

Hey Dream Teamer! How's your summer wrapping up? // Scroll below to directly download your Small Group Lesson. Thank you for serving with Oaks Kids.



It's starting to cool off,  
but you are still

**ON FIRE!**



**kids weekly**



## **DREAM TEAM UPDATES**

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### **WE MISS YOU!**

We hope that you have had a wonderful summer with friends and family. The school year starts in just a week or two, and we'd love for those of you that have taken a break to serve with us again. Contact Bree at [bree.manning@oaks.church](mailto:bree.manning@oaks.church) if you have any questions about how to jump back in.


### **LIFE SCHOOL IS BACK**

We love the opportunity we get to share our building with Life School. Help us

remind kids to not touch teacher/student belongings as we begin this new semester. We have provided designated supplies for Small Groups in the "Oaks" cabinets.

## WELCOME NEW DREAM TEAMERS

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**JULIA RANCK  
KALE PORTER**



heart & soul from pastor ryan:

**Pray Like it Makes a  
Difference**

Here's the thing: prayer does not come naturally. When we commune with God in prayer, we are choosing to engage in behavior contrary to the flesh we fight every day.

Sometimes it is hard to pray. I get distracted, I have other things I need to get done in a day, or I simply don't feel like it. However, it is my choice to meet God in prayer despite what I feel.

We must believe that our prayers make an evidential difference in the

I will never forget the challenging quote I once heard regarding the way that Christians pray.

*"If we really believed that prayer made the difference we say it does, then we would pray much more frequently and much more fervently."*

Wow. This hit me like a ton of bricks. I had to ask myself, "Do I really, truly believe in the physical, tangible power of prayer? Yes. Then why don't I pray like I do?"

I had to process through this carefully, making sure I wasn't condemning myself or wearing shame that wasn't mine to bear. However, I did need to address the holy conviction I felt.

world in which we live. *"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective" (James 5:16)*

When you pray for protection over your family, the weapons of the enemy *do* crumble. When you pray to love these kids with the grace and love of the Father, He *does* equip you with what you need to succeed.

Pray hard this week for your family and for these kids; it makes a difference.

Blessings,  
Ryan Hughes  
Administrative Support

**NURSERY & TODDLERS LESSON**

**PRESCHOOL LESSON**

**KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE LESSON**

**2ND & 3RD GRADE LESSON**

**4TH & 5TH GRADE LESSON**

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