



UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 22
Christmas Candlelight
Communion Service

DEC 24
Worship Together - 9AM/11AM *

DEC 26
Church Office Closed

DEC 31
Worship Together - 9AM/11AM *

* No Flocks or Children's Sunday School

JAN 13
Men's Breakfast and Work Day

JAN 20
Prayer Meeting - 9AM

Pursuing Wisdom Panel
Luncheon

MAR 2
BCO Ironmen Summit

JUN 1-8
Honduras Mission Trip



I'M NEW HERE

INFORMATION STATION

Stop by the desk in the lower lobby to find out more about BCO, what goes on here and when it happens.

GET CONNECTED

Join us each Sunday at 9:30A in one of our Adult Flocks as we connect with each other on a personal level, care for one another, and deepen our walk with Christ.

SUNDAYS AT BCO

8:00A - 9:15A • EARLY WORSHIP TOGETHER

- No nursery or Children's Church

9:30A - 10:30A • ADULT FLOCKS | SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Newborn - 2 years.....Nursery
- Children's Sunday School.....Children's Wing
 - Preschool | 1st - 2nd | 3rd - 4th | 5th - 6th
- Adult Flocks
 - Cornerstone.....Upper Worship Center
 - The Forge.....Lower Worship Center
 - Gospel Life.....Basement
 - Youth.....Basement
 - IBC Flock.....BCO Annex

11:00A - 12:20P • LATE WORSHIP TOGETHER

- Livestream available
- Overflow seating in LWC
- Nursery (Newborn - 2 years)
- Children's Church (3 years - Kindergarten)
 - Three years - Kindergarten begin in the Worship Together and are then dismissed during the greeting time.

BCO KIDS

Kids Sermon Notes

Kids sermon notes available in the Upper Lobby and Lower Worship center.

KEY WORD [rise, believe] • **BONUS WORDS** [Martha, Bethany, Christ]



The pre-existence of the Son of God - John 1:1-5

PRINCIPLE : Jesus is the always living God.

ASK YOUR CHILD : How is Jesus able to show us who God is?

APPLY : By celebrating Christ's birth by submitting to the deity of Jesus.

THIS WEEK : As a family, read John 1:1-5.



Adventure Club resumes Jan 03, 2024

Parents: Children are always welcome to sit quietly in our Worship Together. If their activity or sounds begin to hinder the worship of others, we ask you escort them out in the spirit of Romans 12:10.



BIBLE CHURCH OF OWASSO

BRINGING GOD'S WORD TO LIFE

DECEMBER 17, 2023

Welcome | Invocation.....Ted Johnson

Worship in Song.....Jon Murphy
Angels We Have Heard on High
How Great Our Joy
Exult in the Savior's Birth
Glorious Day

Worship in Reading.....Jay Foreman
Luke 2:1-14

Worship in Prayer.....Jay Foreman

Worship in Greeting (11:00)
Children age 3 - Kindergarten dismissed to Children's Church

Worship in Preaching.....Ted Johnson
John 11:17-27 — Do You Believe This?

Worship in Giving
Financial offerings can be placed in the black boxes just outside the double doors or via the BCO app/website.



We exist to exalt Jesus Christ and expand His kingdom as we boldly proclaim His Gospel, faithfully disciple His people, and gladly obey His Word.

SERMON NOTES John 11:17-27 — Do You Believe This?

1) Martha Prioritizes Jesus - v. 17-20

2) Faith in God - v. 21-24

3) Faith in Christ - v. 25-27

DIGGING DEEPER : Reflecting on Today's Sermon

1. What about Abraham's faith (Rom 4:13-25) is the exact same as our Christian faith? What must Christian faith add to that (see Luke 24:46-49, Acts 4:10-12, 10:36-43, Rom 10:3-4, 9-11, 1 These 1:9-10)?
2. Consider days when you have / will grieve the death of a loved one... In what ways might we follow Martha by "prioritizing Jesus" in those most trying times?
3. What particular joy of Christ being born into this world to save sinners has captured your heart this Christmas season? How will you shine / share that particular Christmas "light" in the coming week(s)?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 GIVING REMINDER

All offerings must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2023 to be reflected on your 2023 contribution statement for tax purposes.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE - DEC 22, 7:00 PM

Join us for this special evening of Worship in meditation, Scripture, and song surrounding the coming of our Savior into the world. No nursery provided but bring the whole family for this joyful time of worship.

BCO IRONMEN SUMMIT - MARCH 2

Ironmen Summit is a one-day conference for men who desire to grow in their faith and live a life of obedience to God and His word. Cost of this one-day event is \$40 per person. Breakfast and lunch are provided on site. Please visit the events page of our website or on the app to register and for more information.

YEAR END SPECIAL GIVING

At the end of each year, we as a church have an opportunity to engage in a strategic financial investment in the Lord's work through a special giving project. This year the focus will be an opportunity to invest on 3 fronts:

- **Honduras - Mission Trip Fund** – supporting the BCO team as we travel to minister / encourage our ministry partners in Siquatepeque
- **Honduras - MEDA Scholarship Fund** – assisting seminary students in need of help with their individual costs to attend seminary
- **South Africa - Christ Baptist Church Plant** – provide initial start-up funds for church plant launch in Feb 2024 in Southern Gateway region of Polokwane

We encourage each member to consider giving as the Lord directs and has prospered you (1 Cor 16:2, 2 Cor 9:7), either online or by a check designating one of these funds in the memo line.

2024 BIBLE READING PLAN

To encourage us all toward personal time in the Word, each year Pastor Ted creates a yearly Reading Plan - 5 days a week, 1-2 chapters a day. The plan can be found on the BCO website under "Resource."

CHURCH IN ACTION: MISSIONS

At BCO, we place a high priority on supporting missionary endeavors to expand Christ's kingdom across the globe. We allocate 12% of all regular giving to support global missions. Our strategic support emphasis is to focus on ministries which train local Christian pastors for ministry in their native land, as they are the most readily able to proclaim the Word of God in their own language and culture. We currently support missionaries laboring in this kind of work in Honduras, South Africa, East Asia, and Russia. Please join us in praying for these ministers that we have the joy of supporting financially and in prayer! If you'd like to learn more about our global missions support and strategy, contact pastor Andrew Copley acopley@owassobible.org



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FINANCIAL PRAISES

as of December 10, 2023

Monthly giving.....\$71,507.24
Monthly budget.....\$74,500.00

YTD giving.....\$998,426.78
YTD budget.....\$894,000.00

Building Fund giving.....\$3,402,205.37
Building Fund expenses....\$630,500.21
Building Fund balance...\$2,771,705.16

12% of our General Fund giving is allocated to missions. All contributions should be made with the understanding BCO reserves the right to allocate the donated funds to carry out BCO's exempt purposes and functions.

3 WAYS TO GIVE

