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Remember this stuff too . . .

- Youth to MFUGE - July 2nd - July 9th.
- No Evening Service - Sun, July 2nd.
- No Wednesday Service - Wed, July 5th.
- Men's Breakfast - Sun, July 9th at 8:30am.
- No Evening Service - Sun, July 9th.
- Children to Missions Camp - July 10th - 14th.
- Deacon's Meeting - Sun, July 10th at 7pm.
- Wednesday Supper - Wed, July 12th at 5pm.
- Business meeting - Wed, July 12th at 6pm.
- Youth to Splash Adventure - Sat, July 15th.
- Youth Ministry Day - July 17th at 8:00am.
- Newsletter deadline - Tues, July 25th.
- Odena Day Out - Sat, July 22nd.



Ministry of Hope

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July Birthdays

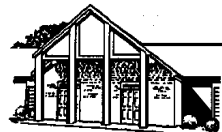
- July 1—Mike Horton, Michelle Rollins
- July 2—Tracy Dillard, Anneliese Varnado
- July 4—Faye Roberts, Luke Tyler
- July 5—Harold Catchings, Bill Luker, Mark Young
- July 6—Alex Brooks, Kyle Terrell
- July 7—Caitlyn Chaviers
- July 9—GiGi Griffitt
- July 10—Rena Carter
- July 12—Tom Young
- July 13—Rhonda Schabel
- July 16—Haley Haywood, Landon Haywood
- July 17—Jamie Carter
- July 18—Wyatt Gill, Arthur Rogers
- July 19—Alayna Harris, John Roberts
- July 21—Karen Culver
- July 22—Rhonda Courson, Phillip Owings, Traci Roberson
- July 23—Jordan Blocker
- July 25—Carol Burnette
- July 27—Candy Roberson
- July 29—Blakely Hamilton, Greg Roberson, Brenda Thornton
- July 31—Misty Roberson



July Anniversaries

- July 16—Larry & Portia Jacobs
- July 18—Ronnie & Sherry Hill; Rodney & Anna Keith
- July 22—Mark & Elaine Fulbright
- July 28—Buzzy & Ellen Ezekiel
- July 31—Brent & Amanda Atchley

If you did not see your birthday or anniversary listed or the information is incorrect, please call the church office at 256-249-3850 and update your records. Thank you!



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Services:

Sunday:

Sunday School 9:45 AM

Worship Service 11:00 AM

Choir Practice 5:00 PM

C.I.A. 6:00 PM

Worship Service 6:00 PM

Wednesday:

Supper 5:00 PM*

Youth 6:00 PM

Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM

Team Kid 6:00 PM

*Every other Wednesday.

From Your Pastor

Early Sunday morning, July 2nd, 18 youth and 4 adults from Odena leave for Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to participate in MissionFUGE. This camp is designed to involve all participants in mission work and evangelism. Pray for our group as we work throughout the community and have the opportunity to share the love of Jesus Christ through our words and actions. Pray for hearts to be open and receptive to the good news of Jesus, forgiveness of sin, and the hope of eternal life. We will return Sunday afternoon, July 9th.

I will be attending FUGE with the youth, so on Sunday morning, July 2nd, my friend Rev. Charlie Sanders will be bringing the Word of God at Odena. Charlie is always enthusiastic and encouraging. I know God will use him to deliver a powerful message. Adam and Amy Foster will be leading the music.

On Sunday morning, July 9th, Rev. Don Graves will be preaching. He will also be baptizing, which always adds a special touch to the service. Adam and Amy Foster will again be leading the music.

Our chaperones for FUGE are Anneliese Varnado, Joshua & Sarah Piper, and me (Danny Courson). The Deacons felt it would be best to adjust the schedule of services due to the youth being at FUGE, and the staff being out of town, and others traveling due to the Fourth of July holiday. Therefore, on Sunday, July 2nd there will not be an evening service. The church office will be closed the week of July 3-7.

We will not have prayer meeting on Wednesday, July 5. We will not have an evening service on Sunday, July 9. The monthly Deacons meeting will be Monday, July 10. Business Meeting will be Wednesday, July 12. We will resume our regular schedule on Sunday, July 16.

Sunday, July 16th, I will be preaching about Joshua and the battle of Jericho. We will be talking about prayer-walking. Then Sunday afternoon, we will have prayer-walking assignments throughout our community for those willing to participate. We will give you a guide to use as you pray. Then Sunday evening we will share our insights and experiences from prayer-walking and also work on sharing your testimony in one minute.

Saturday, July 22nd is Odena Day Out. We will be having games and activities on the church lawn, followed by a supper and movie in the CLC. This is great opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, and unchurched people you may know to come participate. They can have some fun and we can build some relationships and connections with folks we may not know. I hope you will plan to support this outreach.

Sunday, July 23rd, the message will be from 2 Timothy 1, "Not Ashamed." We will look at the importance of sharing our testimony with others. On Sunday afternoon, we will have outreach assignments for those who are willing to go door-to-door and share Christ with our community. On Sunday evening we will gather and share the results of those visits.

Sunday, July 30th, the message will be from 1 Timothy 4, "Training in Godliness." On Sunday afternoon, we will again have outreach assignments for those willing to go door-to-door in our community. On Sunday evening we will share reports from those visits and talk about how to form discipleship groups.

We will share again about the D-Life discipleship lifestyle plan.

Let's work hard to be productive for our Lord.

Bro. Danny

Youth Ministry

I want to thank everyone who supported the Youth Fundraiser Yard Sale whether you helped set up, or donated items, we appreciate you! We raised over \$1700.00 to help our students attend MFuge, July 2nd - 9th at Eastern University in Pennsylvania. Please be in prayer for our youth and chaperones as they are working at food banks, homeless shelters, and sharing the Gospel.

Saturday, July 15th we will go to Alabama Splash Adventures. The cost is \$30 and you will also need to bring money for food. We will leave the church at 9:00 am. Please see the sign up board to register. Deadline to register is Fri, June 30th.

July 17th our youth will have a ministry day beginning at 8:00am. We will be completing yard work and cleaning jobs for our widows and shut ins. If you know of a widow or shut in that needs help. Please give submit their name, address, and description of the job, to Josh or the church office.

July 22nd is the Odena Day Out! Youth, we will need your help. Please see the sign-up list in the church vestibule to volunteer. There are lots of jobs in which you can assist.

Be on the look out for updates about the Youth "Back-to-School" Water Day being held on Sat, August 12th. We will have a water slide, play kickball and more!! Invite your friends!

Over the next month the youth will continue our series of Villains in the Bible and learn about how we can avoid the mistakes they made in their lives. After that we will be going through a series called the Walking Dead where we will look at moving from being dead in our sin, to being "undead" or alive in Christ.

We've had great attendance in our College Sunday School class. Come join us and bring a friend. Class is held in the conference room located in the main building.

In Christ,
Joshua Piper

Outreach Ministry

"Odena Day Out"

Sat, July 22nd

We need volunteers to help with food, games, set-up, clean-up and more. Please see the sign-up board to volunteer to help.

Prayer Walk for Public Schools

Sat, August 5th

7:00 A.M.

Nichols-Lawson Middle School

Reminder...

There will be no evening worship service on Sunday, July 2nd or 9th.

There will be no evening activities on Wednesday, July 5th.

ODENA DAY OUT

FREE FOOD!
CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT GAMES FOR ALL AGES
SLIP AND SLIDE AND A MOVIE FOR THE KIDS!

EVERYONE WELCOME!
JULY 22ND FROM 2 PM TO 6 PM
AT ODENA BAPTIST CHURCH
115 ODENA ROAD NORTH
256-249-3850



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 No Evening Services	3	4 Happy 4th of July	5 No Wed Services	6	7	8
		Youth to MFUGE - July 2nd-9th Bus/Van Rsvd				
9 Men's Breakfast No Evening Services	10 Deacon's Mtg.	11	12 Wed Supper Business Meeting-6pm	13	14	15 Youth to Splash Adventure Bus/Van Rsvd
	Children to Missions Adventure Camp 10th - 14th Bus/Van Rsvd					
16	17 Youth Work Day	18	19	20	21	22 Odena Day Out CLC Rsvd
23	24	25 Newsletter Deadline	26 Wed Night Supper	27	28	29
	30	31				

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Care House Volunteers Needed

August 14 - 17, 2017
9:00 am - Noon

We need Odena Baptist volunteers to work at Care House. Please see the Sign-Up board in the church vestibule.

Children's Church

- July 2nd - Allen & Stephanie Terrell
- July 9th - Kevin & Kellie Ingram
- July 16th - Brandon & Holly Harris
- July 23rd - Robb & Nicole Peoples
- July 30th - Rena & Jamie Carter