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OAKSTONE
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Welcome to OakStone Community Church

November 16, 2025

Message: "Now thanks be to God..."

Passage: 2 Corinthians 2:12-17 | **Speaker:** Pastor Bill Wolter

Upcoming Events & News

Baptisms

If you are interested in being Baptized please speak to Pastor Bill as we are in the process of scheduling a baptism. Also, if any of you have a pool, preferably heated that we can use for the baptism that would be a blessing.

Women's Monday Morning Bible Study – 9-10 AM

We will be meeting at the church in the Fellowship Room. We are going through The Book of Ruth. If you would like to attend or need more information please contact Janet Wolter at (951) 970-2208 or janetwolter51@gmail.com.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study – 6:30-7:30 PM

We are continuing our study in the Book of Nehemiah. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Bill at (951) 970-2262.

Birth Choice Baby Supplies

Please remember to pick up some supplies for Birth Choice as you are out and about today. Thank you for being His hands and feet to those who have babies.

Ministry to Pray for This Month – Mercy Projects

Jeff Thompson is the founder and CEO of Mercy Projects (formerly Eastern European Outreach), a faith-based organization serving at-risk children in Ukraine, Armenia, Kosovo, and former Eastern Europe. Jeff and his wife Paula are from southern California where they lead the ministry from their Murrieta office.

Important Information

PLEASE there is no food or drink, except water with a lid, allowed in the sanctuary. We thank you for your cooperation.

Our **FOOD PANTRY** is available for those who need it.

An **AUDIO LISTENING DEVICE** is available for those who need assistance in hearing the message. Inquire at the sound booth.

INTERNET ACCESS is available: go to "**occ**", the password is "**oakstone**".

The Heart of an Evangelist

Psalm 37:23 *"The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD, And He delights in his way."*

When I was a young boy, it seemed to me like my life was run by egg timers.

The soft-boiled eggs had to be timed.

The moments I had to finish breakfast were timed (well, ok, to be fair I did not want to eat my breakfast so there was not a time limit on my eating, there was a time limit to eat before I would get disciplined).

My nap time was timed

My play time was timed.

My TV time was timed.

My sleep time was timed.

My showers were timed

and so on and so forth.

There was a time to sleep, eat, play and go to school.

Now obviously all of this could not have been done with a 3-minute hour glass shaped sand timer, but to me it certainly felt like it was.

The reason I am reflecting on time is probably due to the fact that many of us feel like we don't have enough time. No time for this, no time for that and obviously; no time for this or for that.

Could it be that we are simply being overrun by the things and events in life that are of our own choosing and not Gods? What has you burdened down? What has you feeling as though the weight of the world has landed upon your shoulders? What areas of your life are being run by a 3-minute egg timer and how do we change that?

Psalm 119:133 *"Direct my steps by Your word..."*

If we continue to run our lives as if we are on a treadmill that is being controlled by a 3-minute egg timer who is really at fault? Well maybe it is not a time issue, maybe it is a choice issue.

Joshua 24:15 *"... choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."*

Pastor Bill

Tithes & Offerings

As you are led, place these in the designated box in the back.