

## Worship

**Michigan District Superintendent: Kevin Hardy** – Our District Superintendent Kevin Hardy will be speaking in both morning services today! We look forward to hearing about his vision for building the kingdom of God on our district, as well as his encouragement of our Chesaning partnership. We hope you will pray for him and his family as they continue to adjust to life in Michigan!

Kevin has been a pastor for over 25 years, pastoring in Maryland, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Virginia. He has a passion for lost people, church planting, preaching, and teaching. Kevin has led churches of all sizes, starting with a church of 20, and growing another church to over 800.

Kevin is married to Jane (29 years) and they have 3 children, Weston, Patrick, and Kristin. He loves to play golf, watch New England sports, read, and spend time with his family.

**Pastor John Paulus** – Next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, Pastor John Paulus will be speaking in both of our morning services. We are excited to hear an update about what is going on in Chesaning, and how we can continue to support this ministry!

## Connect

**Connecting Groups** – A small group atmosphere that focuses on relationship building. 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 -----	4:00 at Various Locations
Brett & Heather Meyer Group -----	5:00 at 5434 S State Rd (Durand)
(Childcare on site - \$5/family)	
Daley/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)

### Thursday Evening

Schmidtfranz/Nethaway Group -----	6:00 at 9112 W Middleton Rd (Childcare on site - \$5/family) (Ovid)
Moms 4 Moms! -----	6:30 at Various Locations (Contact Brittani Hall for location: 989.329.0967)

## Grow

**Growth Classes** – We offer a variety of classes that are designed to help you grow spiritually. Our current classes are below. You can also pick up a Growth Class brochure at the Welcome Center to see the full description of each class. You can also find our current classes on the next page.

## Grow (Continued)

### Sunday Morning:

Getting Started (1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month) ----	10:15 in Conference Room
Firm Foundations -----	10:15 in Room 5
Logos -----	10:15 in Moss Hall
Point of Grace -----	10:15 in Smith Hall
Prophetic View of Old Testament Prophets --	10:15 in Room 10
Simple Holiness -----	10:15 in Room 8
Wonder Works (Adults with Special Needs) ---	10:15 in C1

### Tuesday Morning:

Ladies' Bible Study ----- 9:30 in Smith Hall

### Wednesday Evening:

Grief Share -----	6:30 in Conference Room
Disciplines of a Godly Man -----	7:00 in Room 10
Resolving Everyday Conflict -----	7:00 in Room 8
TLC for the Aging -----	7:00 in Room 5

## Serve

**Work and Witness Trip** – Our church has the opportunity to serve in the country of Albania November 2-11, 2018. If you are interested in being part of our Work and Witness team, we ask that you fill out a **Connect Card** with your name, phone number, and email address, indicating that you have interest in the trip.

**Dare-To-Care Cooking** – On Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 pm, we will be cooking meals for those in our congregation who have been hospitalized. These meals will then be frozen and distributed as needs arise. If you love to cook, this is a great service opportunity for you! If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Morrow (989.277.1989) or Vickie Meyer (989.413.1050).

**Annual Church Elections** – We will be having our annual church elections on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup>. If you are an official member of our church (age 15+), please take time to vote in the Choir Room before or after both morning services on one of these dates.

## More Opportunities

**National Day of Prayer** – An annual observance held on the first Thursday of May each year. The purpose is to invite people to share the burden of prayer for our community, state, nation, and its leaders. There are two opportunities to participate on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>:

- Community Prayer Breakfast: 7:30 – 9 am. Tickets are \$10 and include a breakfast buffet. (RSVP by May 1<sup>st</sup> – 989.720.2267)
- Community Prayer Gathering: 12 pm in Fayette Square. This prayer will focus on 7 Pillars of Influence: Government, Military, Media, Church, Family, Education, and Business.

**Joy Group** – For the month of May, we will be taking a Spring Bus Trip to Chelsea, Michigan to explore the Jiffy Milling Company. We will leave the church on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am. The tour is free, and we will eat at a fast food restaurant for lunch. The bus is currently filled, but car-pooling can be arranged. Please contact Walt or Rosemary if you have any questions: 989.743.5985

**Respect Life Mother's Day Ad** – On May 13<sup>th</sup>, the Respect Life ad will run in the Argus Press. If you would like to honor your mother and make a statement that every life has value, you can purchase a line for \$5. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center; the deadline is May 9<sup>th</sup>.

## TREE HOUSE MINISTRIES

*"Branching out to love God and love others." –Matt. 22:35*



### Worship

**Tree House Ministries** – 11 am in the Tree House.  
**Family Worship Sunday** – Today is Family Worship Sunday. We will not have Tree House, and kids are asked to attend the service with their parents.

### Connect

**KidConnect** – Wednesdays at 7 pm

### Grow

**K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Growth Classes** – Sundays at 9 and 10:15 am



## STUDENT MINISTRIES

(Grades 6-12)

### Worship and Connect

**Midweek Gathering** – Wednesdays from 6:30-8:15 pm

### Grow

**Sunday Gathering** – 10:15 am in the Teen Room

**Teen Quiz Practice** – Sundays from 6:00 – 7:30 pm

### More Opportunities

**Friday Night Lights** – Our next event is Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-9:00 pm in the Community Center. The event this month will be Star Wars themed with laser tag and a costume contest for tickets to the Han Solo movie. This month's event is \$10, which includes unlimited laser tag, pop, snacks, and candy while it lasts.

### A Look At The Lookout

Over the last year, I have seen one of our graduating seniors bring in at least a dozen friends to our youth group on Wednesday nights. We have seen the majority of those friends stick around and assimilate into the group, but in the past couple of weeks, we have seen that even more (one of those friends will even be giving a message for our "You Run The Lookout" event). This girl drives a full van to group each week. It's exciting to see her tenacity in her final weeks of participation in this group, and it's equally exciting to see her entire friend group become part of her youth group because we are creating an atmosphere that students want to be a part of!





# 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 am - 12:00 pm

**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, April 29

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor Kevin Hardy
- 10:15 AM Growth Classes - Various Rooms
- Firm Foundations - Room 5
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor Kevin Hardy
- 12:15 PM Sycamore Tree Preschool Fundraiser Dinner - Gym

### Monday, April 30

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool Walkers
- 10:00 AM Compassion Team Meeting
- 1:30 PM Intercessory Prayer Group - Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Settings Team Meeting - Conference Room

### Tuesday, May 1

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool
- 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study
- 6:45 PM Ladies' Exercise Group - Gym

### Wednesday, May 2

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool Walkers
- 5:45 PM Midweek Dinner
- Midweek Prayer
- 6:30 PM The Lookout - Worship/Connect - Teen Room
- Grief Share - Conference Room
- 7:00 PM KidConnect
- Growth Classes - Various Rooms

### Thursday, May 3

- 9:00 AM Sycamore Tree Preschool
- 8:00 PM Worship Team Rehearsal

### Friday, May 4

- 9:00 AM Walkers
- 6:30 PM Friday Night Lights

### Saturday, May 5

### SUNDAY, May 6

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor John Paulus
- 10:15 AM Growth Classes - Various Rooms
- Firm Foundations - Room 5
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Pastor John Paulus



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