

# Oakcrest Baptist January 2016 2016 Newsletter

*Tony's  
Thoughts*



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

I hope you are anticipating a great year at OBC. Thank you for welcoming our new worship pastor and his family as you have done so lovingly. I am excited to have an opportunity to work with Pastor John and we are anticipating that the Lord will lead our church to the right man to serve our youth. It will be wonderful to have a full staff serving to help our church accomplish what Christ has called us to do.

The third objective of OBC is to Extend the Gospel. As a church and as individuals we are commanded to point others to the salvation that comes through Christ Jesus alone. There are so many ways you can get involved this year in sharing Christ. I want to challenge each believer reading this newsletter to choose at least one person you personally know who is lost and start praying for them and looking for opportunities to share with them. I would also challenge each of you to find at least one missions opportunity that you can participate in the next few months where you can physically share the gospel with someone you are ministering to, it can be in our community, state, or overseas. Finally, if you would choose at least one missions project to which you can put your hands to work on over the next few months. Just imagine the impact our church could have in extending the Gospel if each church member would take this on. Imagine the number of people who lives would be changed for eternity.

**Important**

At noon on Tuesday, January 12th, Franklin Graham (Billy Graham's son) will be speaking on the steps of the Florida State Capital in Tallahassee as part of the Decision American Tour 2016 to call Christians across the nation to pray and boldly live out biblical principles at home, in public and at the ballot box. He will be visiting all 50 state capitols beginning in January and running through October 2016. You can find information at the Decision American Tour Website at [DecisionAmericanTour.com](http://DecisionAmericanTour.com) on how you can partner with them and better pray for this effort.

If you are interested in going to Tallahassee for this event see Marlene or Fred Reuscher or give them a call at 352-629-6079 as they are planning to go and want to encourage as many to go as possible. It is so very important that our state and our nation turn back to God!!! PLEASE PRAY DAILY FOR OUR NATION AND FOR FRANKLIN GRAHAM AS HE PREPARES AND MAKES THIS TOUR. THANK YOU!!



**AWAKEN!**

## **An all day ladies conference!**

At First Baptist Church Ocala  
Saturday, January 23rd, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Margaret Fienberg, Bible Teacher and writer will be the main speaker and there will also be many break-out sessions.

Cost is \$25.00

Tickets can be purchased by phone at FBC Ocala, 352-629-5683 or via the church website at [www.fbocala.org/women](http://www.fbocala.org/women). This website can give you information on Margaret Fienburg as well as all break-out sessions.

# January 2016

## Monthly Planner

# January Birthdays

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- 02 Kayla Muldrow
- 05 Nancy McPherson
- 07 Ted Dodson
- 08 John Gingrich  
Tom Hitt
- 10 Jordan Coomer  
Ralph Messer
- 12 River Thompson
- 13 Keith Baird
- 14 Gladys Miller  
Mack Woodham
- 18 Gary Richardson
- 19 Carole Lowe
- 20 Grady Brown
- 21 Ralph Rutledge
- 23 Dorothy Homrich  
Annie Ruth Ingram  
Daniel Keels  
Ruth Vallese
- 25 Katinka Merritt  
Janet Turnipseed
- 27 Scott Ambrose
- 28 Anne Foster
- 29 Michelle Mangano
- 30 Cheryl Falke

The Ladies Bible Study will resume on Thursday, January 7th at 10:00 AM in the Old Kitchen.