



# Oakley *Christian Church*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | APRIL 2019

## FROM THE WHYTE HOUSE....

I have been thinking a lot about how God grows us in many different situations and as spring approaches and I see what appears to be dead I can't help but think of the roses that Heidi and I had in Wichita. We planted a very small bush and over a period of time that bush would grow bigger and bigger and produce some of the biggest hybrid tea roses that I have ever seen. Heidi and I would take turns pruning the spent blossoms and cutting the dead hollow shoots that were no longer producing any roses. As I think about our spiritual growth I am often drawn to the passage in **John 15:2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.** This makes me mindful of what God does in each of us as we grow through those things in life. Some are unpleasant and some are great. Either way, God uses these things to bring us closer to Him so that we can bear more fruit. He is constantly pruning us to create in us the type of life that He desires. As you think about the spring and how what appears to be dead brings forth life, what is God taking that appears to be dead in you and pruning back so that you can grow in Him? How is He using those things that may be unpleasant to yield a more fruitful life? I pray that as you see the colors unfold this spring that it will remind you of how God is unfolding His mighty plan in your life as He prunes you to produce fruit.

Growing in Him,

*Ja*

# EASTER BREAKFAST

April 21 | 9:00 am to 10:20 am



Join us at Oakley Christian Church

**Easter Sunday, April 21**

\*Breakfast served in the basement  
from 9:00 am to 10:20 am

*\*NO SUNDAY SCHOOL*

**Worship Service**

**10:30 am**

\*Special ABZ Kids event during the  
message portion of our worship  
service (kids age 4—4th grade will be  
dismissed after offering)!



You are invited to Holy Week Community  
Breakfast and Devotions on

**Wednesday, April 17**

**7:00 am**

Held at Gateway Fellowship

Sponsored by the Oakley Ministerial Alliance

Everyone is invited to attend this community event. Breakfast will be served and devotions given.

*This is for families and people of all ages.*

# Waffles, Women and Worship

Come for a time of encouragement and fellowship with other women. Waffles will be served along with a dose of fun!

Guest Speaker is Tally Stroud  
When: Saturday, April 6th 9:30 am  
Where: The Cave

Bring a friend and come join the fun!



I will put  
**MY TRUST**  
in  
**HIM**

Isaiah 8:17

**Ladies of OCC** - you are invited to a Bridal Shower for Laura Abell (daughter of Dwight & Rhonda Abell); Laura is the bride to be of Auston Holzmeister. The shower will be Saturday, April 6 at 2:00 pm; held at The Cave.

# Bridal Shower

In Honor Of

# Laura Abell

Saturday

April 6, 2019

2:00 pm

Held at The Cave

326 Center

Oakley, Kansas

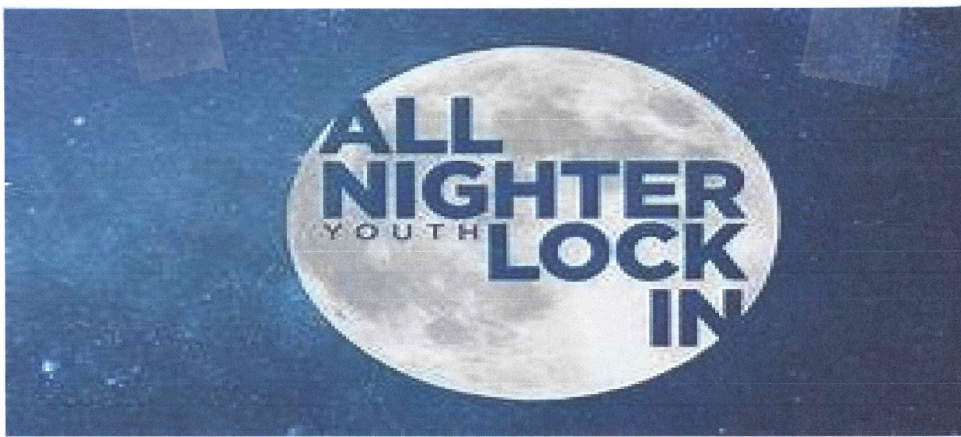
## FIND YOUR FIRE

**MOPS of Oakley**  
April 11 & April 25  
9:30 am  
Child care is provided church

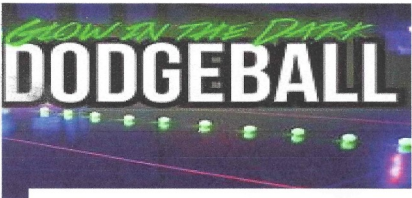
## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**Tuesdays at 10:00 am**

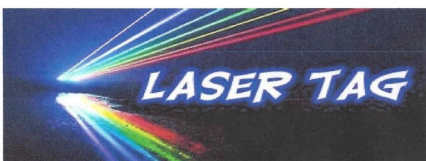
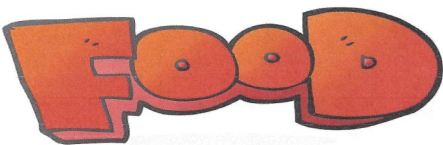
Women's Bible Study meets at the church. Currently studying "Seamless" by Angie Smith. All ladies are invited to attend!



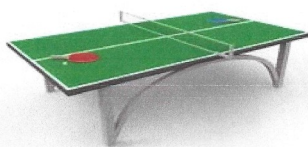
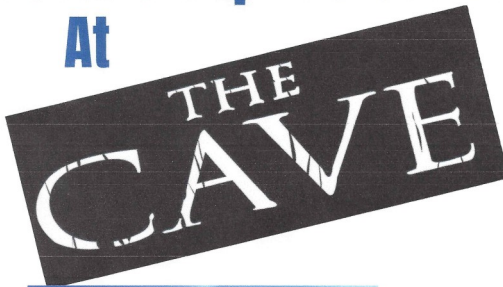
**Sunday March 31st 8:00pm-8:00am**



**TOURNAMENTS**



**At**

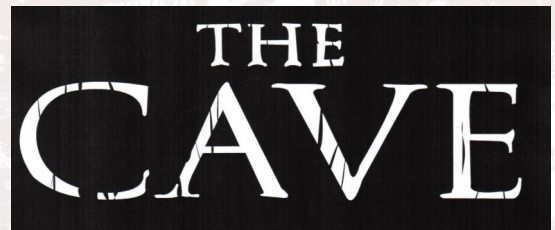


*And More !!*

**For all 6-8th grade**



The Rock will be  
July 1—3 this year!  
For all students going  
into 6th—9th grades!



YOUTH GROUP at The Cave  
meets every Wednesday  
Middle School at 6:00 pm  
High School at 7:30 pm



[www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org](http://www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org)

To find all the camp dates, information and to get registered.

**REGISTER BY APRIL 15 to get a \$20 discount off of registration.**

Mark your  
Calendars!

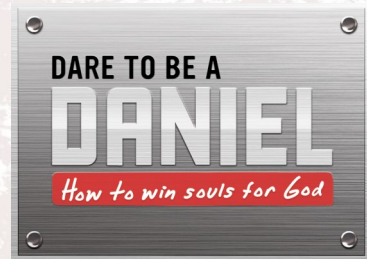
The OCC High  
School Mission Trip  
(for those students  
that have finished  
9th—12th grade)  
will be

**July 22 - 26**

**DESTINATION  
UNKNOWN**



Honoring the class of 2019  
Youth Sunday  
at OCC will be  
May 5



## Adventure Bible Zone

ABZ is our Children's Church held during the sermon time of our worship service on Sundays. It is for kids age 4 years old through 4th grade.

April's Schedule:

April 7 | Leader: Linda; Helpers: Jarrett & Jantz

April 14 | Leader: Jason; Helpers: Chloe & Jada

April 21 | Leader: Jason; Helpers: Karston & Wyatt  
Special Easter event for the kids!

ABZ Kids has a FACEBOOK PAGE - please go and like the page to keep up to date on all the ABZ Kids news! **Adventure Bible Zone - OCC**

**BIBLE CLUB** Kindergarten - 4th grades

Wednesdays | 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Dare To Be A Daniel - 5th grade

Wednesdays | 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

**The last day of BC and D2BD  
will be**

**Wednesday, April 24**



**VBS at OCC**

**May 20—23 | 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm**

**Sign up in the foyer to help!**

# Deacon Meeting

Sunday, March 31 following the potluck dinner (approx. 1:30 pm)



## THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Thursday-Friday, August 8-9, 2019

It's not too early to register for this great event! OCC is a host site and it will be held at The Cave. All attendees of OCC can get a discounted rate of \$89 for the entire summit if you register before June 25, 2019. USE THE Priority/Referral CODE: **GLA19TEAM** when you register at <https://www.willowcreek.com/events/leadership/>



All church Potluck Dinner

**Sunday, March 31**

(Deacons in charge)

And

**Sunday, April 28**

(Deaconesses in charge)

Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert to share!

*Know ye that the Lord he is God:*  
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
Psalm 100:3

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