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The mission of
Oakwood is to...

Transform ordinary people
into fully devoted followers
of Jesus Christ.

Oakwood is a member of
the Evangelical Free
Church of America.



VBS 2017



June 5—9
6:30—8:30 PM

Free VBS at Oakwood this summer!
All kids Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome!

Every kid is uniquely wired for one reason. They were wonderfully made in the image of God. The *GADGETS & GIZMOS* VBS is geared to capture a kids' imaginations about their Creator so they can discover how they are . . .

- MADE by God
- MADE for a relationship with Jesus
- and MADE to love others.

This summer, discover how the Creator of all things created us to know and love Him.

We're looking for a few moms and dads (and grandparents, too) to help out during this week. Contact Val Brand, Shannon Tremel or the Church office if you have interest in helping.

Registration Forms are available at the TreeHouse Welcome Desk and the Information Center in the lobby. You can contact the Church office to receive a Registration Form via email. Fliers are available at the TreeHouse Welcome Desk to use to invite neighbors and friends to come along.

Memory Verse: *Let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven.* Matthew 5:16

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Summer Schedule



As we have done in the past, from **June 4—September 3**, our Worship Service will be at **10:00 AM** on Sunday Mornings. No education classes for Children, Youth or Adults at 9:15 AM.

During June, we will have **Family Worship** with children Kindergarten—5th Grade worshipping with their parents.

There will be nursery care for children birth—23 months old and TreeHouse ministry for two through four year olds during the service.

In July and August we will have our full TreeHouse Ministry available for children two years old—5th Graders during the Worship Service.

Be sure to mark your calendar so you don't miss this change.

Memorial Day



The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 29, in honor of Memorial Day - commemorating the men and women who have given their lives in service to our country.

Move Up Sunday

Move Up Sunday is June 4 for all children of TreeHouse. What is Move Up Sunday? All children will move up to the school grade that they will be in this August.

Graduating 5th Graders will be recognized during the Worship Service on June 4. They are welcome to join us in TreeHouse and PowerHouse throughout the summer.

Blood Pressure checks

Blood pressure checks on June 4 the kitchen following the Worship Service. Don't miss this important health screening.



Blood Mobile @ Oakwood

The Blood Mobile will be at Oakwood on Sunday, June 18 from 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM. If you are at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, are in good health and haven't donated in the last eight weeks, you are eligible to donate.



Will you roll up your sleeves and help us with this worthy cause?

Church Library

Oakwood has a number of excellent books for all ages on many topics available in our library for you to check out. Be sure to stop by and see what's available. The library is located in the Education Center – the first room on your right. Instructions for checking out books are on a clipboard just inside the door.

Opportunity to *Serve The World*

Naomi's Daughters is a ministry for single moms that provides clothing and food to the moms and their children. The Oakwood family, along with others in the community, provides donations of clothing, food and money to keep this ministry moving forward.

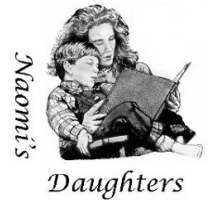


Current needs –Clothing and shoes for infants to adults

Pantry needs: cereal, canned goods, rice, pasta, paper goods, personal care items, etc.

Donations can be left on the back porch of the gray house at the front of our property. Tax Deductible receipts are available.

Please pray that we can continue to reach people in this ministry and show the hands and feet of the Lord to those



Financial Update

2017 Financial Update for April:		
	Actual	Budget
YTD Offerings Received	133,757	
YTD Expenses	143,345	152,512
Offerings Over/(Under) Exp	(9,588)	(18,755)

Online Giving. Did you know that you can make financial contributions to Oakwood through our website? You can give one time or set up for recurring donations. Visit www.oakwoodfl.org and click "Give Online" on the right side of the menu on the home page.

Prayer Chain Ministry

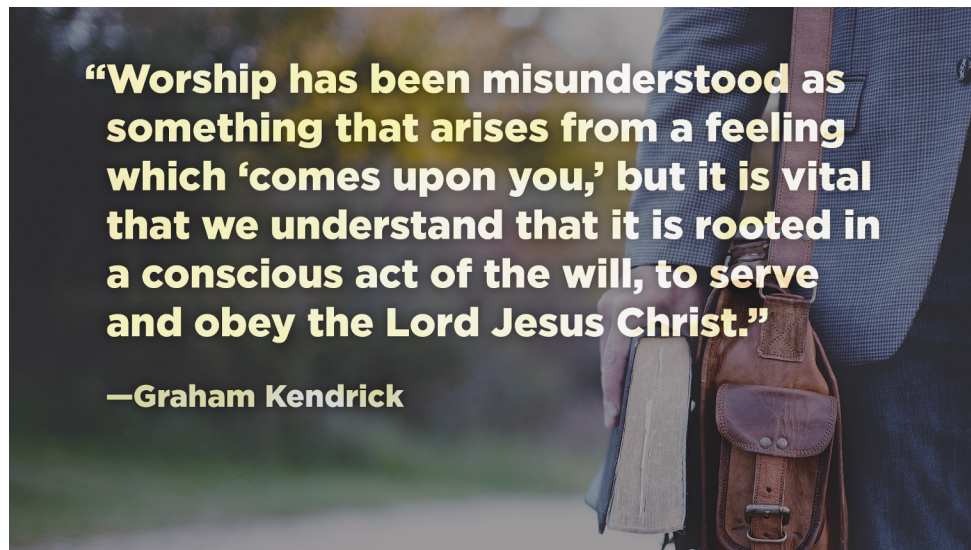
The purpose of Oakwood's **E-Prayer Connection** is to communicate prayer requests for our fellow Oakwood members, our families, friends, others personally known to us, and the ministries of our church.



If you would like to partner in prayer for the needs of our church family, send your full name and email address to ekrex@verizon.net with Prayer Chain Ministry in the subject line. You can also send prayer requests for the Prayer Chain to this same email address.

“Worship has been misunderstood as something that arises from a feeling which ‘comes upon you,’ but it is vital that we understand that it is rooted in a conscious act of the will, to serve and obey the Lord Jesus Christ.”

—Graham Kendrick



Opportunities to Support PowerHouse

On July 8, 11 Middle and High School students with four adults leaders will fly to Haiti to minister with RTS Mission to provide VBS for children for the week.

Our students have worked hard with the Food Bag Ministry fundraisers to raise funds for their trip, as well as a recent bake sale. The Oakwood family has more opportunities to support them in the following ways:

Spaghetti Lunch

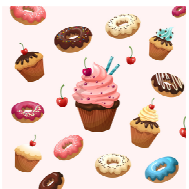
Join us after church on Sunday, June 4, for a lunch of spaghetti with meatballs or marinara sauce, side salad, bread and dessert.



Our students will be presenting their lesson during the lunch so we can see some of what they will be doing on the trip

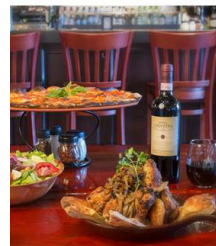
Please RSVP by purchasing your tickets this Sunday in the Worship Center Lobby. Adults—\$10.00, Children—\$5.00.

Bake Sale



Our students will hold another Bake Sale on Sunday, June 25 following the Worship Service. Stop by the table and pick up some goodies!

By eating at Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza (near Chili's at N. Dale Mabry & S. Village Dr.) on Monday, June 12, and mentioning Oakwood Church, our students will receive a percentage of sales that day. See details below



Join Us...

On Monday, June 12th to help raise money for Oakwood Church!



20% of tracked dine-in and carry out sales will be donated.

*Tell your server you are dining to support
Oakwood Church!*



NORTH TAMPA
13020 N Dale Mabry Hwy | (813) 265-2625
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Needs for the Haiti Trip

Students will be taking a number of supplies with them to minister in the VBS programs they will be leading. If you are interested in helping with supplies, items needed are:

Clear Scotch Tape
Markers—16-20 boxes
Colored Pencils—16-20 boxes
3 X 1/8" Rubber Bands (1,000)
Bubbles
Balls of all kinds for yard play (soccer, dodge ball, volleyball, beach)

Shipping Labels—3 1/3" X 4" (1,000)
White card stock (1,000 pieces)
Parchment Paper—3 rolls
Portable yard games
Granola Bars

A table will be set up in the Worship Center Lobby for you to pick up a card with the item(s) you will purchase and return to that location.



PowerHouse Schedule

May 28—Regular Evening Meeting

June 4—School's Out Party

June 11—Food Bag Ministry & Haiti training, Regular Evening Meeting

June 18—*Father's Day*—No Evening Meeting

June 25—Regular Evening Meeting

PowerHouse Guys Night Out

Come celebrate the end of the school year on Friday May 26th from 5:30pm-11pm in the PowerHouse.

Evening includes video game stations, indoor hockey, basketball, ping pong and music. Cost is \$5 which includes pizza and snacks.



Please RSVP to Frank Reyes @ fjr025@gmail.com by May 23rd.

School's Out Party

Sunday, June 4, 5:00 PM

Invite your friends and join us for lots of fun as we celebrate the end of the school year with a



Food Bag Ministry

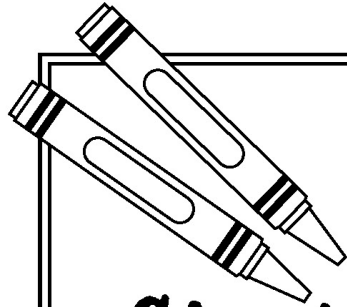
Our PowerHouse students have a monthly fundraiser assembling food bags that are distributed to medical clinics in Tampa, Lakeland, Haines City and Winter Haven? These bags are distributed to indigent patients at the clinic to provide some basic food needs of the patients and their family.

PowerHouse teens can raise money for summer mission/conference trips by participating in our monthly Food Bag Ministry, typically on the second Sunday of each month. Our next Food Bag prep day is **Sunday, June 11** right after the Worship Service.

Teens can raise extra funds by helping shop for the food and/or helping with delivery of the food bags to the medical clinics. Shopping for the next fundraiser will be Friday, June 9. Meet at Aldi at Bearss & Florida Ave. at 5:00 PM (or contact Cam Whipple—813.265.9895) if you want to help. For more details on deliveries, contact Cindy Gianone at (813) 969-4136.



Kids Corner



Just for KIDS

Give to those in need

John the Baptist spoke to a crowd, telling them they should be fruitful. When the crowd asked how they could be fruitful, John the Baptist responded with some specific ideas.

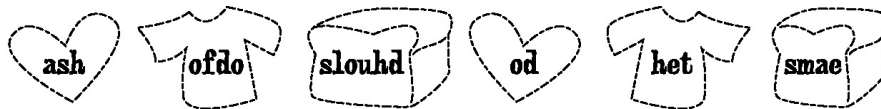
Unscramble John the Baptist's reply from Luke 3:11 (NIV), and write the words in the blanks below.

★ WORD BANK ★

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Answer: "The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same." (Luke 3:11, NIV)



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Our Vocation & Volunteer Staff

Interim Pastor—Larry Chute
 Director of Ministries & Coordinator of Children’s
 Ministry—Dave Dorsey
 Director of PowerHouse Ministry—Cam Whipple
 Office Manager—Martha Dorsey
 Secretary—Melanie Hoglievina

Our Elder Team

Mark Beale
 Edson Bustamante
 Larry Chute
 John Schneider
 Rob Weyand

Our Deacon Team

David Conner
 Dave DePagter
 David Fowle
 Larry Giannone
 Brian Johnson
 Mike Wyatt

Office hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Tuesday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Education Classes:

Sundays—9:15 AM

Worship:

Sundays—10:30 AM

**Beginning June 4
 10:00 AM**

Calendar at a Glance



May 26—PH Guys Night
 May 28—Oakwood Cares Team Meeting
 May 29—Memorial Day Observed—Office closed
 May 31—Pastoral Search Team

June 4—Summer Schedule Begins
 Move Up Sunday
 Blood Pressure checks following Worship
 PowerHouse Spaghetti Lunch
 June 5-9—Vacation Bible School
 June 11—Deacon Team Meeting
 Oakwood Cares Meeting
 PowerHouse Food Bag Ministry
 June 12—PowerHouse Anthony’s Pizza Fundraiser
 Elder Team Meeting

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Deadline	Publication date	News for dates including...
June 2	June 7	June 10—June 23
June 16	June 21	June 24—July 7

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