



**Oasis Christian Church  
Oasis Youth of Excellence (OYOE)  
Note Home to Parents  
November 1, 2008**

**NOTE:** “Note Home to Parents” is released monthly on first Sundays, along with an accompanying calendar for the month. The calendar contains all youth and college ministry related activities at OCC.

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[www.occr.com/oyoecalendar.html](http://www.occr.com/oyoecalendar.html)

**“GET OUT & VOTE” ON NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>** – Everyone who is at least 18 years old and who have registered to vote, is reminded to vote on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Election Day voting hours are 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Remember to take a picture I.D. to the polls.

**Casting Call for the Youth Drama Ministry** – The Oasis Youth of Excellence Drama Ministry is looking for actors and actresses for its upcoming Christmas drama. There will be an open casting call for participants on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm in the OCC Youth Church. Aspiring young actors and actresses ages 12 & up are encouraged to participate. For additional information, please see Min. Theresa Toussaint or Sis. Renee Smith.

**YPOD Auditions** – Choir auditions will be held for the Young People of Destiny Choir. Auditions will be held Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the OCC Youth Church. Youth who wish to join the choir must audition. Only those youth who are at least 10 years old and have the will, commitment, inner desire and ability to sing and usher in the presence of God through songs, hymns, praise and worship are asked to audition. Each youth must be prepared to sing a gospel song of his/her choice individually for 60 seconds before the audition team. All youth who wish to audition must sign up in the main foyer of the Bigger Barn or at the registration table in the back of the youth sanctuary in the OCC Youth Church.

**Ignition!** – The Oasis Christian Church Youth Ministry will not hold Ignition in November 2008. The next Ignition will be held next year (if the Lord will's it so) during football season.

**Boys to Men Retreat –Final Payment Due November 12<sup>th</sup>** – Registration for the Boys to Men Retreat is now closed. All final payments for the trip are due by Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> in the OCC Youth Ministry Office.

**Boys to Men Retreat –Trip Meeting** – A meeting will be held on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. for parents and for retreat participants who will be attending the Boys to Men Retreat. This is a very important meeting. Information regarding the trip itinerary, packing list, expectations, van departure and arrival times and other pertinent information will be shared.

**Outreach—Mass Choir** – The Oasis Christian Church Mass Choir will be singing at First Emmanuel Baptist Church (575 Education Street in Baton Rouge) on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Permission slips are required for this ministry event for all minors under the age of 18 years old, who will not be accompanied by their parents and who will ride the Oasis vans.

**Outreach—Youth Ministry** – The Oasis Christian Church Youth Ministry will be the special guest at Greater New Galilee Baptist Church (9185 Wilbur Street in Baton Rouge) on Friday, November 21, 2008 at 7:00 pm. All youth and parents are invited to attend. Min. Ron Johnson will be the guest speaker. In addition, the Young People of Destiny Choir and gospel rap artist Quenton Jackson will also be the special musical guests. Oasis vans will be rolling for Jesus

that night to transport YPOD members who do not have transportation. Permission slips are required for this ministry event for all minors under the age of 18 years old.

**OCC Time of Prayer and Fasting** – Please remember to join Oasis Christian Church for a time of prayer and fasting on Wednesdays. We ask you to skip any one meal of your choice on Wednesdays (health permitting) to collectively seek God in prayer and fasting for Bishop Charles Wallace, his family and the entire Oasis Christian Church community. Weekly prayer targets are available in the main foyer of the Bigger Barn. Also, please join the youth for their OYOE Intercessory Prayer every Wednesday from 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Church. All, including friends and parents, are welcome to join the youth in prayer.

**Boys & Girls Ministry** – The next Boys and Girls Ministry gathering will be held Monday, November 17, 2008 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Boys and Girls Ministry meet monthly on third Mondays.

**OCC Young Adult & College Ministry Mixer** – The OCC College & Young Adult Ministry will meet Monday, November 17, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the OCC Youth Church. This ministry meets monthly on third Mondays.

**OCC Rehearsals** –Young People of Destiny (YPOD) Choir, OYOE Praise Team and the OCC Mass Choir will rehearse as follows in November 2008. Parents are reminded to bring their youth on time and **pick them up on time**. YPOD Choir rehearsals are closed to onlookers (parents, siblings, friends, relatives, etc.).

- OCC Mass Choir (ages 13 & up) --Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- YPOD-- Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- OYOE Boys Praise Team -- Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- YPOD-- Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**OCC Youth Ministry Calendar** – Please refer to the Oasis Youth of Excellence (OYOE) Calendar for all youth rehearsals, gatherings and youth council meetings. A printable version of the calendar is available at <http://www.occb.com/oyoe.html> and then click on “OYOE Calendar” in the upper right hand corner of the web page.

### **Announcements from the Bigger Barn**

- Ministers' Meeting: Tuesday, November 4 - 7:00 p.m. All OCC Ministers are encouraged to attend.
- Diabetic Project Workshop: Saturday, November 8-9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Topic: A Clean Heart.
- OMOE: Monday, November 10 - 7:00 p.m. All men are invited to fellowship with the Oasis Men of Excellence. Invite your friends.
- OWOE: Saturday, November 15 - 9:30 a.m. All ladies are invited to fellowship with the First Lady and Oasis Women of Excellence. Visitors are welcome.
- Boys to Men Retreat: Sunday, November 23, 2008 to Tuesday, November 25, 2008, Unicoi Georgia State Park & Lodge – Helen, Georgia. Registration is closed.
- Oasis Night: Wednesday, November 26 - 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join us for a special worship service and make a special donation (\$100 per family) for the 2008

Oasis project: A new digital sign for the Bigger Barn (to be placed on E. Brookstown Drive).

- Thanksgiving Day Worship Service: Thursday, November 27, 9:00 a.m. Join the OCC Family in an hour (or so) of Thanksgiving
- Family and Friends Day: Sunday, November 30 at the 8:00 a.m. Worship Service. Invite your family and friends to worship with us.
- Ministers' Night: Sunday, November 30, 6:00 p.m.
- Marriage Enrichment and Singles Ministry will not be held in November.
- OCC Casual Day: Each 4th Sunday has been designated as Casual Attire Day at OCC!
- Sign up or Renew Your FREE Subscription—in the foyer-- to receive "The Oasis Magazine" 2009.
- OCC Memorabilia in the OCC Bookstore -- OCC \$5 Specials are Bible Study Pads and Kingdom Conscious Bracelets. DVDs and CDs of Bishop's messages, books and CDs by OCC members are also available. All of these items make great gifts that minister the Gospel of Jesus Christ.