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Orange United Methodist Church

Orange, NC

Jesus said: "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."
Matthew 9: 37 - 38

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Welcoming, Proclaiming, Encouraging,
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The spirit of outreach and volunteerism at Orange United Methodist Church is always prevalent. We offer many opportunities to volunteer within the church, within the community, and around the world. Orange UMC exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ by Welcoming, Proclaiming, Encouraging, Nurturing, Serving, and Sending. Join us in fulfilling that mission!

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ADULT EDUCATION MINISTRY

Teachers & Substitutes for Adult Sunday School Classes -

Classes vary from prepared lesson manuals to less formal discussion groups. Expert familiarity with the Bible is not a prerequisite for attendees or volunteer teachers, just a thirst for knowledge and how lessons apply to ones life. Our classes and class contact information are included below.

Studies of the Bible - This class meets in the Parlor at 9:00am on Sundays.

Faith Journeys Class - They meet in the Hut at 10:10am on Sundays. This class focuses on how to live our faith not just on Sundays, but to grow in our faith through outreach & discipleship. The class will be 10-15 minutes of bible study, but it's designed so we can grow in faith through fellowship with others at Orange Church. Contact Laura Melega, class coordinator, at 883-1965 or melega@earthlink.net

Young Adults Group - They meet in the Blue Room at 10:10am on Sundays. For ages 18-35! Different materials will be chosen throughout the year based on class feedback. This class will feature bible study, discussion, and fellowship. Invite your friends, bring your coffee, and enjoy the fellowship! Contact Shannon Jones, class coordinator, at jones.shannonmarie@gmail.com.

Cornerstone Class - They meet in the Sanctuary from 10:05-10:45am on Sundays. They study the Bible using the International Sunday School curriculum, along with various book studies. Contact Rick Strunk, class instructor, at rick_strunk@mindspring.com.

Susanna Wesley Class - They meet in the Parlor at 10:05am on Sundays. They are studying radical grace using Jim Abrahamson's *Peace Seekers* and will study other topics throughout the year. Contact Fred Brooks, class instructor, at brooks@cs.unc.edu/942-2529.

Bethsaida Class - They meet in the Bethsaida Room downstairs at 10:05am. They are currently studying *The Book of Hebrews*. Contact Joey Hand, class instructor, joey@joeyhand.com .

Teachers/Leaders of Adult Bible Studies - Classes vary in format, but often include DVDs and workbooks to use as a guide. Bible Studies are often held on Sunday afternoons, midday Wednesdays, or weekday evenings. Contact Nancy Varden at 942-2825 or nvarden@bellsouth.net for more information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Acolytes - Need 4th-6th grade boys and girls on a weekly basis to serve as Acolytes at the 11:00 AM Sunday service. Acolytes also may be needed for special holiday services. Contact Rhonda Cheek at 933-8317 or thecheek@bellsouth.net for more information.

Teaching or Assisting in Children's Sunday School - Working with children ages 5-11 from 10:00am-11:00am on Sunday mornings. Teacher-ready curriculum. You may choose monthly, biweekly or weekly basis. Contact Diana Backus, Children's Ministry Director, at 942-3495 or oumcprek@bellsouth.net to get started!

The Zone - This Children's Drama program meets from 9:00am-10:00am Sunday mornings downstairs in the Bethany Room. They need help with props, staging, tech support, programs, and food for rehearsals. Contact Jodi Lopeman at jolo429@aol.com or 644-1191 to volunteer.

Vacation Bible School - One week, mid-June from 9am-12pm. We need crew leaders for different age levels and volunteers for all sites - food, crafts, games, etc! Please contact Diana Backus at oumcprek@bellsouth.net or 942-3495 for more information.

Methodist Camp Representative - This person stays in contact with the camps, helps to set up camp trips and advertise. Contact Diana Backus at 942-3495 or oumcprek@bellsouth.net to help with this ministry.

Childcare Providers - We need childcare providers who are willing to donate their time for special occasions at the church such as weddings, funerals, etc. that will take place at OUMC. Please contact Meg Alverson at emalverson@earthlink.net or 245-0815 for information.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these activities and wish to use this form, please tear off this filled-out slip and place it in the offering basket on Sunday. We will pass it on to the leaders of the ministry that you are interested in so they can contact you with more information.

If you are interested in starting a new ministry, mission, small group, or class that is not listed in this booklet, we are here to help! We would love to help you promote your new group, order the materials you need and support you through prayer and our presence at any of your group meetings. Our goal is to make disciples of Jesus Christ, and we are dedicated to doing that through offering additional activities at OUMC.

Name_____

Address_____

Phone Number_____

Email address_____

Volunteer Area of Interest_____

Thank you for helping OUMC serve its members
and the Lord!

NOTES

CHURCH-WIDE

Hospitality Team/Ushering - No previous experience required!!! Here is your opportunity to meet new people, make new friends and be the "smiling Face of OUMC". At least 30 volunteers are needed on a rotating basis to serve as greeters, snack distributors, parking lot attendants, etc. for the 8:00, 9:00 or 11:00 worship service or all three if you would like - we would love to have you! It's easy and fun plus we will work with you. For more information, contact Jean Hedrick, OUMC's Welcoming Advocate, at jeanec@hotmail.com or 370-3034. To be an usher, contact Barry Kendell at BKendell@nc.rr.com or 933-2630.

Newsletter - "The Orange Pages" - OUMC's website newsletter, occasionally printed for U.S. Post Office delivery. We need you to help produce the newsletter that will reach out to our community and let them know we are a vibrant, warm, wonderful place to worship and that we are a "family" church which welcomes all who are searching for a church home. Volunteers are needed to write articles, interview activity participants and write about their experiences. Please contact Laura Melega at 942-2825 or oumc@bellsouth.net in the church office.

Altar Guild Committee - Provide help in setting up for communion, prepare Sanctuary for worship, and provide or make arrangements for flowers for the altar. Altar flowers can be given in dedication to or in memory of family members, for a special celebration, or other occasions. A sign-up for flowers is available in the Narthex of the Sanctuary. Contact Patricia Davis at 563-4421 or patricia.davis@duke.edu for information.

Wednesday Night Suppers - Enjoy a homecooked supper with your friends at Orange Church every Wednesday at 5:45pm from September-June. Dinners include a main dish, salad, fruit, drinks, and dessert. Cost is \$4.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children with a maximum of \$20 per family. No need to cook at home - Let's Fellowship together!

Harvest Festival - A Half-Day fall event where everyone can participate. Activities include a yard sale, auction, breakfast, lunch, baked goods, crafts, children's games, and all associated preparation and cleanup. Typically over 300 people attend at one time or another between 7 a.m. and the conclusion right after lunch. Leaders of each event invite helpers through sign-up boards and phone calls. Proceeds are often used both for missions and for church facilities which support our missions. Contact announced leaders or the church office at 942-2825 or oumc@bellsouth.net.

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Zimbabwe Orphans Endeavor (ZOE) Mission Trips - In 2008, OUMC sent medical teams to Zambia. In 2009, our OUMC mission team traveled to Kenya. In 2010, we sent medical teams to Zimbabwe. In 2011, OUMC returned to Kenya with physicians and to assist orphans in the Giving Hope Empowerment Project, all as part of the ZOE Ministry. These teams included medical and non-medical personnel. The team set up clinics in rural and urban areas to provide care for children who have been orphaned by the AIDS pandemic. All of these countries have been positively touched by the ZOE ministry. Supporters who do not travel help at home by praying for the team, fundraising, packing, and other logistical preparation activities. Contact Teresa Nuttall at 933-3840 or unc85tarheel92@yahoo.com, or for more information or go to www.zoeministry.org.

Operation Christmas Child - Operation Christmas Child delivers shoe boxes that have been prayerfully, lovingly, and generously filled with gifts for hurting children at Christmas time. Please consider being a part of this very important mission to bring joy and hope to children around the world. This mission is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Bizz Andersen, at 408-3457 or bizzness@aol.com or visit the Samaritan's Purse -Operation Christmas Child website: www.samaritanspurse.org.

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Youth Sunday School - Teaching and discipling needed for Youth Sunday School from 10am-11am each Sunday. You can also participate in mission, retreat, service and local trips. Check out the Youth website at www.oumc-youth.com for more opportunities to work with the Youth Program at OUMC.

Young Life - A Young Life Program through East Chapel Hill High School meets at OUMC on Monday evenings at 6:00pm. If you would like to volunteer to assist, be a mentor, or lead a specific program with Young Life, contact Jennings Berry at 942-2825 or jenningsberry@bellsouth.net.

LOCAL MISSIONS

College Outreach at UNC Wesley Foundation - OUMC serves dinner on the last Thursday of each month at the UNC Wesley Foundation to help the college students in town feel welcomed and loved in the name of Christ. We encourage individuals, families, Sunday School classes or small groups to sign up to serve! If you choose to donate food, please contact Kelly Collette to let her know what you'll be providing: 448-8403 or kellycollette@earthlink.net. If you would like to serve, contact Kelly for all of the details.

Project Homestart - a facility for the Orange County Women and Children's Homeless Shelter on Homestead Road, very close to OUMC. Orange has supplied the 6:00 PM Friday meal for Homestart for over 5 years. Volunteers may contribute a main dish, side dishes or a dessert for 14 adult servings. (Karen Cranfill has many ideas to make this painless but very fulfilling!) Food may be dropped off ahead of time (with cooking directions) and cooked on the premises, or delivered ready to serve. You may also stay to help serve if you'd like to be blessed! Contact Karen Cranfill at 933-8499 or kcranfill@mindspring.com to volunteer.

Interfaith Council Dinners for Homeless - Meals are served to 65-85 people on the first Thursday of each month at the IFC on Martin Luther King and Rosemary in Chapel Hill. Many churches take their turns at preparing and serving these meals and Orange has been committed to the first Thursday of the month slot for many years. We need people to bring home-cooked or purchased foods to the church by late afternoon on our Thursday. We also need 4-5 volunteers (over the age of 16) to help serve the food at the IFC at 6:15 PM. Contact Liz Moore at 942-2512 or emoore@icagen.com for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The OUMC Music Ministries is filled with opportunities for every skill level! If you are interested in any of the music ministries, please contact Derek Breshears, Choir Director, at 942-2825 or oumcmusic@bellsouth.net.

Chancel Choir - Practices on Wednesdays from 7:00pm until 8:00pm. Sing anthems for most 11:00am services, and provide special music services for Easter and Christmas. All voices are welcome! Childcare is provided for Wednesday evening practices.

Pathways Musicians/ Singers - If you are proficient on bass guitar, electric guitar, acoustic guitar, drums, keyboards or background vocals, you are invited to share your gifts for the 9:00am Pathways contemporary worship service. Practices are on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm-9:00pm (with occasional Tuesday evening practice), and Sunday morning at 8:00am. Contact Gary Mitchell, Pathways Worship Leader, at visionrise@gmail.com or 919-815-5521.

Orange Pealers -- Orange's hand bell choir practices August through May each year on Sunday afternoons from 3:30pm-4:30pm in the Sanctuary. We play primarily at the 11:00am service. but hope to expand our outreach. Ability to read music is not required, and youth in grades 4-12 are also invited to join the Orange Pealers. Contact Kari Hall at jael12002@yahoo.com or 919-967-8563.

Tech Crew & Prop Crew - Run the sound board and work the overhead projection (computer) and work on props and stage sets for Sundays and special events. Contact Paul Mann at paumann@att.net or 933-5844.

PRAYER GROUPS

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group - Meet in Parlor at 11:00 AM September - May and at 12:00 PM June - August to pray for the members of the church congregation, families of church members

Hospital Visitation - We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in visiting people in our congregation who are hospitalized or in a nursing home. We visits hospitals in Chapel Hill and Durham, and visits usually would last only 20 or 30 min. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Jo Sylvester at 942-9650/jgsylvester@nc.rr.com.

Bereavement Team Ministry - We need a group of volunteers, who when called upon, will prepare and serve at a reception or meal to the immediate family of the deceased. If you aren't available to set-up, serve, or clean-up at a reception or dinner, we also need lots of volunteers to donate food for the reception or meal. If you would like to add your name to the list of Bereavement Team Ministry members, contact Mickey Rogerson at 967-3756 or rogeronms@bellsouth.net.

DivorceCare - DivorceCare is a Christian program that is part seminar/part support group and contains practical information that is Biblical and from a Christ-centered perspective. Each class focuses on a different topic covering areas such as anger, depression, coping, sex, financial and the divorce's impact upon children. If you would like to join the group or volunteer as a group leader, please contact Gary Bernier at 593-4811 or berniergary@gmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

High School and Middle School Youth Group Leaders - Loving, discipling, teaching, praying and building relationships with Youth in and outside of the Orange Youth Ministry. Middle School youth group meets Sundays from 4:30pm-6:30pm and High School meets on Sundays from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Contact Jennings Berry, Youth Director, at 942-2825 or jenningsberry@bellsouth.net to learn how you can help the youth of OUMC know Christ and grow in their faith.

church, as well as stressing the need for discipline and respect within a family. Each time, a different topic will be addressed with scripture to support it. Topics we have studied in the past include Celebration, Competition, Families in the Bible, and Nature. Contact Laura and Bill Melega at 883-1965 or melega@earthlink.net to volunteer to help with this group.

Dinners for Eight, Potlucks, and/or Game Night - Needed are two or three people to coordinate each of these evenings where members can enjoy each other's company as well as delicious food. Dinners for Eight involves attending a monthly dinner with 8 people from Orange Church and hosting a few as well. Game Night involves promoting the evening through the bulletin and picking out some of the games for everyone to enjoy! Potlucks can be held any week after church to celebrate an event, raise money for a mission, or simply as a get-to-know-you potluck for the congregation. Contact Doris Click at 489-7244 or dlclick@nc.rr.com if you are good at organizing.

OUMC Softball - Fun softball games versus area churches. Games are held on Sunday afternoons, June through August. Practices are limited to one or two before the season starts. Contact Dave Backus at 968-2533 or david_backus6367@att.net to join the team!

SUPPORT GROUPS

Stephen Ministry - one on one, same gender, Christian care-giving. Stephen Ministers receive 50 hours of care-giving training before being commissioned. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Ginny Kendell at 933-2630/ gkendell@nc.rr.com for more information. If you would like to talk to a Stephen Minister, please contact Jo Sylvester at 942-9650/ jgsylvester@nc.rr.com.

with special needs, the community, nation, and world. Contact Jean Barr at 489-8738 or jean.barr@gmail.com for more information.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Need volunteers to knit or crochet shawls that will be prayed over and given to people in need or who are grieving throughout the church, state and country. Instructions provided. Contact Virginia Andrews at 929-3452 or vlandrews@nc.rr.com to get started.

Email Intercessory Prayer Group - To be a part of this ministry all you have to do is provide the church office with your e-mail address, and they will add you to the team. You will then receive prayer requests from the office via your email once or twice a week. Contact the church office at 942-2825 or oumc@bellsouth.net to sign up.

PRISON MINISTRY

One Day With God Camp (Annual) - At the camp, usually held on a Saturday at Orange UMC, inmate parents and their child/children participate in a series of spiritually based events with the aim of building their relationship as a family and their relationship with God to promote healing and reconciliation. As many as 150 volunteers are needed for everything from baking cakes, to serving food, making crafts, playing games, taking pictures and mentoring the parents, children and their caregivers. No experience is needed! There will be training for volunteers on rules and procedures for the day as well as their individual roles. In past years the camp has been held in August. Contact Mary Anne or Wayne Vanderburg at 968-9907 or jvtarheel@mindspring.com for more information.

Fabulous Fathers (Monthly) - This program is a follow-up to the One Day With God Camp but volunteers need not have attended a camp. Volunteers meet once each month (currently the last Friday of the month from 7-9 p.m.) for two hours with inmate fathers at Orange Correctional Center to encourage them as parents and

Christians. No experience required but volunteers must apply to the prison for permission to serve. Contact Mary Anne or Wayne Vanderburg at 968-9907 or jvtarheel@mindspring.com for more information.

Sunday evening worship service (7:30 - 9:00) with inmates at Orange Correctional Institution in south Hillsborough. Join in enthusiastic singing with the men, hear Christian witness testimonies such as you likely have not heard, greet and encourage the men in their faith walk, hear a brief devotional talk, and enjoy fellowship with refreshments. Orange UMC leads the worship once every 2 or 3 months. If you cannot or don't wish to visit, providing snacks (e.g. cookies or soft drinks) is a way that you can help. Each visit is announced ahead of time in our worship bulletin. Visitors must be at least 16 and must apply for and obtain a "blue card" identification after their first visit. Those wishing to go must notify Eric Hallfors at 280-4530 or ehallfors@nc.rr.com in advance, 5 to 7 days preferred. He must provide a list in advance.

Men - become a Sponsor for an inmate at Orange Correctional. Sponsors are permitted to take an inmate away from the institution for activities, for periods up to 6 hours at a time. Going to church worship, to a Bible study, to somewhere for a meal, attending a community or church function - each is an example of what sponsors can do. It's an important part of preparing these men for a positive and successful reentry in the future. Sponsors receive special orientation and training and must be screened by a background check. Men who are interested should contact Chaplain Ken Barker at Orange Correctional at 732-9301 or bke094240@yahoo.com.

Join a Faith Team for an inmate at Orange Correctional. The faith team works as a group with one man who is close to his date for release, usually starting 12 to 18 months ahead of time. The team escorts the man to church often. Once a month, the team meets with him to prepare him to leave prison and assist with

planning for that transition. That involves helping him prepare a resume, plan to get a driver's license, and/or locate housing and transportation for after his release. Contact Eric Hallfors at 280-4530 or ehallfors@nc.rr.com to be involved. The Fabulous Fathers group is one way to get prepared to join a Faith Team.

Attend Yokefellows fellowship at Orange Correctional. This group meets on Tuesdays for a time of socializing and getting acquainted. Though not a worship service, there is some time at each gathering for prayer. On average, about 50 inmates come to these times of fellowship. Volunteers will require a "blue card" after the initial visit. Contact Chaplain Ken Barker at Orange Correctional at 732-9301 or bke094240@yahoo.com.

SMALL GROUPS

Young Adult Ministries: A "no pressure" group for young people, ranging from college students to the workforce, designed to be a network for growth of relationships and of a relationship with Christ. It features a bible study on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the Blue Room upstairs, various social events, and service opportunities, such as preparing meals for Project Homestart. They also have a book study on Sunday mornings at 10:10am in the Blue Room. This group frequently goes out to lunch together for fellowship on Sundays. Contact Patrick Jones at 828-773-7868 or oumcmissions@yahoo.com.

Fabulous Families - This group meets on the 5th Sunday of the month at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. This replaces Sunday School and Crosswired for kids K-5 on the 5th Sunday of the month. The group is designed to promote family togetherness, open discussion with your children about God and the importance of