# Christian Church MONTHLY NEWSLETTER JULY 2019

### From the Whyte House...

In May Heidi, Chloe, Karsten and I traveled to Washington, D.C. What an amazing place full of rich history. I know, I know it has it's issues. But for our family we didn't see the issues nearly as much as the history. I am reminded of one particular museum we went to that housed the Declaration of Independence. This place was crazy busy and standing room only to view the signed document that created the freedom from Great Britain that we have today. As I stepped away from all of the chaos I began to think, would people stand in line and crowd in to see a publication that talks about the one who died to set us free for all of eternity? I have a feeling there would probably be no waiting lines. In fact, they could probably house this publication in a small room and it still no feel crowded. Please do not hear me knock our independence as a nation. We are free of the Tyranny that existed while we were under foreign rule. For that I am truly grateful. But I want to keep in perspective that Christ set me free and that I should not take that freedom for granted. Galatians 5:1 (NIV) 1 is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Paul reminds us that freedom came at a price and that we should do everything we can to remain free.

As we celebrate the 4th and remember the sacrifice made by men and women to keep us free I pray that we are reminded of the sacrifice that Jesus made so that we could be free for all of eternity. What an amazing country we live in but what an even more amazing God we serve.

Standing in awe of Freedom,

#### **JULY 2019**

- July 5 & 6 | 1st & 2nd grade
   camp at Lakeview
- July 7—10 | 4th grade camp at Lakeview
- July 9 @ 7:30 pm
   Elders meeting
- July 22—26 | OCC High
   School Mission Trip
- July 24 @ 7:00 pm
   Deaconess Meeting
- July 28 | Diaper/Freezer
   Meal Shower for the
   Pendergast family



#### **Oakley Christian Church High School Mission Trip**

July 22—26, 2019

#### **DESTINATION UNKOWN**

This year will be DESTINATION UNKNOWN. We pick a "destination" out of the hat and headed to that town and find work that needs to be done. Into the hat we have north, south, east, & west; and we have the # of miles 100, 150, or 200. We draw the direction and the # of

miles each morning and head that direction. Once we get into the closest town to that point, we pray, and look for someone or someplace that needs our help. This is a faith stretching and OCC student bonding mission trip!

During the trip we will have worship, devotions and quiet time. These mission trips are designed to challenge your youth in many ways. Getting them out of their normal environment helps them understand where they are with their walk with Christ. Serving others in the name of Christ brings alive the scriptures that we teach in youth group.



Current Sermon Series with Pastor Ja!



NO Youth Groups at
The Cave
during the month of
JULY!



August 8-9, 2019 | GlobalLeadership.org/Summit

**World-Class, Accessible & Affordable:** Growing your leadership demands intentionality. Each Summit faculty member is carefully selected to deliver intellectually rigorous content in an environment that fosters vigorous thinking and dialogue. Hosted in more than 1,300 cities worldwide, the Summit is both accessible and affordable, facilitating large team participation.

A Culture of Leadership: Everybody has influence and the potential to spark positive change. A culture of Christ-centered leadership can change individual lives, churches, businesses, government, schools and homes. For many participants, the Summit is the most leadership-infusing annual experience they use to build into their entire congregation.

**Unapologetically Christ-Centered:** From the very beginning, the primary target of the Summit has been church-focused. Increasingly the Summit attracts Christians from every walk of life. Still, the leadership core in a local church remains the focal point. A culture of Christ-centered leadership can change an entire church, a community...even the world!

**Local Ownership, Global Reach:** Our Host Sites and local church leaders are uniquely equipped to reflect Christ to the communities they serve. Whether in a suburb of Los Angeles or a village in Vietnam, local Christ-followers are challenged to elevate their intensity of leadership and adapt the learnings within their cultural context.

### OAKLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH IS EXCITED TO ONCE AGAIN BRING THIS EVENT TO OAKLEY!!

August 8 & 9, 2019 held at The Cave

For more information and to register, check out the GLS website (www.willowcreek.com/summit). There are many exciting and well known speakers, check them all out online! Everyone from OCC can attend for a discounted rate with a priority code!!! Please call the church office or talk to Jason for that code. COST with the OCC Priority Code is \$119 for both days—you can register online anytime up until the summit begins!!

# DIAPER and FREEZER MEAL SHOWER For the Pendergast Family Sunday, July 28

Help us bless Brad & Megan!
Please bring diapers and/or a
freezer meal to welcome Baby
Pendergast! There will be a place
in the foyer for you to leave items,
please bring them on
Sunday, July 28





- ► The women's Tuesday Bible Study is finished for the summer; they will resume in the fall with a new study!
- ► The Mom's Summer Study has one more session on July 9th and then they will be finished for the summer. MOPS will resume this fall!

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## NEXT MEETING

ELDERS MEETING will be Tuesday, July 9th at 7:30 pm

DEACONESSMEETING (rescheduled) will be Wednesday, July 24th at 7:00 pm

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