

## 145th Sunday School Convention Sunday, May 3, 2026

The 145th Annual Convention of the Sunday School Association of Effingham County will be held on Sunday, May 3rd, at 10:00 a.m. with participating Sunday Schools ready to march under the tabernacle at 9:45 a.m. The convention will once again be held at the historic Effingham County Methodist Campground. Springfield Oaks Church Sunday School will be joined by other schools from throughout the county to worship God at this historic and traditional event, unique to Effingham County. Our convention song is 'Mansion over the Hilltop'. This year the Methodist churches host the convention with our very own Lori Newkirk serving as president. Our guest speaker will be our former Pastor the Reverend Dr. Joel Dent. We will gather for lunch in the Palmer Tent following the service to share a covered dish meal. The drinks and paper goods will be provided. Come out and welcome back Rev. Dent back to Effingham County.

We will have the 8:30am Worship Service only and then head over to the Campground.

### National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 7, 2026 is the 74th annual National Day of Prayer. Let's come together to pour out our hearts to God for our nation and local community.

The service will start at 6:30pm at the Veterans Park in Springfield (located beside the Effingham Hospital). Please bring your own chair. If the weather is raining, the service will be held in the Board of Education's auditorium (405 North Ash Street, Springfield).

*"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit."*

### Bridal Shower for

**Mattie Saxon (fiancé of Christopher Kieffer)**

**Sunday, May 31st**

**2pm - 4pm**

**Marion Edwards Building**

**Maddie is registered at Zola.  
Gift cards are welcome.**

### Weekly/Monthly Schedules

<b>Sundays</b>	8:30am	Praise and Worship - Sanctuary
	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
	4:00pm	Youth
	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering - Sanctuary
<b>Mondays</b>	9:30am	Ladies Chair Aerobics (Social Hall)
	6:30pm	Mission Committee meets 1st Monday
	7:00pm	Administrative Council meets 2nd Mon.
<b>Tuesdays</b>	10:00am	Toddler Tuesday meets 1st & 3rd Tues. After May - will meet in the Fall.
	10:00am	Willing Workers meets 3rd Tuesday
	10:30am	Prayer Focus Group (Prayer Room)
	11:00am	Lakeview Worship & Communion 1st Tuesday
	7:00pm	Handbell Practice - Every Tuesday
	7:00pm	Trustees meets First Tuesday
	7:00pm	Men's Supper meets 4th Tuesday
<b>Wed.</b>	6:00pm	Adam's Answer (Social Hall)
	3:45pm	WOW Kingdom Kids - will start in the Fall
	5:30pm	Evangelism Committee 4th Wednesday
	6:00pm	Praise Team Practice
	7:00pm	Youth Bible Study
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir
<b>Thursdays</b>		Friends on Wheels - 3rd Thursday



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### May 2026

#### *Senior High Recognition Sunday May 17, 2026*

*We will recognize our High School Seniors on Sunday, May 17th at the 11am worship service.*

*We will recognize the following graduates:*

*Carlee Kieffer*

*Lydia Morgan*

*Jesse Strickland*

*John Elliott Swindell*

*Anna Kate Taylor*

*Shelby Zeigler*

*George Brogdon Scholarship Recipients (TBA)*

*We would like to congratulate our college students:*

**Candace Kieffer** - University of Miami - BS in Biochemistry & Microbiology with a minor in History and American Sign Language

**Kaycee Kessler** - University of Georgia - BS in Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sales

**Caroline Morgan** - Georgia Southern University - BBA in Marketing - concentration in Sales - with a minor in Management.

**Megan Williams** - ABAC - BS in Agriculture - concentration in Animal Science

**Zafra Martin** - Georgia Southern University - BBA in Supply Chain Management in Operations Management

**Truett Thompson** - University of Georgia - BBA in Finance - BBA in Management Information Systems

**Samuel Currier** - Georgia Southern University - Mechanical Engineering

**Luke Starling** - Georgia Southern University - BA in Political Science - Law and Politics Concentration

### Children's Corner

Amy Morgan - Children's Director  
 children@springfieldoakschurch.com

**Toddler Tuesday** will meet on May 5th & May 19th - 10am in FLC.

**Kingdom Kids Paint Party** - May 3 - 4pm - Social Hall

**MinistrySafe Training - May 13 - 6:45pm - MEB**  
**Childcare provided. All volunteers working with children and youth must be trained every 2 years.**

**What a Wonderful year of WOW! We are so thankful for every child who came and blessed us this year at WOW! A BIG Thank You for our AMAZING Volunteers who love like Jesus and shine His light brightly.**

**Vacation Bible School** - June 8th - 12th - 9am - 12pm  
 Serving Rising Pre-K through Rising 6th Graders.  
 There is a VBS information center in the narthex. It has all the information for registering your child to donations needed for VBS. If you would like to donate an item, you may take a card off the table in the narthex. Thank you for your help!!

### Youth

Youth @springfieldoakschurch.com  
 Bryan Price - Youth Director

**Youth Sundays - 4pm - 6pm**  
**Wednesdays - 7pm Small Groups Youth Bible Study**

- May**
- 3 - Cinco de Mayo Senior Night at Youth Group 4-6pm  
 Parent Meeting - 6:00-6:30pm
  - 10 - Mother's Day - Silent Cake Auction- summer camp fundraiser
  - 17 - Senior High Recognition Sunday - 11am worship service  
 Seniors, please remember to get your four pictures sent to Bryan for the slideshow as soon as possible.
  - 24 - Sunday Youth Group - Patriotic Theme—prize for most patriotic outfit
  - 26 - 30 Youth Summer Camp at Lookup Lodge - \$100 deposit

### Silent Auction Bake Sale Sunday, May 10th

*Need a dessert for Mother's Day? We will have it!! The youth will have a silent auction bake sale. Home-made baked items will be on the tables in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Bidding begins at 8:00am and ends at 10:55am.*

The Filling Station food pantry is in need of plastic grocery bags . There is a donation box in the hallway marked " Plastic Bag Donation" to place your bags in.

### Prayer List

Matt Kieffer  
 Max Neidlinger  
 Stan & Louise Riner  
 Ric Nettles  
 Rev. Wayne McDaniel  
 Grady & Dottie Rahn  
 Joe & Ansley Rahn-Wrenley  
 Baby Jackson Pippin  
 Danny Cadle  
 Wegmann Family  
 Danny Smith  
 Shelia & Don Morgan  
 Gwen Rahn  
 Dawn Hall  
 Matt Petrevitch  
 Bobby Usher  
 Jimmy Parker  
 Ariel Lester Nash  
 Gunter Neumayr  
 Rachel Allen  
 Rev. Madison & Carlyn Morgan  
 Ned Davis  
 Jay Walea  
 Jerry Long  
 Henry Byrd  
 Tony Rush  
 Family of Harry Shearouse  
 Melissa Arden  
 Ginger Kieffer  
 Tucker Smith  
 Harriet Ambrose

### Nursing Home/Lakeview

Omie E. (Exley) Hinely  
 Brenda Dasher  
 Wilma Pace  
 Virginia Spano

### Military & Country

Stephen Strickland  
 Jaiden Strickland  
 Frank Patterson Jr.  
 William Patterson  
 Jackson Swindell  
 Wes Swindell  
 Michael Banister  
 Zach Pitts  
 Jacob Cuatt  
 Ramon Alvarez

### Missons

Pastors in Cuba  
 Prison Ministries  
 Our Country  
 Our Leaders  
 Mission Teams

### Average Attendance for April

8:30am Worship Service	160
11:00am Worship Service	144
Total Worship	304
Sunday School Attendance	132

### SOC Weekly Stewardship Report

2026 Monthly Budget	\$ 74,854.00
Last Sunday's offerings 4/26/26	\$5,573.00
Total Offering for April	\$56,928.07

### QR Code



### Night of Worship and Teaching with J.D. Walt Monday, May 4th - 6:30pm - Sanctuary Wake Up Call Devotional - Seedbed.com

Our Connectional Community is in for a special treat! Rev. Dr. J.D. Walt will be at Springfield Oaks Church on May 4 at 6:30pm for a special Connectional Community Worship Service. J.D. is pastor of Gillette Methodist Church in Gillette, Arkansas and Sower in Chief at Seedbed. He is former Dean of the Chapel at Asbury Theological Seminary. He is probably known by most people as the voice (and now face) of The Wake Up Call, a daily online devotion. Please share with your friends about this special service.

### Family Fellowship Meal May 13th - 6pm - Social Hall

Menu: tacos, corn dip, bean dip, salsa, desserts and tea.  
 The Family Fellowship Meal will be on Wednesday, May 13th. **The menu is: tacos, bean dip, corn dip, salsa, desserts and tea.** There is no cost for the meal. We will do sign-ups to know how many to prepare for. The Followers in Faith SS Class is to provide desserts and clean up after the meal. You may sign up by calling the church office at 912-754-6646 or email at: secretary@springfieldoakschurch.com  
**The Deadline to sign up is May 11th.**



### Men's Supper Tuesday, May 26th 7pm (Social Hall)

### Sunday, May 31st

**One Morning Worship Service**  
 9am - Doughnuts  
 10am - Sunday School  
 11am - Worship Service

**6pm - Community Global Worship Night**  
 (Sanctuary)  
 (we will host this service)