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Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship Buys The Golf Club of Dallas

Formerly known as the Oak Cliff Country Club

DALLAS, May 6, 2020 - What began a year ago has now become a reality for Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship (OCBF) with their purchase of the 157-acre Golf Club of Dallas. Nestled in the heart of the Oak Cliff community, the Golf Club of Dallas was built in 1954 and was formerly known as the Oak Cliff Country Club. During its time as a country club, the Byron Nelson Golf Tournament was held there for eight years.

This picturesque property is adjacent to OCBF's Education Center, which houses their private Christian school, Kingdom Collegiate Academies, the former Fellowship Christian Academy. When the property was up for sale in February 2019, Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship's senior pastor, Dr. Tony Evans, saw an opportunity to purchase the property that backs up to their Education Center.

According to Dr. Evans, "For 13 years, I would periodically sit on the back steps of the Education Center, which overlooks the golf course, and ask God that if this property ever became available that He would allow us to purchase it as part of our Kingdom Agenda economic and urban community development strategy."

Dr. Evans further explains, "It's important that the church contributes to the comprehensive wellbeing of the community in which it's located. The acquisition of the Golf Club of Dallas, which began a year ago, is now answered prayer." The church signed an agreement to purchase the Golf Club of Dallas in November 2019.

In 1976, Dr. Evans and his late wife, Dr. Lois Evans, established OCBF with 10 people in their home. With now over 10,000 active members, the senior pastor and his congregation are no strangers to acquiring property in Oak Cliff. The church owns 200 acres of land, which includes two shopping centers at Polk and Camp Wisdom and the Dallas County government building next to the shopping center on Polk. The church has been a beacon for positive social, economic and spiritual change in the community for over 40 years.

With over 300 employees and thousands of volunteers, OCBF provides a variety of services for the benefit of the community, including a food pantry; a thrift store; a technology, career and education center; a family care pregnancy center and a public schools outreach that ministers to students and their families in the southern sector of Dallas, providing mentoring, life skills education and family support services.

Dr. Evans states, "With the support of the community, our foremost goal is to preserve the historical significance and use of the golf course. We also want to enhance it for the benefit of families."

NOTE: Dr. Tony Evans is available for interviews after 3pm today, Wednesday, May 6 or after 12 noon tomorrow, Thursday, May 7. To schedule an interview, please contact Shari Carroll at 214-868-7320 or msmarcos@charter.net.