

The Home Visitor

“The Unexpected Journey” by Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

At the heart of the matter, of course pun intended, is that every breath we take there's a gift from God. Each and every heartbeat demonstrates that God has granted us by faith, the gift of life, which for us reminds us that God is our creator, redeemer and sustainer ... and our friend who walks with us and talks with us a long life's narrow way.

Last month, as most of you know, I found myself in the hospital emergency room, not quite sure what was going on, and in an unfamiliar place, even though I had been there many times before with others. However, this was new, and this was real for me. From time to time, planned or totally unexpected, we often find ourselves in an unfamiliar place, where we soon discover something new and/or rediscover something perhaps long forgotten. Summer often leads us back to familiar places where we are reminded of what was and learn what is. Those familiar places are often filled with familiar faces (whether they are physically present with us or not).

I'd like to say that I am 100%, yet in reality, I am not. In fact, Scripture reminds us of this in that, “He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus” (Philippians 1:6 NIV). In other words, I have much yet to learn and yes, much to be reminded of, not only in life, but also in faith.

My new (and prayerfully temporary) journey with Afib has and is teaching me and reminding me of a thing or two about my life and my faith. One thing for sure is how both my life and my faith need serious tending to this day and every day.

“When we learn to descend with our mind into our heart, then all those who have become part of our lives are led into the healing presence of God and are touched by him in the center of our being. We are speaking here about a mystery for which words are inadequate. It is the mystery that the heart, which is the center of our being, is transformed by God into his own heart, a heart large enough to embrace the entire universe. Through prayer we can.” — *Henri J.M. Nouwen, The Way of the Heart*



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SPECIAL NOTES

- Home Visitor Cut Off 8/15
- Kurpa/Pechin Wedding Saturday 8/16 @ 4pm
- Heart Topics presentation 8/20 @7pm, HFC

We continue to lift in prayer OBPC Members.

<i>Barbara Bowden</i>	<i>Phyllis Heller</i>	<i>Bruce Miller</i>	<i>John Smarkusky</i>
<i>Charlotte Burge</i>	<i>Carol Helmendach</i>	<i>Alma More</i>	<i>Marilyn Smarkusky</i>
<i>Bruce Burge</i>	<i>Shirley Hinkle</i>	<i>Jill Moscoso</i>	<i>Elizabeth Strong</i>
<i>Ella Mae Chadbourne</i>	<i>Sherri Jarvis</i>	<i>Susan Parisi</i>	<i>Barbara Van Laningham</i>
<i>Aleta Dick</i>	<i>Joana Maciel</i>	<i>Cynthia Pfeiderer</i>	<i>Cindy Watkins</i>
<i>Bruce Geelhood</i>	<i>Sue Mitchell</i>	<i>Ray Piller</i>	<i>Gwen & Earl Williams</i>



We lift in prayer OBPC Families and Friends

Kimberly Pyne-Daughter and George Keefer-Friend by Sharon Carter
Mel Smith, Audrey Pentz, John Harkrader-Friends by Kirsten and Curtis Finley

Steve Struble-Friend by Bill and Bonnie Thompson

Hiro Hirumi-Father by 2c Hirumi

Betty Colburn-Mother by Sandy Johnson

Becky Krenn-Friend by Sue Kim

Michael Prendergast-Brother-in-Law by Mary Kay Wagner

Jerry Bracken, Vince O'Conner, and Darlene Rathmell-Cousins by Mike Troutman

Suzie Smith-Sister and Jim Thiede-Nephew by Rosie & David Perry

Sylvia Engelbrecht-Friend by Kassie Manza

Kathy Miller-Sister by Debbie Strickland

Matthew Eaton-Son, Bonnie-Mother, Lynn Baker-Sister, and Ali Owens and Carson-Friends by Heather Eaton

Lisa Pierson-Daughter, Elizabeth Gainsborough-Sister, Skip Banach-Brother, Sharon Kitts-Friend by Arlene Clark

Mike Luciano-Sherri's Brother, Susan Combs-Sherri's Sister, Michelle Pugh and Seanna Milam-Pastor Nathan's Sisters by Pastor Nathan and Sherri Wheeler

Matt Sweet and Brian Canard-Grandsons by Betty Canard

Brady Barry-Son, Trevin Barry, Henry Threath-Grandsons by Susan Barry

Carolyn Kuehn and Alva Debiak by Candy Christman

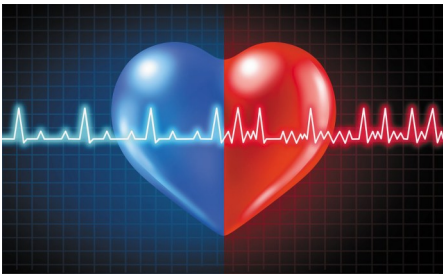


Prayers for Our Community and World

We pray for those across our nation who are suffering from natural disasters.

We have a Church Prayer Chain

Please call or text Candy Christman (386-956-5924) if you have a prayer request to lift up by our Prayer Chain.



SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 20, 2025

Amsden Academy is offering an evening presentation on Heart Health by Dr. Jim Carley on Wednesday evening August 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The title of this event is: What's New and Old about Atrial Fibrillation and other selected Heart Topics.

He will discuss the practical application of new medical concepts in the diagnosis and treatment of a fib and delve into some of the aspects of coronary artery disease and its impact on the population in 2025. There will be time at the end for Question and Discussion. This is a topic very relevant for our times and we hope you will all attend and help spread the word. Please invite family, friends, and neighbors. There is no fee for the event. Just come and learn.



“Growing in the Word” Rally Day Sunday, September 7 @ 9:00AM in the fellowship hall

As summer comes to an end, we say hello to our 2025 Fall Education Programs! On Sunday, September 7, the Christian Education Committee invites everyone to join us for breakfast and a time to learn about all of the exciting opportunities for learning. Our amazing teachers will be sharing about the different classes that OBPC offers both on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. If you have ever wondered about the different classes offered, this is the perfect time to learn more and ask questions. A sign-up sheet will be in the narthex, at the Sign-up Station during the month of August. Please stop by and let us know you will be coming.



OBPC HABITAT HOME IN LEGACY WOODS ON FLOMICH AVENUE

Habitat is anticipating construction on “our house” in September! The approvals and permitting have gone smoothly so far!

So... here are some important dates:

Sunday, August 24 during worship we will officially present Lori Gillooly, and the Habitat Board President. OBPC's check to sponsor the first home to be constructed in Legacy Woods. It is a big check! All the generous donations that were made are finally paying off. Following worship, we will gather in the Haddad Fellowship Hall for lunch, questions and a report on the status of not only our house, but the whole Legacy Woods project.

Saturday, September 6 at 10:00 am we are all invited to a Groundbreaking Ceremony at 1445 Flomich Avenue in Daytona Beach. It will take place on the site where our home will be built. Please come and join the Habitat Board, city and county officials and contractors for this joyful occasion (more details will be forthcoming).

We can be thankful that Christian outreach is at work in our community providing safe and affordable housing.

Come on Sunday, August 24, and Saturday, September 6 to be part of this exciting event in the life of our church.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!!



One of our newest members is a born and raised Daytona Beach native—Susan Coleman. Susan has spent 25 years as a member of First Presbyterian church in Daytona Beach, a church that hosted youth groups from OBPC for several years! When that church closed, she spent a year at St. James Episcopal and realized she was Presbyterian. Then God led her to us! Susan is a retired CPA and has just joined the finance committee! Susan's brother and sister-in-law and children live locally. She loves spending time with her family! We are delighted to have her here!



Tom and Susan Barfield come to us by 'transfer' from Shallowford Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, Georgia. They were married December 17, 1979. Tom's birthday is February 19, and Susan's birthday is October 31. Tom is self-employed, and currently recovering from knee replacement surgery and interested in the choir. Susan has been a member of our choir and is a member of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences, and retired from entertainment industry. They are both interesting people, so find a moment to talk to them and know them better.

Corner Deacon's



Hurricane Readiness - Let's Stay Prepared

The third month of hurricane season has begun and an active part of the season is yet to come. So it's important to keep your emergency supply kit stocked if you live in a hurricane prone area. The American Red Cross suggests having a Go-Kit with 3 days of supplies and a Stay-at-Home Kit with at least 2 weeks of supplies.

Your kit should include non-perishable food and water, a first aid kit, extra batteries for flashlights and radios, and cellphone chargers.

Place important papers and telephone numbers in waterproof containers and ensure that you have adequate prescription medicines, disinfecting wipes, extra cash, and a plan for your pets. Don't forget toiletries and personal hygiene items. And be sure to keep cars full of gasoline and electric cars charged.

To review your hurricane readiness plan, contact any Deacon.

Music Notes—August 2025



*We believe that the holy act of singing together shapes faith,
heals brokenness, transforms lives, and renews peace.*

-The guiding stance of The Center for Congregational Song

Summer Choir— Summer Choir continues each Summer Sunday through August 31!



The Church Year—August 2025

August 3 2025	8th Sunday after Pentecost	Color-green
August 10, 2025	9th Sunday after Pentecost	Color-green
August 17, 2025	10th Sunday after Pentecost	Color-green
August 24, 2025	11th Sunday after Pentecost	Color-green
August 31, 2025	12th Sunday after Pentecost	Color-green

Tuned for Praise ~ 2025-2026

Our Tuned for Praise concert series continues in its 13th year with something for everyone!

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend these amazing programs!

Your support for our concert series is always appreciated!

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| ♦ Sunday, October 5 | Bethune-Cookman University Concert Chorale |
| ♦ Sunday, November 9 | Veteran's Day Salute with the DeLand HS Choirs |
| ♦ Sunday, February 15 | Valentine's Day Love Songs—Samone Hicks, Karl Van Richards |



PRESBYTERIAN ASSOCIATION OF MUSICIANS 2025 WORSHIP & MUSIC CONFERENCE— MONTREAT, N.C.

June 15, 2025

What a beautiful and spiritual event for our OPBC youth and chaperones.



Montreat 2025



Here is the happy and hardy, group who attended the 2025 Montreat Worship & Music Conference in June. I was not able to go this year because of my hand surgery but thanks to Lisa Benitez and Jamie Hawes for holding down the fort. I heard great things about our youth and how they grew spiritually and musically. The Montreat Conference is always a grand experience. Thank you again to Lisa and Jamie, to the youth who attended, and to the congregation for making this event possible for our youth and adults.

Mrs. Larson

Lisa Benitez, Debbie Benitez, Joseph Davis, Thomas Davis, Michael Meyer, Jamie Hawes, AJ Benitez



AJ Benitez writes: Thank you OBPC for letting us have this opportunity of going to Montreat and letting us worship God. I made many good memories there and hope to go again next year.

Montreat Worship & Music Conference 2026 is already planned and we will again take a group to the mountains! If you are interested in attending or supporting this event, please talk to me anytime!!

Chancel Choir Retreat



WHEN: Saturday, September 6, 2025

TIME: 10:30AM - 1:30PM

WHERE: OBPC

WHO: All current and *prospective* choir members—this is a great way to **TRY** choir!

We will meet to get the choir year started.

We will warm-up our voices; prepare the anthem for Sept. 7;

work on upcoming anthems, hymns, and responses;

have lunch together (lunch & humor are provided)

after lunch we'll read through Christmas anthems.



Sign-up on the clipboard in the choir room

OR email OR text Barbara Larson



The Summer Back Yard Bible Club for OBPC's Children and Youth met Wednesday July 9, at the home of Lynda and Wray Bonnick, with Pastor Jeff with guitar and games !



Sunday worship on July 7 laying of hands and prayers for Keely, for a major operation to undergo that week. The operation was successful and now beginning her rehab. Keep Keely in your prayers.



JULY BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



August Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations



Following worship service on Sunday, August 3, please join us in the Haddad Fellowship Center to recognize all who celebrate a birthday or an anniversary during the month of August.


August Birthdays

2	Bruce Geelhood	11	Jorge Lopez	21	Kristen Maiocco
3	Mike Myer	12	Wray Bonnick	26	Tracey Albright
8	Charles Griggs	13	Susan Barry	28	Jackie Joiner
9	Emily Spottiswood	14	Virginia Norred	29	Rose Vedder
10	Laurel Gaddy	17	Ron Christman	31	Ronnie Ricks

August Anniversaries

4	Ray & Betty Piller	18 yrs	18	Ron & Candace Christman	47 yrs
8	Louis & Kassie Manza	55 yrs	22	Philip & Karyl Poirier	55 yrs
11	William & Kay Yaeger	65 yrs	24	Richard & Sheila Clark	57 yrs
16	Randall & Dorothy Holbrook	54 yrs	31	Tom & Nancy Robbins	57 yrs

Every Sunday– August 9:00 Adult Bible Study room 12, 10:30 WORSHIP 1st Sunday with Communion; 11:30 PB & J Sandwich Making, HFC; 11:30 Fellowship Coffee Time, HFC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7/27	7/28	7/29	7/30	7/31 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 9	8/1 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	2 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7
3 11:30 AUGUST Birthday & Anniv. Celebrations, HFC	4 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	5 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 CLC Meeting, HFC	6 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 WORSHIP MEETING, LIB	7 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 9:00 PLANNING & STAFF MEETING, 12	8 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	9 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 12-3:00 Back to School Party, HFC
10	11 9:00 FINANCE, LIBRARY 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	12 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	13 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 SESSION, 12	14 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	15 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 HOME VISITOR CUT OFF	16 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7  4:00 PECHIN Wedding, Sanctuary, HFC
17	18 8:00 H.U.M Volunteers 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	19 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 11:00 FELLOWSHIP/ EVANGELISM, LIB 6:30 Sing A Long, Sanctuary	20 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:00 PROPERTY MEETING, LIB 7:00 HEART TOPICS BY DR. JIM CARLEY, HFC	21 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 9:00 DEACONS MTG, Make & Take HFC,	22 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	23 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 4:00 BARBARA VAN LANINGHAM MEMORIAL SERVICE / RECEPTION –HFC
24/31	25 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	26 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 OUTREACH , LIBRARY	27 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 C.E. MEETING, LIB	28 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	29 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	30 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7

Please note: Since printing of this calendar changes may have been made. We would like you to visit OBPC web site at ormondbeachpc.org for the most current calendar and for other current announcements.