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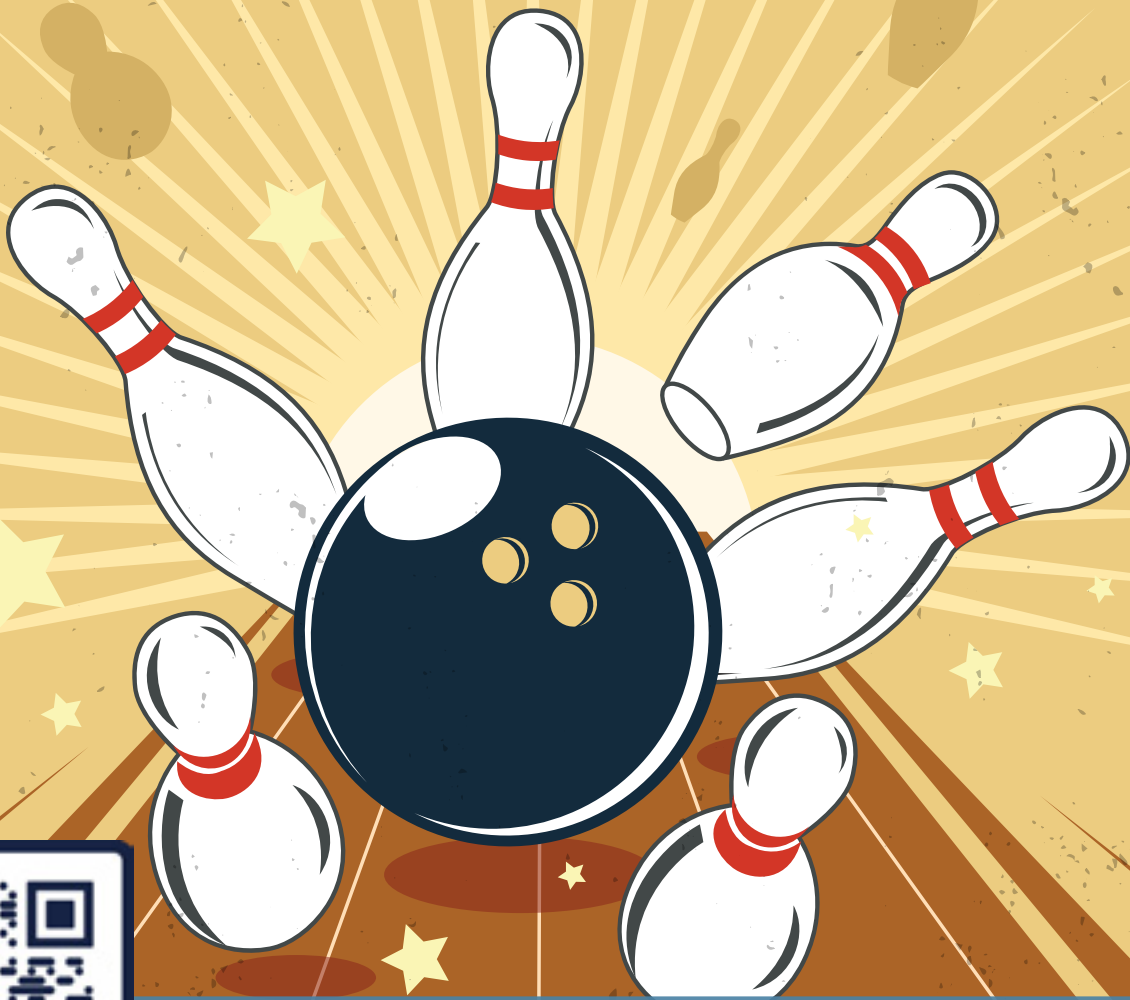
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July 26th

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BOWLING & MORE!



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It begins right here!

CONNECT CARD

IF YOU ARE HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME YOU! BE SURE TO FILL OUT THIS CARD AND BRING IT TO THE CONNECTION CENTER. WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY.

CONTACT INFORMATION

TODAY'S DATE:

NAME: BIRTHDATE:

STREET ADDRESS: CITY:

EMAIL:

PRIMARY PHONE: HOME MOBILE
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FIRST TIME GUEST RETURNING GUEST

MEMBER OF LIVE OAK CHURCH

FAMILY INFORMATION

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I HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST I WANT TO JOIN LIVE OAK

I AM INTERESTED IN BAPTISM I WANT TO UPDATE MY INFORMATION

I AM INTERESTED IN COMMUNITY GROUPS

TODAY I ACCEPTED JESUS AS MY SAVIOR

LIVE OAK

Located at the Information Desk

GET CONNECTED TODAY!

JULY 2023 | CALENDAR OF EVENTS

a time and a place for everyone

For more information about groups and events visit www.liveoak.church or call (225) 664-4801

- WEEKLY CALENDAR -

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM Worship Service
- 8:45 AM Children & Pre-Teen Sunday School
Sherri Gardner: K-3rd - Room #214
Jodi Rushing: 4th - 6th - Room #213
- 8:45 AM Student Ministry:
Linda Johnson: 7-11th Grade - Upstairs in FLC
Nathan Lott: 12th Grade - Age 25 - Upstairs in FLC
- 8:45 AM Adult Co-ed Sunday School Classes:
Pastor Mark Crosby - Choir Room
Dickie Davis - Room #202
Sam LoBello - New Members Class - Room #102
- 8:45 AM Senior Adults Sunday School Class:
Layne Hutchinson - Room #201
- 9:30 AM Co-ed Sunday School Class:
Robert Poole - Room #211
- 9:30 AM Children's Church (Completed K-3)
- 9:30 AM Axis 456 Preteen - Chapel
- 9:30 AM Worship Service
- 10:00 AM Students 7th-12th Grade:
Jonny Carroll - Upstairs in FLC
- 11:00 AM Kid's Sunday School - Room 213 (Completed K-3)
- 11:00 AM Axis 456 Preteen - Chapel
- 11:00 AM Worship Service

MONDAY

- 6:30 PM Women's Deeper Life - Chapel
- 6:30 PM Men's Deeper Life - Room #201
- 6:30 PM Men's Home Bible Study - Robert Poole's House

TUESDAY

- 6:30 PM - 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the Month - Chapel
Stephen Hebert - Bible Prophecy: The Essentials

WEDNESDAY

- 8:00 AM Quilters Ministry - FLC
- 9:30 AM Worship Wednesday - Online
- 6:00 - 7:15 PM Kingdom Kidz: Completed K - 3rd Grade
- 6:00 - 7:30 PM Axis 456: 4th, 5th and 6th Grade
- 6:00 - 7:30 PM Student Ministry: 7th - 12th Grade
- 6:30 - 7:20 PM Dr. Mark's Class - Adults
- 6:30 - 7:20 PM Bible Recap - Ladies - Room #202

THURSDAY

- 6:00 PM Men's Play and Pray Basketball - FLC
- 7:00 PM Refuge - Room #201

FRIDAY

- 5:30 AM Iron Man Study - Room #202
- 6:00 PM Adult Co-ed Bible Study - Room #202

- EVENTS -

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

- 8:45am in Room #102
- 4 Week class that restarts the first Sunday of every month.
- Email Sam LoBello at sam@liveoak.church

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

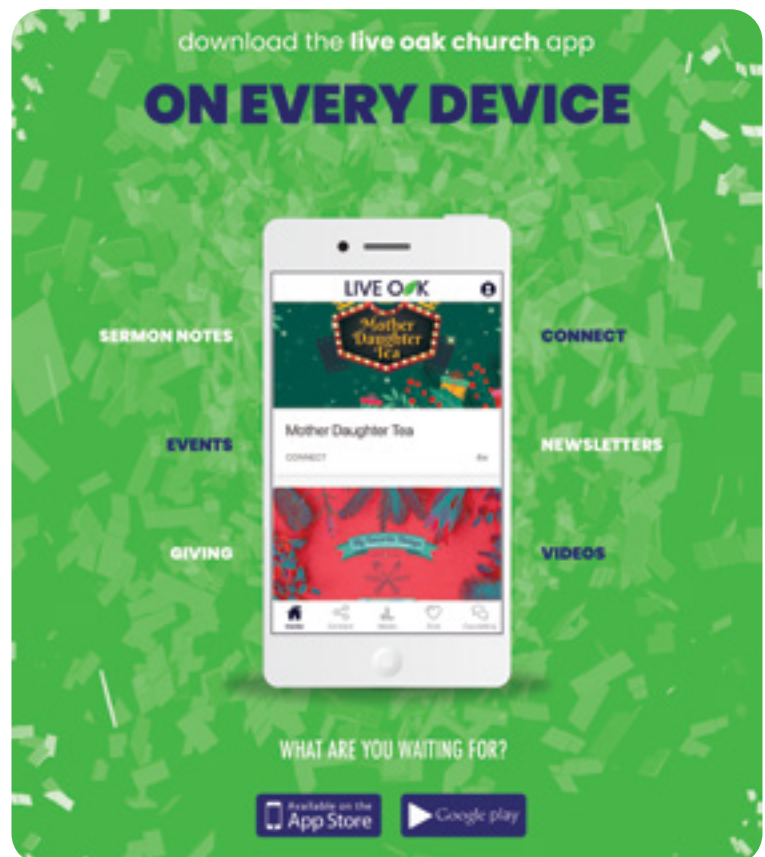
- 6:30pm in the Chapel
- Second and fourth Tuesday of each month.
- For more information email Stephen Hebert at stephen@liveoak.church

MEN'S MINISTRY

- Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Second Saturday of each month at 7:30AM in Room #202.

STUDENTS

- Bowling & Dinner
- July 26, Register on the App



the **family answer man** podcast



DR MARK CROSBY

REV DAVID ORGES



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A phrase I hear often during this time of year is “Land of the free, because of the brave.” We live in a country where freedom, opportunity, and liberty have been bought and preserved because of the brave men and women who believed in fighting against tyranny, oppression, and domination.

It is amazing to note that wherever the Bible is proclaimed, there is hope, opportunity, and freedom. However, where the Bible is banned, maligned, and criminalized, freedoms, opportunities, and academic honesty are removed, resisted, and rebuked.

The Bible says in II Timothy 4:3, “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own **desires**” (emphasis mine).

Isaiah says in Isaiah 5:20, “Woe unto those who call evil good and good evil, who substitute light for darkness and darkness for light, who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter.”

It seems that we are living in the day Isaiah and the Apostle Paul described. The concern for many is that if we continue down this path, then we must realize that the Bible warns (and has recorded) that when a people (who once knew God) has speech and actions that are against the Lord, then they will bring evil upon themselves (Isaiah 3: 8-9).

As we see what is happening in our nation, many (in the church and outside the church) are showing concern, as our nation faces multiple challenges (economically, socially,



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AND FIGHT THE GOOD
FIGHT OF FAITH?*

spiritually, morally, academically, politically, and internationally). Many are concerned about the future moral, spiritual, and mental development of our children, as our nation calls good evil and evil good.

I once had an old mentor say to me, “Perversion knows no limits or boundaries; it is an appetite that is never satisfied.” As we read today’s headlines, it seems that he was right. Many are concerned for their children’s well-being, safety, and mental welfare. So the question is, “What can be done?”

The Bible says we are to “fight the good fight of faith.” (I Timothy 6:12) In other words, we are to stand for what the Bible declares—the message of truth and grace. We have the greatest news, we offer the greatest hope, and we have the

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

amazing truth of God’s word that is needed now more than ever. But if we do not share, present, and fight for it. We will find ourselves with minimum freedoms, opportunities, and liberties, as so many nations now and down through the centuries have discovered.

Will you be one of those who are brave and fight the good fight of faith? I have heard for years (and believe) that if we don’t use our freedoms to keep our freedoms, we will lose our freedoms.

So in the month of July (the month we celebrate our nation’s independence due to those who chose to stand for liberty), we will be preaching the series “Fighting the Good Fight of Faith.”

I hope you will join us for a series that will inspire you, inform you, and encourage you.

Hope to see you Sunday!

Dr. Mark Crosby
Senior Pastor

RAISING A CHILD OF GRATITUDE



by Faith Storck

In our house, we are in the season of writing thank you notes for all of the gracious people that so generously gave to Lauren for her high school graduation. As she was writing her cards one day, my ADD mind went down the rabbit trail of gratitude and how to raise a grateful child.

“Give thanks” is in the Bible 73 times and “thanksgiving” is mentioned 42 times. There are many times where some other form of thankfulness is mentioned. I think it is mentioned so much because we need constant reminders in our lives to be thankful/grateful.

Gratitude by definition is the state of being grateful. Grateful by definition is appreciative of benefits received; expressing gratitude. So how do we teach our children to live a life of gratitude? Here are 5 ways I believe you can raise a child full of gratitude.

SET AN EXAMPLE.

Your children are constantly learning from you. They mimic how you talk and what you say. I find it funny sometimes when I hear a kid say a one liner, and I know they are 100% quoting their mom or dad, and based on what they say, I know which parent said it. Kids are miniature versions of their parents. If you want your child to be full of gratitude, model it to them. Show appreciation for the things you have and the people you have in your life regularly.

POINT OUT GENEROSITY.

When you see someone doing something nice for your child or others, use that opportunity to show your kid what generosity looks like. When you see your children do something helpful or kind, show your gratitude and acknowledge their efforts.

TEACH THEM HOW TO SAY THANKS.

You don't have to just say “thank you” to someone. You can make saying thanks to someone fun. We have so many words in the English language, so be creative.

SHARE GRATITUDE.

Give your child opportunities to show gratitude towards others. Be spontaneous. Don't wait until a holiday to have your child write a card to someone. Do it “just because.”

TALK WITH YOUR KIDS.

In our world, negativity reigns supreme. I will listen to a child's problems all day long, but first, tell me something good. Positivity is a learned behavior. Teach them to find the good or positive in any situation. This is not a new idea, but one that I think is great. Have a journal of some kind (a blank book, jar, etc.) and write out things you are grateful for. Start on January 1st, and do it for the entire year. Sit down at the end of the year as a family and read all of your grateful moments from the past year.

If I could add a sixth one to this list, it would be to learn what the scriptures say about gratitude. Psalm 106:1 states “Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.” I found the following statement in an article and it bears to be copied and pasted because I couldn't say it better myself. “Another reason to give thanks is because of who God is. So many times in the Bible, “give thanks” is followed by “for he is good” and/or “for his faithful/ steadfast love endures forever.” It's a great reminder that when we root ourselves in the truth of God's goodness, we respond with gratitude.”

Parents, if I could wish one thing for your children, other than for them to have a personal relationship with God, it would be for your child to have a heart of gratitude. Our world so desperately needs Jesus, but it also needs gratitude. Gratitude is a daily choice. To quote Mary Davis, “The more grateful I am, the more beauty I see.” Teach your child how to live a life of gratitude and watch how that filters in to every other area of life. 🍃

NOT YOUR
AVERAGE
JOE

THE STORY OF JOSEPH WITH A 50'S TWIST

LIVE OAK CHILDREN'S CHOIR

SUMMER MUSIC CAMP 2023

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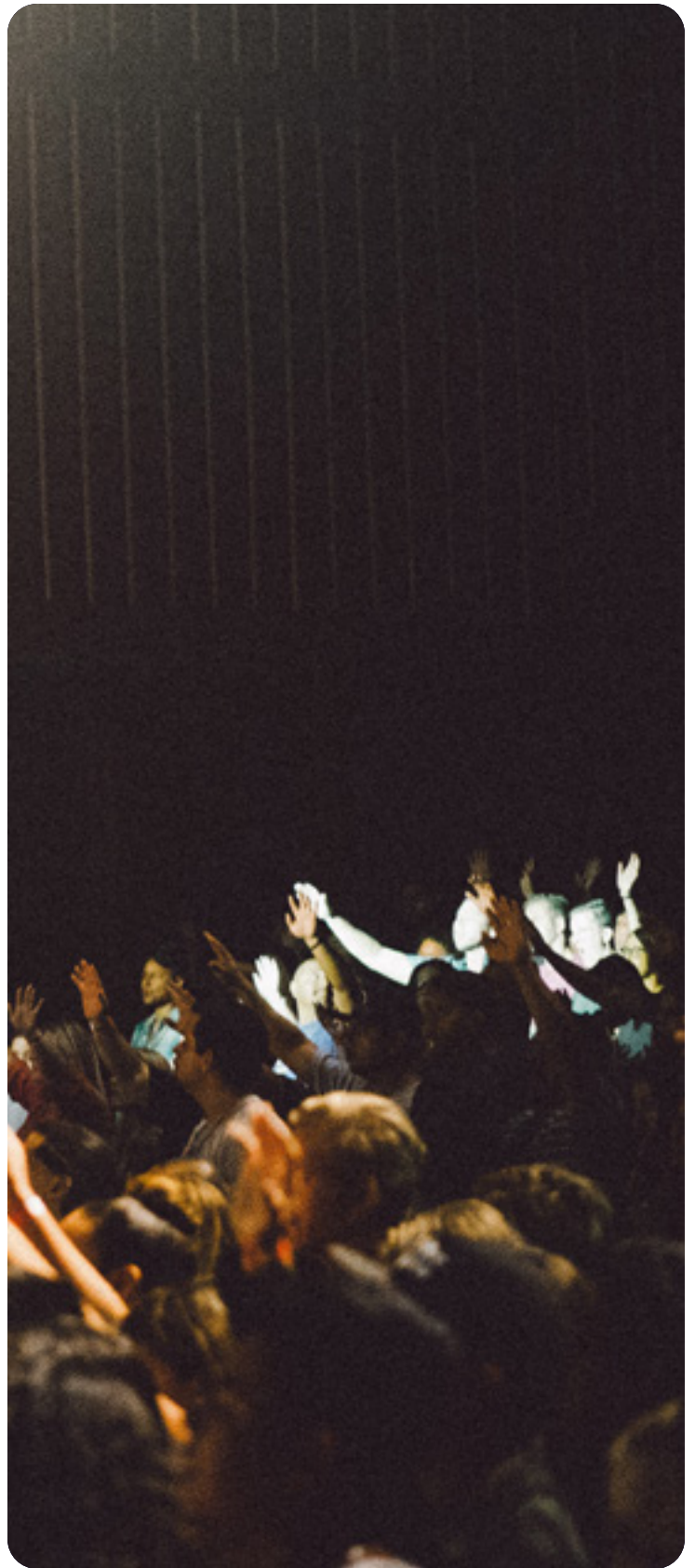
A POSTURE OF WORSHIP

by Trent Barnett

When we see a reference to someone worshipping in Scripture, there is always a posture associated. Some kneel (2 Chr. 7; Dan. 6), some dance before the Lord (2 Sam. 6; Ps. 149), and some raise their hands (Ps. 63; Neh. 8). John even fell at Jesus' feet "as though dead" (Rev. 1:17).

Another posture we see in worship is standing, with over 100 Scriptural references. In Psalm 22:23, David encourages believers: "You who fear the Lord, praise Him; all you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, and stand in awe of Him." This theme of "standing in awe of God" is echoed in similar passages like Psalm 33:8, Isaiah 29:23, and Habbakuk 3:2. Believers stand in worship out of reverence for God's presence (Ex. 3:5; 33:8-10) and in respect for God's Word (Neh. 8:5). In 1 Chronicles, God lays out the duties and commission of the Levites - those who ushered people into God's presence at the temple, serving as priests, judges, gatekeepers, craftsmen, singers, and musicians. God says, "They are to stand every morning and praise the Lord. They are to do the same in the evening" (1 Chr. 23:30). When Solomon's temple was dedicated to the Lord, 1 Chronicles 7:6 says "all the Israelites were standing." In Nehemiah 9:5, the Levites told all the Israelites to "stand up and praise the Lord your God."

Just over a year ago, we made the decision to no longer prompt the congregation to stand up again before leading the offertory song. We had received some feedback that inviting people to stand was a deterrent for those individuals from "preparing their heart for the sermon."



For over 52 Sundays now in a row, we've intentionally not asked or prompted the congregation to stand. Yet, every single one of those Sundays, the congregation at 9:30 & 11:00 have stood again for the offertory song - unprompted. Some may suggest that once one person stands, it's just peer pressure for the rest. While there may be some truth to that, it may also be just the encouragement others need - those who want to stand, but feel intimidated by standing alone.


There have been many weeks where I'm still sharing the Scriptural basis for the song we're about to lead, and people are already standing across the sanctuary. It's such an encouragement to see God's people with a strong desire and eager expectation to continue worshiping God through singing - and standing in awe of His presence. It still brings so much joy to my heart every time I see it. As worship leader Naomi Raine has powerfully said, "God wants to speak to people more than we do." No matter what I say or do, no matter what people like or don't like, God is still speaking to people. His presence is still moving in the hearts of believers, drawing them to Himself.

Now there are likely some reading this who cannot stand for long periods of time. If you have a medical condition prohibiting you from standing, by all means, worship while seated. It actually helps to underscore the primary point of worship: it

is the posture of our heart that is most important to God, not our physical posture. Dr. Ron White has said, "What matters is the condition of our hearts, our emotions, our minds, when we worship. Form always follows the heart, not the other

way around." God makes it clear throughout Scripture that He "does not delight in sacrifice...or burnt offerings." David declares that "my sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, you will not despise." Authentic worship of the Savior isn't confined to a church service, a particular music style, or even a physical posture while doing so. It's a posture of the heart - meeting with God, and ascribing worth to Him.

When we come before the throne of God in worship, we are to do so with a holy expectancy - longing to see God move in our midst, and expecting to see lives changed by and for His glory. This is why the mission of Live Oak Worship is to foster environments that inspire people to actively engage in worship. As active participants, we pour our entire being into glorifying Christ, presenting our "bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship" (Rom. 12:1). When we actively come before God seeking His heart in

worship, He promises to meet us there - and changes our lives to look more like His. 

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HELPING THE MOST HELPLESS AMONG US

by Gideon Rossman and Stephen Hebert

Have you considered who is the most helpless among us? In the June newsletter, we introduced this question. Hopefully you have had a chance to contemplate your thoughts on the weighty matter of abortion and the value of human life in the womb. Even if you have not had a chance to think about it, this is okay too. It is never too late to reflect on these issues and educate yourself with as much information as possible. This way you will “Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect” (1st Peter 3, verse 15). The Apostle Peter wrote this in his letter to the Church in order to prepare believers to be able to answer questions and challenges about their faith, and this same approach can and should be used when it comes to the morals we live by as well. The two of these go hand in hand.

We know from the book of Genesis that God has created humans in His image. He placed the first man and woman in the Garden of Eden to walk and talk and enjoy communion with Him. They were given dominion over all of Creation, and they were instructed by God to be fruitful and multiply. Tragically, when Satan ruined this after tempting Adam and Eve, they succumbed to Satan’s lies and fell into a broken state. But God in His mercy offered them grace and redemption, promising to one day crush Satan’s head through Eve’s seed who would come later. This Redeemer, Jesus the Messiah, and God in human flesh, took on our human form and died in our place for the sins of the world. Three days later, He defeated death and walked out of the grave, and He lives today! Anyone who places their faith in Him will be born again and born of

the Spirit, and after natural death occurs, their bodies will have a physical resurrection just as Jesus did, and they will enjoy the Lord’s presence and fellowship forever.

God went to great lengths to save humanity, and He continues to do so today. Human life is priceless, and the value of human life before delivery, and before that precious baby is born, is no different. In Psalm chapter 139, verses 13-17, David tells how God formed his body while he was in his mother’s womb. In Luke chapter 1, verses 39-45, Zechariah’s wife Elizabeth was pregnant with John the Baptist. When Mary came by to visit, pregnant with Jesus, Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and John leaped for joy in his mother’s womb! From a scientific perspective, we know that the DNA of a human is fully formed at conception and at the time when the sperm and the egg come together to form a zygote. From this moment on, the tiny human begins to grow rapidly. It attaches itself to the wall of the uterus, and it has a detectable heartbeat in as early as 21 days! It also has a recognizably human form with a head, trunk, arms, and legs, and this is only after 6 weeks! The witness of Scripture and of science is clear on the value and the humanity of the unborn. A mother’s womb should be the safest place on earth.

In this day in which we live, the topic of abortion is a sensitive and controversial one, and chances are we will all be approached and challenged on this topic at some point in the future. One of our goals of this new ministry is to educate the people of Live Oak Church on abortion and the many resources available to ladies who have an unexpected, unplanned, and possibly unwanted pregnancy. Dr. Mark has always referred to Live Oak Church as

a “Lighthouse to our Community” and a “Hospital for the Hurting,” and we want to be a resource to these ladies fulfilling this mission. Our professional counseling ministry will soon be equipped with the knowledge base and plan of care for assisting individuals, couples, and families with unplanned pregnancies. We will also offer counseling to those who are struggling from decisions of having had past abortions, as well as helping those who are grieving from pregnancy and/or infant loss.

We want to extend this same knowledge to our parishioners in order to raise awareness about all of these same situations and topics, and this is the very reason why we are planning to host an educational conference which will be open to our congregation. The conference will be held in the Family Life Center on Sunday, July 9th from 5 – 7pm. A catered meal will be provided for the attendees. We hope you will join us for this important event as we join together as one body to raise awareness, to increase our knowledge base, and to prepare and equip our people to minister to those in need while saving lives in the process. Please RSVP by the close of business on July 5th by sending an email to Pastor Stephen with your name, phone number, and the count and names of your family members or guests. If you have any questions or if you would like to get involved, please email Pastor Stephen at Stephen@LiveOak.Church.

Stay tuned for more educational tidbits, and information on how you can get involved in this important ministry. Please keep our Church, our Staff, and our Lay Leaders in your prayers as we work together to Help The Most Helpless Among Us. 🍀

HELPING THE MOST HELPLESS AMONG US
CONFERENCE



SUNDAY, JULY 9TH 5-7PM

RSVP BY THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JULY 5TH

SEE PAGE 12 FOR DETAILS



connect CAMPS



In case you haven't heard, Connect Camp was a huge success! Over 300 campers from around our community were able to learn about Jesus and hear the gospel presented many times during the week. This resulted in 19 salvations, and this wouldn't have been possible without you.

If you are one of over 70 volunteers who prepared food, washed clothes, spent time at camp as a nurse, helped with checkin or hung out with the kids or is helping with follow up, know that you made a difference in the lives of these kids. To those of you who believed in and donated to the Connect Camp fund, you helped make camp possible for any child that wanted to attend. Thank you for your part

in making Connect Camp happen and for investing in the lives of the children in our community.

We want to give a special shout to South Live Oak Elementary and Live Oak Middle school for allowing us use their facilities and to Oak Point for going above and beyond in helping us with food preparation, orders and deliveries.

We already can't wait for next year! And... we already have a date! Connect Camp will be back again next year for the week of June 3rd - 7th, so mark your calendars!

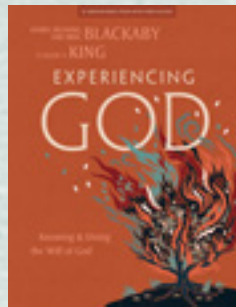


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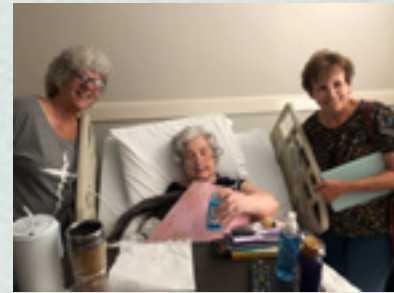
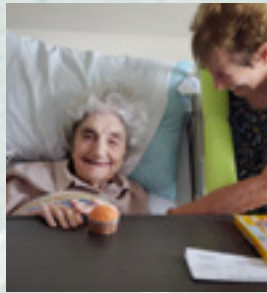
BIBLE STUDY GROUP

MONDAYS, 6:30 PM, CHAPEL

STUDY GOD'S WORD TOGETHER



MINISTERING TOGETHER



GIVING TOGETHER

OVER \$1000 TO SUPPORT CONNECT CAMP



SMALL GROUPS



SUNDAYS

Starting at 8:45 AM

Pastor's Coed Class - 2nd Timothy - Choir Room
Dickie's Coed Class - The Book of Revelation - Room #202
Bro. Sam's - New Member Class - Room #102
Wesley Senior Adult Class - Explore the Bible - Room #201

Starting at 9:30 AM

Robert's Coed Class - Book of Romans - Room #211
Todd & Sealy Couple's Class - Book of James - Room #202

Starting at 5:00 PM & 6:00 PM

5:00 PM - Nathan Lott - Young Adult Group - FLC
6:00 PM - Layne Hutchinson's Doctrinal Study (Coed) - Room #202

WEEKDAYS

Monday - 6:30 PM

Deeper Life Women - Experiencing God - Jan Tate - Chapel
Deeper Life Men: Explore the Bible - David Tate - Room #201
Men's Home Group - Book of Romans - Robert Poole's Home

Tuesday - 6:30 PM

Grief Support Group - (2nd & 4th Tuesday) - Stephen Hebert - Chapel
Bible Prophecy: The Essentials - (1st & 3rd Tuesday) - Stephen Hebert - Chapel

Wednesday 6:30 PM

Worship & Study - Reasons to Believe - Pastor Mark - Sanctuary
Coed Home Group - Book of Jude - Jim & Janet Setoudeh's Home
Ladies Bible Recap - Room #202 - Jeanette Clark

Thursday

6:00 PM - Men's Play & Pray Basketball and Lesson - Jim Otken - FLC
7:00 PM - REFUGE Addiction Recovery - Sam LoBello - Room #201

Friday

5:30 AM - Gospel of John - Men's Group - Jim Otken - Room #202
6:00 PM - Topical Studies - Coed - Robert Poole - Room #202

Second Saturday of Each Month

7:30 AM - Men's Study/Prayer Breakfast - Sam LoBello - Room #202

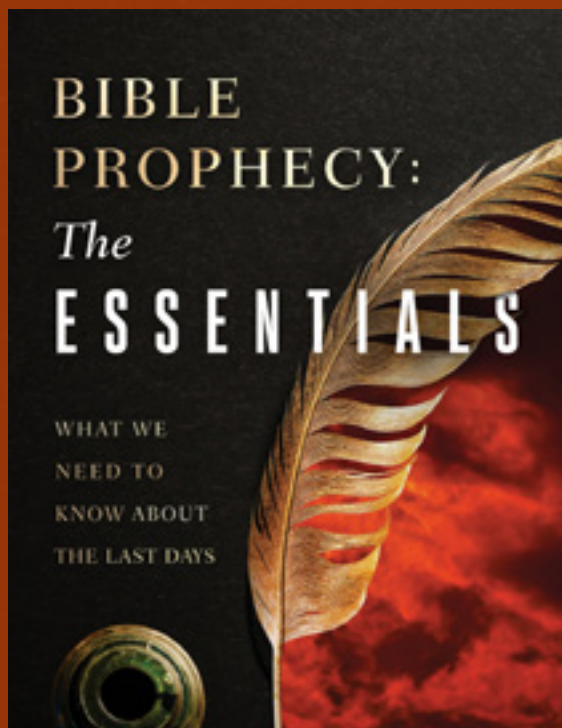
A DROP FROM THE ALTAR by sam lobello

One of my seminary professors used to say to his class while teaching, “This is a drop from the altar.” He was communicating to his students that what he was about to say was important and may well appear on the next test. As a result, it would be wise for us to remember it.

As I have journeyed through life God has given me “Drops from the Altar” from time to time. I have tried to remember them and apply them to my life. I will share one with you each month. I hope you find them to be helpful in your journey, as well.

“You have time to do whatever is important to you.”

- Cindy Sanders



BIBLE PROPHECY: THE ESSENTIALS BIBLE STUDY

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays
of the Month
6:30 PM
in the Chapel**

JOURNEYING THROUGH GRIEF

at Live Oak Church

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
2nd & 4th Tuesday of the Month
6:30pm in the Chapel

For More Information Contact: Pastor Stephen
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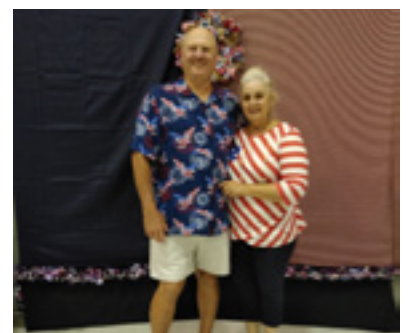
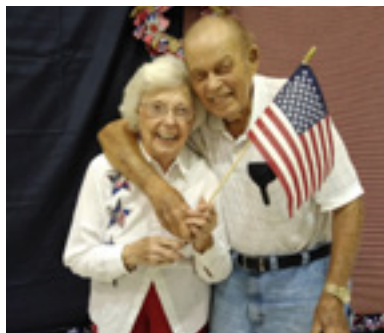
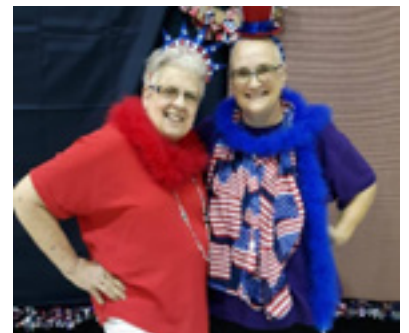
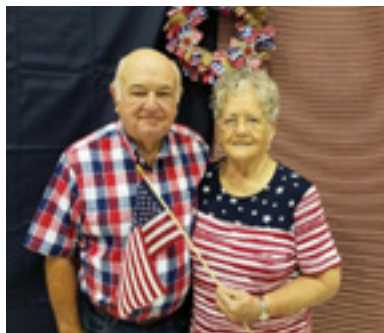
SENIOR ADULTS

by Landra Reed

“For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”
Galatians 5:13

Freedom came with a price, the blood shed of our Lord and Savior. It may feel like freedom these days are slipping through our fingers, but in reality the freedom we possess is not of this world, but within our souls. That being said, let us come together to celebrate both the freedom so many have fought for us to live in a free country, and for the freedom God granted us. On July 4th we are going to have a garden party/BBQ starting at 11:00a.m. This will be an all day event filled with plenty of food, drinks, entertainment, games, and door prizes. Make sure to sign up at the Connection Center, or contact Nancy McGraw or myself. This event is free, but please feel free to bring a dessert.

Don't forget to sign up for the Branson trip. The deadline date or you're \$75 deposit is July 27. If you have friends for family that would like to join us they are welcome. They do not have to go to our church. The total cost is \$710 per person. Information is next to the newsletter station. Again, this trip includes five nights of lodging, five breakfast, three dinners, six shows, and fellowship. To get signed up for this trip please contact me at 225-400-1687. 🍀



MEN'S MINISTRY

men helping men be men.



"As Christians we should push back against a corrupt culture as the salt of the earth and light of the world and vote our Christian values."
- Robert Jeffress



"When I heard of the price that He paid for my sins, how he suffered and died for me, I was broken and placed my faith in Jesus."
- Mike Pence



"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less."
- David Jeremiah



"We are not to try to impress others with ourselves. if we'll just show them Jesus they'll be impressed with Him."
- Phil Waldrep



"If you haven't met the Devil lately it's probably because you're going in the same direction he is."
- Mike Whitson



"Is the culture influencing you more than you are transforming it?"
- Rick Burgess

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At Live Oak, our Addiction Recovery Ministry is called REFUGE. For God's Word declares, "Taste and see the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him." REFUGE is a Christ centered support group helping people who struggle with addiction. REFUGE has a unique blend of instruction, support, encouragement and accountability.

The teaching and sharing that takes place within our group is helpful and enriching. What is taught is often life changing! If you wrestle with addiction issues we are here to assist you on your journey to life recovery!

Your questions about our REFUGE Ministry can be answered by calling our Church Office at 664-4801 or email Bro. Sam at sam@liveoak.church.

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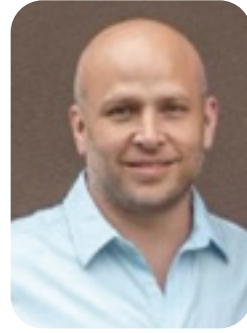
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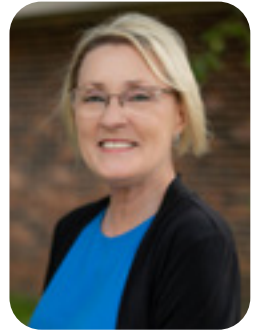
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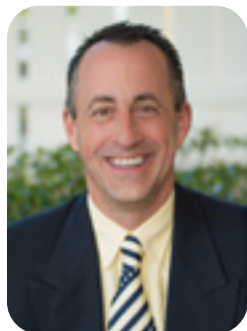
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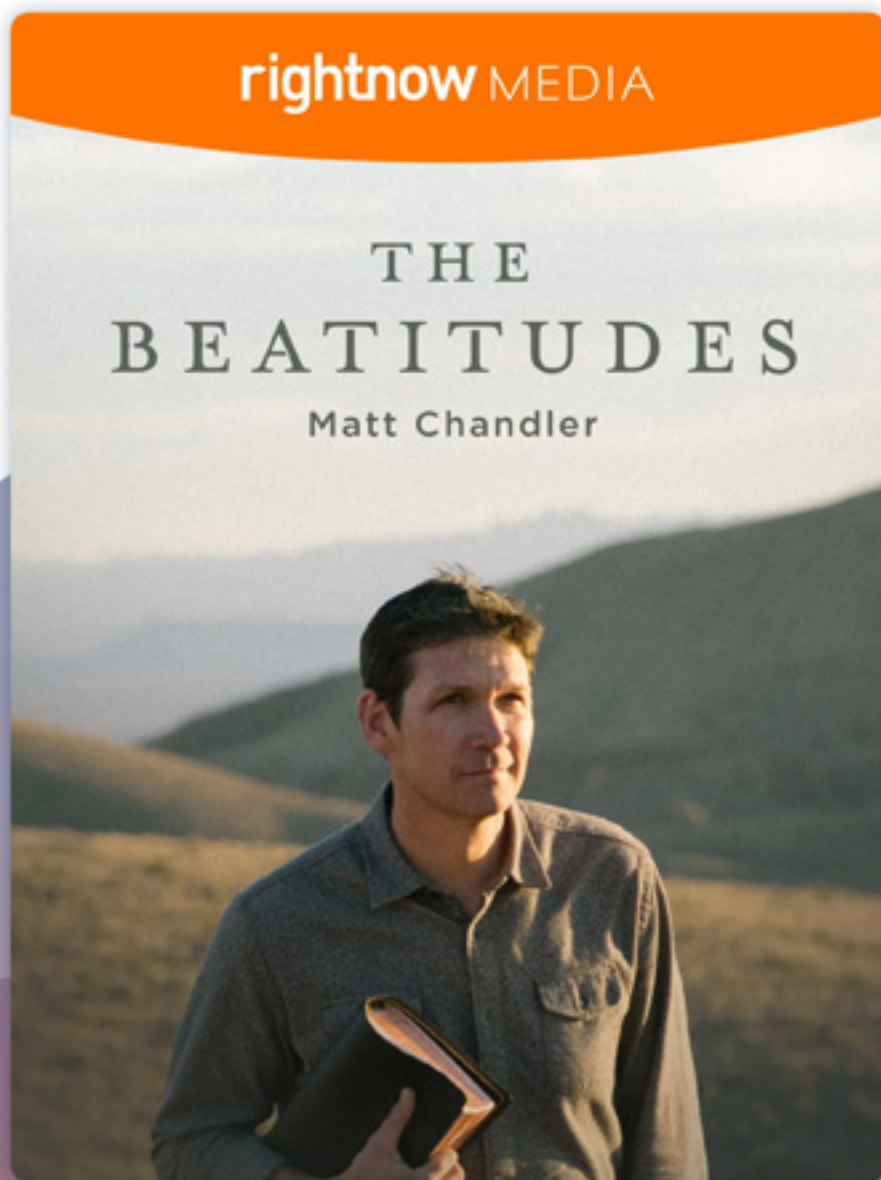
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Coming together from a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences, our skilled team of pastors and ministry professionals are the backbone of Live Oak Church. Their ideas and leadership help shape the direction and mission of our organization as we continue to grow.

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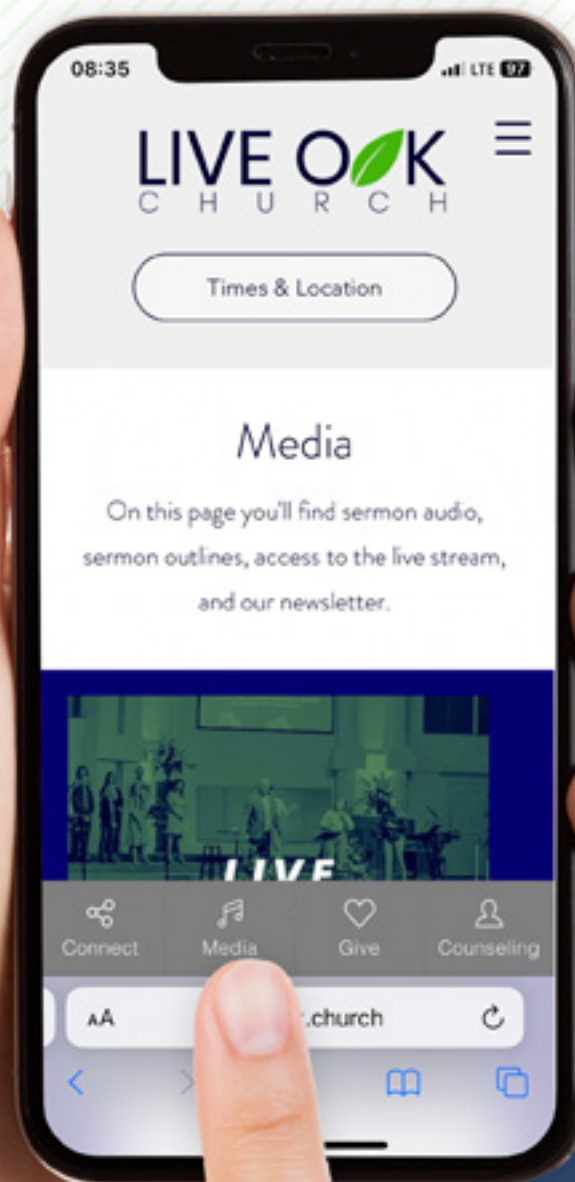
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