MT. OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH, 3500 Edwards Mill Road, Raleigh, NC 27612 NEWS & EVENTS – NOVEMBER 2024

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We extend sympathy to Pastor Sam, Mrs. Sharon Gore and family in the death of his brother, Tim Gore, of Conway, SC on October 1, 2024.

From "The Prayer Closest" by Edith Jackson - November 2018 Newsletter:

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way." (NKJV - I Samuel 12:23) As we gear up for the busy season ahead, we must not forget to pray for those we meet "on the road." We have holidays & a time change coming soon. My reminder to me & you is, don't cease to pray as we go "down the road." Keep the main thing!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: Mt. Olivet is collecting boxes for boys & girls ages 2-14. The final day for collection of boxes to the church is Sunday, November 24^{th} when the boxes will be packed after the worship service. A light lunch will be provided before packing boxes.

Here is a link for gift suggestions for various ages: https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/

Items NOT allowed include candy, gum, toothpaste, chocolate, food, drink mixes or juices of any type, vitamins, medicines, lotions, war related toys, breakables, or aerosol cans.

A donation of \$10 is critical to be included with every box to cover shipping & other project costs. Give online through *Follow Your Box* & discover the destination of your shoebox. Here's the link with instructions to print a special label to put on your box that would enable tracking:

https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box/

If you can't shop but would like to donate for this outreach, please make your check payable to Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. If you would like to donate some of the suggested items but not pack a box, there are receptacles available. If you have questions or need a shoebox, call the church office (919)787-1910 or see information in sanctuary.

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The Sunday Akinsola Foundation for Widows & Orphans ministry in Nigeria -

Both locations of Kajola & Ogbomosho had a meeting in October with the teaching emphasis on Psalm 91 to encourage, to mold & shape the widows that they would be strong in the Word & protected from sickness or harm.

The meetings honored the memory of the Reverend Sunday Akinsola on the 15th anniversary of his death. The widows gave testimonies of how God had worked in their lives. There was praise & worship with a special prayer time remembering Mt. Olivet & those that have helped them. They were given cupcakes to take home & an envelope each with a small amount of cash.

There are 30 widows & 6 leaders in Ogbomosho & 50 widows with 11 leaders in Kajola. The widows in Kajola have been fasting & praying for the blessing of the Lord for funds to complete the roof. Abiodun Akinsola said, "we are still trusting God that He will remember us. He has the money for the building, & we are asking Him to bless us."

Construction for the second floor to continue when more funds are received. The estimated amount needed is approximately \$8,000 for the roofing - then next plastering, windows, & finishing both floors inside.

Prayer points from Abiodun:

*For completion of the 2-story Widows Chapel. *A bus needed that would hold about 20 people. *Two canopies each \$550 (in U.S. called tents) to have a crusade at each location (60 people).

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<u>Summer/Fall Inductive Bible Studies</u> continue through November - Hebrews Part 1 (Consider Jesus Your Merciful High Priest) Precept upon Precept Bible study - In these last days, God has spoken to us in His Son. What does He say about Jesus, angels, and our great salvation? Learn about Jesus' superiority to all in this exciting study of Hebrews chapters 1- 4 that enlightens and enlivens Old Testament law and prophecy.

If you have questions, please contact the church office, 919-787-1910.

<u>Save the Dates for Hebrews Parts 2 and 3 Inductive Bible Studies</u>: Watch for details. Mark your calendar for January through March 2025 for Part 2 (Jesus, Our High Priest Forever) and April through May 2025 for Part 3 (Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our Faith).

Congratulations to Pastor Sam & Mrs. Sharon Gore on their 17th anniversary in their service at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. We appreciate the impact your family has had in our lives!