

Ogden Baptist Church
October 2026 Newsletter
"A Place to Call Home"

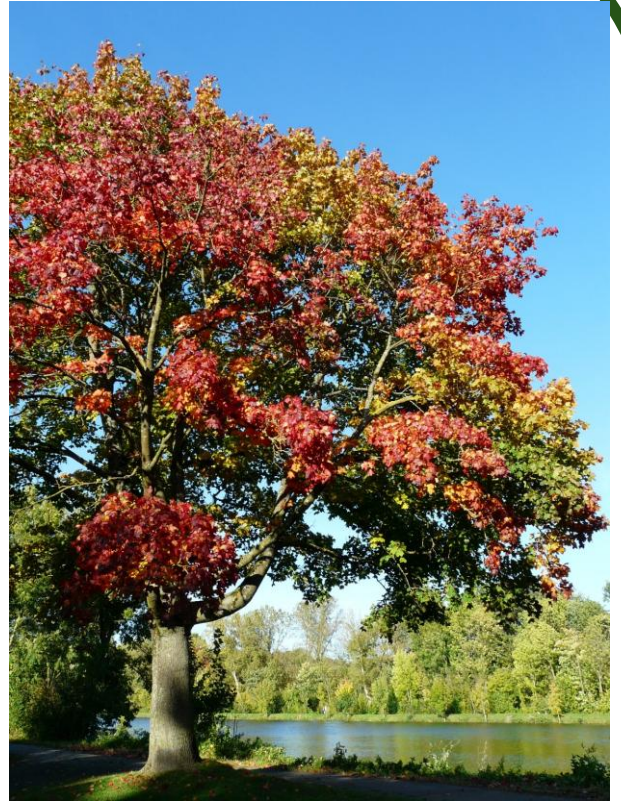


My favorite color
is October.

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From the Pastor's Desk

*Psalm 1:3 He is like a tree
planted beside flowing streams
that bears its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
Whatever he does prospers.*



This Psalm is one of my favorites. When I taught first grade at a Christian School, we memorized this Psalm. I grew to really “see” how God fulfilled the promise over and over in my life and the lives of those I ministered with. It is amazing to me that God wants to bless us with every apiritual blessing in Christ Jesus. (Eph 1:3)

October is a month that really exemplifies the beauty of God. The season where His marvelous world illuminates beauty. The colors are magnificent. I look forward to it each year.

In this Psalm, God tells us that we will prosper and I remember having a real desire to prosper in the things of this world. To be honest, He has prospered me with many things and I am so very thankful for the provision He has given me for comfort and pleasure.

However, it is not the things that I have that give me the most pleasure. Prospering in the Truth of God’s Word is the delight that means the most to me.

God is Who He says He is. He has shown me this in the way He has brought me through the difficult times in my life. His protection, His intervention, His powerful Presence and His abundant love have given me stability, assurance and the desire to be like His Son. I am so grateful for Who He is in my life.

We’ve some wonderful events coming up and as we do what we do, I pray we will do it with love and grace, gratitude and thanksgiving for Who He is in our lives.



Pastor Carol



It's an exciting season to be back at worshipping and fellowshiping with our children and youth at Ogden Baptist Church! We are back to meeting weekly for our all ages Sunday school hour from 9:30-10:30am prior to Family Worship. This Fall we are exploring the Ordinances that are important to American Baptists and encourage us to reaffirm our faith as our walks as Christians are a life-long process.

We are interested in hearing about the testimonies and walks of our congregants this season, so if you feel so led to be a "special guest" and share your experience as a Christian child, youth, teen or adult our Sunday School class is ready to welcome you in. Sharing our faith journey is one way we can practice and celebrate the discipline of Fellowship.

SeYG Ecumenical youth group for teens, middle school and beyond has begun their tri-monthly Sunday calendar! We will be meeting the second, third and fourth Sunday of the month this school year, with one of the Sundays being a special ministry or mission outing. For October, we have been graciously invited by the Stoke family back to Stoke's Farm to pick out pumpkins, walk the maze, eat the pizza and play with the farm creatures. Those interested in going can get in contact with our Youth and Children's Minister, Dale Spencer, prior to Saturday October 17. We are headed to the Farm on the 18th following Worship. As always, carpool transportation is available each Sunday there is a meeting. Contact Min. Dale Spencer to set up transportation: OBCKidsmin@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing all of our students back for another amazing year of ministry, fellowship and mission!



October 4 – David VanderTang
October 5 – Brett Dieter
October 6 – Harper Newland

October 9 – Norman Johnson
October 20 – Claude Meyers



Special Offering
in October is
the WORLD
MISSION
OFFERING!

Notes from our Boards

- * Deacons' meeting will be held October 6 at 3:00pm.
- * Trustees' meeting will be held October 13 at 6:00pm.
- * Council meeting will be held October 13 at 7:00pm.



NEW ADDRESS
Rev. Karma Denise Wright
2100 W. Iris Dr. SE
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Congers GA 30013



The Deacons' Fund
for October is going
to Aurora House.

The Choir will be singing at
Evergreen Place on Sunday,
October 4 at 1:00pm and we
welcome any and all who
would like to join us! It's fun!





ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA AND CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, November 14, 2026

9am - 2pm
Ogden Baptist Church



*Shop with local crafters for the holidays in a peaceful setting.
Complimentary Tea and Cookies will be offered.
Homemade soup will be sold at lunchtime.*



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If you would like to help with this event, there are signup sheets posted in the fellowship hall, or you can contact Linda Benjamin. We need help in the kitchen throughout the day, and people to bake cookies or make finger sandwiches.



Region Note: September Delegates' Meeting

Rochester Genesee Region delegates met on September 20, 2026 at Greece Baptist Church and on Zoom. Following a time of worship, the meeting began with the roll call of churches in attendance and acceptance of the previous meeting's minutes. Our Executive Minister, the Rev. Dr. Sandra Hasenauer, reported that 17 region churches are seeking new pastors. This is a little more than thirty percent of the region's churches. Difficulty in finding pastors to lead congregations is widespread. Sandy encouraged churches to notice, encourage and support members with gifts for ministry to the path of ministry. This calls for prayer and discernment within congregations in guiding a member in answering God's call.

Dr. Thomas Gilmore who is Coordinator of Transition Ministries with ABCUSA was introduced and he explained what transition ministries is and what churches need to look at as part of their search. Do by-laws need updating? How does the church see its identity? Answers to these questions help congregations be clear in what the church is looking for in a pastor.

Other items were the President's report, and a report from the committee spearheading preparations for the 2027 Biennial Mission Summit and the region's 200th year anniversary celebrations as well as celebrating Sandy's time as our Executive Minister. Volunteers will be needed as our region hosts the national summit.

Also covered was a review of the region finances, a vote to adopt the delegates manual, a word about openings on the Executive Board and sharing who will serve on the Executive Minister Search Committee.

More about these upcoming events in the next newsletter.

CAMERON MINISTRIES



Dear Friend of Cameron,

you are receiving this email because in the past you have participated or expressed interest in our Adopt-a-Family Program. Thank you! It is that time of year again, and we are starting sign-ups. If you would like to adopt a family, please let me know as soon as possible. I also need to know how big a family you are looking for and if you would like multiple families. The size of our families ranges from 1-7 children. The average spending is \$46-\$65 per child. Again, this year we will not include adult information on our forms. If you feel so inclined, you can include a generic gift card for the caretaker of the family.

As soon as you are matched with a family, you will be scanned with a copy of their completed form. This should be no later than Monday, November 16. If you are interested in participating, listed below are guidelines and FAQs. Thank you for taking the time to read this! Please note that Ann Link will be happy to assist you by gathering your money then purchasing the gifts for you.

Please wrap and label all gifts with the person's name that it belongs to.

All gifts must be dropped off to Cameron wrapped and labeled by Monday, December 7th. Cameron is available to receive your delivery of gifts between 9:00am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday. We can also schedule a time by appointment if that availability does not work for you.

Here are some FAQs:

1. Is it required that' buy every item listed on the form?

Answer. Of course not! These are ideas and wishes, the families know they may not get everything they write down. The children are grateful to have something to open On Christmas morning!

2. Can I buy something not listed on the form?

Answer. Absolutely, although it is nice to be able to purchase items the family is requesting; it is quite alright to get them something different.

3.What is the monetary commitment to adopting a family?

Answer. You can average around \$45-\$65 per person. Our families vary anywhere from 1-7 children per household.

4. Can I purchase more than two items per person?

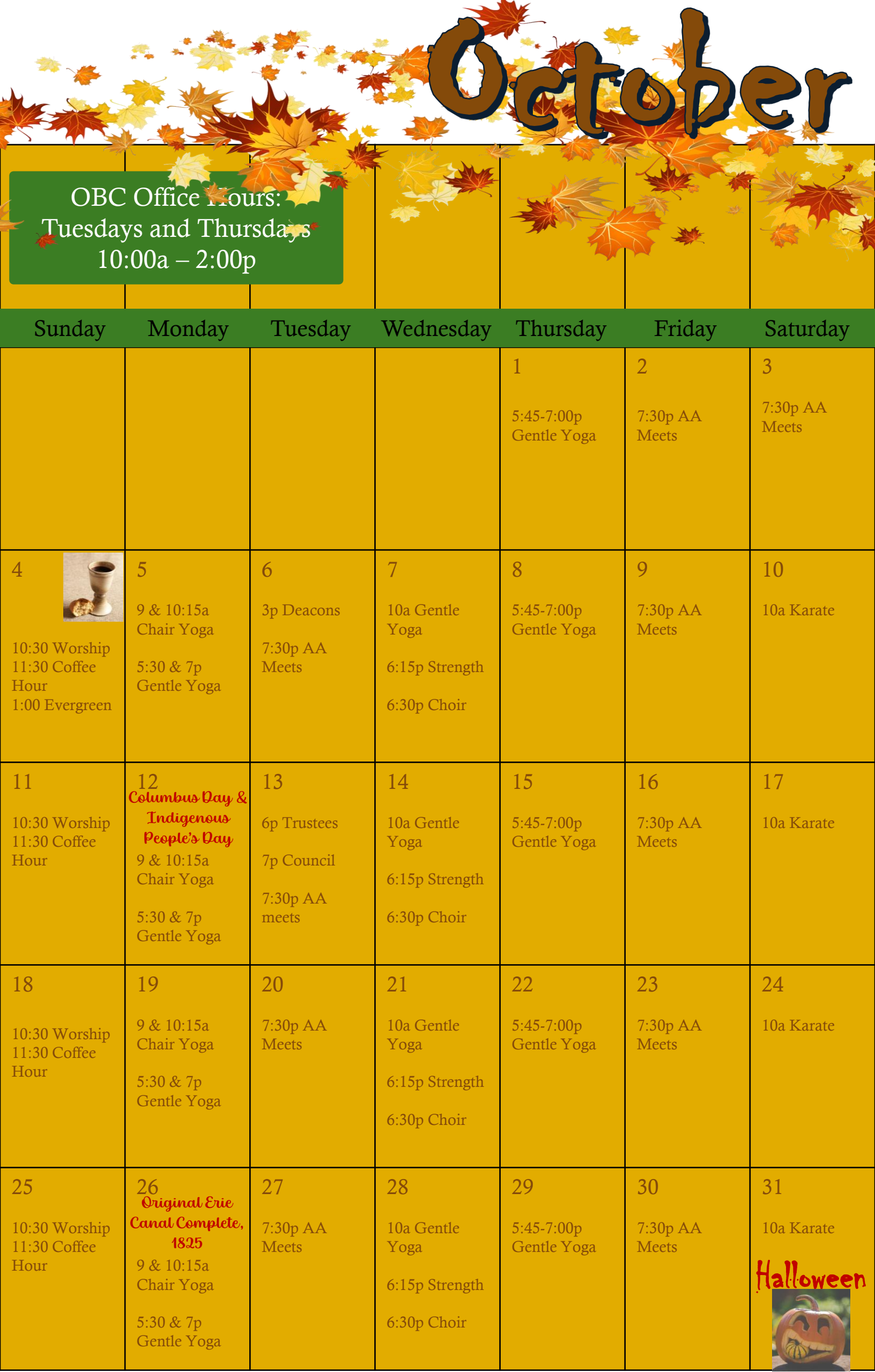
Answer. Of course, how much you purchase is up to your discretion.

5. Can I deliver the gifts directly to the family?

Answer. Cameron has a pickup date scheduled for our families to come to Cameron to take them home while their kids are still at school. This date is Friday, December 18th from 9:00-11:00am. Some families do not have transportation; therefore, Cameron will deliver to their house. If you would like to volunteer on this day at Cameron or deliver gifts, if needed, please Madeline Martinez directly. We can accept 5 volunteers max for this day. First come, first serve.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please reach out to me directly either by phone or by email. Madeline.martinez@cameronministries.org 585-254-2697 x 106

Thank you for your generosity and support during the holiday season at Cameron.



October

OBC Office Hours:
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:00a – 2:00p

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 5:45-7:00p Gentle Yoga	2 7:30p AA Meets	3 7:30p AA Meets
4  10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour 1:00 Evergreen	5 9 & 10:15a Chair Yoga 5:30 & 7p Gentle Yoga	6 3p Deacons 7:30p AA Meets	7 10a Gentle Yoga 6:15p Strength 6:30p Choir	8 5:45-7:00p Gentle Yoga	9 7:30p AA Meets	10 10a Karate
11 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour	12 <i>Columbus Day & Indigenous People's Day</i> 9 & 10:15a Chair Yoga 5:30 & 7p Gentle Yoga	13 6p Trustees 7p Council 7:30p AA meets	14 10a Gentle Yoga 6:15p Strength 6:30p Choir	15 5:45-7:00p Gentle Yoga	16 7:30p AA Meets	17 10a Karate
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