

### Spring Yard Sale

Thank you to everyone who came out and worked the yard sale on Saturday, May 2nd.

Thank you to those who donated items and to those who sorted through the items.



**Thank you for serving Oakland through this community outreach event!**

All proceeds will be used to purchase needed items or refresh areas within the church.



**May 3, 2026**

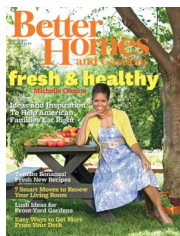
“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”  
**Isaiah 41:10**



**Ladies Bible Study**  
Mondays @ 6:30 PM

### Mid-Week Communion

If you have the desire to take communion during the week (with or without the guidance of Pastor David), please reach out to the Church Office to schedule a time during office hours.



### Magazines

If you would like to donate old magazines to the residents at Pruitt Health, please bring them to Stacey or the Church Office.



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## Sunday, May 3 2026

A Mission Met with Courage

Acts 4:1-3, 8-12, 19-20

**The Point:** God gives you courage to speak boldly about Christ.

**The Bible Meets Life:** We're familiar with the cynical expression: "No good deed goes unpunished." That's not a biblical statement, but good deeds do occasionally get us into hot water.

Trying to fly home from Nigeria with a volunteer team, our luggage was being inspected by military personnel in the airport for anything we might have purchased in the country that they deemed "taxable." While our missionary work wasn't illegal in that country, we weren't trying to advertise why we were there. One of the officers, however, was quick to discern the purpose of our visit. She talked openly about her love for the Lord and invited our team members into her line where she began to expedite the inspection. Her superior, displeased by her actions, offered her a stern rebuke. Recognizing that I was the group leader, he then confronted me, requesting my passport. Upon handing it over, I was shocked to watch him place it in his pocket and walk away.

In Acts 4, Peter and John did a good deed that drew attention to Jesus Christ, and that got them in hot water with the religious leaders who opposed them. Their experience shows us how God gives us courage to stand strong in the face of adversity.

**Live It Out: Pray.** Ask God to give courage to missionaries and Christ followers who work and live in the midst of persecution. Pray they will share the gospel wisely but with boldness, and that God will give them fruit. **Investigate.** Spend time learning about unreached people groups around the world by visiting the website [peoplegroups.org](http://peoplegroups.org). **Commit.** Commit to sharing the gospel this week with someone you know has been unwilling to believe. Many who were hostile toward Jesus for years eventually heard the good news one more time and finally surrendered their lives to him.

### Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

#### Seize the Day: Embracing a Mission with Purpose

Sunday, May 10th      A Mission Soaked in Prayer  
(Acts 4:23-31)

Sunday, May 17th      A Mission Outside Your Comfort Zone  
(Acts 8:26-38)



### Opportunities for Ministry & Service

#### Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Indoor Worship  
10:00 AM Online Worship  
11:30 AM Living Streams  
Worship Center

#### Monday

6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

#### Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship  
6:30 PM Youth

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 5/13

#### Thursday

Jail Ministry

### Service Attendance

Sunday, April 26



Indoor: 42  
Online: 172

Wednesday, April 29

Online: 53  
Youth: 11

### Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget

Needs:

\$17,299.09

April

Offering

To Date:

\$11,007.00



### Prayer Requests

Eddie & Candy Anderson  
Dianne Avery's Family  
George Browning (Irene's Brother)  
Gary Clontz  
Marlene Crider  
Sam & Wanda Goodwin  
Mike & Renee Helms  
Lillian Lewis  
Pam Majewski  
Debbie McKnight  
Patricia Mikel  
Jennifer Price (Jeremy's Mom)  
Kenny & Carolyn Street  
Irene Welch

### Choir Rehearsal

The next practice will be Wednesday, May 13th at 7:30 PM.



Interested in singing with us?  
No experience needed! Contact Taylor Price (704-490-3776)

### Bible App

Follow along in today's Scripture on the Bible app! Scan this QR code with your phone:

