

The Joy of Success

Memory Verse:

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—Proverbs 29:18 (NLT)

What would you do if you only had a short time to live?

Tim McGraw's song, *Live like you were Dying*

After he spent time looking at the x-rays, talking about options, and the time remaining-

Chorus: Then he went sky diving, mountain climbing, he went bull riding, and gave forgiveness,

Verse 2: Tried to be a better husband, spent more time with family, and turned to the Bible.

According to one study printed by the National Center for Health Statistics, the U.S. life expectancy is 76.6 years, down two years from the average of 78.86 in 2019.

The Bible says, "Seventy years are given to us! Some even live to eighty. But even the best years are filled with pain and trouble; soon they disappear, and we fly away."—Psalm 90:10 (NLT)

Sometimes I joke about what I would do if I had only had one day left to live. Eat junk, go crazy, etc.

Today it hit me: Jesus washed feet.

—FB post by a friend around Easter

1. How do you Measure S_____?

By earthly standards, Jesus life was a failure.

Fame? Stayed in obscurity, Nazareth, country bumpkin-town, for 30 years.

At the end of a short 3-year ministry, He had 12 followers who fled from, denied, and betrayed Him.

Happiness? All I want is my family to be happy.

- Jesus' earthly, step-father had died.
- Jesus' brothers and mother thought he had lost his mind.
- His Mother weeps at the criminal execution of her son.

Wealth? Jesus' only earthly possession was the woven coat that He wore.

The soldiers cast lots for it.

The joy of success, not talking about fame, money, power, and even earthly happiness.

- Hebrews 12:2.
- Philippians 2:5-11

2. Joy Comes O_____

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(KJV), ***"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he."***

If joy came from running wild and doing whatever we wished, Americans would be the happiest people alive, but our culture appears to be more under pressure, unhappy, and frustrated.

Joy comes from doing the right thing at the right time.

- Joy comes from a good deed accomplished,
- Joy coming from completing a God given assignment.

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV), *"Where there is no vision, the people perish."*

(NLT). *"When people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild."*

Times with no vision or word from God.

- Exodus 35:25-26
- Judges 17:6, 21:25, "In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes."
- 1 Samuel 3:1-10
- Exodus 12:40, 430 years
- Malachi 4:1-5, Luke 3:1-6, Malachi to John the Baptist, about 400 years
- John 11:1-6 John the Baptist questions Jesus.

3. Do the Next R _____ Thing

When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!

—John 15:10-11

Joy and Obedience

John 17:4-5, *"I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, bring me into the glory we shared before the world began."*

Philippians 2:5-11 (NLT), *"Instead, he gave up his divine privileges...⁸ he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names."*

Acts 26:19 (NLT), *"And so, King Agrippa, I obeyed that vision from heaven."*

2 Timothy 4:7-8 (NLT), *"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. ⁸ And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness."*

Application:

In this life, we can throw off any restraint, do our own thing, and party hearty. That life usually leads to heart-ache, suffering, and death. Or, we can receive divine revelation of what is good, live according to God's law, and experience and eternal life. Jesus came to give us life in abundance.

We have all failed, but we can all begin anew because of Jesus death on the Cross and God's great love for us. We all only have few short years to live on this earth, let us make them count for eternity.

May the joy of Jesus rule your hearts this day and forever.

Hebrews 12:2, *fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Joy comes from a good deed accomplished, from completing a God given assignment.

WELCOME!

Please fill out the information below and mark appropriate boxes. Place the completed card in the offering plate or as directed.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I ATTENDED WORSHIP TODAY AS A:

- 1st time visitor
- Visitor
- Friend/Regular Attender
- Member

SERVICE ATTENDED:

- Sunday—8:30 AM
- Sunday—11:00 AM

MY DECISION:

- I'm committing my life to Jesus
- I recommitted my life to Jesus
- I desire to be baptized
- I desire to become a member

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION:

- on Small Group/Bible Studies
- on Children's Ministries
- on Youth Ministries
- on Music Ministries

I WOULD LIKE:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

- 8:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE (OMC)
- 1:00 pm Private Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
- 3-6 pm Spanish Church (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 pm "Sharing With You" on Channel 9

MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022

- ELECTION SET UP (FH)
- 8 am-4 pm Agora Charter School-State Testing (OMC Lobby & Children's Wing)

TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022

- 6 am-9 pm PRIMARY ELECTIONS (Fellowship Hall)
- 8 am-4 pm Agora Charter School-State Testing (OMC Lobby & Children's Wing)
- 9:30 am Staff Meeting (Parlor)
- 6:30 pm SEAL Prayer Group (YR)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022 — L I F T

- 8 am-4 pm Agora Charter School-State Testing (OMC Lobby & Children's Wing)
- 6:30 pm Pastor Randy's Study (Fellowship Hall)
- Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022

- 6:30 pm Finance Meeting (Parlor)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022

- 7:00 pm Trivia Night (OMC)
- 9 pm-12 am Spanish Church (Fellowship Hall)

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

- 1 pm Private Shower (Fellowship Hall & Kitchen)

PLEASE PRAY FOR & SEND AN ENCOURAGING NOTE TO:

Shut-In of the Month:

Bonnie Doyle, 465 Strayer Street, Johnstown, PA 15906

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS: APRIL 24, 2022

8:30: 135 11:00: 151 TOTAL: 286

General Fund Update:

\$9,130.71

PRAISE GOD FOR HIS CONTINUED FAITHFULNESS!

Sunday, May 15, 2022
8:30 AM 11:00 AM



OAKLAND

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Pastor Randy Bain, Senior Pastor
Pastor Jeremy Barkley, Associate Pastor

Graduate Recognition Sunday is May 29th

IS THERE A GRADUATE IN YOUR FAMILY THIS YEAR?

We need information about our 2022 high school, trade school and college/university graduates. We are planning to make a slide presentation of our graduates, so we are asking for a graduation picture and another picture of your choice for your graduate. Please complete the form on the bulletin tab and return it & pictures to the church office no later than this Wednesday, May 18.

Making passionate and compassionate followers of Jesus Christ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Message

Pastor Randy will bring the word of the Lord for us this morning in his message, *The Joy of Success*.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of David B. Helsel, 5/13/37 - 5/25/15. Happy 85th Birthday.

Gone are the days we used to share. But in our hearts you're always there. Life goes on we know that is true, but not the same since we lost you. Till we meet at the end of the rainbow...

Love, Your Family

Trivia Night—Friday, May 20th

Come to Trivia Night on Friday, May 20th, at 7:00 pm, and show off all those useless facts that roll around in your head... you'll have loads of fun! Form your team of up to 6 people, or join a team when you get here. RSVP either by signing up at any Oakland Ministry Table, or on our Oakland Church Facebook page. (This is so we know how many to plan for.) We will be in the OMC, so we'll have plenty of room! *Emerge Youth will be selling refreshments to raise money for their summer mission trip.*

Infant/Child Baptism—May 29

The next scheduled infant/child baptism will be **Sunday, May 29**. Parents, if you wish to have your child baptized, please call Kim, at the church office (269-3678) by Wednesday, May 18, to schedule a **PARENTS' MEETING** with Pastor Randy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bus Trip for Pastor Jeremy's Ordination

Oakland Church will be taking a chartered bus to Erie to attend the ordination service of Pastor Jeremy Barkley on Thursday, June 2, 2022. The cost is \$40 payable to Oakland UMC Church. For reservations the church office at (814) 269-3678 or oumc@atlanticbb.net. Reservations are on a first reserved basis.

Deadline for reservation AND payment is tomorrow, Monday, May 16th.

Night of Prayer and Worship

Next Sunday, May 22, at 5 pm in the OMC, our church family will gather together for a time of extended prayer and worship here at Oakland Church, simply because we love God's Presence! Come join us and experience HIS mercy and grace.

Van Ministry is up and running

If you or anyone you know is interested in riding the van, please call the church office at 814-269-3678 by Thursday each week to ensure pick up.

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TO OUR GUESTS

FIRST TIME VISITORS: We invite you to stop at our **VISITOR CENTER** (in the lobby) to choose a gift from the Welcome Table.

LOST & FOUND BOX is in the lower Ferg Street Lobby if you misplaced an item.

NURSERY

8:30: children 3 & under AVAILABLE

11:00: children 2 & under AVAILABLE

Room 104 during all our Services

8:30 KIDS CHURCH AVAILABLE

following the Children's Sermon in the Large Group Room for CHILDREN AGE 3- GRADE 4

11:00 KIDS CHURCH AVAILABLE

following the Children's Sermon for Age 3-K in Room 108

1st-4th Grade in New Large Group Rm

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR CHILDREN FOLLOWING THE SERVICE


OaklandKids Sunday School 10:00-10:45

PreK-K in Room 105

1st-2nd Grade in Room 107

3rd-4th Grade in Room 111

5th-6th Grade Crossroads: Crossroads Rm

2021 GRADUATION FORM					
	Name of Graduate:				
	Graduate of:				
	If a high school graduate, please indicate future plans. If a higher education graduate, please name the degree received and any special honors:				
	Form submitted by:				
				Phone No.	