

# Oak Ridge Family News



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## October Quiz

### All Answers Begin with 'O'

[answers on page 4]



- 1 Ruth's sister-in-law \_\_\_\_\_ (Ruth 1, 14)
- 2 A runaway slave Paul befriended \_\_\_\_\_ (Philemon 10)
- 3 The son of Ruth and Boaz \_\_\_\_\_ (Ruth 4:17)
- 4 A title for Jesus, the last letter of the Greek alphabet \_\_\_\_\_ (Revelation 21:6)
- 5 A precious stone; part of the priestly garments \_\_\_\_\_ (Exodus 28:6-10)
- 6 Prudent virgins awaited a bridegroom with \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 25:4)
- 7 A place where Jesus often went to pray \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 26:30)
- 8 Two sisters representing Samaria and Jerusalem in a prophecy: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Ezekiel: 23: 2-4)
- 9 A righteous man who saved 100 prophets from Ahab \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Kings 18:3-4)
- 10 Mary anointed Jesus's feet with \_\_\_\_\_ (John 11:2)
- 11 "You shall not muzzle the \_\_\_\_\_ while he is threshing." Deuteronomy 25:4
- 12 " \_\_\_\_\_ nothing to anyone except to love one another..." (Romans 13:8)
- 13 Jesus became "A stone of stumbling and a rock of \_\_\_\_\_" (1 Peter: 2:8)
- 14 " \_\_\_\_\_ give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples" (Psalm 105:1)

## A Note from the Pastor...

There are several online articles that I read each week. Chuck Lawless is a professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Often, what he writes gives voice to the thoughts that are running through my mind. I wanted to share the eight reasons he states that we ought to ask God to show us a glimpse of His glory.

1. We'll read the Word with more expectancy. We'll go to the Scriptures wanting to know God and His ways better. We'll want to see His hand.
2. We won't get distracted and discouraged by the tough times of ministry. When we're seeing only the troubles, we might well miss little things God is doing around us. We need to watch for them every day.
3. Especially in these chaotic days, we need reminders of hope. We've been consumed with day-to-day changes during COVID, and it's been exhausting. Just a glimpse or two of God's glory can revive our tired spirits.
4. We'll approach the day differently if we start out watching for even the "little" things God's doing. We won't start the day with a negative heart; we'll instead start it with a hopeful one.
5. We'll deal better with the hard moments of the day. Rather than grow hardened by these moments, we'll begin to ask, "What might God be doing in this difficult situation?" He might show us His glory in unexpected ways.
6. We will less readily give in to temptation. When we're always watching for glimpses of God's glory, the temporary pleasure of sin loses its power.
7. We'll pray more in gratitude. In fact, responding to God with thanksgiving when He graciously makes Himself known to us is only right.

My prayer is that Oak Ridge Baptist Church would seek to see God's glory and be a conduit to display His Glory.



Men look for wisdom and power, but God seeks out the foolish and the weak. 1 Corinthians speaks of the wisdom and power of Christ; it also declares that God chooses foolish and the weak. The Greeks look for wisdom and the Jews seek for miracles which demonstrate power. But God sets aside man's wisdom and power. For where there is human wisdom, there is also fleshly power. Human wisdom and power can only be effective in human affairs. If they are used in God's work they will destroy it for God's work tolerates no human alloy, this is what the Scripture refers to as leaven. God is not glorified by the religious schemes and wisdom of modern (or ancient) man no matter how good they appear to be in the eyes of the world.

God will only use the might and power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish His work. And this might and power is manifested through the foolish and the weak. Unless we are brought by God to forsake in a practical way our own wisdom and power and become as the foolish and the weak before Him, we cannot be used by Him. Paul recognized this fact when he said these things, which he formerly highly prided himself in, were as rubbish to him in his service to God.

Note: If anyone has a camera and would like to take some photos for the newsletter please feel free to send them along with any captions you would like to see included with them.





**October 2020**

*James 5:14-15*



**LOVE NOT THE WORLD October 2020**

*~Watchman Nee~*

**Mourning and Sick**

**Week of 9/27**

Hurricane Victims  
Fire Victims  
All First Responders  
Valentin, Kristina  
Brumfield, Kevin

**Week of 9/20**

Turner, Wanda  
Phillips, R., M., & L  
Buck Jones Family  
Robbie-Job  
Vinyard, Margie  
Bolander Sharron

**Week of 9/13**

Wilson, Andy  
Sweeney, Dan  
Scott, Gene, Sandra  
Outfitter Church Ann.  
White, Bob  
Smallwood, Allie  
Fitts, Kendal

**Church Family 9/30/2020**

Barnes, Betty	Crocker, Billy	Murphy, Billy
Baugh, Barbara	Crook, Audrey	Rogers, Enoice
Binkley, Jo & Bill	Green, Deane	Stone, Jeanette
Brock, Randy	Long, Marge	VanWinkle, Donna
Brown, Chet & Jewel	McCann, Robert	Wommack, Ruthie

**Homebound**

Madeline Lawings	Bill Carr	*BJ Smith*
Bill Binkley	Pansy Ham	Doris & Garland Baugh

**Cancer and Long Term**

Alford, Katy	Fitzpatrick, Susan	Packer, Courtney
Bailey, Lori	Gill, Lisa	Pittman, Mickey
Baker, Sue	Granderson, Steve	Presley, Laura
Brown, Mike	Holmes, Don	Rodriguez, Luz
Byrum, Julia	Horne, Betty Jean	Simpson, Gary
Cambron, Vance	Huddleston, Mary	Spencer, Pat
Capps, Calvin	Jester, Matthew	Tankersley, James
Capps, Morris	Jones, Roy	Taylor, Melissa
Carrisoza, Patty Lou	Jordan, Nancy	van Dalen, Dirk
Clements, Cora	Keith, Cledia	van Dalen, Karen
Cook, James	Long, Rosie	Voss, Benny
Cook, Janice	Martin, Barbara	Voss, Donald
Cookman, Doranne	Matlock, Max	Voss, Helen
Crocker, Luna	McCrary, Sandy	Walker, Judy
Davis, Nathan	McDermott, Linda	Weatherly, Taylor
Day, Ronnie	Messick, Jamie	Wilkerson, Kevin
Delees, Ava	Mize, Jo Ann	Williams, Steven
Dodson, Shane	Moonyham, Lucille	York, Monte
Estridge, Johnny		

**The Spiritual Life by Andrew Murray (1828 – 1917)**

**The Fruit of the Spirit is Love**

[http://www.archive.org/download/spirituallife\\_cs\\_librivox/spiritual\\_life\\_05\\_murray.mp3](http://www.archive.org/download/spirituallife_cs_librivox/spiritual_life_05_murray.mp3)

Here are a couple of choirs representing a portion of the universal church who showing forth the Light of the Gospel even in some of the and most spiritually barren places around the world.

**I Was Made to Live for You** [English]

<https://youtu.be/a7p-ICkFxIM>

**Doar in Cristos** [Romanian]  
**In Christ Alone**

<https://youtu.be/u4jV2qT7548>

**This choir, Ekklesia Arad, is from Greece.**

**Da, eu cred in numele lui Isus** [Greek]

**Yes, I Believe in Jesus**

<https://youtu.be/pj3w2DRw7gY>

**The blood of Jesus never cleansed and excuse.** ~ Corrie Ten Boom

Of Jesus' presence in the world it is written that "the darkness overcame it not" (John 1:5 margin). Nowhere in Scripture does it tell us of sin that we are to "overcome" it, but it distinctly says we are to overcome the world. In relation to sin God's word speaks only of deliverance; it is in relation to the world that it speaks of victory.

We need deliverance from sin, because God never intended we should have any touch with it; but we do not need, nor should we seek, deliverance from the world, for it is in the purpose of God that we touch it. We are not delivered out of the world, but being born from above, we have victory over it. And we have that victory in the same sense, and with the same unflinching certainty, that light overcame darkness.

"This is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith. And who is he that overcomes the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?" (1 John 5:4, 5). The key to victory is always our faith relationship with the victorious Son. "Be of good cheer," he said. "I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Only Jesus could make such a claim; and he could do so because he could earlier affirm: "The prince of the world ... hath nothing in me" (John 14:30). It was the first time that anyone on earth had said such a thing. He said it, and he overcame. And through his overcoming the prince of the world was cast out and Jesus began to draw men to himself.

And because he said it, we now dare say it too. Because of my new birth, because "whatsoever is begotten of God overcomes the world," I can be in the same world as my Lord was in, and in the same sense as he was I can be utterly apart from it, a lamp set on a lamp stand, giving light to all who enter the house. "As he is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17). The Church glorifies God, not by getting out of the world but by radiating his light in it. Heaven is not the place to glorify God; it will be the place to praise him. The place to glorify him is here.

We have seen the Church as a thorn in Satan's side, causing him acute discomfort and reducing his freedom of movement. Though in the world, the Church not only refuses to aid in the world's construction but persists in pronouncing judgment upon it. But if this is true, if the Church is always a source of irritation to the world, then equally the world is a source of constant grief to the Church. And because the world is always developing, its power to distress God's people is ever expanding; in fact the Church has to meet a force in the world today with which in the early days she was not confronted at all. Then the children of God met open persecution in the shape of outward physical assault upon their persons (Acts 12; 2 Corinthians 11). They were always coming into collision with material, tangible things. Now the chief trouble they meet in the world is more subtle, an intangible force behind its material things, that is not holy but spiritually evil. The impact of that spiritual force today is far greater than it was then. And not only is it greater, there is an element present now that was not there formerly.

In Revelation 9 we read of a development which, to the author of that book, lay far in the future. "The fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven fallen unto the earth: and there was given to him the key of the pit of the abyss. And he opened the pit of the abyss; and there went up a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace.... And out of the smoke came forth locusts upon the earth; and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power. And it was said unto them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree, but only such men as have not the seal of God on their foreheads" (verses 1-4). This is figurative language, but the star falling from heaven obviously refers to Satan, and we know that the bottomless pit is his domain his storehouse, we might say. Thus it appears that the end time is to be marked by a special release of his forces, and men will find themselves up against a spiritual power with which they had not before to contend.

Surely this accords with conditions in our day. While it is true that sin and violence will be greater than ever at the close of this age, it is apparent from God's Word that it is not specifically these with which the Church will have to grapple then, but with the spiritual appeal of far more everyday things. "As it came to pass in the days of Noah, even so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. Likewise even as it came to pass in the days of Lot; they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; but in the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all" (Luke 17:26,29). The point being made here by Jesus is not that these things—food, marriage, trade, agriculture, engineering—were outstanding characteristics of Lot's and Noah's day, but that they will in a special way characterize the last days. "After the same manner shall it be in the day that the Son of man is revealed" (verse 30): that is the point. For these things are not inherently sinful; they are simply things of the world. Have you ever in all your days paid such attention to the good life as now? Food and raiment are becoming the special burden of God's children today. What shall we eat? What shall we drink? Wherewithal shall we be clothed? For many these are almost the sole topics of conversation. There is a power that forces you to consider these matters; your very existence demands that you pay attention to them.

And yet Scripture warns us that "the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness" and so on. It bids us first of all seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and assures us that as we do so, all these things will be added to us. It bids us be carefree regarding matters of food and clothing, for if God cares for the flowers of the field and the birds of the air, will he not much rather care for us, his own? Yet to judge by our anxieties it would almost seem that they are cared for, but not we! [\[to be continued November 2020\]](#)

# October 2020

*Oak Ridge Baptist Church*

A=Anniversary

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
				1 A-Jim & Marge Long	2	3 Ricky McDermott
4 Sunday Evening Services Resume 6 pm	5	6	7	8	9 Pansy Ham Sean Holmes	10
11 Business Meeting 6 pm A-Wesley & Linda Welsh	12	13 Billy Crocker Ricki Hodges	14	15	16	17 George & Jeanie Lindsey
18 Kim Ramos Tina Crocker	19	20 A-Jerry & Deane Green	21 Millie Holmes	22 Billie Bloyed Tom Dupont	23	24
25	26	27 Jo Binkley	28	29	30	31

## October 2020 Nursery Volunteers


 Sun. Oct. 4 and Wed. Oct. 7 ~ Lois Shaddix  
 Sun. Oct. 11 and Wed. Oct. 14 ~ Gayle Pittman  
 Sun. Oct. 18 and Wed. Oct. 21 ~ Barbara Huddlestone  

 Sun. Oct. 25 and Wed. Oct. 25 and Wed. Oct. 28 ~ Betty Dupont

Volunteers—Please check with Judy Smallwood before Sunday School and Church to see if you will be needed. Volunteers are also asked to check in with Judy on Wednesday nights to see if you will be needed then as well.

## Politics

“Trying to mix Christianity with a political party is like mixing ice cream with horse manure.” Shane Claiborne likes to say. “It might not harm the manure, but it sure messes up the ice cream.”~  
*Plough Magazine*

God has spoken. God has acted. The record and interpretation of these divine words and deeds is to be found in the Bible. And there for many people they remain. As far as they are concerned, what God has said and done belongs to past history; it has not yet come out of history into experience, out of the Bible into life. God has spoken; but have we listened to his word? God has acted; but have we benefited from what he has done?

## Francis Chan

Francis Chan is an American preacher. He is the former teaching pastor of Cornerstone Community Church in Simi Valley, CA, a church he and his wife started in 1994. He is also the Founder and Chancellor of Eternity Bible College and author of the best-selling book, *Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God*, which came out in 2009. He released his second book *Forgotten God: Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit* in August 2009. His other works include *Erasing Hell* in 2011, *Multiply: Disciples Making Disciples* in 2012, and the Basic Series by Francis Chan, a DVD series started in 2010. He also sits on the board of directors of Children’s Hunger Fund and World Impact.

Currently, Francis is working to start a church planting movement in the inner city of San Francisco called: We Are Church. He is also working to launch a nationwide discipleship movement. Francis now lives in Northern California with his wife, Lisa, and their five children.

## Experiencing the Presence of God’s Spirit

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# October 2020 Library Lines

~Susan Loffer~

Fall and cooler weather are here, and it won't be long until we see leaves begin their annual show. I hope we'll have lots of colorful trees, after we've had such a wet summer. And I hope you will come in to browse the library and find a good book to snuggle up with on rainy, cool days. New for this month:

## NON-FICTION

Finding Your Plot in a Plotless World by Daniel de Roulet. When life doesn't turn out like you planned, where do you go for direction? This book tells us to share our stories "with hope that God reveals himself through our messy lives."

Let's Get to Know Each Other by Dr. Tony Evans. We hear a lot about racial injustice and reconciliation. Perhaps there are things we need to know and understand about our black Christian brothers and sisters, and this book helps to shed light on some of the issues.

Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World by Joanna Weaver. We always seem to be busy—even during the current pandemic!—but we need to learn to slow down and focus on what is most important.

## FICTION

Beloved Hope by Tracie Peterson. After surviving a massacre, Hope tries to rebuild her life. Series: Heart of the Frontier, #2.

Sold on a Monday, by Kristina McMorris. You might think slaves—but you would be wrong. This is a story of 1931, set during the Depression, when desperate parents might even seek to sell their children.

# Oak Ridge History

## February 10, 1954

The Oakridge Baptist Church met in monthly conference and elected Bro. Will Harty to moderate. Minutes was read and approved, also Treasurer's report adopted. Bro. Leonard Duncan made move to call Bro. Hoyett Lemmon as pastor. Bro. Norris Floyd second the move and church voted 36 assenting and 6 desenting. Mrs. Naomi Anthony was elected Association T.U. Director. The church voted that all who could attend the Study Course in Hughes Springs the following week. The church voted to pay for the paper and a rug for the Young People's S.S. room if they would do the work. No other business, conference adjourned.

## March 10, 1951

The Oakridge Baptist Church convened in monthly conference. Minutes was read and approved and Treasurer's report adopted. Thurman Wommack ask permission for Mary Wommack to decorate the Beginners S.S. room, Claudine Loffer ask to redo the Primary S.S. room and Thelma Holt stated the Jr. girls would furnish materials if somebody else would redecorate their room. The church voted to redecorate all the S.S. rooms; also, to write a letter of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Albright for their gift for the purpose of redecorating T.E.L. and Gleaners S.S. rooms. The church voted that they did not wish to enter into the simultaneous revival - March 29. Date for VBS was set for June 14th - 18th and we would ask for two state workers to help. Pastor announced the beginning of a new Young Couples S.S. class to meet in the former Pastor Study; also a nursery in a bed room at the Parsonage. The standing building committee was ask to continue to function and to consider more Sunday School rooms and two rest rooms. The Deacons recommended that the church chose two new deacons. The church voted to buy 150 new hymnals "Songs of Old Time Faith". The church voted to invite Bro. Teshenfeld for our revival with approximate date July 14 to 25th. No other business, conference adjourned.

## April 7, 1954

The Oakridge Baptist Church convened in monthly conference. Minutes and Treasurer's report were read and approved. The church voted to use the Building Fund for the suggested additional building (2 rest rooms and 2 Sunday School rooms.) Also agreed that each S.S. teacher be responsible for selection of paper in his or her room and the church will pay for redecorating. Also the church voted to pay for necessary literature for the W.M.U. work which has recently organized. No other business, conference adjourned.

## May 5, 1954

The Oakridge Baptist Church met in monthly conference. Minutes was read and approved and Treasurer's report adopted. The church voted to buy a new lawn mower and appointed Thurman Wommack to make the purchase. The church accepted the recommendation to ordain as deacons. Bro. T. E. Wommack and Bro. Royce Shaddix. Bro. Lemmon stated that he had written to our music Dept. in Dallas in regard to getting workers for a music school. Also, Bro. Lemmon announced that Bro. Feshenfeld would be here for revival at the date we schedule and that we do not have a song leader yet. No other business conference adjourned.

## June 9, 1954

The Oakridge Baptist Church met in regular conference. Minutes was read and approved and Treasurer's report adopted. The Building Committee reported that our two new rooms with some repair expense was going to cost approximately \$3,000.00 (three thousand). Bro. Lemmon announced that two leaders for music school would be here this Saturday ready for work the following Monday. It was voted satisfactory for Bro. Feshenfeld to come on July 9th and Bro. Lemmon preach the Wednesday and Thursday nights before. The church also voted for Bro. Feshenfeld to bring his singer for the revival. Church agreed the entire building needed repainting so the committee was authorized to hire Mr. Clyde Floyd to do the job for \$100.00. Letter was granted for Corine Proffer. No other business, conference adjourned.

Bro. Hoyett Lemmon (Moderator)  
Mrs. Tom Smith (Clk)

## Read the Bible in a Year

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his Bible reading plan will take you through the entire bible in one year

Oct 1: Luke 1; John 1:1-14  
 Oct 2: Matt 1; Luke 2:1-38  
 Oct 3: Matt 2; Luke 2:39-52  
 Oct 4: Matt 3; Mark 1; Luke 3  
 Oct 5: Matt 4; Luke 4-5; John 1:15-51  
 Oct 6: John 2-4  
 Oct 7: Mark 2  
 Oct 8: John 5  
 Oct 9: Matt 12:1-21; Mark 3; Luke 6  
 Oct 10: Matt 5-7  
 Oct 11: Matt 8:1-13; Luke 7  
 Oct 12: Matt 11  
 Oct 13: Matt 12:22-50; Luke 11  
 Oct 14: Matt 13; Luke 8  
 Oct 15: Matt 8:14-34; Mark 4-5  
 Oct 16: Matt 9-10  
 Oct 17: Matt 14; Mark 6; Luke 9:1-17  
 Oct 18: John 6  
 Oct 19: Matt 15; Mark 7  
 Oct 20: Matt 16; Mark 8; Luke 9:18-27  
 Oct 21: Matt 17; Mark 9; Luke 9:28-62  
 Oct 22: Matt 18  
 Oct 23: John 7-8  
 Oct 24: John 9:1-10:21  
 Oct 25: Luke 10-11; John 10:22-42  
 Oct 26: Luke 12-13  
 Oct 27: Luke 14-15  
 Oct 28: Luke 16-17:10  
 Oct 29: John 11  
 Oct 30: Luke 17:11-18:14  
 Oct 31: Matt 19; Mark 10

### Answers to October Bible Quiz 'O'

- 1 Orpah
- 2 Onesimus
- 3 Obed
- 4 Omega
- 5 onyx
- 6 oil
- 7 Mount of Olives
- 8 Oholah, Oholibamah
- 9 Obadiah
- 10 ointment
- 11 ox
- 12 owe
- 13 Offense
- 14 Oh

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