

SERVICE TIMES

CROWN RIDGE

**Saturdays**  
5:00 pm (*Instrumental*)

**Sundays**  
8:15 am (*A Cappella*)  
9:45 am & 11:30 am (*Instrumental*)  
*Spanish Translation 9:45 & 11:30 am*  
*Deaf Interpretation 9:45 am*  
11:30 am *Servicio En Espanol*  
(*Student Center*)  
1:30 pm *Servicio Caribeno*  
(*Student Center*)

FREDERICKSBURG

**Sundays**  
10:30 am

JOURNEY FELLOWSHIP

**Sundays**  
9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 pm

NORTH CENTRAL

**Sundays**  
9:15 am & 11:00 am

OUTER WEST

**Sundays**  
9:00 am & 11:00 am

WESTSIDE

**Sundays**  
10:00 am & 12:00 pm

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

CROWN RIDGE

**Student Ministry Director**  
(*Full-Time*)

**Ministry Assistant** (*Part-Time*)

**Child Care Worker** (*Part-Time*)  
Tuesday mornings and special events. Contact Valerie Taylor at [ValerieT@oakhillschurch.com](mailto:ValerieT@oakhillschurch.com)

NORTH CENTRAL

**Child Care Worker** (*Part-Time*)  
Friday mornings, Sunday evenings, and special events. Contact Marci Solis at [MarciS@oakhillschurch.com](mailto:MarciS@oakhillschurch.com)

JOURNEY FELLOWSHIP

**Child Care Worker** (*Part-Time*)  
Wednesday evenings and special events. Contact Melissa Gregory at [MelissaG@oakhillschurch.com](mailto:MelissaG@oakhillschurch.com)

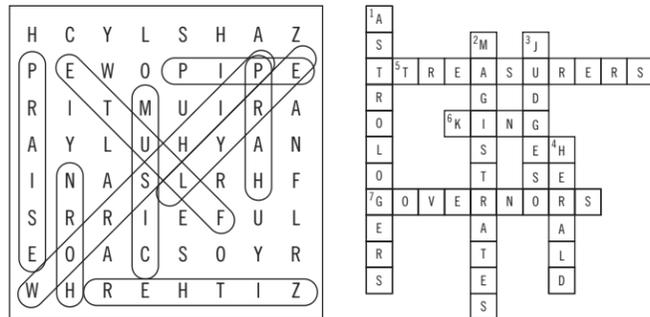
**Children's Ministry Director**  
(*Full-Time*)

FREDERICKSBURG

**Children's Ministry Director**  
(*Part-Time*)

For more information about Job Opportunities at Oak Hills Church, visit [oakhillschurch.com/employment](http://oakhillschurch.com/employment)

ANSWER KEY



## CONSIDERING BAPTISM?

*Baptism is an outward demonstration of obedience to Christ by one who has declared his faith to others. (Acts 2:38)*

Stop by Information Central, or ask an elder or minister at your campus, for a Baptism Booklet and learn how you can celebrate the simple and significant experience of baptism.

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## MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

**ALL CAMPUS**  
TOTAL BUDGETED through March 2016: \$ 8,925,856  
TOTAL OFFERING through March 2016: \$ 8,906,036

# PRISONERS SURVIVE BLAZE!

SCRIPTURE

# THE IMAGE OF GOLD

DANIEL 3 (NIV)

# CITIZENS FORCED TO WORSHIP STATUE

<sup>1</sup>King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold, sixty cubits high and six cubits wide, and set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. <sup>2</sup>He then summoned the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates and all the other provincial officials to come to the dedication of the image he had set up. <sup>3</sup>So the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates and all the other provincial officials assembled for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up, and they stood before it.

<sup>4</sup>Then the herald loudly proclaimed, "Nations and peoples of every language, this is what you are commanded to do: <sup>5</sup>As soon as you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music, you must fall down and worship the image of gold that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. <sup>6</sup>Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace."

<sup>7</sup>Therefore, as soon as they heard the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp and all kinds of music, all the nations and peoples of every language fell down and worshiped the image of gold that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

<sup>8</sup>At this time some astrologers came forward and denounced the Jews. <sup>9</sup>They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "May the king live forever! <sup>10</sup>Your Majesty has issued a decree that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music must fall down and worship the image of gold, <sup>11</sup>and that whoever does not fall down and worship will be thrown into a blazing furnace. <sup>12</sup>But there are some (*See Page 2*)

Three men who had been thrown into the furnace have emerged, unscathed and completely unharmed. The flames instantly killed the guards assigned to place the prisoners in the blaze. But the prisoners endured the fire and exited the furnace unscathed, not even a hint of smoke on their clothing.

The king's impressive gold image stands in Babylon. Dedication of the 90-foot tall statue had taken place with a large contingent of treasurers, judges, magistrates, local and provincial officials in attendance. Under the king's decree, all those attending, people of every nation and language fell down and worshiped the image.

King Nebuchadnezzar personally oversaw the proposed execution, and announced his shock at the outcome: "I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods."

On the heels of the celebration, however, Nebuchadnezzar's astrologers reported the disobedience of the three Jews who refused to obey the "bow down" order. On questioning by the king himself, the three men confirmed their objection to the decree, determining to worship the God of Israel, refusing to worship the gold image. "The God we serve is able to save us from your furnace. He will rescue us from your hand. But even if he chooses not to save us, you need to know that we will not serve your gods or this golden image you have erected."

As a result of the execution miracle, the king altered his decree: "The people of any nation or language who say anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be executed and their homes be destroyed. No other god can save like this God."

Witnessed by government satraps, prefects, governors, and royal advisors, the king said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants!"

As a result of their disobedience, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were bound and thrown into the furnace, which

**WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.**  
Guests, please stop by Information Central for a complimentary CD and Welcome Packet.

## FROM THE COVER

**DANIEL 3 (NIV) CONT.**

Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to you, Your Majesty. They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.”

<sup>13</sup>Furious with rage, Nebuchadnezzar summoned Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. So these men were brought before the king, <sup>14</sup>and Nebuchadnezzar said to them, “Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the image of gold I have set up? <sup>15</sup>Now when you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music, if you are ready to fall down and worship the image I made, very good. But if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace. Then what god will be able to rescue you from my hand?”

<sup>16</sup>Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves

before you in this matter. <sup>17</sup>If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. <sup>18</sup>But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

<sup>19</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual <sup>20</sup>and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. <sup>21</sup>So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. <sup>22</sup>The king’s command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, <sup>23</sup>and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the

blazing furnace.

<sup>24</sup>Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, “Weren’t there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?”

They replied, “Certainly, Your Majesty.”

<sup>25</sup>He said, “Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.”

<sup>26</sup>Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, “Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!”

So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, <sup>27</sup>and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around them. They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.

<sup>28</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar said, “Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king’s command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God. <sup>29</sup>Therefore I decree that the people of any nation or language who say anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego be cut into pieces and their houses be turned into piles of rubble, for no other god can save in this way.”

<sup>30</sup>Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

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## DANIEL FAST FACTS

**WHO**

- Daniel, taken captive to serve King Nebuchadnezzar
- Rulers Daniel served: Nebuchadnezzar, Darius, Cyrus

**WHAT**

- Primary themes—piety, promise, prophecy
- Major sections—Daniel 1-6 history, Daniel 7-12 prophecy

**WHEN**

- 605 BC—Babylonian conquest of Jerusalem
- 70 years—time span of book of Daniel (605 BC-536 BC)

**KEY NOTE**

- Referenced by Christ, Matthew 24:15 (NIV)

**KEY VERSE**

- “...the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed...” Daniel 2:44 (NIV)

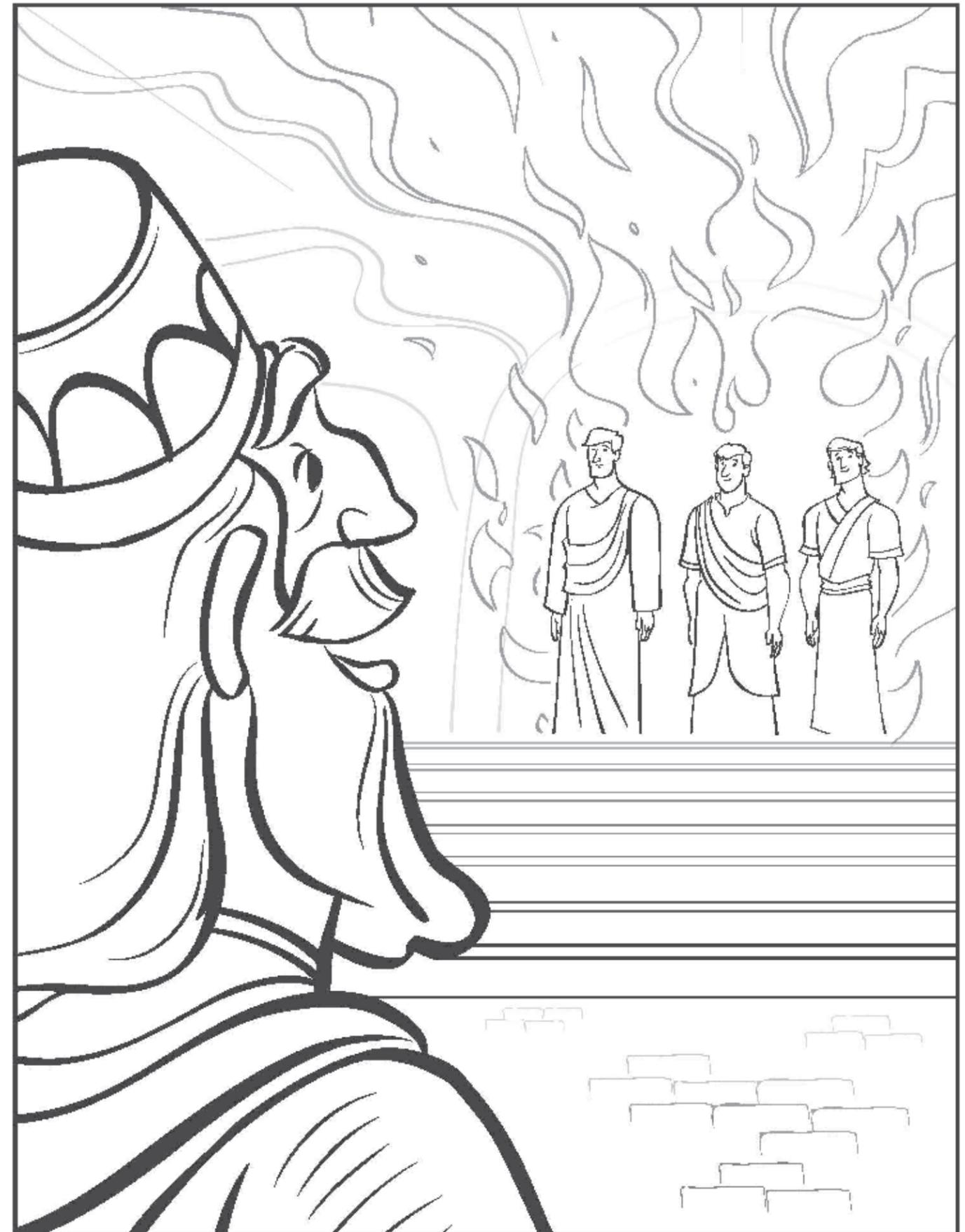
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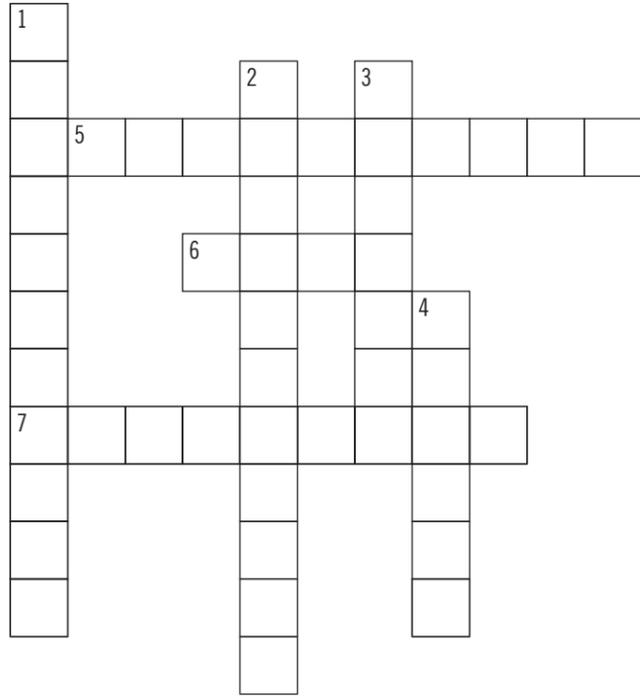
**Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego**

Daniel 3

GAMES

H C Y L S H A Z  
 P E W O P I P E  
 R I T M U I R A  
 A Y L U H Y A N  
 I N A S L R H F  
 S R R I E F U L  
 E O A C S O Y R  
 W H R E H T I Z

ASTROLOGERS  
 GOVERNORS  
 HERALD  
 JUDGES  
 KING  
 MAGISTRATES  
 TREASURERS



FLUTE  
 HARP  
 HORN  
 LYRE  
 MUSIC

PIPE  
 PRAISE  
 WORSHIP  
 ZITHER



**WHAT IS BIBLE CLUB?**  
 Bible Club is one of our best opportunities to Belong, Grow, and Serve (ALL THREE) in every neighborhood in our city and beyond.

**When**  
 June 26-29, 6-8 pm (Dates/times are flexible)

**Hosted By**  
 Neighborhood Teams (That's YOU!)

**Where**  
 Your Yard, Neighborhood Park, or Community Center

**Who**  
 Children age 4 through fifth grade (These are YOUR neighbors)

**Kids' Activities**  
 Games, Bible Lessons, Snack, Praise & Worship, and Crafts (We'll provide resources and training for all of the activities!)

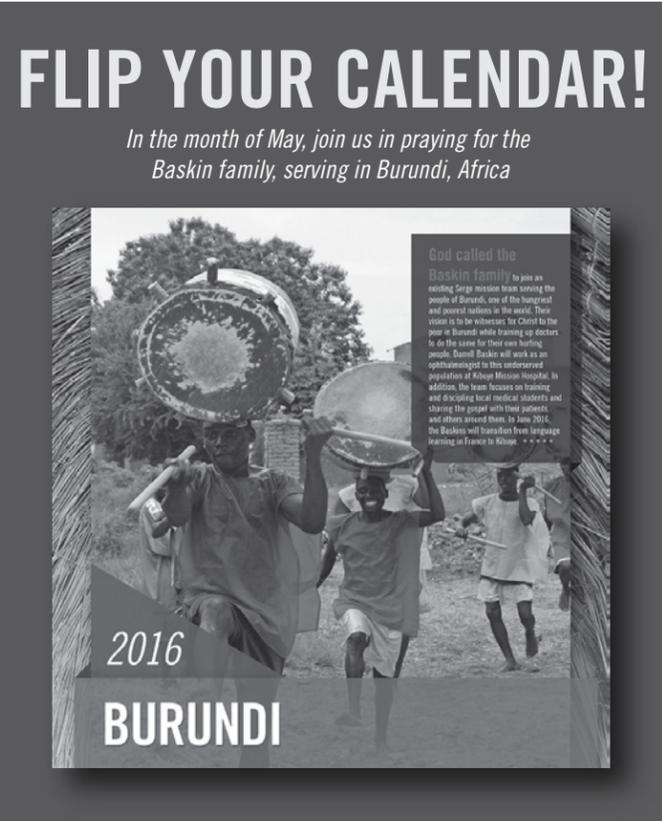
**Opening Ceremony**  
 Plan a neighborhood gathering to kick-off the special week

**HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**  
 The goal of Bible Club is to provide an opportunity for you and your family to serve the children and families in your neighborhood, which encourages everyone to grow through Bible engagement, and find belonging within a neighborhood team. Everyone has the opportunity to be involved! Volunteers are equipped to provide a four day event in their neighborhood which includes a community building opening ceremony and three days of activities for children age 4 through fifth grade.

Come learn more about 2016 Bible Clubs! Register for training and find more details online at [oakhillschurch.com/bibleclub](http://oakhillschurch.com/bibleclub)

Select one to register and attend:  
**OHC Journey Fellowship | May 10, 6:30 PM**  
**OHC North Central | May 10, 6:30 PM**  
**OHC Westside | May 12, 6:30 PM**  
**OHC Crownridge | May 15, 3:00 PM**  
**OHC Fredericksburg | May 15, 3:00 PM**

Have questions, or need more information? Contact [CamiA@oakhillschurch.com](mailto:CamiA@oakhillschurch.com) or Linda at 210.698.4695



# BREAKING NEWS: YOU HAVE A STRENGTH!

**EVERYONE HAS A STRENGTH!**  
*What's yours?*

**A BELONG Person:** You love to get people together for a BBQ or a party. You like being on the front porch with neighbors. You enjoy helping people find a place where they can relax and be themselves.

**A GROW Person:** You love to help people go deeper in their faith and relationship with Christ. Opportunities like a Bible study or discussing spiritual growth are what get you energized.

**A SERVE Person:** You love to mobilize people to be the hands and feet of Jesus. You'd rather get sweaty mowing someone's lawn than get cozy in a small group discussion. You are looking for ways to help and get others to help.

I am a (Circle One):  
*Belong*
*Grow*
*Serve*

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**COMMUNITYLIFE**

(Above) Fill out a card today at Information Central in order to understand the great opportunities God has for you to use your strength.



Being involved in the work God is doing in our neighborhoods is not something just for those on a church staff or those with extraordinary gifts. The surprising news for some is, “You have a strength!” In fact, God designed each one of us with our own strength. This is the idea behind the Oak Hills Church core value: “Every believer is a minister.” These strengths fall into three categories: Belong, Grow, and Serve. Each person works together with others to join God in the work God is doing.

Some people have the strength of Belong. These are people that love to get together for a BBQ or a party. They enjoy helping people find a place where they can relax and be themselves. These are the people who believe the best part of being in community is being together. If this is you, you can start now to use your Belong strength in your neighborhood.

Some people have the strength of Grow. These people love to go deeper in Bible study and relationship with Christ. Discussing spiritual growth or a Bible verse gets them energized. These are the people who believe the best part of being in community is studying God’s Word. If this is you, you can start now to use your Grow strength in your neighborhood.

Some people have the strength of Serve. These people love to help and would rather take a meal to someone, fix a broken fence, or get sweaty mowing someone’s grass. These are the people who believe the best part of being in community is helping the people around them. If this is you, you can start now to use your Serve strength in your neighborhood.

**Start today. Go to Information Central, and fill out a card. You can also download one of these cards by clicking on “BGS Strength Card” at [oakhillschurch.com/communitylife](http://oakhillschurch.com/communitylife)**

# BRACELET MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Even a bracelet can make a difference in the kingdom.

Nakia Hall was at her son’s school one morning when she caught a glimpse of OHC’s Taylor Rogers’ bracelet.

“What’s that about?” she thought and asked Taylor, who then told her he was a community pastor at Oak Hills Church.

As Taylor explained OHC’s mission of reaching those within our neighborhoods, Nakia knew that the interaction was more than a typical conversation between parents. It was the answer to a dream she’d had for a while: to start a small group in her home and invite her neighbors.

“God had been putting that on my heart. I used to go around the neighborhood and pray for my neighbors,” said Nakia, a member of River City Community Church. “Long story short we attended the training and said, ‘let’s start it.’”

The group started out small, but would soon accomplish big things.

In addition to neighbors who already were believers, an unbelieving neighbor came on his wife’s request, readily admitting his skepticism.

“A few weeks into our study, I felt the holy spirit take over,” Nakia said. “And he became a believer. He wanted to read everything. He ordered his first Bible.”

And that was just the beginning.

Another member was affected by attending the group in a profound way. Though she was raised with distinctly different beliefs, this woman accepted Christ in Nakia’s living room recently. Still another member became a believer during a marriage group separate from Nakia’s home group.

The group now has 14 people attending, including its most recent believers, and members who’ve known the Lord for decades. The dynamic makes for interesting conversations and has allowed everyone to grow in their walk.

Nakia credits the group’s success to the safe environment they’ve created to share openly. It’s part of the group’s mission to use their time together to learn how to tackle real-life issues.

They’ve found that Oak Hills’ mission to help others belong, grow and serve has intersected nicely with their home church’s mission: to be a church for real life.

“We’re just working like the body’s supposed to work,” she said.

**Panel 1:** A man in a white robe with a bracelet on his wrist is talking to a king in a crown. The man says, "ALL OF YOU COME WITH ME NOW!". The king replies, "Run away, Daniel!". The man also says, "Arioch, why did the king issue such a harsh decree?".

**Panel 2:** The man is seen from behind, looking at the king who is sitting on a throne. The man says, "Save Yourself!". The king says, "Please give me time to pray, so that I might interpret your dream."

**Panel 3:** The man is in a bed, looking up at the king who is still on the throne. The man says, "Thank You Lord! I know it now!". The king says, "No man can explain your dream, but God in heaven can." and "Your dream and the visions that passed through your mind are these..."

**Panel 4:** The man is pointing towards the king. He says, "Truly your God is the God of gods, the Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, since you could reveal this secret." The king replies, "Daniel, I will make you ruler over Babylon and my counsel." A caption at the bottom reads, "At Daniel's request, the king appointed Daniel's friends as well."

by Michael Craddock