

Matthew 11:28-30 *"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."*

"and He will make your paths straight." This makes me think about a straight line between two points, a line segment, bounded by two endpoints. God will provide clear direction and remove obstacles in your life, leading you towards a path that is aligned with God's will. A straight path leads to life, a life of meaning, purpose, and blessings. God can use us to pour out His grace and mercy on others.

Psalm 145: 17-21 *"The Lord is righteous in all His ways. Gracious in all His works. The Lord is near to all who call upon Him. To all who call on Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them. The Lord preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will be destroy. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh shall bless His holy name Forever and ever."*

God is good all the time!

Deacon John

NOTES

Please remember to pray for the ministries & missionaries that OCC supports on a monthly basis:
Birth Choice of Temecula; Colina de Luz: Jim Drake; Global Recordings Network;
Mercy Projects: Pastor Jeff & Paula Thompson; MAF Missionaries: John & JoAnn Munsell; Calvary Chapel Bacolod: Pastor Joe & Billie Rosmarino; MAF Missionaries: Will & Julie White; Lori & Pastor Mike: Ministering in Southeast Asia

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OAKSTONE
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Welcome to OakStone Community Church

April 6, 2025

Message: "Love never fails." (continued)

Passage: 1 Corinthians 13:4-13 | Speaker: Pastor Bill Wolter

Upcoming Events & News

Family Fellowship & Feast - May 4th

Immediately following our service, we will be having our monthly Family Feast and Fellowship. If you are able, please bring a dish to share and either way please stay and enjoy the fellowship.

Save the Date – Sunday, April 20th – Easter **SON**rise Service

This will be our only service of the day. We will be meeting at the church from 7 AM to 8 AM.

Women's Monday Morning Bible Study – 9-10 AM

We will be meeting at Janet's home. If you would like to attend or need more information please contact Janet at (951) 970-2208 or janetwolter51@gmail.com.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study – 6:30 PM

You are invited to join us in the Fellowship Room at OCC as we continue our study on The Gospel of John. Any questions, please contact Pastor Bill at (951) 970-2262 or pastorbillwolter@gmail.com.

Birth Choice Baby Supplies

Please remember to pick up some supplies for Birth Choice as you are out and about today. Thank you for being His hands and feet to those who have babies.

Ministry to Pray for This Week – Colina de Luz

Colina de Luz, or "Hill of Light" in English, is a Christian orphanage and home for 50 orphans and non-orphaned children. Founded on July 4th, 1986, the three founders' hearts were touched by God, and their mission was to take care of as many orphans and needy children as God would send their way.

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Important Information

PLEASE there is no food or drink, except water with a lid, allowed in the sanctuary. We thank you for your cooperation.

Our **FOOD PANTRY** is available for those who need it.

An **AUDIO LISTENING DEVICE** is available for those who need assistance in hearing the message. Inquire at the sound booth.

INTERNET ACCESS is available: go to "**occ**", the password is "**oakstone**".

The Deacon's Corner

"Trust the Lord" Proverbs 3:5-6

One of my favorite verses for the past 15 years has been **Proverbs 3:5-6** "**trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and he will make your paths straight.**"

Trust in the Lord is a hard thing to do when you may have grown up being let down from an early age into adult life. You come to the Lord with great expectations but trusting God for every situation seems so overwhelming. Trust will grow as we spend regular time in the Word getting to know Our Father, applying God's Word to our daily lives and experiencing His faithfulness. It may seem that we can't get it right, it is God who is doing the work in our lives. He wants the best for us and His timing is perfect. God's timing is never early and never late, but always on time. It takes a little patience, and it takes a lot of faith but it's worth the wait.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 "**All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness.**"

Psalm 18:30 "**As for God, His way is perfect. The Lord's word is flawless; He shields all who take refuge in Him.**"

"lean not on your own understanding." When we think we can resolve a situation on our own without placing it before God, asking His will to be done. We are headed down a slippery slope. One foot on a banana peel, the other foot on an oil slick.

Isaiah 55:8-9 "**For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways' declares the Lord. 'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'**"

"in all your ways submit to Him." It's not just choosing the most "overwhelming" challenge in our lives to take before God. God wants us to trust Him for everything from the most difficult to the least mundane concerns. We forget that God wants to hear about all matters, life is unpredictable and may be very stressful. It is recognizing and trusting in God's guidance and in every aspect of our lives. God's faithfulness always prevails.

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Tithes & Offerings

As you are led, place these in the designated box in the back.