

OAKDALE MESSENGER

JANUARY 2009



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UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING



Oakdale celebrates 10 years of Upward!

Pray for God to impact souls in 2009

(January 10th will be the first game)

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

Happy Birthday:
Ms. Casey 1/15

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! I want to thank all of the staff, and parents for all that they did in 2008. I hope that with this new year we will see more families come to know the Lord and spend more time together. We had a great turn out for our Christmas program. The children did a wonderful job learning their songs and playing their parts. Thank you, Mr. Price for narrating, Christina Marks for playing the piano, and to several ministry team members for helping with the reception. I think it was a blessing to all that attended. I am looking forward to working with each of you this coming year.

Ms. Michelle
Childcare Director

CHILDREN’S CORNER

It’s time to sign up for children’s camp!



Who: 1st – 6th graders (current grade)
Where: Camp Caraway near Asheboro, NC
When: August 2-6 (Sunday-Thursday)

Although August is several months away, we must know by January 25th who’s planning to go to camp. A \$50.00 deposit is required for each child’s reservation. Each day, campers will participate in a Bible study. Activities at Caraway include: swimming, canoeing, fishing, hiking, zip line, gym sports, and field sports. Harry Fowler is the director of this session at Caraway. Oakdale will be attending Camp Caraway along with other sister churches. The total cost of camp is \$250.00. We will be having fund-raisers to help offset the cost of camp. The more you participate, the less you will have to pay. Please contact Jennifer @ 985-0456 for more information. Be sure to visit Camp Caraway’s website: www.caraway.org

Sign up today, spaces are limited!

Jennifer Engelking

Youth Ministry Update

The “Worth Waiting For” abstinence program is scheduled for January. Marcia Brown, “Worth Waiting For” director from the Pregnancy Care Center, will be sharing with our parents and youth. The schedule will be as follows:

- Wednesday, Jan. 14– Parents’ Meeting
- Wednesday, Jan. 21-Girls’ Meeting
- Wednesday, Jan. 28-Boys’ Meeting

We are excited about our youth DiscipleLife classes for 2009. Mark and Paulette Ream will be leading our Grades 10-12 class in “Discovering God’s Way of Handling Money”. Jackson Perry will lead Grades 7-9 with a Bible study on “Be Last”-Christian Humility.

Youth Fund Raiser Supper is Wednesday, January 28. Our youth and Youth Ministry Team will be having these suppers the last Wednesday of each month to help with camp costs.

Pastor Joe



JOY GROUP NEWS

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH
BREAKFAST**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND
COVERED DISH**

CLERKS CORNER

Dear Oakdale Baptist Church & Disaster Relief Team,
We would like to thank and wish the wonderful group and the church that sent them a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

God Bless each and every one of you, Bill Lamm, Linda Davis, Shawn Webb, Kevin Marks, Jesse Webb, Judy Cherry, & C. T. Worrell. Thank you All!

May all your prayers come true. Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

With Love and Heartfelt Thanks,
Jimmy & Brenda Lewis
Gulfport, MS

Dear Pastor Joe & Oakdale,
Wishing you a Christmas full of hope and thanking you for your partnership with us in extending the hope of Jesus Christ to people in need. Rejoice with us in not only the lives of these children, but also the lives of many others who will celebrate their 1st Christmas because of our hand and the hope extended to their mothers. (Phil. 1:3). Please know your prayers & gifts from Oakdale are under girding the Pregnancy Care Center to share God's plan for living in a multitude of ways.
Christmas Blessings,
Kay Gurganus, The Board, Staff, and Volunteers of
Pregnancy Care Center

Dear Oakdale Family,
On behalf of Tar Roanoke Chaplains and Horace Ward, we would like to thank each one who made Christmas cards for the prisons. There was a large number of converts at each jail. Thanks again for Rosa Porter for heading the Christmas card project.
James Johnson

Dear Oakdale Family,
Thanks for your gifts, cards, and love offering. Most of all, thanks for your prayers. It's a joy to serve the Lord with you.
Pastor Joe

My family and I have a lot to be thankful for this year. We have seen and experienced the blessings of God upon our lives and are witnesses of His grace and love. It also has been a year to be recipients of the love and support of a great church family. Rosa and I are privileged to serve in a loving and caring church like Oakdale. Thanks to all of you and please know that we love you with all we have in our hearts.
Sincerely yours,
Roy and Rosa Porter

Church Conference of 11/23/08

Building and Finance committee distributed proposed budget for upcoming year
Motion made by Active Deacon Board and passed to collect a love offering for Angie Ruffin, Music Minister and Matt Sledge, Worship Leader on the next two Sundays and for the Pastors the two following Sundays. The conferences were called in both morning services.

Church Conference of 12/3/08

Proposed budget for 2009 was discussed thoroughly to be voted on at a later date.
Motion made and passed to give the church staff one weeks pay as a Christmas Bonus.

Church Conference of 12/7/08

Budget for 2009 was voted on by secret ballot at the beginning of Worship Service.
When the votes were counted later that day, it was found to pass by majority vote.

Linda Ruffin
Church Clerk



Thank you to Mark Ream for all of his work setting up our web site. He is doing a wonderful job. Please check the web site often as it gets updated regularly. Our web site is:
www.obcbaptist.org



Congratulations to Phillip & Amber Williams on the birth of their son, Gavin Phillip.

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**SECURITY TEAMS FOR
JANUARY**

- Jan. 4 Joe Williams & Mike Odom**
Jan. 11 James Walston & Tim Engelking
Jan. 18 Barry Robbins & Allen Harrelson
Jan. 25 Michael Batts & Patrick Tess

1/1	Billy Daniels	1/16	Holly Worrell
1/1	Mack Ruffin	1/17	Velma Griffin
1/4	Joella Webb	1/18	Speight Powell
1/6	James Johnson	1/18	Ellen Ruffin
1/6	Tammy Joyner	1/21	Rachel Hicks
1/6	Beverly Rhodes	1/21	Emily Owens
1/6	Becky Vester	1/21	C.T. Worrell
1/7	Kelly Bentley	1/22	Linda Moss
1/7	Jackson Perry	1/23	Angela Hill
1/7	Michael Pittman	1/23	Deryl Lewis
1/9	Keith Smith	1/23	James Walston
1/9	Robert Van Scoik	1/24	Crystal Bell
1/10	Heather Perry	1/24	Timothy Bell
1/11	Roger Edwards	1/24	Melissa Causey
1/12	Maigon Joyner	1/25	Tony Medley
1/13	Judy VanMale	1/26	Beverly Barnes
1/14	Marie Bell	1/26	Peggy Holloman
1/15	Susan Cobb	1/27	Kelly Hill
1/15	William Smith	1/28	Alex Batts
1/16	Heather Eason	1/29	Mavis Bradshaw
1/16	Amanda Murray	1/30	Lisa Manning
1/16	James Sledge	1/31	Meghan Murray

USHER TEAM FOR JANUARY

- Wayne Lassiter—Head Usher***
Bruce Rhodes
Shawn Webb
Brent Griffin
Steve Sturgill

JANUARY NURSERY SCHEDULE
11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Worship

- 1/4** Thelma Horchler, Jennifer Walston,
Linda Davis, Judy Walston
- 1/11** April Eason, Dianne Rackley,
Chrissy & Bruce Rhodes
- 1/18** Patty & Jeff Collins, Billie Holder
Mary Brown, Ann Rhodes
- 1/25** Mavis Bradshaw, Trina & Aaron
Rhodes, Theresa & Tony Lassiter



JANUARY NURSERY SCHEDULES
8:30 AM WORSHIP

- 1/4** Kelly & Renee' Holloman
- 1/18** Daphne Rhodes & Kim Wells
- 1/25** Linda Davis & Marcia Walston



MISSIONS UPDATE



Local, National and International

Lottie Moon Offering

Our Lottie Moon Goal this year was \$2,000.
We collected \$2,149.75.

**Pray for these Missions that
Oakdale supports in 2009. They are
impacting our area for Christ.**



Christ Centered Assistance Ministries

Crosspointe Christian Counseling

Sure Cord Christian Counseling

Christian Action League

FCA-Southwest high School

FCA-West Edgecombe Middle

Pregnancy Care Center

BAPTIST MEN OPERATION INASMUCH

Dear Faithful,

May the Blessings of God be with you all during this Christmas Season and always.

We continue to be blessed in our work programs. Thanks to Joe Williams and all the men that helped paint the gym on December 26th & 27th.

We will also be working with the CAP Program to construct a handicap ramp for a person in Rocky Mount . The details have not as yet been worked out, but will be completed after the Christmas holidays and the painting project is completed.

I wish to thank all who came to the Baptist Men's Breakfast on December 14th. We had a great time of fellowship and were blessed.

Please remember to put on your calendar that Sunday, January 25th, 2009 is designated as "Baptist Men's Day" throughout North Carolina. I will share more information with everyone in the near future but need to say now that if you would like to be part of the Men's Choir or would like to be a speaker on that day, please let me know as soon as possible. Perhaps, you would like to share your personal testimony or have a spiritual message to share with your Church Family. If so, please, let me know. On Saturday, January 24th, at 6:00 PM, we will have a Baptist Men & Boys' Oyster Roast . The cost is \$7.00 per person.

Please pray that God will direct us in this new year to do more to honor him.

Your 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."

