February, 2022

# ORCHARD HILL CHURCH

# Ministry Highlights

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#### **WORSHIP CHOIR**

If you love to sing, join the Worship Choir on Sunday, February 20, rehearsing on Wednesday, February 16 at 7:00 PM.

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#### **GUITAR SESSIONS**

An informal gathering of guitarists of all kinds (acoustic, electric, bass) and skill levels, to learn guitar with others. For those just starting out, we'll learn basic chords, play along with clicks and tracks, learn about capos, and answer questions. For the more advanced, we will work on more difficult chord structures and experiment with picking techniques and rhythm patterns.

Our hope is to give the church an opportunity to work with some of our band members and raise up new musicians!

We meet the third Sunday of the month in the sanctuary at 11:30. Our next session is Sunday, February 20.

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## NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

If you are new to Orchard Hill and are considering joining our church family, we will meet **SUNDAY**, **FEB-RUARY 6**, following the morning service at 11:15 AM in the Man Cave to learn more about OHC and see if taking the next steps for becoming a member of Orchard Hill is for you.

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#### PARTY POPPER SUNDAY

Our next "Party Popper Sunday," where we celebrate new life in Jesus, is scheduled for February 20. If you are interested in infant baptism, making your profession of faith in Jesus or transferring your membership to OHC, sign up on the connection card and place it in one of the giving boxes on the sanctuary doors.

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP-10:00 AM

At the Center: A fresh look at the Gospel and the place it holds in our lives.

February 6: Living Into Our Call February 13: Living Out Our Call February 20: Party Popper Sunday

Can't Believe: This series will start us on our path towards Easter as we look at several characters from the book of John; people who might have wanted to believe but, for whatever reason, felt like they just couldn't. The obstacles that kept people from believing 2,000 years ago are the same ones that prevent people from truly believing in Jesus Christ today. Our prayer is that those who don't yet believe in Jesus would trust him for the first time and that believers would re-learn what it means to believe in him.

February 27: Nicodemus– The Religiously Immunized Communion

# PRAYERS FOR DISCERNMENT

Please take time this week to seek God's heart in regard to how Orchard Hill can best steward the property God has entrusted to us. Would He be leading us to sell a portion of our property so the funds can be used for ministry or should we retain the property and pursue ministry partnerships to create a ministry hub? Or, does God have another avenue in mind?

We will come together again in prayer and discussion for mutual discernment next month on Sunday, February 27 following our worship service.

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## **ISRAEL TRIP**

Orchard Hill and friends are traveling to Israel this coming August 1-12 for a Biblical Study tour. Registration is now open! Sign up today at http://gtitours.org/trip/orchardhill22.

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#### KIDS HOPE MENTORS NEEDED

Step up to meet with one student needing extra support, one hour a week at Central! The need for mentors is crucial—at present we need 3 mentors! We would love to have mentors available to these waiting children. Sign up on the connection card. stacys@orchardhill.org

# CHICK-FIL-A EPILEPSY AWARENESS FUNDRAISER

Bennet Veltema will be having brain surgery on February 3. He has been fighting epilepsy for the past 8 years. Chick-Fil-A is hosting a special Spirit Night to help raise funds to cover medical expenses related to the surgery. 10% of sales from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM will be donated to this important cause!



#### SENIORS MINISTRY

We are not going to meet in February for the Senior Gathering to make sure everyone stays healthy. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 15 at 10:30 AM for our next gathering.

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# ORCHARD HILL CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE NEWS

It's been a busy winter season here in the learning center. Here are just a couple of highlights of all activity happening at the center. Before Christmas break, the preschool children had an impromptu visit to The Sparta Senior Neighbor Center. They decorated donuts together, sang some songs, listened to a Christmas story, and brought happiness and joy to the Seniors within their community. It was a wonderful experience for us all!

During Christmas break while schools were closed, fun was still being had here on the hill. The kids were able to burn off some energy at Catch Air, bowling, and enjoyed some special entertainment from Dynamic Assemblies. The staff planned art activities, sledding, games, and made cards for local Veterans.

As always, we covet your prayers and continued support and are so thankful for the Church family here at OHC! God has been our healer, protector, and constant source for peace! We know that He is doing mighty things in the lives of our staff and families and trust in His provision for 2022!!





