

OASIS ORACLE

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Scripture of the Month

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

Teacher of the Month



Our Teacher of the Month for September is Melissa Carr!! Congratulations; we appreciate your hard work and effort! Thank you for all that you do for OCA!!



From Head of School, Jenny Barton

Happy Fall Y'all,

Fall is my favorite time of the year. I hope you all make time to get outside and enjoy some fall festivities. Do you need a breakthrough in your life? So many in our Oasis family are experiencing loss or need in some form or fashion. How should we pray for a breakthrough for ourselves or others?

1. Thank God in advance. Thanking God afterward is gratitude. Thanking God in advance is faith. Mark 11:24 - *"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."*

2. Focus on God, not the crisis.

3. Wait and trust. We have to admit that we can't do everything and things are out of our control. We need God to handle things. II Chronicles 12:12-13 - *"O our God, will You not judge them? For we*



Early Education, Teresa Wilson

We have been very busy in preschool. The kids are busy making new friends and learning a lot. We are just beginning our Community Helper theme. Unfortunately, our first field trip to the Auburndale Fire Department was canceled due to COVID. However, the firefighters have worked hard to put together a virtual field trip for the kids. We are looking forward to a great year.

are powerless before this great multitude who are coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are on You."

4. Listen to what God says. Stop looking for a sign and start looking for a scripture. Stop looking for a vision and start looking for a verse. God's will is in His word. II Chronicles 20:15-18 - *"Listen, all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem and King Jehoshaphat: thus says the LORD to you, 'Do not fear or be dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours but God's. 16' Tomorrow go down against them. Behold, they will come up by the ascent of Ziz, and you will find them at the end of the valley in front of the wilderness of Jeruel. 17' You need not fight in this battle; station yourselves, stand and see the salvation of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.' Do not fear or be dismayed; tomorrow go out to face them, for the LORD is with you."*

5. Relax. Don't be afraid or discouraged.

6. God says, "It is my battle and I will handle it." We get tired and fatigued because we are trying to fight a battle that is God's.

7. Wait and watch what the Lord does. God's got this. It is never God's will for me to run from a difficult situation. II Chronicles 20:19-20 - *"They rose early in the morning and went out to the wilderness of Tekoa; and when they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, 'Listen to me, O Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem, put your trust in the LORD your God and you will be established. Put your trust in His prophets and succeed.'" 21 When he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who sang to the LORD and those who praised Him in holy attire, as they went out before the army and said, "Give thanks to the LORD, for His lovingkindness is everlasting."*

God is so good to us all the time, even when things are not going the way we wish they would. Please keep our new building in your prayers as well. Our site plan has been submitted and our building plans are being drawn. Thank you to everyone who participated in our Fall Otis Spunkmeyer fundraiser. Thanks to all of you, our profit was almost \$8,000! We added some money that we have been saving for the new playground and we ordered the new playground for elementary and another goal for the basketball court for our middle and high school students. Thanks again everyone and Happy Fall Y'all!

-Ms. Barton



Important Dates

- Oct 4- Preschool Picture Day
- Oct 5- Yearbook Re-take & Class Picture Day
- Oct 5- K5 & 12th Grade Cap & Gown Pictures
- **Oct 8-11- FALL BREAK: NO SCHOOL**
- Oct 12- PAWS Meeting (6:30pm)
 - meet.google.com/bgu-pdvo-sek
- Oct 14- Booster Club Meeting (6:30pm)
 - meet.google.com/gmq-ajku-uio
- Oct 15- Senior Games
- Oct 15- Senior FAFSA Meeting (6:30pm)
- **Oct 15- End of 1st Quarter (Early Dismissal)**
 - **5th-12th- 11:00am**
 - **K5-4th- 11:30am**
- Oct 18-22- Parent/Teacher Conference Week
- Oct 19- 11thR- Food Bank Field Trip
- Oct 20- 11thB- Food Bank Field Trip
- **Check out all of our athletic games & events for volleyball, football, and cross country at ocalions.org/calendar**
- **Please visit the calendar page to sync our new website calendar to your devices.**

Assistant Principal, Tawn Jones

I've been thinking about prayer lately. In our Middle School Chapel, the students are watching a series by Francis Chan on prayer. In the first session, he spoke of us having the power to go straight to God with our concerns, our heartaches, and our joys. We don't have to depend on someone else to speak to God for us - like they did in the Old Testament - but, because of Jesus, we have access to the Holy Spirit ourselves. Amazing!!!

God wants to hear from us - He wants to be in constant fellowship with us. I know this school year has so many fears surrounding it - from Covid concerns to job and family woes - but God wants us to give it all to Him - to lay it at His feet. This verse runs through my head often - Philippians 4:6-7 - "*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*" Thank you for being part of OCA - we are blessed.

- Ms. Tawn Jones

