

Happy Father's Day

“Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.” Proverbs 22:6

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Wellspring Preparatory School

Wellspring Prep will be renting a couple children's classrooms at Oakland during the week. This rental will start with a trial period which may turn into a year-long partnership.

Here is an introduction to Wellspring Prep, from their website:

Wellspring Prep was created out of love for the children of our great country. We aspire to do only what is best for them academically, socially, mentally, and spiritually. We stand united and prepared to fill a desperate need in our community as many parents seek alternative ways to educate their children due to major fundamental shifts in many public and private schools. We believe that private micro-schools are the schools of the future. The good news is that we are here for you right now. We aim to provide a rigorous curriculum program encased in a nurturing classroom setting. In my (Stephanie Van Horn) experience overwhelmingly, the result has been students who end up with a strong love of learning.

Teaching is not my job or career...it is my calling. Leading precious young hearts and minds fills me with great joy. I am grateful to have the opportunity to do it again. At our school faith does hold significant power in the classroom because it provides strength, produces moral and ethical development, a sense of belonging, resilience, personal growth, self-reflection, compassion for others, and far too many other blessings to list here.



Our mission is to authentically partner with parents about the needs of their children by focusing on traditional family values. We will also have a strong STEM focus to prepare our students to thrive!



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God's Promise of Blessing

Genesis 12:1-3; 15:5-7; 17:7-11

The Point: God promised to bless all people through His chosen people.

The Bible Meets Life: I have sinks in all the bathrooms of my home. (That's probably not unusual for most of us!) Connected to the sinks I have pipes, faucets, and hoses. What do all these things have in common? They help to bring water into our home.

Someone might ask, "Which of these items is most important?" Well, on one level, They're all important. Without any one of them, the water doesn't make it into the sink. Yet, the water is what's important; the other items create a conduit through which the water can flow.

God's plan of salvation included Abraham and his descendants—ultimately the nation of Israel—as His spiritual conduit. God's choice of these people doesn't mean they're better than others, but God did choose them as His special instruments. Through these people, God would bring a Savior, Jesus, and through Jesus, God would bring the hope of a saving relationship with Him to the whole world.

In short, God promised to bless all peoples through His chosen people. The book of Genesis records how God promised Abraham that through him, blessing would come to the world. Today's session features Bible verses so important to God's purpose that the rest of the Bible is all about unpacking the meaning of those few verses.

Live It Out: Spend time praising and thanking your Savior. Are you in covenant with God through Jesus Christ? If so, give praise and thanksgiving. If not, speak to someone in your class, your Sunday School teacher, or pastor on the next steps you should take. **Spend time evaluating what is blocking blessings from flowing out of your life to others.** Bitterness, self-pity, selfishness, fear? Work with God in confession and repentance to clear those blockages, so you can be a channel for God's blessings. **Take time to consider.** Consider how you can live a distinctive life that sets you apart as belonging to Christ, and a loving, gracious life that makes others want to belong to Christ as well. Determine to begin a new discipline or habit this week that will help to set you apart.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Promises We Can Count On

Sunday, June 23 God's Promise to Make a Holy Nation
(Exodus 19:1-8)

Special Focus

Sunday, June 30 Praying for Our Nation
(2 Chronicles 7:1-3, 12-20)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Indoor Worship
10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship
6:30 PM Youth
7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal 6/26

Thursday

2:00 PM Building & Grounds
Meeting 6/20
Jail Ministry



Building & Grounds

The Building & Grounds team will meet on Thursday, June 20th at 2 PM.

Service Attendance

Sunday, June 9
Indoor: 58
Online: 70



Wednesday, June 12
Online: 18
Youth: 14

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:
\$17,623.26

June Offering
To Date:
\$7,425.00



Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson
Gary Clontz
Marlene Crider
Peggy Dean
Sam Goodwin
Christine Hinson
Rodney Johnson
(Renee Helms' Son)
Richie Raines
Carolyn Street

YWAM

A YWAM group will reside on OBC's campus toward the end of June!



Shoes for Pastor Abhishek

Our mission partners in Southern India are collecting funds to purchase shoes to distribute as part of their ministry. Details about this fundraising project coming soon!



Youth Movie Outing

The youth are going to see an afternoon showing of Disney's *Inside Out 2* at NCG Cinema on Sunday, June 23rd.

More details will be shared this Wednesday at youth!

