



# ACORN

Oakwood Community Church  
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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.



The leadership of Oakwood is pleased to announce that our church family has overwhelmingly approved calling Darin Anderson as our next Lead Pastor. Darin has enthusiastically accepted the call.

Darin will be finishing up his ministry at The Orchard (EFCA) in the Chicago area and his tentative start date at Oakwood will be September 1.

Please pray for Darin, Kristin, Seth, Caleb, Joel and Micah:

1. For the quick sale of their home in Arlington Heights
2. As they say their “good-byes” to family and friends
3. To locate housing in the Tampa area
4. For decisions on schooling for the boys
5. For a good transition into ministry at Oakwood

We celebrate God’s guidance and provision through this whole process. We are grateful for a heavenly Father who hears when we pray and answers in such a significant way.

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## Financial Commitment Card

In an effort to erase our financial shortfall for 2017 and meet our financial commitments, the leadership is asking the families at Oakwood to pray about how we can each be a part of getting Oakwood on good financial footing as we begin a new season of life with a new Lead Pastor.

Below is a Financial Commitment card that was available at the Congregational Meeting on July 23, and will be available in your Worship Program for the next few weeks.

Please pray about what God would have your family do, fill out the card, and return it to the church either by putting it in the offering basket, dropping it in the wood box by the exit doors, or mail it or drop it by the Church Office by August 13.

As has been done in the past when the church family has been asked to consider sacrificial giving, the leadership (elders and deacons) have led the way by presenting their commitments first. Last Sunday their commitments were \$7,800 in one time giving and \$1,100 in additional monthly giving.

### FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO OCC

#### Understanding the following:

- That there is a \$21,000 deficit in the general fund in the first six months of 2017 (approximately \$3,500 per month)...
- That the budget needs to increase by \$1,100 per month to meet the needs of our next Servant Leader...
- That 50 people giving approximately \$90 per month above regular tithes and offerings will meet the financial shortfall...
- That 21 people giving \$1,000 by October 1<sup>st</sup> would erase the shortfall from the first 6 months...

#### I prayerfully commit the following:

- To evaluate my financial commitments to this world which will pass away, and increase my financial commitments to that which will not pass away...
- To begin and/or continue regular tithes and/or offerings.
- To trust the Lord for \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month above my regular tithes and offerings for the next twelve months to stop the monthly financial shortfall.
- To give a one-time offering of \$\_\_\_\_\_ by October 1<sup>st</sup> to help erase the deficit of the first six months.

**If you have any other suggestions for addressing the financial shortfall, please contact any of the Elders or Deacons.**

## Women's Fellowship Dinner

### CHICK NIGHT at Chicken Salad Chick



Meet the chicks from church for dinner and dessert!  
Saturday, August 26th at 5pm

Chicken Salad Chick 2790 East Fowler Ave  
Carpoolers meet at church at 4:30pm  
RSVP via evite or connection card

## A Note of Thanks

To all our friends at Oakwood,

Thank you for the gifts of food to our family and friends.

Thank you most of all for your hugs and prayers for us during our time of grief.

Your kindnesses are all greatly appreciated.

The family of Jesse Petersen

## Blood Pressure checks

Blood pressure checks on August 6 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?

## Haiti Experience



Our PowerHouse Team is ready to tell you all about their experiences from their recent missions trip to Haiti. **Everyone** is invited to *Haiti Experience* this Sunday, August 6, at 5:00 PM in PowerHouse. You will see pictures, hear stories of their experiences and get a taste of some of the foods that they ate.

To help them plan appropriately for food, please RSVP by emailing Donna Bustamante at [bustabunch@yahoo.com](mailto:bustabunch@yahoo.com) by noon this Friday with the number attending.

## 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 who come through our doors.



## PowerHouse Schedule

August 6—5th Sunday (on the 1st Sunday!) and Haiti Review in Worship Service  
*Haiti Experience* during Evening Meeting  
 August 13—Food Bag Ministry & Back to School Pool Party (Bustamante House)  
 August 20—Regular Evening Meeting  
 August 27—Regular Evening Meeting

## Back to School Party

Join us August 13,  
 5:00—8:00 PM

**Back to  
 School swim  
 party**

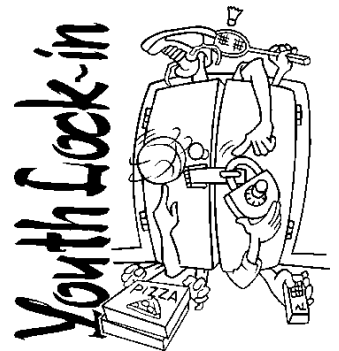


**@ Bustamante home  
 Invite your friends**

**Girls bring chips & dessert  
 Guys bring drinks**

## PowerHouse Lock-In

Mark your  
 calendar for  
 September 1-2  
 for a  
 PowerHouse  
 Lock-In



**Starts at 7:00 PM on Friday  
 and goes until  
 7:00 AM on Saturday.  
 Watch for more details.**

## Food Bag Ministry

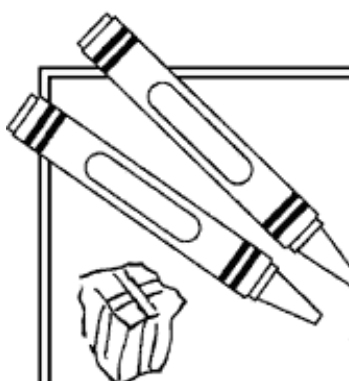
Our PowerHouse students have a monthly fundraiser assembling food bags that are distributed to medical clinics in Tampa, Lakeland, Haines City and Winter Haven and Jacksonville. These bags are distributed to indigent patients at the clinic to provide some basic food needs of the patients and their family.

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, August 13** 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, August 11. 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 Giannone at (813) 969-4136.

**Kids Corner**



# Just for KIDS

## Psalm 107:1

*Fill in the blanks with words that match the descriptions. Transfer the letters to the boxes below. Read the verse from Psalms.*

Shape that symbolizes "love" \_\_\_\_\_  
31 15 7 18 5

Part of a stove used for baking \_\_\_\_\_  
12 3 24 39

Color made by red and yellow \_\_\_\_\_  
28 42 7 8 27 37

A present \_\_\_\_\_  
1 32 20 11


Something you open to go into a room \_\_\_\_\_  
40 29 17 47

Opposite of soft (sound) \_\_\_\_\_  
34 17 41 30

A high body temperature \_\_\_\_\_  
45 50 49 48 42

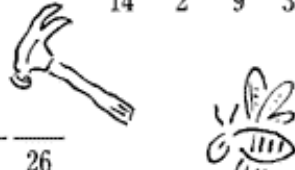
Equipment used to build or fix things \_\_\_\_\_  
13 35 21 16 26

Edge of the sea \_\_\_\_\_  
10 23 46 51 4



Something a girl wears \_\_\_\_\_  
19 22 43 44 33

To take a long walk \_\_\_\_\_  
14 2 9 38



Home for a bee \_\_\_\_\_  
6 25 36 4

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8
9	10		11	12		13	14	15
	16	17	18	19		20	21	22
	23	24		25	26		27	28
29	30		31	32	33		34	35
36	37		38	39	40	41	42	43
44		45	46	47	48	49	50	51



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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

**Worship:**

Sundays—10:00 AM

**Calendar at a Glance**



Aug 6—PowerHouse Band leads Worship  
 Communion during Worship  
 Blood Pressure checks following Worship  
*Haiti Experience*—PowerHouse missions  
 team report  
 Aug 8—Missions Team Meeting  
 Aug 13—Deacon Team Meeting  
 Oakwood Cares Team Meeting  
 PowerHouse Food Bag Ministry  
 Aug 14—Elder Team Meeting

Aug 20—Compassion Offering  
 Aug 21—Elder/Deacon Teams meet  
 Aug 26—Women’s Fellowship Dinner @ Chicken  
 Salad Chick  
 Aug 27—Oakwood Cares Team Meeting  
 Blood Mobile @ Oakwood  
 Aug 28—Elder Team Meeting

The Oakwood *ACORN* is a bi-weekly E-newsletter from Oakwood Community Church, published to keep our church family and friends informed about events and people at Oakwood. Articles may be submitted via e-mail to [Office@oakwoodfl.org](mailto:Office@oakwoodfl.org). Article deadlines and publication schedule is:

Deadline	Publication date	News for dates including...
Aug 11	Aug 16	Aug 19—Sept 1
Aug 25	Aug 30	Sept 2—Sept 15

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