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5. Finally, we will turn our hearts to repentance on Wednesday, February 22nd when we take part in the Ash Wednesday Service. This marks the beginning of Lent, the forty days before Easter. During that service, we will read the Penitent Psalms, and we will finish the service with the Imposition of Ashes. The ashes will be placed on the willing participants' forehead or hands symbolizing our mortality, and repentance before the Lord. I pray that you will attend this deeply meaningful and moving service.

May we share God's love freely, because God shares it so freely with us.

In His Peace
Josh Hughes



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	Jennifer Davis	14	L.D. Cink
2	Anna Murphy	17	Lynette Howard
	Melissa Batton		Lucy Green
	Maggie Beach	18	Lindsey Moore
	Christy NeeSmith	21	Cameron Thomas
6	Alyssa Bailey	25	Ryan Miles
10	Jackson Davis	26	Tucker Ouzts
	Emily Morris		

Church Staff

Pastor:	Rev. Josh Hughes
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Youth Intern:	Ms. Christina Trowell
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N Dear Church Family,

E The month of February is often called the month of love. Of course, the
W most important day is Valentine's Day, February 14th. It is a wonderful day of
S celebration, but I admit that I find it somewhat depressing that we only do this
one day a year. Love is not an emotion that should be expressed every so
often; love should be expressed every day. Whether it is to our sweetheart or
to the stranger on the street, we as followers of Christ have an obligation to
share love with anyone we come in contact with. My hope is that we as the
F people of God do not wait for just one day a year to express love; instead,
R may we share it every day of our lives. With that said, The Oaks Baptist
O Church will be busy this month. I pray that these events on our schedule
will be opportunities to share love with others:

- M** 1. The Men on Mission will be working at the Lyons Blood Drive on Feb. 6th from 1-7. Volunteers are needed.
- T** 2. The Women on Mission will be making comfort pillows for women who have had mastectomies on Feb. 9th at 6 P.M. Please contact Ginger Hughes or Nan Price for more details.
- H** 3. We will have our own "Love Under The Oaks" adult Valentine banquet on Saturday night, Feb 11th at 7 P. M. All are invited and childcare will be provided. The cost for this steak dinner is only five dollars a person.
- E** 4. We will host our annual Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 21st at 6 P. M. Last year, we raised money for the Jake Kennedy family. This year we will also be raising money for a worthy goal. More details to follow as the date approaches.
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FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

Crib Nursery Sunday (AM)

Feb. 5	Deborah Dotson & Shirley Odum
Feb. 12	Tanda Cink & Pete Frost
Feb. 19	Charlene Dupree & Heather Colson
Feb. 26	Mary Georgia Moore & Wesley Moore

Toddler Nursery (AM)

Feb. 5	Tammi Threlkeld & Bruce Frost
Feb. 12	J. D. Lockley & Pat Murphy
Feb. 19	Rustin Howard & Joanie Moore
Feb. 26	Lindsey Moore & Adam Moore

Nursery Wednesday

Feb. 1	Tammi Threlkeld & J. D. Lockley
Feb. 8	Chris Rustin & Sheila Thigpen
Feb. 15	Katelyn Pierce & Gail Pierce
Feb. 22	Heather Colson & Rita Howard
Feb. 29	Deborah Dotson & Shirley Odum

Ushers

Feb. 5	Robert Moore & Adam Moore
Feb. 12	Pete Frost & Millicent Frost
Feb. 19	Al Jones & Ally Jones
Feb. 26	Pat Murphy & Tanda Cink

Building Manager for February

Denny Thigpen

Stewardship Report

Monthly Budget Needs: \$21,245.00
Received in January: \$25,349.44
General Fund: \$23,150.44
Designated Funds: \$2,199.00

Men on Missions Upcoming Events

Monday, February 6th—1-7:00 P.M. Lyons Blood Drive

Saturday, February 11th—7:00 P.M. Adult Valentine Banquet
\$5.00 per person.

Saturday, March 3rd— 7:00 A.M. Relay for Life Yard Sale



Music Ministry

The music ministry is planning several exciting events for the Spring. There will be a Hymn Sing and Social on Sunday evening, February 26th. Details will be posted on the website and announced in church. The adult and children's choirs will begin rehearsing music for Palm Sunday and Easter soon. We could really use your voices! If you have sung in the choir before (even several years before), please consider joining us for the Easter season. The music will be wonderful and our choirs always do a fabulous job of leading in worship.

Attention Children's Choir Parents: the children's choirs will be scheduled to sing very soon. If you know you will be out of town in the next couple of months, please let Dr. Brad or Lucy Green know. As of now, we know that children's choirs will sing on Palm Sunday, April 1st, for sure. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

Peace of Christ,
Brad

Senior Adult News

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



Have you noticed that our meeting is on Valentine's Day? We wanted to make this a really special day for all of us so, we'll have beautiful decorations and a delicious meal, *prepared especially for us*. Also, one our dearest, most respected members will share some devotional thoughts about God's love for us. Now, get this—you don't have to do a thing except (1) Come and (2) Let us know so we will be sure to have enough food. I hope you agree that this is an incredible offer. On a day we traditionally show and share our love for each other, it is good to be reminded of the greatest gift we have; that of the love of God, given freely to all who believe in Him.

Also, a quick reminder that February is the month the American Heart Association has set aside to promote and educate us about heart disease. Heart disease is the number one killer of women; and our weapons to guard against this disease are education, healthy lifestyles, and exercise. Please wear red in February as a symbol of our fight against heart disease, and especially wear red for Valentine's Day! **Don't forget—Tuesday, February 14th at 11:45 A.M. Bring a friend for this special event.**



Youth News

Super Bowl Sunday, we are meeting at Robert and Amy Moore's house at 6:00 P.M.. There is a signup sheet for the spring break trip to Gatlinburg posted. Hurry and reserve your spot and a down payment is due by February 5th. The youth will be helping serve dinner for the Love Under The Oaks Valentine dinner on February 11th. On February 18th, we will be headed to Statesboro to the Clubhouse. This is only the beginning of an exciting and God-filled semester.