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Wednesday, July 4

Office Closed

&

No Wednesday Activities



Youth Falls Creek

July 9-14

Monday, July 9 we will load at 11:30 am.

And leave at 12:00 p.m.

Return on Saturday, July 14 approximately 12:30 p.m.

Please keep the Sponsors and Youth in your Prayers!!

Special points of interest:

- Office Closed & No Wednesday Activities, July 4
- Falls Creek—July 9-14
- Kids Choir begins, Wednesday, July 11 at 6:00 pm

Nursery Volunteers & Ushers

Nursery Volunteers

July 1 —Sunday Morning

Ora Lee Mell, Lydia Jackson, Tresa de la Cruz,
Gloria Peck

July 8—Sunday Morning

Mattie Gordon, Carolyn Kennedy, Peggy Wheeler

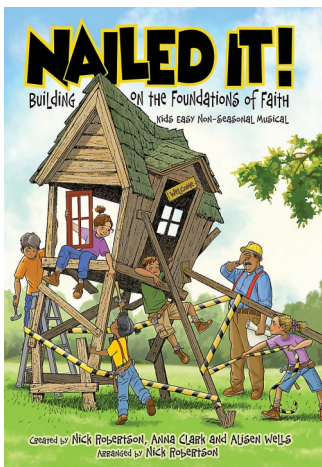
Ushers

July 1

Howard Hanes, Jim Holman, Terry McFarland,
Steve Shed

July 8

Dean Kennedy, Terry McFarland, Steve Shed



Kids Choir Begins

Wednesday, July 11

6:00 p.m.

They will present the musical

“Nailed It”

on Wednesday, August 22 at 6:30 p.m.



The Sidewalk Ministry is
needing Bibles

Back to
School
Event for
OBHC

2018 Style Show Dinner Event for Oklahoma
Baptist Homes for Children will be

Saturday, August 4 at 5:30 p.m. in Norman

Tickets are \$20.00 each. You may get the tickets
from Carolyn Kennedy.

We will begin collecting money to help provide
Back to School clothes for the OBHC in June &
July. It takes about \$250 to outfit a child for
school. Please mark your envelopes Outfit a
Child. We have received \$1,635.00 to date.



I am always fascinated about how God moves in unexpected ways. The unfortunate reality is that when He moves in a direction we don't expect we face a critical decision. We can decide to ignore God's Spirit (to our own peril) and move on in our plans expecting God to bless it. Or we can decide to wait upon the Lord's leadership and move in the direction He is leading.

An example of this is found in Acts 16. Paul and Barnabas after their first missionary journey have a sharp disagreement over John Mark (Acts 15:36 – 41). They separate and go different directions on their own missionary journeys. Paul goes to Debre and Lystra and finds Timothy, a disciple. Paul begins his second missionary journey with Timothy and eventually ends up in Macedonia. It is in city of Philippi in the region of Macedonia that Paul meets and baptizes Lydia, a dealer in purple and a god fearing woman (Acts 16:11-15). Paul did not plan on going to Macedonia, but God's Spirit led him there.

In Acts 16:6 – 10 is the record of how God's Spirit moved Paul along an unexpected path:

⁶ They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia; they had been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. ⁷ When they came to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. ⁸ Passing by Mysia they went down to Troas. ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision in which a Macedonian man was standing and pleading with him, "Cross over to Macedonia and help us!" ¹⁰ After he had seen the vision, we immediately made efforts to set out for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

If Paul had not responded to the leadership of the Holy Spirit, he would not have followed the unexpected path that led to the region of Macedonia to the city of Philippi to a place of prayer and to a god fearing woman by the name of Lydia.

Please take time to look at a bible map that shows you Paul's second missionary journey. These few verses record one of his longest journeys. The Spirit of God forbid him to speak a word in Asia. In Mysia and Bithynia the Spirit of Jesus (the Holy Spirit) did not allow them to share God's word. It was in Troas that Paul received a vision from God to go to Macedonia. We learn from this passage that God's Spirit will lead us where he wants us to be and will give us the opportunity to witness for him.

Are you setting goals and plans that you want God to bless? When things are tough and don't work out like you expected do you blame God? Or in frustration and disappointment do you quit serving Him? It is not God's fault when we follow our own path way and fail to see him or know His blessing. God's Spirit wants to lead us into the pathway of His will. He wants to bless us, but we must be willing to follow Him. Are you wanting to be led by God's Spirit? It is my prayer that this is your desire for your life and for our church.

Bro. Charlie

July 2018

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 4:00 pm Music Minister Search Committee 5pm Youth/Parent Falls Creek Mtg. | 2 10 am Bag Ladies 6pm Sidewalk Ministry | 3 10 am Women on Mission 10 am Shekinah Singers rehearsal | 4 Office Closed No Evening Service | 5 9 am Mobile Meals 10 am Neighborhood Clothing Room | 6 | 7 8:30 am Set-up at Falls Creek—White van rsvd. |
| 8 4pm Church Council 4:30 pm Nominating Comm. Mtg. 5pm Finance Committee Mtg. | 9 10 am Bag Ladies 6pm Sidewalk Ministry | 10 6:30 pm Random Diners | 11 10:00 am Shekinah Singers Rehearsal 6:00 pm Kids Choir | 12 9 am Mobile Meals | 13 Okla. United Music Assoc. | 14 |
| Youth Falls Creek | | July 9-14 | | White & Blue Van Reserved | | |
| 15 5pm Property & Space Youth Fellowship at John Campbell's | 16 10 am Bag Ladies 6pm Sidewalk Ministry | 17 10 am Women on Mission | 18 9:30 am Shekinah Singers to Grace Living Ctr. 6:00 pm Kids Choir | 19 9 am Mobile Meals 10 am Neighborhood Clothing Room | 20 | 21 |
| 22 3:30 pm Church Council 4:30 pm Deacons Meeting Mtg. Youth Fellowship at the Graham's | 23 10 am Bag Ladies 6pm Sidewalk Ministry | 24 | 25 930 am Shekinah Singers to Southern Plaza 6:00 pm Kids Choir | 26 9 am Mobile Meals | 27 2pm LINC Birthday party at Grace Living Ctr. | 28 |
| 29 Youth to Lake Eufaula—White Van Leave at 1pm | 30 10 am Bag Ladies 6pm Sidewalk Ministry | 31 | | | | |