

Attendance Last Week: 8:30am - 144 11:00am - 171 Total - 315

During the worship service a NURSERY is available for children ages 2-3 years in Room 113 and under 2 in Room 104.

During 11:00 service: CHILDREN'S CHURCH for

4 yr olds-Kind. in Room 105 and Grades 1-3 in Room 119.

CLIPBOARDS with packets of crayons and papers are available in baskets at the doors for children to use during the services. Please return to the baskets at the end of the service.

Here's What's Happening!

SUNDAY: ✧Come together to PRAY in Room 114 during 8:30 or 11:00 service.

✧Check out the tables in the Gathering Space today for upcoming opportunities!

✧Following the 11:00 service, there will be a 15-20 minute planning meeting in Room 119 for those interested in helping with painting and/or have ideas about decorating the nursery. If you can't attend, please call Jamie to let her know you would like to help.

✧5:00pm - Unite (College Ministry) meets at the NOCC Center

✧NO Precepts Bible Study

✧6:00-7:30pm - Concert of Prayer at North Oak

✧6:30pm - College Students' Supper at Noman & Elizabeth Williams'.

THIS WEEK: MON 1:00pm - Staff meeting at the Center

7:00pm - Elder meeting at the Center

MON-TUE Jeff will be out of the office

TUE 10:30am - Men's Coffee at Augustine's Bakery, 1305 Main

WED 3:00pm - Heroes For Life (for Kind. thru 5th grades)

3:00-5:00pm - 6th Grade CIA meet in the Youth Center

5:00pm - Deadline for items to be in the bulletin and requests for announcements to be made Sunday.

5:15pm - 6-8th Grade CIA Supper in the Youth Center

6:00-7:30pm - 7-8th Grade CIA meet in the Youth Center

6:30-7:30pm - E2:10 High School Girls' Bible Study

"Discerning the Voice of God" meets in Room 123.

7:00pm - Count Us In prayer time in Room 112.

7:30pm - Lifeguard (high school students) meet in the Youth Center

7:30-9:00pm - Women's Bible Study "Discerning the Voice of God" begins in Room 119. Childcare is not provided.

THU 7:30pm - Overcomers Outreach meets at the Center—A support group for people and their families that have alcohol, drug & food addictions. Childcare is not provided.

SAT 8:00am-8:00pm - 12 hours of Prayer for Spiritual Renewal

NEXT SUNDAY: ▷Come together to PRAY in Room 114 during 8:30 or 11:00 service.

▷1:30-3:30 pm - Precepts Bible Study "Becoming A Friend of the Faithful God" meets in Room 119. Childcare is not provided.

▷5:00pm - Unite (College Ministry) meets at the NOCC Center

▷6:30pm - College Students' Supper at Al & Danene Schreiner.

COMING UP: FEB 3 & 4 - Men's Fraternity begins-see insert for details

FEB 8 - 8:45am - Children's Equipping Team meeting in Room 116
Lifeguard Carnations & Candygrams delivered at services

FEB 21 - 7:00pm Ladies Heart-to-Heart meeting at NOCC

JUNE 8-12 - 9:00-noon Vacation Bible School at North Oak for children completing grades K-6

The Elder On Call for January 24-30 is Ron Gallaway. If you have a need and cannot reach the church office, please call Ron.

READING PROGRAM: The Spiritual Life Team wants to encourage everyone at NOCC to be a consistent reader of God's Word. As a growing part of this church, please read Romans 1-8 this week and discuss with a friend. *Revelation 1:3*

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED WHERE YOU WILL SERVE AT NOCC?

Please consider serving with the Assimilation Team to help connect newcomers with new friends, new activities or new areas of service. For more information, contact Noman and Elizabeth Williams. If you would like an opportunity to serve in this way or others, please fill out the Response Card in the Friendship Book and put in the offering plate today!!

Help us become a church devoted to prayer by coming to the Concert of Prayer tonight, 6:00-7:30pm. We will start with a time of worship, praise and confession as we gather in the sanctuary. Then in small groups, we will make a concerted effort of prayer for the ongoing ministries of our church as we move to designated locations in the building. Specific requests will be shared for each ministry.

COME PRAY WITH US: "Count Us In" ministry team would like to develop a prayer base for/with individuals and families that are personally affected by a disability. Anyone interested, please join us at 7:00pm on Wednesday evenings in the "Count Us In" classroom (Room 112). We will be praying through a passage of scripture together as well as share praises and areas for encouragement!

12 hours of Prayer for Spiritual Renewal: Sign up in the Gathering Space to take part on Saturday, January 31, 8:00am-8:00pm. Sign up for one or more 15 minute segments to pray wherever you are, praying alone, with others in person or on the phone. The guide to help direct the prayer time is included as an insert.

FROM THE CARE COMPASSION TEAM--The person mailing cards for the month of January is Debbie Breeden. If you know of someone who needs a note of encouragement, sympathy or get well, please call her.

Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will be studying "Discerning the Voice of God" by Priscilla Shirer starting January 28 from 7:30-9:00pm in Room 119. Sign up in the Gathering Space today. For more information, contact Joan Crull or JoLeen Cunningham. Childcare will not be provided.

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study will be studying "Stepping Up: A Journey through the Psalms" by Beth Moore starting February 19 from 9:00-11:00am in Room 119. Sign up in the Gathering Space today. For more information, contact Evie Wiker or Normadine Noone. Childcare will be provided.

Ladies, plan on coming to Heart-to-Heart on Saturday, February 21, at 7:00pm at NOCC. More information to come!! If you need childcare, please call Jesica Neher by February 20.

Vacation Bible School for children completing grades K-6 will be June 8-12 from 9:00am-noon at North Oak. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact Patty McCullick.

The NOCC family is invited to help celebrate the birthdays of:
Icis Eisenhour celebrating her 90th at an Open House on Saturday, January 31, from 2:00-4:00pm at the Rush County Nursing Home. Cards may be sent to *Icis* at Rush County Nursing Home; 701 W. 6th St.; LaCrosse, KS 67548
AND
Eunice North celebrating her 85th at an Open House on Sunday, February 1, from 1:30-3:30pm at the McCracken City Building. Cards may be sent to *Eunice* at RR 1 - Box 23; McCracken, KS 67556

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will begin its 2009 Spring rehearsal schedule February 22 at Hesston College Mennonite Church at 3:00pm. The chorus has been singing for 40 years, "That others may live," with all proceeds going to MCC. All interested men should contact Darrell Blosser. It would be great to have a car full go from Hays.

It's time for Tabor College's Church Spirit Night! Enjoy TC basketball action versus Kansas Wesleyan University on **Saturday, January 31**. Admission is **FREE** when you sign in at the door. The men's junior varsity game tips off at 3:00 p.m., and the action continues with the women's varsity at 5:00 p.m., and the men's varsity at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served in the Tabor Cafeteria following the last game. Questions? Please call or e-mail the Tabor College Alumni Office at 620-947-3121 ext 1708 or alumni@tabor.edu. Donations to help defray the costs will be greatly appreciated.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Week of January 25-31, 2009

Email your request for the PRAYER MINISTRY INFORMATION To nocc@northoak.net.

UPCOMING NOCC EVENTS

LIFEGUARD CARNATION DAY FOR FRIENDS AT NORTH OAK! February 8 has been declared *Lifeguard Carnation Day*--that's the day that flowers and candygrams will be delivered during the morning worship services! Lifeguard is raising money for their summer Mission Trip. They will be accepting orders (and payment) for carnations and candygrams in the Gathering Space this morning and the next two Sundays. **Read the enclosed card carefully for information on this program!!** This is a great way to recognize those within our congregation while you help out our Lifeguard.

LIFEGUARD NEEDS YOUR HELP WITH THE FOLLOWING:
❖**VASES** are needed for Carnation Sunday. If you have ones you would like to donate, please put in the box in the Youth Center by February 1.
❖**WEDDING PHOTOS:** Please bring a wedding picture of just the two of you to the Lifeguard Carnation table by February 1. Be sure to put your wedding date and name on the back, so we can return it to you. If you have given us one before, we still have a copy on the PowerPoint and do not need it again.

BEAUTIFUL UNIQUE GIRL EVENT
February 23 & 24 at 5:00-9:00pm

This is an encouraging event for to Middle School and High School young ladies. The high school night is February 23 and the middle school night is February 24. The cost is \$35 per girl which includes supper, smoothie, concert, speaker, nails, and a gift. Invite all your friends. We want every girl possible to come one of these two nights, so please don't let the cost keep you from coming. We will have scholarship money available. If you have any questions, please call the youth office at 628-8887. Stop by the table in the Gathering Space today and register!

HELP WITH MEALS: The Youth Ministry needs your help with meals on Wednesday evenings during this Spring semester. We serve a meal to about 40 middle school students and workers. We will work with you if you can make the meal; but can't be there to serve, although we encourage you to stay and interact with the students. **If you would like to provide a meal or part of a meal, please sign up at the youth table in the Gathering Space or contact Jesica Neher.** Thanks for supporting our youth ministry and our students.

February Ministry Schedules are in your NOCC mailboxes.

NORTH OAK COMMUNITY CHURCH January 25, 2009
8:30 and 11:00am

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” ~Matthew 6:33

Welcome to North Oak! Thank you for choosing to worship with us this morning. Please take a moment to sign and pass the red Friendship Folder located in each row. All guests are invited to complete the right-hand column of the form.

Prelude Worship Team
 “My Redeemer Lives” Congregation
 “Now That You’re Near”
 “Indescribable”
 “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”
 “It is You (We Adore)”

Communion Congregation
 We practice open communion and invite all those who have accepted Christ as Savior to participate as the Lord leads. In preparation for the fellowship of the Lord's Supper, all believers examine themselves. All who confess Jesus Christ as Lord in word and life, are accountable to their congregation, and are living in right relationship with God and others, are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper.

Prayer Elder: Ron Gallaway

Offertory Worship Team
 (11:00 service dismiss to Children's Church: 4 yr olds-Kind. in Room 105
 Grades 1-3 in Room 119.)

Bible Message Pastor Ken
 “God-Focused Praying”
 Matthew 6:31-33 (Pew Bible page 685)

*“I Give You My Heart” Congregation

Postlude
 Worship Team: Joni Blosser, Keyboard; Rick Blosser, Drummer;
 Spencer Greathouse, Guitarist;
 Bryan Noone, Micayla Greathouse, Natalie Webb,
 Conner Blosser, Aaron Cunningham, Vocalists.
 Prayer Counselors: 1st Service – Ron & Gail Gallaway
 2nd Service – Will Fadenrecht & Corina Beam

Today's service is available on cassette or CD for \$1.00 each. Call the church office to order.
 The message only can also be heard after Tuesday on the website at www.northoak.net.

Following the 8:30 service, you are invited to get a cup of coffee or juice in the Gathering Space and proceed to your Sunday School class.

~~All Sunday School classes meet from 9:50-10:50am~~

Adult Education Classes	
Count Us In (Special Needs Adults)	Room 112
New to NOCC	Room 114
Soul Care 101: “Lord, Teach Me to Pray in 28 Days”	Room 119
The Found Sheep: “What is the real Gospel...?”	Room 121
Seekers: “That the World May Know”	Room 123
Youth Education Classes	
2 & 3 year olds	Room 113
4 year olds – Kindergarten	Room 105
1st & 2nd Grades	Room 111
3rd Grade	Room 103
4th & 5th Grades	Room 116
Middle School	Room 117
High School	Room 136

MY NEXT STEPS...

We would like to keep military personnel and their families in our prayers:
 Let the church office know of any NOCC family with deployed family members.

1. Refuse to be engrossed in our own concerns. (v. 31-32)

2. Seek first the concerns of God. (v.33)

3. What we seek first is a matter of which master we choose to serve. (v. 24)

PRAYER VIGIL
“12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL”
 Saturday, January 31, 8 am to 8 pm
Prayer Guide

Everyone in the church is urged to pray specifically for personal and church revival. If you signed up to pray, you are part of a group committed to pray throughout the 12 hours. Stop to pray wherever you are during your designated time. If you didn't sign up, please join in prayer anytime when you can and pray.

The focus of prayer is for spiritual renewal or revival. Revival is a time of restoration, a turning back to God, a time of refreshing and a time of reawakening. It is a time of renewing our relationship with God. It calls for confession, repentance and intercession. Our prayers are to be first for a personal spiritual renewal and then that it will lead to a spiritual renewal in our church.

Revival comes from God. Therefore believers must seek God with faith and with His Word. So use your Bible as you pray and be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leadership. Remember to start with yourself, asking God to do these things in your life and then pray for it to happen in our church.

Suggested Scriptures to read: Psalm 51, II Chronicles 7:14 and Revelation 2-3.

START WITH RENEWING OUR VISION OF GOD...

- praise God for His holiness, His power and His love and interest in our lives
- thank God that through Jesus Christ we can come in to a close relationship with Him

GO ON TO A TIME OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE...

In 1 John 5:21, the apostle John warns believers to keep themselves from idols. An idol is anything or anybody that we love more than God. If we are going to experience revival, our idols must be put away (1 Samuel 7:3). In order to return to the Lord and experience revival, we must deal with those things that receive a greater priority in our lives than our relationship to God. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal any idols in our lives.

- “Holy God cause us to acknowledge our transgressions and to see that our sins are ever before You.” (Psalm 51:3)
- “Almighty God create in us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us.” (Psalm 51:1)

USE REVELATION 2-3 AS A PRAYER MODEL FOR INTERCESSION...*

By praying through these chapters, you can plead with God to bring revival and change to your church. The following are suggested prayer requests that you can pray concerning revival in your church:

- (1) Pray that God will give the believers a fresh vision of the Lord Jesus Christ (1:12-18).
- (2) Plead that God will enable believers to return to Jesus Christ as their first love, their top priority (2:1-7).
- (3) Ask that believers will commit themselves to be faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ no matter what their circumstances are (2:8-11).
- (4) Call on God to convict believers about the evil of tolerating sin and false doctrine in the midst of the church (2:12-17).
- (5) Plead with God to deal with immorality in the church (2:18-29). Ask God to strengthen the marriages in your church and to strengthen the singles to live a life of sexual purity. Plead that your church will be an example of marital faithfulness and sexual purity to the lost world around you.
- (6) Pray that God will convict the believers of your church of simply going through the motions (3:1-7). Pray that God would create in believers a desire to pursue holiness and obedience rather than being content with the appearance of spiritual life and vitality.
- (7) Pray that God will mold the church into a body that He can powerfully use (3:7-13). Plead that God would deal with any hindrances that are keeping your church from providing a powerful witness and ministry to the world.
- (8) Plead that God would destroy a self-sufficient, proud spirit from the believers who make up the church (3:14-22).

*“Father, this church bears Your name. We are Your representatives in this world. We have dishonored You and Your name through our indifference, unconcern, and lack of holiness. How can You bear allowing us to continue as we are? Have mercy on us, O God! Grant revival to us that we might live lives worthy for Your name's sake.” (2 Corinthians 5:20)**

*Adapted from “The Prayer Closet Ministries, Inc.” Dr. Kevin Meador