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Training up the next generation

*“One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.”
- Psalm 145:4, ESV*

I was talking to one of our senior instructors the other day and I shared that one of the hardest things for me in my almost three decades of teaching martial arts is when students that you have poured so much into and have developed such a relationship with over many months and years, leave their training with you, for whatever reason. It’s hard to see them go. Yet, it’s the nature of martial arts—only a very few continue to Black Belt and beyond to become an Instructor and Leader. At the same time, one of the greatest joys in teaching martial arts is when you find those who commit to not only persevering in their own training, but who commit to experiencing the joy of leading others in the same journey!

“Leaders don’t create followers, they create more leaders.” — Tom Peters

Here are some of our up-and-coming leaders. **Would you pray for them by name?** Pray that even as they have persevered in their commitment to their martial arts training, that they would likewise persevere in the hard work of learning how to be a great teacher and leader with OMMA. That they would be blessed as they bless others in our Christ-centered community. **Would you also pray for me? And our other senior leaders?** Please pray that we would be able to lead our up-and-coming leaders well. That we would set the right example; that we would model, not just great martial arts and teaching, but spiritual leadership as well. All to the glory of our Worthy Lord! THANK YOU!



Michelle, earns her Instructor Trainee rank!



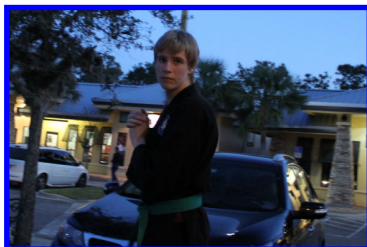
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Serving Him with you, *Marco F.* (For the 4 of us!)

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