

# ORCHARD HILL CHURCH

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# Ministry Highlights

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## ARTS CAMP ON THE HILL 2022 JUNE 20-24 • 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

REGISTRATION IS OPEN! We've heard it said over and over again, "Arts Camp on the Hill is my kids favorite week of the summer!"

- We have 300 spots open this year; 100 for boot camp (K-1<sup>st</sup> grades) and 200 spots for 2<sup>nd</sup>- entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

- We have 18 awesome elective classes and 9 are brand new!

Spread the word and register soon at [orchardhill.org/events/artscamp](http://orchardhill.org/events/artscamp). Choose your favorite class and spend a week on the hill learning about Jesus in creative and fun ways!

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## ARTS CAMP ON THE HILL-VOLUNTEER TO SERVE!

When you serve at Arts Camp, you will be used to further God's kingdom and be blessed as you bless others! We still need volunteers to serve in these ways:

- Small Group Leaders
- Small Group Helpers
- Boot Camp Dramatic Play Leader
- Boot Camp Outdoor Games Leader
- Registration Team (every morning of camp 8:30 AM-9:30 AM)
- Friday Lunch Helpers

To get plugged in, visit [artscamponthehill.org](http://artscamponthehill.org).

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## EASTER WORSHIP CHOIR

The worship choir will be singing on Easter Sunday morning! Come and join choir rehearsal on Wednesday, April 13, 7:00 PM-9:00 PM as we get ready to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

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## EASTER INVITES

Grab an invite to our Easter service and other exciting Holy Week events off of the tables by the entrances. Invite your community to join in celebrating the hope of Easter!

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## EASTER FLOWERS

Easter flowers will be available to purchase after the service on Easter Sunday. This is a first come, first serve basis, no pre-ordering.

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## HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 14 • 7:00 PM

Prepare your heart for Easter Sunday as we experience a powerful retelling of Jesus' last days on earth with passionate music, dramatic moments, and communion. Don't miss this meaningful time of remembrance.

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## SPECIAL EASTER OFFERING

Each year, Orchard Hill celebrates Easter with a special second offering (an "above and beyond" offering). This year's offering supports Ukrainian Refugees through Samaritan's Purse. This organization is bringing medical care, food and water, and other necessities, all in the name of Jesus, to those on the ground in need, through local church partners.

Learn more at: [www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/ukraine-response/](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/ukraine-response/). To give, use the special Easter offering envelopes in the pockets of the black giving boxes on the sanctuary doors, or give online at [www.orchardhill.org/give/](http://www.orchardhill.org/give/) and select "Easter Offering."

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## HILLKIDS SCHEDULE

There will be no preschool or kids ministry April 3 or Easter Sunday, April 17. Goodie bags are available at the kids check in table, so be sure to stop by and grab one! Nursery will still be open!

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## KIDS PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL

All kids ages pre-school-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to participate in our annual Palm Processional on Sunday morning, April 10! Meet in the resource room before the service at 9:45 AM. After the processional concludes, the kids will be blessed and dismissed for a special Easter event in the kids wing!

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## JELLYBEAN TRAIL: FAMILY EASTER EVENT

Travel the Jellybean Trail as a family on Saturday, April 16! This interactive presentation of the Easter story will bring fun for your whole family! End the trail in a room full of goodies and activities as you celebrate Easter together. Invite your community to come and travel the trail with you! Sign up before all the spots are taken (runs 10:00 AM-4:00 PM) at [www.tinyurl.com/jellybeantrail](http://www.tinyurl.com/jellybeantrail) or scan the QR code.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD INVITE TEAM

Join the OHC team on Saturday, April 9 at 10:00 AM, as we visit the surrounding neighborhoods and invite our neighbors to celebrate Easter at Orchard Hill! If you'd like to join the team, **come to the short training and info meeting after the service on Sunday, April 3 in the Prayer Room.**

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## THE JELLYBEAN TRAIL: VOLUNTEERS & OTHER HELP NEEDED

Orchard Hill is hosting a fun new way for our community to celebrate Easter and we need your help!

- Help us stuff eggs with jellybeans for the trail! Meet in the East Overflow after the service on Sunday, April 10.
- Volunteer to serve at the event, helping with greeting, activities, snacks, etc. Sign up at the Sign Up Post.
- Stop by the front office after church on Sunday and grab some papers- we need help cutting out jellybean shapes.
- Help decorate the trail on Tuesday, April 12 at 6:30 PM. Sign up at the Sign Up Post.

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## SECRET CHURCH 2022

Don't miss Secret Church, hosted via simulcast at Orchard Hill on Friday, April 29, 6:45 PM-1:00 AM. This night of Biblical teaching and prayer is modeled after the underground Church's gatherings. Pastor David Platt will lead this year's theme, "Who Am I?" focused on gender, sexuality, race, artificial intelligence, and more. Cost is \$13. Sign up on the Sign Up Post by Sunday, April 10!

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## WOMENS RETREAT

All OHC women, ages 18+ are invited to join our retreat at CranHill Ranch Retreat Center, April 29-May 1. We will hear inspirational teachings from guest speakers focused on our theme: *Worrier to Warrior/Rest in Christ Alone*. Cost for the weekend is \$100 and includes lodging, all meals, and activities.

Our time together will include group sessions, free time with activities like nature hikes, horseback riding, photo scavenger hunts, axe throwing, and crafting (there may be additional costs for some activities), as well as fun and fellowship with each other!

Sign up on the connection card or the Sign Up Post. Invite a friend or family member to join you and get ready for a refreshing, fun-filled weekend away, in the Lord!

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## MISSION INDIA BANQUET OF PRAISE

Orchard Hill is hosting a table at the Mission India Banquet of Praise dinner fundraiser on Monday, May 2 at the Pinnacle Center. If you have a passion for this ministry and would like to attend and donate, contact Pastor Laura to reserve your spot at dinner by Sunday, April 17.

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## GUITAR SESSIONS

Guitar sessions will not meet in April due to Easter Sunday! See you again on May 15!

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## ADULT MISSION TRIP

Serve with the adult mission team in Kentucky, May 8-14. We are building new homes for veterans, and others in need, in the wake of December's devastating F4 tornado. All skill levels are welcome. Sign up on the Sign Up Post.

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## SPRING PICNIC & AUCTION

Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 15, immediately following the service, for our Spring Picnic and Auction. Our youth groups will be hosting this event to raise money for their summer mission trips. We need your help in order to make this fundraiser a success! A few ways you can help us do that:

• **Donate an item to be auctioned off:** Tickets to events, vacation packages, cottage rentals, new electronics, themed gift baskets, special services, or even gift cards make great items to auction off. Feel free to use your imagination! Please inform Greg Salmon of your donations ASAP.

• **Donate a financial gift towards our trip:** If you are unable to provide an item to be auctioned off and still want to support the mission trip, you or your business can give a financial gift of any amount.

• **The students would love to see you:** Join us for a tasty lunch and auction!

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## MISSION INDIA 5K

Save the date for Orchard Hill Church's 5K in support of Mission India on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM. More details to come soon!

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## GIT 'ER DONE

A major goal of our Git 'Er Done Campaign was to raise one million dollars so that Orchard Hill could pay off the building debt. At the start of our campaign our mortgage balance was actually \$910,000. The good news is that through your generosity and commitment to the mission and ministry of Orchard Hill Church we have received \$779,000 thus far in the campaign! This means that with only seven months of the campaign remaining, our balance is \$131,000! We want to encourage you to continue to honor your commitments to this campaign and prayerfully consider if you might be able to make an additional contribution. If we all come together there is no doubt that we will be able to "Git 'Er Done! Well done OHC and thank you!"

## JACOB'S JOURNEY UPDATE

Jacob Manyong is a long-time member of Orchard Hill Church who came to the United States as one of the "Lost Boys" from war-torn Sudan. Jacob is now living in his new home that OHC renovated through the ICCF! His move in journey was documented by the ICCF. Check out the video: <https://vimeo.com/689693368>. Jacob was able to confirm an appointment with the US Embassy in Sudan to take the next steps on getting his family here! He will be in Africa for 4 weeks in April-May, moving his family to Uganda whilst they await their clearance, as Uganda is safer and more affordable. Please pray for this family!