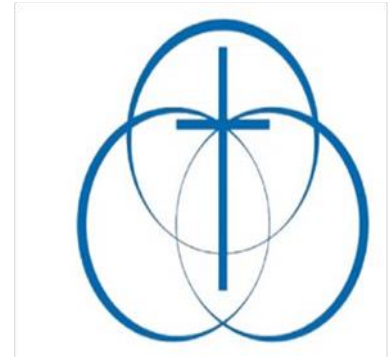


Oneco Hope News



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Greetings Church! And God bless you all.

Please allow me to share with you about our continuing Wesleyan Discipleship ministry.

Are you hungering and thirsting for a deeper, life-transforming walk with God? Are you longing to grow in prayer, and personal Scripture reading? Are you seeking a deeper experience of fellowship and encouragement? Do you want to be equipped to fulfill the Great Commission and make disciples? And are you willing to consider entering into a serious commitment in order to realize these goals?

Sunday, August 25 at 2:00 in our Fellowship Hall, we are inviting you to come to a “come-and-see” meeting where we will both present our 2024-2025 Wesleyan Discipleship ministry and give you an opportunity to ask questions. Please do attend this meeting if are considering joining our Wesley 2024-2025 Discipleship.

The Scriptures tell us, “...he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully” (2 Cor. 9:6). Wesleyan Discipleship will give you a place where you will sow bountifully and thus reap bountifully.

There are two distinct parts to each weekly Wesleyan Discipleship meeting: Loving Accountability, and the Academy.

The Loving Accountability section lasts about 1 hour. Normally, a Loving Accountability group consists of six to ten persons, including a group leader and a shepherd. The group leader is responsible for directing the group, while the shepherd makes weekly calls, prays with, and cares for each group member. Each member has a Bible, journal, and the booklet, A Guide to Prayer for Ministers and Other Servants. This booklet is divided into 52 sections, one for each week. Each weekly section includes a single Psalm (for the entire week) and a brief New Testament reading for each day. Also included (weekly) are prayers and readings. Each group member commits to spending quality time with God daily, prayerfully reading the assigned Scriptures. During this daily time, the group member then makes some type of prayer-response to the Scriptures in a personal journal.

The 1-hour, confidential Loving Accountability meeting pretty much follows this format:

1. *Greeting and prayer by the group leader, and*
2. *The question: “How was your walk with God, this week?”*
3. *The question: “Where has God met you in the Scriptures this week?”*
4. *The question: “How many times did you have your devotions last week, and how many times will you plan to have them this week?”*
5. *The question: “If Jesus was physically standing in our midst, where in your walk with God would you ask Him for help?”*
6. *The answer to question “5” is then recorded in our journals and becomes the requests that we use to pray for one another during the week.*
7. *Finally, there is a time of praying (silently or audibly) for one another.*

If you choose to register for our upcoming Wesleyan Discipleship, you will be making a solid, grace-required, weekly commitment to God. This year, Wesleyan Discipleship will begin on Wednesday morning, September 4th from 9:00 – 11:00 AM in our Fellowship Hall and continue weekly.

This is a significant commitment. But so is a home mortgage! We make such commitments because we believe they will be worth it. I hope that you will prayerfully consider such an opportunity. You have everything to gain! If you have any questions, please call me (386-546-2733).

The other hour of our Wesleyan Discipleship meeting is called the “Academy.” I’ll share with you regarding the Academy, in August’s Newsletter.

God bless us all,

Pastor Gene

Our Mission

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

July Birthdays

7/01 Mary Friele
 7/08 Jack Puckett
 Jerry Markle
 7/09 Hal Yates
 7/14 Craig Ripley
 Matthew Walker
 7/24 Janet Swanson
 7/30 Rhonda Valentine

July Anniversaries

7/03 Kathryn & Homer Hancock
 7/16 Mary & Jerry Markle
 Leslie & Gene Maddox
 7/25 Rhonda & Leroy Valentine

Please let the church office know if we missed a birthday or anniversary.

BACK TO SCHOOL

School starts August 12 this year, so we are once again gearing up to donate school supplies to Oneco Elementary. Below are items needed.

Supplies needed:

- ABC & Number Flash Cards
- Addition & Subtraction Cards
- Multifunction & Division Cards
- Glue Sticks & Colored Markers
- Colored Markers
- Colored Poly Folders
- Construction Paper
- Pencils & Pencil Grips
- Dry Erase Markers
- Erasers & Pencil Top Erasers
- Keenex, Paper Towels & Bandaides
- Girls & Boys Underwear (Sizes 5-8); Socks & Shoes
- Girls & Boys Uniforms* (Sizes 5-10)
- Sanitary Supplies & Unscented Deodorant
- Plastic Pencil Boxes
- Highlighters
- Playground Balls & Sidewalk Chalk
- Craft Items

Florida back to school tax-free holiday begins on **July 29 through August 11**. Monetary donations are always appreciated for purchase of necessary items.

Women4Women

Did you know there is a new group for women of all ages which meets weekly in the Joshua Room from 11:30 am – 1:30pm on Thursdays?

The group is called Women4Women and is just what it says— a place we women can come together for fellowship, devotional time, time for crafts to support local missions, and time to learn new ways to look at Bible reading and prayer. There will be time for sharing and praying for one another. We ask that you bring your lunch, and we can enjoy social time together, too.

This group is set up so you can come whenever you want. If you have questions please call me at (941) 400-3554 (cell), (941) 776-8266 (home) or email me at lfeach@gmail.com.

I do hope to see you there as we start this fun journey together in our church.

Grace and peace,
 Lynne Leach

AVENUE 941

Our Avenue 941 ministry will be starting in September. We need volunteers who love Jesus and love Children! We have the children on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:00 pm - 5:00pm. Avenue 941 will be hosting a training session on August 7, 2024 beginning at 9:00 am. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Janet Saver at 941-812-5352.



UPCOMING EVENTS

07/04	July 4 th – Office & Food Pantry Closed
07/11	Women4Women – Joshua Room – 11:30–1:30
07/15	Zoom Leadership Council Meeting - 6:30 PM
07/17	Family Life Dinner (Men's Group) – 5:00 PM
07/18	Women4Women – Joshua Room – 11:30–1:30
07/25	Women4Women – Joshua Room – 11:30–1:30

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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