**JOY GROUP NEWS**

**SATURDAY, JULY 11TH  
BREAKFAST  
8:00 AM**

**THURSDAY, JULY 23RD  
COVERED DISH  
6:00 PM**

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

**SECURITY TEAMS FOR  
JULY**

July 5 Michael & Alex Batts  
 July 12 Kevin & Scott Marks  
 July 19 Pat & Andy Tess  
 July 26 Tim & Dillon Engelking

7/1	Chloe Vickers	7/18	Jan Peele
7/2	Kaye Bulluck	7/19	Jean Price
7/5	Shelby Webb	7/20	Michelle Marks
7/6	Rochelle Clark	7/20	Angie Ruffin
7/6	Jane Pridgen	7/20	Brian Walters
7/6	Emmett Tatum	7/21	Tim Rhodes
7/7	Misty Flory	7/21	Jimmy Smith
7/8	Olivia Collins	7/21	Laura Van Scoik
7/8	Susan Sturgill	7/22	Theo Denson
7/10	Cathy Baker	7/22	Aaron Rhodes
7/10	Marie Harrelson	7/22	Jeannie Walker
7/10	Fannie Johnson	7/23	Teresa Hopkins
7/11	Bill Jones	7/23	Dan Howell
7/11	Marty Pittman	7/23	Barbara Whitehurst
7/11	Joyce Turner	7/24	Sandra Gardner
7/12	Kelly Dew	7/24	Lonnie Manning
7/12	Dylan Price	7/24	Bernice Pridgen
7/12	Steve Sturgill	7/25	Johnny Bell
7/13	Lola Robinson	7/25	Mason Perry
7/13	Javan Woodcock	7/26	Fletcher Holloman
7/14	Ruth Ann Davis	7/26	Jada Simonet
7/17	Annie Daughtridge	7/27	Zane Coley
7/17	David Grove	7/28	Roy Porter
7/17	William P. Wood	7/28	Amy Vickers
7/18	Scott Daughtridge	7/31	Michael Ray Smith

**USHER TEAM FOR JULY**

**BERT PEELE - HEAD USHER**

**WILLIAM RHODES  
 BILL LAMM  
 CLIFTON RUFFIN  
 WAYNE WALSTON**

**JULY NURSERY SCHEDULE  
 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Worship**

7/5 Thelma Horchler, Jennifer Walston,  
 Linda Davis, Judy Walston  
 7/12 April Eason, Dianne Rackley,  
 Chrissy & Bruce Rhodes,  
 7/19 Patty & Jeff Collins, Billie Holder,  
 Mary Brown, Ann Rhodes  
 7/26 Mavis Bradshaw, Trina & Aaron  
 Rhodes, Theresa & Tony Lassiter



**JULY NURSERY SCHEDULE  
 8:30 AM WORSHIP**

**July 5 Daphne Rhodes, Kim Wells**  
**July 12 Linda Davis, Marcia Walston**  
**July 19 Barbara Whitehurst,  
 Ann Rhodes**  
**July 26 C. T. & Faye Worrell**



# MISSIONS UPDATE



Local, National and International

## CONGRATULATIONS G.A'S

On June 10th, we had our GA Recognition Service. The girls received a world venture charm, badges for prayer walking, international mission studies-Venezuela, and a tea party badge. Emily Engelking and Christina Marks sang and Emily Edmondson and Taylor Joyner recited our GA pledge. Special thanks to these girls and to all the leaders who worked this past year with these girls.

The girls who participated this year were: Kelsey Holloman, Kally Holloman, Emily Engelking, Emily Edmondson, Taylor Joyner, Cheyenne Raffensperger, Samantha Wells, Olivia Collins, Ashela Nichols, Christina Marks, Haley Marks, Anna Rhodes, Emma Webb, Chelsea Whitley, Molly Batts and Chloe Vickers.

Thanks again, girls, for all your hard work!



Thank you to everyone that filled a baby bottle for the "Baby Bottle Fundraiser". The Pregnancy Care Center uses these funds to help in their ministry.

## BAPTIST MEN OPERATION INASMUCH

Dear Faithful,

We have now entered the summer months and many members of our Church will be going on vacations, visiting family, and reenergizing their lives with rest and recreation. I ask that all will pray and remember to keep Jesus and his mission for us in our daily lives.

The project to complete some office space for our new Youth Minister, Brooks Wadsworth, is nearing completion and we are happy to have him and his family on board with us. There will be an "Operation In As Much Day" during the month of July for the youth in conjunction with our Summer S.L.A.M. program. More information will be given when the date has been set. All Baptist Men are encouraged to help with the projects which are being planned. It will be a one day project. Please contact me or Pastor Brooks if you can help.

The NC Missions Celebration for Region 2 will be conducted on Thursday, August 27th at Oakmont Baptist Church in Greenville, NC beginning with a meal at 6:00 PM with a program to follow. If you are interested in Missions, Disaster Relief, Mission Camps, Testimonies, Mission Videos, and Worship please mark your calendar and let me know no later than August 16th so we can make reservations to attend.

Please pray for our church leaders, our church families, our church building initiative, and our youth.

In His Service,

Brother Carroll

Luke: Chapter 12 vs. 48 (NIV)

" From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked."



# July 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  7:00 PM Regular Schedule	2 YOUTH S.L.A.M.	3 Youth trip to Tucker Lake  Church Office & Childcare Closed	4
5 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship (No 8:30 Worship)  6:00 PM Church-wide Cookout	6	7	8  7:00 PM Regular Schedule	9 YOUTH S.L.A.M.	10	11 8:00 AM J.O.Y. Breakfast
12 Regular Schedule  3:30 PM Deacons Meeting  7-9:30 PM Youth Night	13 6:30 PM Current Mission Group  7:00 PM Youth Ministry Team	14 10:00 AM Prayer Group  Red Cross Blood Drive 4-8:00 PM	15  7:00 PM Regular Schedule	16 YOUTH S.L.A.M.	17	18
19 Regular AM Schedule  Church-wide Fellowship Meals	20 7:30 PM H.I.S. Group	21	22  7:00 PM Regular Schedule	23 YOUTH S.L.A.M.  6:00 PM J.O.Y. Covered Dish	24	25  11 AM-1:00 PM Preschoolers Summer Fun Day (Sunset Park)
26 Stewardship Kick-Off  9:45 AM Sun. Sch.  11:00 AM Worship  6:00 PM Worship  No 8:30 Worship	27	28	29  7:00 PM Regular Schedule	30 YOUTH S.L.A.M.	31	

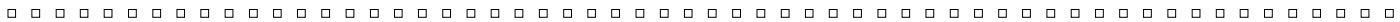
7/1	Somerset Ct.	10:00 AM
7/3	The Albemarle	10:30 AM
7/7	Brekenridge	10:30 AM
7/7	IHS Nursing Home	11:30 AM

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Oakdale Staff  
Rev. Roy Porter, Pastor  
Rev. Joe Price, Associate Pastor  
Youth Minister, Brooks Wadsworth  
Mrs. Jennifer Engelking, Children's Minister  
Miss Angie Ruffin, Music Minister  
Mr. Aaron Rhodes, Upward Director  
Mrs. Michelle Marks, Childcare Director  
Mrs. Sharon Lynch, Secretary



DEACON BEACON—News from Deacon Ministry Team

A guiding light to the Rock.

July 2009 Deacons of the Month: Brent Wooten, Aaron Rhodes, Matt Sledge

**The Lost Motorist**

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.  
Psalm 32:8

A lost motorist asked a farmer for directions.  
"Where is the main highway to Raleigh?"  
"I don't know."  
"Well, where is the highway to Rocky Mount?"  
"I don't know."  
"Where does this highway go?"  
"I don't know."  
"You don't know much do you?"  
"No, but I ain't lost."

Have you ever tried going on a road trip without a map? Trying to plan your life without God is just as ineffective. We can head in the general direction of where we know we should be, but without God as our guide, we'll be just like the lost motorist, asking everyone else for directions. If we consult God in everything, asking Him to lead and guide us on life's journey, the Bible says His footsteps shall be our pathway and His plan will be to give us a future and a hope (Psalm 85:13, Jeremiah 29:11). Without Him, we will wander life's highways, not knowing where they lead. When you find yourself making plans for your life, remember to first find out where God would have you go and then map out your next move according to His will.

I personally ask for each of you to pray for our Nominating committee as they work to fill positions for next year. I pray if you have been approached to fill one of the positions you will ask God where does this fit in HIS plan...not your own.

Serving the Savior,  
Hugh Brent Wooten

