

THE BRIDGE

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The Shoreline _____ Thoughts While Crossing the Bridge

Discipleship #1- Why are we building bridges? I think that we understand that bridges are being built between us and others and eventually between us and them and God so that we might all become Disciples of Jesus Christ. Certainly a disciple is one who believes in and follows another. In this case a disciple is one who believes in and follows Jesus Christ. That belief is not just intellectual assent. Many people believe that Jesus was an historical figure. He existed; most agree. A disciple of Jesus also follows Him. That following involves trust. We believe and trust that Jesus did and said just what the Bible says he did and said. That requires a great deal of faith in the validity of the Bible and the testimony of those that have come and gone before.

What does it look like for us to follow Jesus? Imitation is a good word to describe one aspect of following Jesus.

This week work began on OBC's foyer renovation. The master carpenter involved does not work alone. He has an apprentice that he is training to do the work. In this case the master carpenter's grandfather did work on the OBC building for many years. Teaching and following has been happening for generations, producing beautiful and quality workmanship.

This is an illustration of the behavior of the earliest disciples of Jesus. Once they believed they told others that they had found the Messiah, imitating Jesus and John the Baptist. Those that they told, told others and they told others and so on. You get the picture. Jesus also taught those who believed in Him and they then taught those that they had told about Jesus. This has been a continuous process throughout the ages. For some reason this process has been suppressed in recent history and yet we are commanded to "make disciples". That is what disciples do.

PASTOR BRIAN SHORE



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2 Charlie Downing	12 Jay Brown	28 Bob Ferns
7 Nathaly Huntsman	12 Annaliese Latulippe	28 Larry Smith
9 Mark Thallander	16 Robert Alexandre	30 Patsy Huntsman
	28 TJ Cashman	

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

8/21 Doug & Mary Ann Coleman
8/26 Tom & Molly Crothers

WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

On Thursday, July 9, five ladies from OBC met at Billy's Chowder House in Wells for lunch. Deb Swallow joined us since she has time off from work and Mary was able to come since she had coverage for Jim. The food and service were good, as always, and so was the conversation. We will meet next month for lunch at Hobbs Harborside in Wells on Thursday, August 6 at noon.

Submitted by Brenda Goodale



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LIBRARY NEWS

Our library at OBC has added a few good books

“The Widow” by John Grisham, fiction

Simon Latch is a lawyer in rural Virginia making just enough money to pay his bills while trying to hold his family together. Then into his office walks Eleanor Barnett, an elderly widow in need of a new will. Apparently, her husband left her a small fortune, and no one knows about it. At first Simon can't believe his good luck: He's finally hooked a client rich enough to turn his life around. He works quietly to keep her wealth under the radar, but soon her story begins to crack. When she is hospitalized after a bad car accident, Simon realizes that nothing is as it seems, and he finds himself on trial for a crime he didn't commit.

“A Marriage at Sea” by Sophie Elmhurst, non-fiction

Maurice and Maralyn make an odd couple. He's a loner, awkward and possessive; she's charismatic and ambitious. They share a horror of wasting their lives. What if they quit their jobs, sold their house, bought a boat and sailed away? Most of us begin and end with the daydream. But Maurice studied nautical navigation. Maralyn made detailed lists of provisions. And in June 1972, they set sail. For nearly a year all went well until deep in the Pacific, a whale knocked a hole in their boat and it sank beneath the waves. What ensues is a jaw dropping fight to survive in the wild ocean, with little hope of rescue. ne for each month, to help her turn the page on her first year without him.

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU

From Edie Brigham--I will be interviewing two people each month to help folks get to know one another at the church. Here is the first one.

---**Edith**---

Edith Brigham (Edie) is me. I have been a member of the church for a year and a half after being in Whitingham, Vermont for 50 years where my husband John and I lived and raised our family. We have retired here. I am a mom of 4, and a grandma to 10, which keeps me busy as they all like to come and visit. Yay!

My favorite dessert is chocolate cream pie, my favorite color is orange, my favorite vacation spot is the White Mountains and I love to kayak.

---**Brenda**---

Brenda Yorke Goodale is a resident of Ogunquit and also an author of a series of children's books set in Perkins Cove. The Pride of Perkins Cove, Mermaid Under the Bridge and Jeffrey, Prince of Perkins Cove are available to borrow from our church library and also are sold in numerous stores throughout the area.

Brenda's favorite ice cream is grapenut, her favorite holiday is Easter, her favorite vacation spot is Punta Cana and her favorite game as a child was hop scotch. Brenda raised three children; Brian, Chris and Meg and she also has several grandchildren.



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Donating to OBC using your Bank's Automatic Bill Pay It's simple and it's free! (We have a few contributors using it and they are very pleased with it.) Technically your pledge donations to OBC aren't "bills", but it is still possible to set it up through your bank's bill pay. You can do a one-time or recurring donation to OBC.

Guidelines to help you through setting it up:

1. Follow directions on your bank's website to set up a new bill or payee.
2. Choose to pay a company rather than a person (if given a choice).
3. Where it requests "Company Name" enter: Ogunquit Baptist Church
4. For the "Company Address" enter: Attn: Financial Secretary
PO Box 874 Ogunquit, ME 03907-3814
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6. For "Account Number" enter either:
 - a. Envelope # ____ (whatever your envelope # is) or
 - b. your first initial and your last name.

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7. After setting up OBC as a biller, it is added to your list and you can select it at any time and enter a payment amount and payment date. There is chance to put a memo with it.
 8. You will also have the option of setting up automatic or recurring payments (this can add more convenience, but it is not recommended if there is a risk of overdrawing from your account)
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