

February, 2025

# Ministry Highlights

ORCHARD HILL CHURCH

## REVIVE '25

Revive '25 is more than just a cute slogan. Revival is essential. Revival is the restoration of God's presence to His people. Our aim in this year is to see God's manifest presence awoken in the lives of all of those in our church family as well as in our collective witness to the world. When God is present and comes among us, everything changes. Our worship is impassioned. Our prayers are powerful. Sin is defeated. Our witness is bold and effective. As the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 85:12, "The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest." At the end of the day our desire for revival is to be all that God promised to us through Jesus. Let's not settle. The "abundant life" is available to us. Let's not become content or complacent. Let's long for revival! Be sure to join us each week as together we press in to this desire by focusing our attention on the Elements of Revival: Prayer, Word, Worship, Repentance, and Outreach. As we build these rhythms and practices into our lives, we pray that God will send His Spirit and ignite the fire of revival among us. Will you please commit to praying this prayer each week?

*God, fill us with a fresh passion for You and Your Kingdom! Renew our desire to worship you and draw close to you. Bring profound revival to our lives! May your presence be undeniable among us, transforming us by your Holy Spirit so that we shine as vibrant bearers of your light in the world!*

### WORSHIP CHOIR

The Worship Choir will kick off the 2025 season rehearsing on Wednesday, February 12 and singing in worship on Sunday, February 16. If you have a little experience and love to sing, please email Wendy and she will send you the playlist for the morning.

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### COUPLE'S VALENTINE DINNER

Enjoy a night out with your significant other with a candlelight dinner, couple's game and meaningful teaching by Bill & Kathy Crawford on Friday, February 14, from 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM. Cost is \$35.00 per couple. Sign up and pay using Church Center or by scanning the QR code.



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### ICCF HOME RENOVATION

This February (and possibly into March as well) we will be partnering with the ICCF to renovate a rental home in Grand Rapids for a family in need of affordable housing. This is one way we can tangibly help our city with the housing crisis in the name of Jesus. Sign up to volunteer on a Thursday or Saturday at: <https://tinyurl.com/ICCFflip25>. Can't volunteer but want to donate toward project costs? Donate at [orchardhill.org/give](https://orchardhill.org/give) and select "ICCF House." Pray for our city!

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### ADULT MISSION TRIP

Join the spring adult disaster relief mission trip with World Renew: April 27- May 3 in Rock Valley, Iowa (flooding repairs and rebuilds). If you have a heart to serve and able hands to learn, this is a great way to serve in the name of Jesus with others from OHC! Come to the information meeting after the service in the Man Cave on Sunday, February 16. Registration and information at [orchardhill.org/rebuild](https://orchardhill.org/rebuild).

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### NO REGRETS MENS CONFERENCE

A one-day live streamed event here at OHC for all men on Saturday, February 1, 8:30 AM- 2:30 PM. Cost: \$30. Lunch is provided. Register on the church center app or by going to <https://tinyurl.com/noregrets25>. More information at [www.noregretsconference.org](http://www.noregretsconference.org).

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### PRAYER SEMINAR

One of the elements of revival we are lifting up is prayer. Would you like to be more faithful and confident in your prayer life? The seminar, based on the book by Paul E. Miller, will be held Friday (6:30- 9:15 PM) February 7 and Saturday, (8:30 AM- 12:30 PM) February 8 at Rockford Reformed Church. More info/registration can be found online at Eventbrite- A Praying Life Seminar. We hope many from OHC will be there as we commit to persistent prayer this year!

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### YOUTH GROUP PICNIC & AUCTION

The youth auction is coming up on March 9! This event helps raise money for our summer mission trips and you can help the youth group out by doing three things:

- We are in need of auction items to be auctioned off on March 9! Examples: event tickets, vacation package, cottage rental, new electronics, gift cards, spa packages, special services or a themed gift basket! And feel free to think outside the box (items must be new). Items are due to Greg no later than FEBRUARY 23.
- Financial donations are also very appreciated! If you would like to support our summer trips, but would like to keep it simple, checks can be made out to Orchard Hill Church with the memo line stating: 2025 Youth Trips.
- Mark your calendars to join us at the auction after the church service on Sunday, March 9.

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## PARENTING MINISTRY

Want to be better equipped to raise your children to follow Jesus as they grow up into adulthood? Do you desire to see your child live a life faithful to Jesus? Then make sure you are a part of this group! Parents of children of all ages (0-18) are welcome to attend! We will meet THIS Wednesday, February 19, at 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM downstairs in Studio 1. Dinner and childcare available.

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## HILLTOPPERS GATHERING

Join the 65+ group for Soup, Bingo, prizes, and cupid on February 18 from 10:30 AM- 12:30 PM in the coffee area. Contact Leigh VanPutten at [leigh\\_wilson\\_10@yahoo.com](mailto:leigh_wilson_10@yahoo.com) if you are willing to bring soup or chili.

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## JELLYBEAN TRAIL SET UP/DECORATIONS TEAM

On Saturday, April 19, we will be sharing the gospel with hundreds of families from our community! We set up the OHC children's wing to host this epic event, but we need help with decoration/set up brainstorming and execution. If you would be willing to be a part of this critical team, please email Pastor Laura.

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## SECRET CHURCH

Join us on Friday, April 11, 6:45 PM- 1:00 AM for a night of Biblical teaching and prayer modeled after the underground Church's gatherings. Pastor David Platt will be leading us through the book of Matthew, as we watch via simulcast in Studio 1 at Orchard Hill. Cost is \$15.00. Sign up via Church Center at <https://tinyurl.com/secretchurch25>.

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## HILLKIDS FAMILIES

Please join us for a showing of *The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe* in the sanctuary following the church service on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will be providing snacks and popcorn during the movie, with a lunch intermission during the movie. We hope to see you there!

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## ARTS CAMP ON THE HILL

Summer Arts Camp on the Hill will be the week of June 16-20. Boot Camp will be held June 24-26. Be sure to mark your calendars. Registration opens April 1st!

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## ORCHARD HILL CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE NEWS

It has been a winter wonderland around here and the kids have embraced all of it! They have enjoyed building snowmen on the playground and also in the classroom. They have been busy building winter forts using marshmallows, wooden blocks, and straws along with painting snow into a colorful rainbow! Winter can be long and hard for us adults, but with children, they find joy in it all!

*Kindness is like snow; It beautifies everything it covers - Kahlil Gilean*

*You have set all the borders of the earth: You have made summer and winter. - Psalm 74:17*

