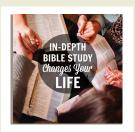




getting to the point

GriefShare

At this time, the Grief-Share support group for Fall 2018 is on hold. We hope to resume the ministry at a later date. Please continue to pray for this informative and grief healing ministry at OCC. Pray for God's direction and provision for the hurting at OCC and our community who have lost loved ones. For questions or comments please contact Melinda Foust at 812-344-2619.



Ladies' Bible Study

Encourager A Light Addition



"How To" A Series that helps us discover God's plan for our lives; begins weekend of August 9-12. Highlights include real-life how-to demonstrations and video clips by OCC members and friends. Also practical biblical wisdom and teaching on prayer, evangelism, study, forgiveness and knowing God's will.

Martin Wright

Camp OCC Launch day is here!

Remember when we first introduced Camp OCC and gave you our Vision Statement? Well, just in case the memory has faded, here it is again in "slogan" form: Teach truth, Transform minds, Tell others! The singular purpose we have for each child who enters our ministry area is that we can teach them the gospel in such a way that it transforms their minds to think like Jesus, not like the world around them, so they can leave here each week (and especially by the time they "graduate" from the children's area) with the ability to naturally and comfortably tell others about Him.



When God gave us the inspiration to put this objective into words, He also gave us the drive and desire to bring it to fruition; as well as the vision to see it's outcome in the years to come. We are excited and we want our kids, parents and church family to be excited with us; this is BIG! So, to help bring our goal to life, we have created a visualization of our vision in our children's ministry area: Camp OCC! Come and see!

Now, we know that it's not all about the décor, it's about the underlying purpose and the intentionally set goal put in motion. However, we want to create a world that helps visualize this goal so you can physically see how important it is and to build excitement and imagination within the kids that are involved.

On August 5th, come down to get a glimpse of our new vision in action!

Ladies' Bible Study Begins in August

Both Tuesday and Thursday morning ladies' Bible studies are starting up again this fall with plans to dig into the book of Matthew. If you are not involved already, the first book of the New Testament is a great place to start and we encourage you to join one of our classes. Studying a gospel is an awesome opportunity to look deeply into the life of Jesus on earth. To mediate on all those red letter verses of what Jesus actually spoke while here among us. What could be more inspiring and life changing!? The study guide we will use is from the LifeChange Series. This particular guide emphasizes personal discovery of God's Word, application of Scripture to daily life, helpful word definitions and offers stimulating discussion questions.



We have two class times being offered. The first is on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 11:30am in the Café. The second is on Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 11:30am in the OCC kitchen. We will begin August 28 and 30. For more information or to join you may contact Mona Peterson at 812-371-8051 about Tuesday's class or Kathleen Schwein at 812-344-0810 regarding Thursday's class. To allow time for study guides to ship, please contact us on or before August 12. We hope to hear from you soon!







Thank you to everyone that has been able to donate so far. Don't forget that we will be having a packing party (more information to come) so that we are able to have everything all together for collection week November 12th-19th. And for those that would still wish to prepare their own boxes and drop them off at the church like in the past, we will have those items available when the time gets closer.

If you have any questions, please contact me at ramandakinnick@yahoo.com. And be sure to check out our Facebook group @ OCC'S Operation Christmas Child Project.

Our collection items for August and September will be school supplies. Here are some examples of items to collect:

Pencils
Small manual pencil sharpeners
Pencil cases
Colored pencils
Crayons
Markers
Pens
Coloring books

Protractors
Erasers
Notebooks
Glue sticks (NOT liquid glue)
Blank index cards
Solar-powered calculators
Safety scissors (blunt tip)
Rulers



Do you find it easy to offer kindness to those you feel deserve it—but not to those who don't? That's a normal human response. But, when you begin to understand the fullness of God's kindness to you personally, you're apt to see things in a different light. You weren't deserving or even grateful, and yet He was kind to you. He held nothing back. Being kind to those who don't deserve it is a powerful way to demonstrate your likeness to your heavenly Father. Kindness is often misunderstood. It doesn't mean stepping back and letting others dictate to you. And it doesn't mean coddling and indulging others. It means being gentle, friendly, benevolent, and generous with another person, especially when there is no expectation of receiving anything from that person in return. You won't have to go looking for opportunities to be kind, they will appear on their own dozens of times a day. Be like your heavenly Father—be kind!