

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, April 24th at 6pm

Quarterly Business Meetings are held for the purpose of presenting the Quarterly Financial Statement and hearing from church teams of activities, accomplishments, and other pertinent information. If you have anything that you would like brought before the congregation, please let Jim Phillips or Pastor Woody know.



Okatee
BAPTIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Please welcome Gail Lenga as our newest member at Okatee Baptist Church. Gail's address is 28 Coronado Court, Okatie, SC 29909.

EVANGELISM

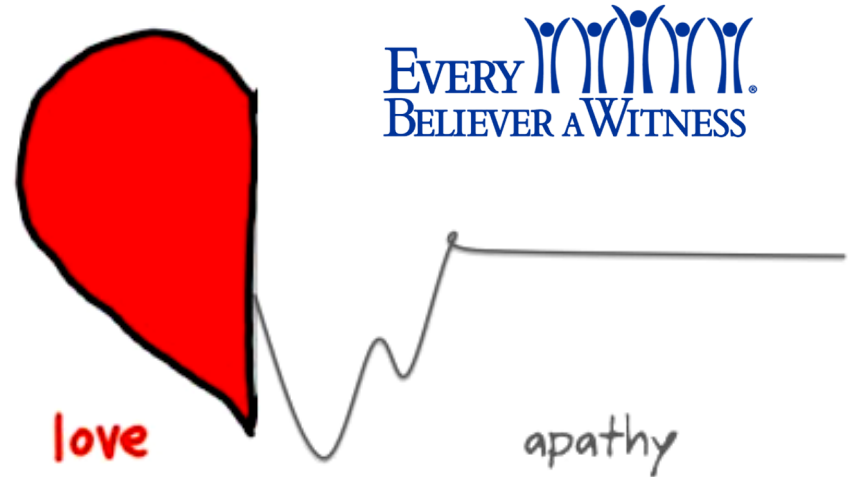
“Come and see” OR “Go and tell”

There is a great difference in evangelism methodology in the Old Testament (Covenant) and the New Testament (Covenant).

In the Old Testament, Israel was God's chosen nation. When the temple was built in Jerusalem for his Name, God's presence dwelt visibly in the Holy of Holies. Foreigners, non-Jews, and gentiles were welcome to come and worship Jehovah in Jerusalem. When Solomon prayed his prayer of dedication, he said, *“As for the foreigner who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name—for men will hear of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm—when he comes and prays toward this temple, then hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.”*

Even when Jesus was in his earthly ministry, it was still “come and see”, but that changes when Jesus gave what we refer to as “The Great Commission” to his disciples, He told them “go”, “I am sending you”, and “be witnesses” in various locations to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8).

The most common philosophy today in our churches is more like the Old Covenant than the New Covenant. Many Pastors exhort their people to invite their friends to church. And while we certainly should invite our friends to church, however, this should NOT be our primary focus, but rather one method.



Okatee Baptist Church exists as a family of baptized believers in Jesus Christ who are dedicated to prayer, evangelism, worship, ministry, missions and fellowship through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Woody Oliver / Pastor
Dr. Tim Searcy / Associate Pastor

April 14, 2024

THE LORD'S DAY

April 14, 2024

Call to Worship

"Set My Soul Afire"

Hymn #533

Prayer / Welcome / Greeting

Pastor Woody

Worship in Song

"Since I Have Been Redeemed"

Hymn #284

Family Prayer Time / (Children Dismissed for Children's Church)

Message

Pastor Woody

"Why Witness / Destroying Apathy"
Matthew 28: 16-20

Response

"Now I Belong to Jesus"

Hymn #503

Offertory Prayer and Benediction

IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITY FOR JESUS CHRIST.....

EVERY BELIEVER A WITNESS

There are 4 major reasons most Christians don't regularly share the gospel:
1. **Apathy:** people aren't motivated, 2. **Ignorance:** people don't know how,
3. **Fear:** people are afraid, and 4. **Powerless:** people feel incapable. Every Believer a Witness addresses the 3 attitudes that cause believers not to witness and moves people from apathy to action. Every Believer a Witness provides specific ways to witness daily and helps us to move from ignorance to know-how. Every Witness a Believer uses the Bible to help people overcome their fears and moves us from fear to boldness. Every Believer a Witness is a partnership of human activity and divine power moving us from being powerless to powerful. Every Believer a Witness will equip us to share the gospel of Jesus Christ where we live, work, and play.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is provided in the Education Building for children K-4. Children will be dismissed after Family Prayer Time.

OKATEE BAPTIST CHURCH, 5467 N. OKATIE HWY., RIDGELAND, SC 29936
843-987-0885

ATTENDANCE

Worship Service / 83

Sunday School / 49

Sunday Evening / 33

Wednesday Evening Service / 27

OUR PEOPLE GAVE

Weekly Budget: \$ 8,012.19

Budget Offering: \$ 12,971.20

WEEK OF APRIL 14TH - APRIL 21ST

Sun 4/14 6:00pm Evening Service - Theology 101:
"Why Study Theology"

Tues 4/16 9:30am GriefShare
11:30am Morning Prayer Gathering
6:30pm GriefShare

Wed 4/17 6:00pm Fellowship Meal

Sat 4/20 8:00am Men's Breakfast
9:30am Deacons Meeting

Sun 4/21 9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
6:00pm Evening Service - Theology 101 /
"God the Father"

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Wednesday, April 17th / 6pm

Invite your friends to this special evening of Christian fellowship, food and fun with our church family. Our theme is a Western Hoedown. The church will provide grilled hotdogs, buns and drinks. Please bring a Western dish or dessert to share with others if you are able. Feel free to wear your boots and cowboy hats. Any questions, please contact Judy Hinds at 843-705-9135.

MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 20th / 8am

Food, Fellowship, and a challenge for men on Saturday, April 20th at 8:00am. All men and boys are invited. Great food / no cost.

Website: Okateebaptist.com; [Youtube.com@okateebaptistchurch](https://www.youtube.com/@okateebaptistchurch);
Facebook.com: Okatee Baptist Church