



## FEBRUARY 2024 CHALLENGER

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### MESSAGE FROM PASTOR SHERREL

Dear Oak Grove Family,

I Greet you all in the wonderful name of Jesus and trust this letter finds you well. The winter weather finally showed up bringing with it bone chilling cold and snow. Unfortunately, it did disrupt some of our services but that is to be expected with these extreme conditions. Some of our folks said they did not get a phone tree call message informing them of our schedule changes. We are sorry for the inconvenience and if you will, call the office during work hours, Susan will be happy to add your contact information.

I want to thank everyone for supporting our recent evangelism conference. Our speaker, Dr. Dennis Deese did a great job, challenging us to live by faith. I can also tell you that he was greatly blessed by the warm welcome he received, and I feel confident that he will be back with us again in the future.

The new year is always a time of renewal and refreshing and I want to challenge all of us to pray for revival. As I said in my last letter, "REVIVE US SOME MORE IN 2024." To that end I will be resuming our revitalization emphasis. We did 40 Days of Prayer for Revitalization back during September and October and I intended to preach a series of sermons based on that material. When the Israel/Hamas war erupted I chose to delay that series and preach on a few more relevant prophecy related topics. After that the holiday season overtook us and I'm just now getting back to our revitalization focus. I preached the first of these messages on October 1st. which dealt with repentance. By the time you receive this newsletter I will have preached the second message which emphasizes rebuilding trust in God's word. Please continue to pray that God will do a great work of renewal here at "The Grove". I love you all and I'll see you in church or online.

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Sherrel





If we are missing your name on our anniversary or birthday list or if a correction is needed, please call 477-3141.



### You're made for faith



Contrary to popular opinion, faith and doubt aren't opposites. Instead, "doubt is a way station en route to faith," writes J. Ellsworth Kalas. "I can't imagine getting to faith at a grand level that raises the hair on your arms without passing through doubt to get there."

Switching metaphors, Kalas explains, "Faith is an edifice in which some of the grandest parts are the various stones and mortar of doubt." Christians need not worry about doubt, which is "the stuff that goes into the building of faith."

The *real* enemy of faith is unbelief, but it's not a fair fight, says Kalas. Because humans "are made for faith ... unbelief is always an intruder, always working against what is magnificently native to us."

### IN-PERSON & LIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### 10:00 AM SUNDAYS

February 4	Expectant Faith
February 11	Praying Faith
February 18	Confident Faith
February 25	Maturing Faith



WOMEN'S SERVICES

### LOVE MORE \* SERVE MORE

The Agape Baby Bottle Fundraiser began on Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and continues until February 26. Your participation and investment in Agape are an investment in the lives of women and in life itself. They appreciate you standing for life – the mother's life, the father's life and the baby's life.

Please pray about your partnership with the Agape ministry: financial gift to the capital campaign, supporting our baby bottle campaign, prayer, or as the Lord would lead you.

Thank you!



**Scan the QR code w/your phone to give!**



### DATES TO REMEMBER

- 2 Groundhog Day
- 11 Transfiguration Sunday
- 14 Valentines Day
  - Ash Wednesday
- 19 President's Day
- 21 Newsletter Articles Due



# FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 11:00 AM Morning worship  5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  6:00 PM PM Worship SOS/Oaks & Offshoots	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 11:00 AM Morning worship  5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  6:00 PM PM Worship SOS/Oaks & Offshoots  	12	13	14   	15	16	17
18 11:00 AM Morning worship  5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  6:00 PM PM Worship SOS/Oaks & Offshoots	19 	20	21	22	23	24
25 11:00 AM Morning worship  5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  6:00 PM PM Worship SOS/Oaks & Offshoots	26	27	28	29		



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