

Oneco Hope News

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PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH IS HERE!!

Please see the appreciation suggestion form accompanying this newsletter.

Hello and Thank You.

What a joy! Your Lay Leader, Janet Saver, and I have been inviting all of you who are able, to join a small discipleship group this year and many of you have said “Yes.” Thank you!

Whether it has been our:

- Sunday School Class, beginning at 10:10 AM (Soon to be Classes!)
- Monday Morning Prayer Meeting at 10:30 AM in the Hebrews Room
- Wesleyan Discipleship on Wednesday Morning from 9-11 in Fellowship Hall
- Zoom Prayer Meeting on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 PM
- Starting a Home Bible Study (We have one full, and just need 8 committed people for another.)

Thus, we have seen numerical growth that will result in spiritual growth. For any of us who are not yet a part of a small group discipleship, the good news is there is still room, and you are wanted! Why is small group discipleship such a passion for me?

- Christ commands us to be disciples and then to go and make disciples.
- We read in Scripture:
 - † John: “I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.” (3 Jn. 1:4)
 - † Paul: “Christ in you, the hope of glory. We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ. (Col. 1:27-28)
 - † Again, Paul exclaims, “Who is our hope or joy or crown of exultation? Is it not even you, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming? For you are our glory and joy. (1 Thess. 2:19-20)

The Apostles understood full-well that they would give an account to God for those to whom they shared the Gospel. So will every pastor. I will be called to present each of us, “complete in Christ”. This can only happen as we, together, passionately pursue the One who is always pursuing us. Let us pursue Him well. Very well. He is worth it!

God bless you all,

Pastor Gene

Dear Family,

It's October, fall is here, there is hope for a chill in the air, but best of all our friends from the north are here or will be soon. We thank God for each and every one of them. I'm so thankful that so many of you have become part of a small group. What a blessing it is to have so many opportunities to worship, pray and fellowship with one another as we walk together growing in faith.

Our Avenue941 after school program has begun. The Lord has entrusted us with the most precious children, all needing to know the love of Jesus. What an opportunity for us to make disciples. We also have the opportunity to help them with their academics. Don't be scared off thinking you can't do the math!!!! We need encouragers. We need listeners. We need those who can share what Jesus has done for them. Let me know if you are one of those! Could a few of you give us just 2 hours, on a Tuesday or a Thursday afternoon?

Blessings,
Janet Saver, Lay Leader
941-812-5352



*After school studies, discipleship,
food, and fun at Avenue941!*

October Happenings

Family Life Dinners resume!! Beginning Wednesday, October 4th at 5PM we will be hosting our dinners in the fellowship hall. Come join us for good food, great fellowship, grand music, grateful praises, and Godly prayer!!

UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WORD

Please join Carolyn Boyle on Sunday mornings beginning, November 5th, at 10:15 AM in the Joshua Room for her class called "Journaling God's Word." This is a class in learning how to read scripture pertaining to specific topics, meditating on daily scripture as it pertains to the topic, and then journaling to God in prayer format with regard to what He has revealed to you. This class is for anyone who has ever read scripture and then thought, "Huh?" This class is for those who want to approach scripture in a different way. This class is for everyone who wants to listen for God's voice of understanding. Classes will begin on Sunday, November 5th. Bring yourself, your Bible, a pen or pencil, and an empty journaling book (Ollie's has them!). Please email Carolyn Boyle (cboyle34203@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

Our Vision

A church that looks, acts, and thinks like Jesus.

Birthdays

04	AJ Priebe
06	Mark Hanson
09	Thomas Routh
16	Marilyn Kunselman
20	Sherly Salisbury
27	Adam Cram
27	Jean Dix
28	Janie Scarborough
28	Joseph Bilodeau
29	Dennis Dean
31	Terri Yates

Anniversaries

01	Janet & Frank Saver
04	Mary & Ken Bramel
26	Echo & Bill Leytham
30	LaVerne & Larry Routh

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Our Church has been blessed to have Pastor Gene Maddox sharing the Word of God with us since 2016. During October, we have the opportunity to show him how much we appreciate his love, guidance, and leadership in our church. There will be a basket for cards every week in the Narthex, they will be presented to him on Sunday, October 29th. One of the best ways we can show him our love and support is by praying for him. This year, Pastor has the special privilege to travel with other pastors and their wives to the Holy Land. What an amazing trip that will be! We can also use Pastor Appreciation Month to assist him with the financial part of his trip.

If you prefer: You can mail cards to his home at 4823 30th St. Ct. E. Bradenton, FL 34203. Have you ever had a question you thought you would like to ask our Pastor and really didn't know if you should or how you could contact him to voice your concern or make a suggestion?

Pastor Gene would be willing to speak to anyone for any reason at almost any time. He will make time to hear your questions or concerns and will welcome your call. There is nothing too small or trite, if you have it in your heart, he would love to hear about it. Call his cell phone number to arrange a time. Pastor Gene's cell number is 386-546-2733. You may contact the Lay Leader, Janet Saver if you wish at 941-812-5352.