

## Worship

**Mission Connection Night** – We encourage you to join us for our next Mission Connect Night on Sunday, January 14th, 2018 at 6 PM in Moss Hall. Kim Samson will be sharing her experience from our 2018 Michigan District Work and Witness Trip to Honduras. We will also be hearing from Rev. Nate and Hope Owens about their call to missions and their upcoming assignment to do the work of Christ in the Philippines. This will be an exciting opportunity to support Nate and Hope financially and through prayer as they prepare for their ministry.

## Connect

**Connecting Groups** – A small group atmosphere that focuses on relationship building. If you want more information about Connecting Groups, please fill out a **Connect Card!** Below are our current groups.

### Sunday Afternoon/Evening:

Bob & Joyce Kennell/ Floyd Lauria Group ----	4:00 at 4344 S Vernon Rd (Durand)
Rob & Becky Wotring Group -----	4:30 at 306 E Mason St
Brett & Heather Meyer Group ----- (Childcare on site - \$5/family)	5:00 at 5434 S State Rd (Durand)
Melony Daley/Dawn DeVisser Group -----	5:00 at 315 Middleton Rd
Phil & Jan Bates/Mark & Julie Semans Group	6:00 at OFCN in Moss Hall
Greg & Karen Bontrager Group -----	6:00 at 169 E Haven Dr
Mark & Marcia Green Group -----	6:00 at 1214 N Water St
Paul & Patty DeMeritt Group -----	6:00 at 952 N Park St
Jerry & Vickie Meyer/Ruth Jandik Group ----	6:00 at 4895 Ojibwa Tr
Brad/Beth Stockton Group -----	6:00 at 271 E Haven Dr
David/Brianna Rice Group -----	7:00 at 1020 E Oliver St

### Monday Afternoon

Intercessory Prayer Group -----	1:30 at OFCN (Sanctuary)
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### Thursday Evening

Schmidtfrenz/Nethaway Group ----- (Childcare on site - \$5/family)	6:00 at 9112 W Middleton Rd (Ovid)
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## Grow

**Growth Classes** – We offer a variety of regular and seasonal classes. Our current classes are below. We have new classes this week!

### Sunday Morning:

Logos -----	9:00 in Moss Hall
Wonder Works -----	9:00 in C1
**Getting Started at OFCN ----- **First Sunday of each month	9:00 in Conference Room
The Power of a Praying Wife and Husband --	10:30 in Room 8
Point of Grace -----	10:30 in Smith Hall
Firm Foundations (Sign up on Connect Card)	10:30 in Room 5

### Tuesday Morning:

Ladies Bible Study -----	9:30 in Smith Hall
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### Wednesday Evening:

Financial Peace University -----	6:30 in Room 8
Discovering My Spiritual Gifts -----	7:00 in Room 5
Perfectly Imperfect -----	7:00 in Room 10

## Serve

**All-Church Work Day** – On Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, the Settings Team is hosting an all-church work day. We have a lot we want to accomplish, including painting a classroom, cleaning, organizing, and working on several other projects that can be done during this wintery weather! Please plan to roll up your sleeves and join us at 8:30 a.m. as we seek to improve the building that God has blessed us with. Lunch will be provided.

**Congregational Care Team Ministry** – We are excited to launch our Congregational Care Team, a ministry that will provide visitation and encouragement to people in hospitals, care facilities, and those who are homebound. If you have an interest in serving in this capacity, we ask that you would join us for an introductory meeting on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. This is for those that have not yet attended the introductory meeting.

**Church Bus Drivers and Chaperones Needed** – We are in need of bus drivers and chaperones for our bus ministry to continue on Wednesday nights. This ministry is a way for our church to connect with children of all ages that have a lack of transportation. Through this ministry we give these kids the chance to be transformed by the Gospel. If you are interested in this ministry opportunity, please fill out a **Connect Card!**

## More Opportunities

**Joy Group Luncheon** – The Joy Group will meet on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, at noon in Moss Hall. We will enjoy a potluck lunch followed by our annual Christmas Silent “White Elephant” Auction. Please bring a wrapped gift (a desirable re-purposed item, craft, or new gift) to be auctioned off. Funds from this auction will help support the two children we sponsor through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries. If you have any questions, please contact the church office: 989.723.2229

**Teen Bible Quiz Meet at OFCN** – Our next Teen Bible Quiz Meet is this Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9 a.m. This event is right here at Owosso First, so we encourage you to come out and support our teen Bible quizzers and see what our youth quizzing is all about!

**Girls Night Out at the Movies** – Women’s Ministries invites you to see “Alone Yet Not Alone” on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. in Moss Hall. In this movie, “The Leininger family is seeking religious freedom in America. Only their devotion to each other and faith in the Lord can lead them through the darkest hours and back to freedom in this story based on true events.” Join us for snacks, fellowship and fun, and some time with girlfriends! Sign up at the Welcome Center and let us know if you need free child care!

**2018 Book of the Year** – Each year Pastor Brad selects a book of the year that he believes will have an impact on the spiritual life of our congregation. The book he has chosen this year is “My Utmost for His Highest” by Oswald Chambers. These books will be available for \$4 at the Welcome Center. We hope you will join us in this journey!

**New Church of the Nazarene Manual** – The new Church of the Nazarene Manual for 2017-2021 is available online: [2017.manual.nazarene.org](http://2017.manual.nazarene.org)

**Fanning the Flame with Prayer** – We would like to continue the pursuit of God through prayer 45 minutes before our Growth Classes each Wednesday evening at 6:15. The Sanctuary will be open for prayer from 5:45 – 8:00 on Wednesdays, but we will have this special emphasis in the Sanctuary from 6:15 – 7:00 p.m.

## TREE HOUSE MINISTRIES

“Branching out to love God and love others.” –Matt. 22:35



### Worship

**Tree House Ministries** – 10:30 a.m. in the Tree House.

### Connect

**KidConnect** – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center

### Grow

**K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Growth Classes** – Sundays from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Kids’ Quiz Practice** – Sundays from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.



## STUDENT MINISTRIES

(Grades 6-12)

### Worship and Connect

**Midweek Gathering** – Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8:15 p.m.

### Grow

**Sunday Gatherings** – 9:00 to 10:15 a.m. and 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.

**Teen Quiz Practice** – Sundays from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

### More Opportunities

**Friday Night Lights** – Our next event is this Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the Community Center. This month’s theme: Whodunit? games from Winter Retreat.

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**Inclement Weather** – During the winter, please be aware of the following:

- When a decision has been made to cancel services due to weather, you will find an announcement in the following places by 7:30 AM: OFCN Facebook page, our website: [www.owosso Nazarene.org](http://www.owosso Nazarene.org), a Weekly Connection email, and by calling the church: 989.723.2229
- Sycamore Tree Preschool will be cancelled when Owosso Schools are closed.
- Rentals will be cancelled when Owosso Schools are closed.
- Wednesday PM activities will be cancelled when Owosso Schools are closed.
- All youth/children’s activities at the church will be cancelled when Owosso Schools are closed.



# Welcome to Owosso First Church of the Nazarene!

We want to say a very special welcome to our guests here today. We are glad you are here! We trust you will find this to be a warm, friendly, and caring place. Most of all, we pray the Holy Spirit's presence will warm your heart in the worship of our risen Savior! If it is your first time at OFCN, you can find a **Connect Card** in the back of the pews. Please fill out this card at your convenience with as much information as you feel comfortable. You can drop the Connect Card off in the offering plate, or return it to the Welcome Center. We would love to know your name!

Our mission as a church is to **go make devoted followers of Jesus.**

## PASTORS & STAFF

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Monday - Thursday Classes  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Joyce Goff Memorial Scholarship Fund** - Last year we established a scholarship fund which is intended for students who cannot afford to pay full tuition at Sycamore Tree Preschool. If you would like to give to this fund, please be sure to label checks or envelopes with "Sycamore Scholarship Fund". Any monetary gift will go directly to helping students and their families pay tuition. Thank you for your generosity as we continue to help students receive quality Christian Education!

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, January 7

- 8:15 AM Worship Team Rehearsal
- 9:00 AM Worship Service/Growth Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service/Growth Classes

### Monday, January 8

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool Walkers

### Tuesday, January 9

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool
- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
- 5:30 PM Business and Finance Team Meeting - Conference Room
- 7:00 PM Church Board Meeting - Room 8

### Wednesday, January 10

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool Walkers
- 5:45 PM Midweek Dinner - Moss Hall
- Midweek Prayer - Sanctuary
- 6:15 PM Fanning the Flame Prayer Emphasis - Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM The Lookout Worship/Connect
- Financial Peace University - Room 8
- 7:00 PM KidConnect
- Adult Growth Classes - Various Rooms

### Thursday, January 11

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool
- 12:00 PM Joy Group Luncheon - Moss Hall
- 8:00 PM Worship Team Rehearsal

### Friday, January 12

- 9:00 AM Walkers

### Saturday, January 13

- 9:00 AM Teen Bible Quiz Meet

### SUNDAY, January 14

- 8:15 AM Worship Team Rehearsal
- 9:00 AM Worship Service/Growth Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service/Growth Classes
- 6:00 PM Mission Connection Night - Moss Hall



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