May, 2024 Ministry Highlights

MOTHER'S DAY WOMEN'S CHOIR

We will be having a women/girls choir for Mother's Day on Sunday, May 10. All women who enjoy singing are invited to join us at rehearsal on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 PM. Feel free to invite your mother, daughter, or special woman in your life to join you! Email Wendy to get a playlist of the songs we will be singing!

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5K FOR THE UNREACHED

Join us on Saturday, May 18 at 9:30 AM for our 4th annual 5K for the unreached, in support of our OHC missionary brining the gospel to Eurasia! Join us in walking/running/crawling/pushing a stroller as we raise funds to keep our brother in Christ in the field, being trained, and sharing the good news! Visit the Outreach table in the lobby to learn more. Register online at: www.orchardhill.org/5K. Challenge a friend to join you!

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MISSION INDIA PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Orchard Hill has been blessed to partner with Mission India for the last five years. This ministry has taught us much about God's heart for those unreached with the gospel and has helped to cultivate our heart for that cause. In this journey, God has opened a door for OHC to send out a missionary from our congregation to plant a church amongst and unreached people in Eurasia. As we look excitedly on the long-term journey with our OHC missionary, OHC will no longer be partnering in an official capacity with Mission India, as we want to be able to faithfully funnel our resources into this church plant that God has led us to as a church in this season. Mission India is so excited for what God is leading us to and gives us their blessing! As a parting gift, by the grace of God and your generosity, OHC is donating \$12,000 (what has been accumulated in the Mission India fund), to send out 5 Indian church planters to spread the gospel to the unreached in Northern India (the hardest to reach area of India for the gospel). Please be in prayer for these planters and join us in celebrating all God is doing through Mission India! Thank you for your support of Mission India and your continued support for our OHC missionary!

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WORSHIP SERIES

We continue our Year of God focus as we begin a new message series entitled, "Hearing God." With many voices competing for our



attention—the voice of the world, the voice of our flesh, the voice of the enemy—it's necessary that followers of Jesus tune in to the leading of God's voice. In this series, we address the question, "How can we KNOW & HEAR God's voice?" Join us for this transformative series that will help you see how you can confidently be led by the voice of God to follow Jesus more faithfully.

- May 5: How does God speak to us?
- May 12: How do we distinguish God's voice?
- May 19: What if I followed the wrong voice?
- May 26: Responding to the voice of God

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PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

We have put together a ten-member Property Development Lead Team who will be tasked with prayer, discernment, and investigating possibilities for development. This team should have their first meeting this month, so please be in prayer for this process as we strive to be good stewards of the land God has entrusted to us. Those congregation members who expressed an interest in helping in this process will be brought together at important points for prayer and planning. Presently, we are circling back and having follow-up conversations with several parties who at one point expressed an interest in possibly utilizing our land for a ministry development.

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BUDGET & LEADERSHIP

Around the middle of this month, please be watching your mail for information regarding the OHC Budget and our Leadership candidates. This is an important process in the life of OHC and our desire is to have as many as possible give their input. Details on how to use the online voting platform will be included in the mailing.

STEPHEN MINISTRY CON'T. ED

Please join us on Thursday, May 23rd from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM for a time of encouraging spiritual growth for all. Terri Blanch will be leading us on a Labyrinth walk focused on "Pray As You Go" incorporating song, scripture, and reflection. Pastor Bob will take us out to the Prayer Path where we can reflect on the "I AM" statements of Jesus and have Him meet us at our point of need.

We will meet in the east parking lot promptly at 6:30. terri.l.blanch@gmail.com

SERVICE MEMBERS

In honor of all of our service members, those who have passed and those currently serving in the military, we would like to have a picture of your loved one to put on a picture board and recognize them on Memorial Day weekend. Your picture(s) can be dropped off to Terri in the church office no later than May 19. Please include name, relationship to you, branch, and rank of the military they serve(d) in (please indicate if you would like your picture returned to you).

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PRAYER QUILT

There is a beautiful prayer quilt made by Jenny Milling's mother on display in the West Overflow as a reminder to pray for Mike Miling and all those going through difficult health journey's during this season. The books of the Bible quilt will be moved into our children's wing this summer.

BLOOD DRIVE

Love your neighbor as yourself by giving blood at our next Walker Community Blood Drive happening Tuesday, May 14, 2:00 PM-6:30 PM in the Orchard Hill lobby. Sign up at: https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/159894 laurad@orchardhill.org





June 17-21, 2024

REGISTER: Kids Entering 2nd-6th grade

Registration is OPEN! Classes are filling up fast! Go to: https://orchardhill.org/arts-camp-on-the-hill/.

VOLUNTEER & SERVE!

Volunteer sign ups are at the Connect table in the lobby or sign up online-https://tinyurl.com/artscampvolunteers. Beth DeWaal our volunteer coordinator will contact you!

DONATE SNACKS:

See the Connect Table in the lobby for examples of the specific snacks needed. All must be individually wrapped. Donations may be brought to church anytime and dropped off in the bin by the church office.

- Goldfish crackers

 395 needed
- Pretzels–505 needed
- Cheez-its- 460 needed
- Cheese Cracker packs-325 needed
- Animal crackers 505 needed

LARGE GROUP ART PROJECT LEADERS!

We are in need of a couple people to lead our Mob Art projects on Tuesday morning of camp. Please email Wendy for more information!

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June 25-27, 20

REGISTER: Kids Entering K-1st Grade

Registration begins May 1–100 spots available! Kids entering K-1st grade will enjoy an Arts Camp catered just for them! Register your child at https://orchardhill.org/arts-camp-on-the-hill/.

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