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RESET

Could you use a reset? To reset something is, literally, to set it back to its original purpose and design. When an electronic device is functioning in a less-than-optimal way, you can usually reset it so that whatever was stuck gets unstuck and all the connections can run smoothly again.

What about us? What about real people like you and me? Is it possible for us to get our lives "unstuck"? Is it possible for our lives to be reset so that they are running the way God originally intend-

ed them to run? Can vital connections and communications really be restored in our lives?

Starting January 1, 2017, Ogilville Christian Church is hosting a five-week sermon series to help people discover Jesus as the ultimate reset in their lives. Jesus changes everything! Jesus offers us a chance to reset our lives, our relationships, and our futures.

If you are feeling stuck, frustrated or unfulfilled with the recent trajectory of your life then you won't want to miss this im-

Week 1 / January 01 / "Jesus, Reset My Feet"
Week 2 / January 08 / "Jesus, Reset My Heart"
Week 3 / January 15 / "Jesus, Reset My Mind"
Week 4 / January 22 / "Jesus, Reset My Voice"
Week 5 / January 29 / "Jesus, Reset My Hands"

– It All Starts Here
– Examining Our Center
– I Am What I Think About
– Good News for Bad Times
– Soul at Peace, Hands at Work

2017 Sunday Education Class Schedules for 9 & 10:30 in the Café

During our 9:00 a.m. hour, Nelson Lee will be teaching a Bible Study class on 1 & 2 Peter. It will be a 13-week series that begins on New Year's Sunday, January 1, and concludes on Sunday, March 26. This class will be the perfect follow-up to the recently concluded class on James. Bring your Bible

and come eager to learn. During our 10:30 a.m. hour, Sunday, January 1 and 8, will be the final Sunday sessions of "The Art of Marriage" Seminar for couples. Then, beginning Sunday, January 15, Tony & Kelly Strahl will lead a 9 week session of Dave Ramsey's "Financial Peace University." Sign

portant preaching series which looks at five ways Jesus wants to make a difference and perform a "reset" in various areas of your life.

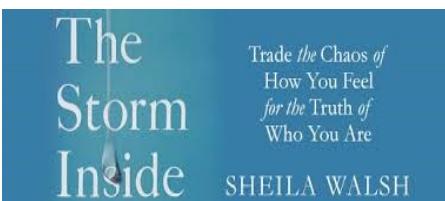
This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers to join you and grow deeper in their faith, or perhaps encounter God for the first time.

"I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10)

Through Jesus we can be fulfilled. We can be reset. We can be changed. Jesus changes everything!

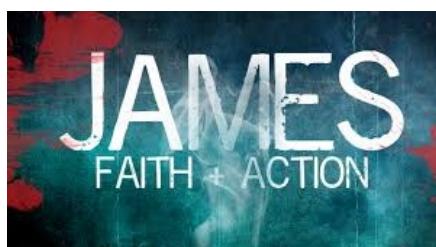
up is underway. Scholarships are available. Contact the Strahl's at 812-277-6482 for info. Complete, complimentary nursery and children's classes are provided in both hours for grades 6 & younger.

Two opportunities for Women's Bible Study



In "The Storm Inside", an 8-session, video-based small group Bible study, popular teacher and author Sheila Walsh unpacks the stories of women from the Bible who faced seemingly insurmountable problems: regret, shame, insecurity, and heartbreak. And just like the women from the Bible, you can overcome the lies the enemy uses to torment you. You too can rely on the truth of God's word so you can stand during the strongest storms of your life. Some of the sessions include: Heartbreak to Strength (Hannah), Disappointment to Hope (Woman with Is-

sue of Blood), Fear to Joy (Mary Magdalene) and Shame to Love (Samaritan Woman) to name a few. Join us Tuesday mornings from 9-11:30 a.m. in the café starting January 10th. Suggested donation cost of materials is \$10. Contact Mona Peterson @ 812-371-8051 or mona@peterson-pi.com if you wish to join in!



Thursday's study will be the book of James. This verse-by-verse study of James offers a challenge to Christians of every age

to keep on growing. Participants learn that by faith humankind is reborn into the family of God; but that more than justified infants, He wants mature daughters and sons. The result should be faith that is foundational, genuine, proven, and evident to the world. Participants will be encouraged to apply God's word to their life. The study includes historical insights, word definitions, discussion questions, and assignments.

Class begins Thursday, January 26th from 9:00-11:30a.m. in the kitchen. Childcare will be offered so please let us know if you are in need. Sign-up at the Life Center contact Kathleen Schwein at 812-344-0810 for details or to sign-up.



Ministry Luncheon

A special Ministry Leaders' luncheon will be held Sunday, January 15th immediately following the 10:30am message in the fellowship hall. Hosted by the OCC Elders, this luncheon will provide an opportunity for the 2017 Ministry Budget Requests to be reviewed. This meeting also provides an opportunity for all of our ministry leaders to share their visions, hopes and dreams with one another. Contact 342-6907 with questions.



Angel Tree

THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU

Because of your tremendous response of caring and generosity to the OCC "Angel Tree," the light and love of Jesus has shone into the lives of many families during Christmas 2016. Hearts will certainly be more open to His ultimate message of Salvation and Hope. To God be the glory!!

- The OCC Evangelism Team



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Yearly Offering Envelopes

Yearly tithe envelopes are now available for pick-up at the Life Center. If you currently don't have envelopes and would like them, please contact the office @ 812-342-6907.



Breaking Bread Ministry is still going strong and growing on the 2nd Saturday of each month but we still need your help. If you took a yard sign, don't forget to display it one week prior to the meal. Let the community know 'God is Love' as He puts faith into action through our hands and feet!

I Did It To Myself

Kathy Bradley

I share a workstation in my place of employ. I don't really like that very much. No one leaves things as I left them at my departure. There are new "things" in my keyboard and on my workspace each morning – unidentifiable things that scare me.

One pleasure I derive from this scenario is the sanctimony of berating whomever has gone before me, leaving this litter behind, for I most certainly don't do that to them! WHO would do such a thing, such a heinous act as trashing MY space?

We love to blame. We seem to need to blame. I guess we feel vindicated if there is someone or something else responsible for the sorry state in which we find ourselves, whatever it might be. Not my fault, didn't do it, not responsi-

ble. Perhaps blaming allows me to feel superior to the one whose fault it was, did do it, was responsible. Yeah, that's the ticket; I'm better than that! Or not...

The flip side is when I look more closely and realize my findings are actually crumbs from my own lunch from the day before. Whoops – sorry. Evidently I most certainly DO do that, sometimes to the next occupants of the area. Wow, I guess I'm just like "them." How disappointing...

Blaming is the same as accusing and, in light of who is the quintessential accuser, I don't want to be one of those. I mean, just look at this:

...for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. (Rev 12:10 KJV)

Ye are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. (Jhn 8:44 KJV)

If you tell me I resemble my biological father, that's okay; I know it's true. If you say I'm like my heavenly Father, that's a literal miracle and a blessing for us both. But what I don't desire is to be like the father of lies in the verses above. So maybe – and only by God's grace – I will remember not to jump into the blame game quite so readily. A little grace and canned air will go a long way.





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New Beginnings

Noah was now 601 years old. On the first day of the new year, ten and a half months after the flood began, the flood-waters had almost dried up from the earth. Genesis 8:13

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Set up the Tabernacle on the first day of the new year. Exodus: 40:2

Hezekiah reopens the Temple: They began the work in early spring, on the first day of the new year, and in eight days they had reached the entry room of the LORD's Temple. 2Ch29:17

Happy New Year January 2017 Events

birthdays

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| 1 | Maddie Marks | 12 | Shaley Smallwood |
| 2 | Madelynn Emily | 14 | Barbara Burkman |
| | Heather Mathis | | Ruby Hale |
| 3 | Ken Hardwick | | Logan Smith |
| 4 | Carolyn Eisele | | Don Williams |
| | Sandy Johnson | 15 | Jonathan Foust |
| 5 | Linda Emily | 17 | Brian Wichman |
| | Chuck Fleetwood | 20 | Gina Chapple |
| | Hunter Roberts | | Alexander Kerkhof |
| 6 | Mona Peterson | 22 | Thom Barnett |
| 7 | George Meek | | Jaidyn Barriger |
| 8 | Abigail Folz | 23 | Emmerine Mullins |
| | Dawson Mullins | 27 | Lexi Stadler |
| 9 | Becki Meek | 30 | Jaleb Buck |
| 10 | Hayden Johns | | Abbigale Humbel |
| | Brooke Mouser | | Sharon Kropack |
| 11 | Liza Newman | 31 | Sylvina Hornback |
| | Ashlyn Perry | | |

anniversaries

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| 2 | Miles & Christine Piercefied |
| | Zech & Julie Riggs |
| 11 | Chris & Courtney Hembree |
| 19 | Joe & Karen Harman |
| 21 | Tony & Julie Jenkins |
| 28 | Greg & Betsy Hundley |

what's on the calendar?

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| 1 | Art of Marriage Class 10:30 Cafe |
| 5-8 | Tennessee Christian Teen Convention (Jesus Jam) |
| 8 | Art of Marriage 10:30 Cafe |
| 14 | Breaking Bread Ministry Hot Meal |
| 15 | Financial Peace University 10:30 a.m. Cafe
Ministry Budget Luncheon 12 p.m. Fellowship Hall |
| 21 | Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Sweet Life Café Retreat 7:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. |
| 22 | FPU 10:30 Cafe |
| 29 | FPU 10:30 Cafe |