

# Good News Gazette

Newsletter of Open Door Community Church



Ron Thayer, Pastor

ODCC now meeting at Falmouth Elementary School located at Forbes St. & Manning Dr.

### Service Times

Sunday School  
10:00 - 10:45am  
Worship Service  
11:00AM  
Church Tel:  
540-899-3033

## Vacation Bible School

### A Fun and Holy Spirit Filled Week - 8 Young lives saved!

Open Door Community Church held its very first Vacation Bible School August 7 through August 11. The average attendance was 26 young boys and girls from all ages. The excitement actually began on Sunday on August 6 when the Pastors friend Rev Billy Bob surprised everyone



Brother Billy Bob

with a visit from West VA. And Brother Billy Bob brought his twin brother from another mother along with him to lead the music. Brother Billy Bob stayed all week with children and even told the daily Bible Story. Thank you Rev Billy Bob. Come back when you can't stay so long.

Each night began with a group of workers preparing the classrooms to receive the children and each of the teachers so

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### J.C's Project performs for Open Door Community Church

The Open Door Community Church members were treated to a live music performance from its own J.C's Project. This is, so far, a three piece ensemble consisting of Herta Bellefluer on vocals and guitar, Tom Neal on vocals and guitar and, Dev Tulloss on lead guitar. The band played

original songs written by Tom which included On Angels Wings, a rendition of Bob Dylan's classic Knockin on Heavens Door (Jesus'd up as Tom puts it!), Hear Me Lord, and A Man Called Jesus. They also performed some other peices like Open the Eyes of My

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## The Heart of Pastor Ron



On Monday, August 28, our Pastor and brother in Christ, Ron Thayer, underwent a heart stint procedure to help clear some blockage in his heart. He had been experiencing some chest pains earlier in the week. By

God's healing hands, the doctors performed the procedure in record time. In less than 40 minutes, (a procedure of this type usually takes 1 to 2 hours), Ron was relieved of his pain. This is due to the great work by the physicians, but also because of God's great mercy. During the Sunday service prior to his visit to Fairfax Inova Hospital, Ron and Dee received prayers and the laying of hands from the congregation. This is a classic example of God's goodness pouring out because of faithful prayer. Ron is now back on duty and full of the Holy Spirit. Thanks be to God and all praise to Him!

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Heart (Herta-style!) and Lion of Judah.

This may be a small band now, but they are hopeful to expand soon. Anyone interested in playing or singing may contact Tim Reffner or Tom Neal.



JC's Project: (l-r) Herta, Dev, and Tom

Also, visit J.C.'s Project Website at: [www.jcsproject.com](http://www.jcsproject.com) The website has some live recordings you can download and listen to how God is blessing them.

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dedicated and so well prepared. Each evening started with prayer and praise and a word from Rev Billy Bob. All that took place in the main barn and then children were rustled up sent on the farm to learn about God. Growing with God on the Farm.



During the week the children learned about the fruits of the Spirit and how to live life

walking with Jesus. Many of the children said that the song of the week "I Am A Kings Kid" was the favorite.

Through out the entire evening farm animals could be heard everywhere. And of course the children did compete with one another, girls rule, and boys, well they are boys. It had to do with offering to the Lord all the change they could find it would be put in a

bucket on a scale girls in one bucket boys the other bucket. The boys worked hard only to fall short; the girls won the week long contest. Each child feeling the sense of excitement and joy as they gave to the Lord.

Finally, the most important part of the entire VBS was when it was determined that 8 little hands who had never prayed to Jesus before raised their hands. Growing with God on the Farm was a great success. The workers were many and how difficult it would

be to mention each one. God knows who you are and you will be forever blessed for working and taking care of children that entire week. But one group



did stand out, the Open Door Community Church youth group directed by Tim and Pam Reffner lead

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# Prayer Requests

## Mid-Week Services

In-Home Prayer Meetings & Bible Studies now taking place. A day and place of your choice. Find one close to You!

**Mondays 7pm:**

Drury residence  
36 Mason Dr  
Stafford, VA 22554  
540-657-6975

[awesome.one@verizon.net](mailto:awesome.one@verizon.net)

**Tuesdays 7pm:**

Krieter residence  
580 Caisson Road  
Falmouth, VA. 22405  
540-379-5413  
[tokla@cox.net](mailto:tokla@cox.net)

**Wednesdays 7pm:**

Neal residence  
14165 Relay Court  
Dale City, VA 22193  
703-878-4939

[lelonlela@comcast.net](mailto:lelonlela@comcast.net)

Also! Meet with Pastor Ron from 9am to 10am, and each Tuesday for a special time of fellowship, prayer and devotion at Perkins on Warrenton Rd and I-95.

## ODCC Apparel

Orders are now being accepted. Standard polo shirts with ODCC logo embroidered on the front. You may go to Hometown Threads located in the WalMart in Central Park and chose from a wide variety of shirts and caps. You may also take in your own and have it embroidered Tell them you want the Open Door Community Church logo. Please allow 5-7 days. Contact Wes Melson for more information.

Theresa Embrey - Pray God provide healing a touch from heaven.

STAFFORD RESCUE SQUAD  
Tim Korbus MWH very critical

Brother Mike Shifflett MWH  
room 5056

Gordon and Kristy Wills - Medical

Pastor Bob Melvin went home to be with the Lord

Ed Horstkamp - cancer

ODCC is desperately in need of a touch from Gods hand on what is next for Open Door Community Church

THE TATE FAMILY Cousin Josh a Corporal in the Marine Corps deployed to Iraq

Beverly Carr recovering from a fall with fractures in her neck and broken ribs.

Karla was in a fatal car accidient.

Bob Trott US Marine in Hawaii (Medical)

Jincy and Dan Bowman

Tim Reffner - lower stomach pain

Cynthia Wiggins - Health Issues

Chet Martin - Medical

Niel Hannock - spiritual and physical recovery.

Mike Bigelow - Medical

Cpl Billy Webber, USMC Sept 5 2006 deployed to Iraq.

Tanya

Patti Payne

Lamara - deployed to Iraq

Barry Parker - Medical

Dee Thayer - Medical

Michael Kirkland - Medical

The Johnson family, TC, Kimmie, Thomas and Domonique looking for a new home to rent and have a fresh start.

Kevin Otts - Leukemia

Pastors and Deacons

Evelyn Baudrea - Kidney failre

Pam Cole - Spiritual

Joey Mastin - prostate cancer.

Deanna - New Leg

Ed Neal - Spiritual health

John Mullins - Medical healing.

Harry Taylor - serious health conditions

ODCC \_ Church Needs. Sunday School Teachers, Nursery Workers Jr. Church Leaders, Portable Church Set up and break-down teams, singers and musicians and outreach ministry workers.

Jenny Brooks - Medical

Paul Pruitt - Spiritual

Betty Hodge - Medical

Janice McCoy - Medical

Grace Oughton - Cancer

Todd and Joyce Dantonio

Howard Jacobs - Cancer & spiritual Prayers

Phylis Jacobs - Strength for care of husband

Kathy Pope - Breast cancer and lung cancer

ODCC FAMILY - Our Military Troops

## ODCC Blessed with Special Music

ODCC had a few visitors who blessed the church with music over the last few months. Sullivan Family & 3 for Him performed in June with some bluegrass gospel music. In July we were blessed with a visit from Cathy Shamy and Debbie Burton with a blessing from their beautiful vocals. In August we received Liz and Amanda Horn who brought their musical talents with flute and piano. Also in August we also had Cathy Hansen who captured us all with her beautiful voice. Thank you all for blessing Open Door Community Church.

# ODCC Remembers 9-11-01

Open Door Community Church dedicated a service on September 10, 2006 to mark the 5th year since the tragedies that took place on September 11, 2001.

Pastor Ron delivered a message of his recollections of that day as he was dressed out in Stafford County Sheriff's dress uniform. Ron cited the disbelief, as many of us did, when reports of the first



plane struck the World Trade Center Tower. But moments later, when the second plane hit the next tower and the plane that hit the Pentagon, we all knew it was an intentional attack. Ron stated that God played a big part in all that was going on that day.

He described how he and Pastor John were called up to NY to assist in crisis counseling. He mentioned that 343 firemen, 23 NY City police officers and 37 Port Authority police officers lost their lives trying to save others. He described how the 911 call centers were flooded with calls and how those Call Takers kept calm and bring calm in the midst of chaos. He remembered how



churches were full that following Sunday.

He stated that God did a great thing on 9-11-01. He quoted from a book to illustrate where God was on that day. He read many examples of how God was everywhere to the believer and unbeliever. How God gave each of us the opportunity throughout the tragedies of the day to seek HIM out even in the final moments.

He stated that after the events of 9-11-01 how many people came to accept Christ. He also told the congregation that of all the calls made by the victims that day, not one was in fear, or chaotic. Why? Because God was with them. They also knew that God was going to do a better thing with this tragedy. He reminded us in Psalm 91:1 that we, as long as we believe, are covered under the protection of the shadow of Almighty God.



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the music at the beginning and the end of each night. What a blessing to see and hear those wonderful voices of the youth who gave up a week during the last month of summer to work with Vacation Bible School.

Oh yes, one other thing, Tim and Pam made sure that each night all the workers were fed and we ate well.

The week ended with awards to those children bringing the most guests.

Thomas Johnson  
Mykala Tate  
Domonique Johnson

And don't forget Chris Tulloss who was a teenage worker also brought a bunch of young guys and was awarded with a gift card to his favorite store.

All this took place after the long hours of planning orchestrated by Wes and Kim Melson. To each of you who help in a small way providing cookies, maybe you just prayed the entire week, or you were there every night ready to work with children to share in the truth, to be a part of leading 8

young lives to Jesus, heaven rejoiced at what each of you did. Now think of this, you arrive in heaven to greeted by the Lord and then



someone comes up to you, you don't recognize them, but they know you, and they say I am here because of what you did during the week of August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Thank you all and may God bless you and let's now start praying about what God is going to have us do next.

## Open Door Community Church

is committed to being real and relevant. We don't claim to have it all together as a church, but we do endeavor to be honest about our love for God and our desire for people to connect with Him.

If you're currently involved in a church that is meeting your special spiritual needs, we are happy for you and encourage you to carry on where you are at. However, if going to church, for you, is associated with outdated language and irrelevant sermons, then perhaps, Open Door Community Church is a place for you. Come Visit us.

