



# Oak Grove Baptist Foundations for the Future Newsletter

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*Exodus 35:20-21a*

## **New Kitchen and New Media Center**

Did you know that every week the Oak Grove Kitchen serves over 100 meals? Those meals feed veterans, those with addictions, the bereaved, our active senior adults, as well as church families. Our kitchen is a ministry tool that we use on a consistent basis. In the first phase of building we will be creating a new kitchen with all the equipment needed to continue this vital ministry of the church.



Do you know where our current media center is located? Have you ever been there? The media center lends out **350** books per month, including movies, educational material and is a blessing to the children at Oak Grove Christian School. Our Media Center is the place to go for the newest Christian fiction, Bible study helps, inspirational videos and great children's books and videos. However, our library is bursting at the seams and needs more space. The new space will offer a great

adult area, a great children's area, and easily accessible. It will include areas to sit and read, or sit and chat about the latest book. It will offer more space for new books as well as old classics.

## **Still Looking for Volunteers**

It is not too late to volunteer. What are the volunteer opportunities?

The Capital Campaign Committee undertook the awesome task of reaching each church family and praying with them. While we have been making progress, we need more helpers. What will you need to do? Select an area to visit and then we will give you about 10 families to visit. When you meet with the family you tell them who you are and that you are visiting families at Oak Grove and praying with them. You ask if there is any prayer concerns and write them down and then pray with the family. Before you leave you leave our prayer magnet with the family. That is it.

A testimony from one of the prayer team..."I love visiting with the families, while I knew the name and the face, I didn't know anything about the families. This has been an enjoyable time getting to know my church family better."

"I feel more connected with my church...a family I didn't know was out there."

Come join us and be blessed by praying with families. For more information see Dave Roberts or Tammy Vickers.

The second opportunity is to help at the Celebration Banquet on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, we need people to help greet families and also to act as host/hostess. As a banquet volunteer you will greet church members, answer simple questions and be a point contact. For more information you can speak to Diane Godwin or Katie Roberts.

*Important Dates to Remember:*

**February 26<sup>th</sup> – Campaign Started**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Foundations for the Future Banquet**

**April 16<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday**

**April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Celebration Sunday**

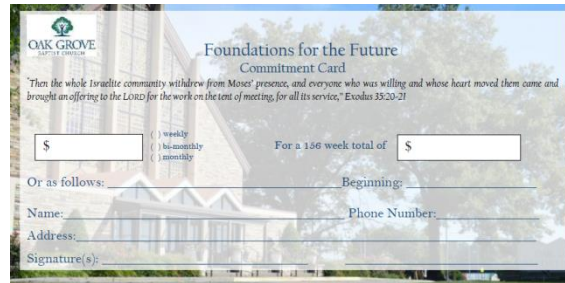
**What is my part?**

In a couple of weeks our Campaign Commitment Collection will take place. During this time all members and friends of the church will be visited in order to give them an opportunity to make a commitment to the Foundations for the Future Campaign.

Although these visits are taking place in the homes, the Commitment Couriers will not attempt to tell anyone what he or she is “expected” to give. That decision must be between God and the individual making the commitment. It is not about equal gifts, but equal sacrifice.

Please be in prayer about what God is telling you to do, not what man is telling you.

**Each person to have an opportunity to make commitment**



The image shows a commitment card for Oak Grove Baptist Church. The card features the church's logo and the title "Foundations for the Future Commitment Card". Below the title is a biblical quote: "Then the whole Israelite community withdrew from Moses' presence, and everyone who was willing and whose heart moved them came and brought an offering to the LORD for the work on the tent of meeting, for all its service," Exodus 35:20-21. The card includes a form with a dollar sign and a blank space for the amount, followed by radio button options for "weekly", "bi-monthly", and "monthly". To the right, it says "For a 156 week total of" followed by another dollar sign and a blank space. Below this, there are fields for "Name:", "Address:", and "Signature(s):". To the right of the signature field, there is a "Beginning:" label and a "Phone Number:" label, both followed by blank lines for input.

Pictured above is the commitment card to be used in our Foundations for the Future Campaign. Each church and Sunday School member will have an opportunity to make a commitment to be paid over a three-year period of time.

The commitment entered on this card should not include any amount committed to our church before. If we are to reach our goal, it will be necessary to increase what we are now giving.

It is our confident hope and prayer that we, the members of Oak Grove Baptist Church, will be able to reach our goal of \$3.5 Million to be given regularly over the next three years.

A commitment card, like the one pictured here, will be brought to your home by one of our campaign Commitment Couriers during the next few weeks. Pray about this matter and ask the Lord how much you should give.