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20 Tips On Encouragement

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- Look for the lonely and reach out to them.
- Pay attention to the (small) details and acknowledge what others miss.
- Don't miss the bashful and shy.
- Listen closely to what's going on in people's lives.
- Care.
- Pray for opportunities to encourage.
- At times, encourage anonymously.
- Remember those who are usually behind the scenes.
- Put yourself in the place of others.
- See through Christlike eyes.
- Find happiness in encouraging and joy in others enjoying encouragement.
- Consider encouragement a sacred duty.
- Do an act of service for an unsuspecting other.
- Be a meaningful, genuine complimenter free of selfish motives.
- Remember that encouragers are church growers.
- Don't overlook the frustrated (young parents, teens, unemployed, newly divorced).
- Mentally walk a mile in the potentially encouraged's shoes.
- Find exciting, unusual ways to make someone's day.
- Appreciate the value of a handwritten note or card (especially in our virtual world).
- Reach out to the "marginalized" (new members, the poor, those who attend alone, the elderly, widows, widowers, etc.)

God loves you,
Shawn

Have you read your Bible this week?

Welcome to Woodland Oaks Church of Christ

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Thank you for visiting us today! We look forward to meeting you!

Schedule of Services

Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Classes
	10:15 AM	Morning Assembly
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Classes

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Elder of the Day Scott Blake
Communion Leader Ken Cornett

Adult Bible Classes:

- **"Isaiah; God's Greater Deliverance"** by Chris Wright
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
 - **"From the Sermon on the Mount to the Ascension"** by Bob Klemm
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101
 - **"A Study of Galatians"** by Morgan Whatley
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102
 - **"Both Jew & Greek; God's Battlefield"** (Young Professionals) by Michael Yanochik
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)
 - **"Everything We Need"** (2 Peter 1:3-11) by Various Teachers
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium
 - **"Young Adults"** (Ages 18-25) by Andrew Isherwood & Ross Riggs
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Magnolia Room
- ### Teen Bible Classes:
- **"High School Bible Class"** (9th–12th) by Jordan Fontenot
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-107
 - **"Jr High School Bible Class"** (7th–8th) by Nathan Ray
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101
 - **"Boy Bible Class"** (7th–12th) by Nathan Ray
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107
 - **"Girls Bible Class"** (7th–12th) by Various Teachers
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-101

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0–1 year	A103
1 year	A105/A106
2 years	C106
3 years/Pre-K	A108
Kindergarten	B200
1st grade	B202
2nd grade	B203
3rd grade	B207
4th grade	B208
5th grade	B206
6th grade	B209

A **Facility Map** and other information is available at the Welcome Center.

A **Secure Check-in System** is active for children ages 0 to 4 years.

A **Nursery** is available during Sunday morning worship for children 0-23 months. For children 24 months and up, there is a **Training Room** available at the back of the auditorium, behind the glass windows.



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Missions

For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, woodlandoaks.org, under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, July 30 2023

9:00 AM Bible Class	406
10:15 AM Worship	569 @ WOCC
	230 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	281
Contribution	\$44,746.10

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

7:00 PM Bible Class	221
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You may give online at:

<https://woodlandoaks.givingfire.com/>

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
Woodland Oaks Church of Christ
6700 Woodlands Parkway Suite 230-252
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Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through May 31, 2023 are \$770,671, compared with a budgeted amount of \$700,338 produces a surplus of \$70,333.

Notes

Announcements

Congregational Singing will be TONIGHT during the evening assembly.

Ladies Bible Class Sign-up begins next Sunday, August 13th, in the church foyer.

Back to School Bash is scheduled for Saturday, August 19 from 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. Join us at Sawmill Park for a park play day and fellowship before the kids go back to school. Bring a brown bag supper, lawn chairs, and any sports equipment you would like. All ages are welcome!

Please join us for a **Bridal Shower Honoring Megan Harris**, bride elect of **Reece Anderson**, on Sunday, August 20 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Megan and Reece are registered at Amazon and Pampered Chef.

Mark your calendars! There will be a **Speed Fellowship** Sunday, August 20 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

Bible Class Teachers are Needed for the Fall Quarter. We are blessed to serve over 120 kids in our congregation! Please join us in our mission to teach them about God and His plan for salvation. Please see the sign-up board located in the foyer or contact Jenn Tolbert, Matt Fitzgerald, Steve Baker, or Quinn Tolbert, to see where you can plug in! The new quarter begins in September!

The **Safety Team** is expanding responsibility and needs additional volunteers. Duties include congregational protection, monitoring CCTV/2-way radio communications, and Ushers. Anyone with Fire Safety background is needed as well. Anyone 21 years of age or older should contact Nathan Ingram, Henry Meek, Bill Worley, Ron Crawford, or Tony Bloom.

Heart to Home Sign Up is now open! [Heart to Home](#). **Heart to Home** is a year long opportunity for women in our congregation to gather monthly in small groups to build and foster strong relationships. Each September the groups form and begin a new year. We are asking everyone to sign up (even if you have previously filled out a form). Sign up opportunities for the school year 2023-24 will end August 28. Women will be divided as “moms” and “sisters.” Moms serve as hostesses and sisters are the guests.



Save the Date! The **Faithful Fathers Father-Son Retreat** will be October 20-22 at Frontier Camp Retreat Center in Grapeland, TX!

Texas Bible Bowl

TX Bible Bowl will be April 5-7, 2024 at Bandina Christian Youth Camp. This year, we will be studying The Life of Moses. Bible Bowl sign up has closed, please see Jenn Tolbert for more information.

The **Bible Bowl Kick-off** will be Sunday, August 13 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Pizza will be served. Please come and bring your parent for a Bible Bowl Orientation.

Expectant Families

Katy & Jacob Britton
Angel & Matt Houser

Alix & Ross Randow
Tarah & John Splawn

Youth News

There will be a **Youth Devo** TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly in the Youth Center.

WOCC will host the **Jabberwacky** TOMORROW, August 7 at 7:00 p.m. Please arrive at 6:00 p.m. and dress as though you are going to a wedding.

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, August 13 immediately following the evening assembly.

Tuesday Bible Study will resume August 15. Meet at Market Street at 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday.

Save the date! There will be a **Youth Group & Parent Meeting** Sunday, September 10 immediately following the morning assembly in the Chapel Center. Lunch will be provided. Please make plans to attend!

Prayers

- ✠ **Gina Talbott**/has a large kidney stone/was scheduled to have procedure to break up the stone August 4.
- ✠ **Butch Merriman**/hip replacement August 1 went well/thank you for your continued prayers as he heals.
- ✠ **Mary Young**/MRI indicated a mass on her tailbone/biopsy was scheduled for August 4. Please keep Mary in your prayers.
- ✠ **Pam Garner (Sharp)**/had a follow-up doctor visit/There were findings on the kidney that need to be addressed in addition to the liver/She will have a biopsy in the upcoming weeks/Thank you for the continuing prayers.
- ✠ **Tony Bloom**/knee replacement surgery scheduled for Aug 23.
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Erving Alexander, Melissa Farris, Betty Fowler, Ethan Jetton, Bobby Joyner, Roger McDonald, Janey Moreland, Penny Murdaugh, Laurie Riggs, Danyce Rundell, Debra Thompson, John Tolbert, Larry Voorhees.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Alejandro Bloom, Sue Bogard, Lou Claxton, Rodney Hyde, Kay Leonard.**
- ✠ Members battling cancer: **Tony Bloom, Bill Blumenshine, Pharis Fowler, Don Gilbert, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Erica Lunn, Bob McDougal, Marsha Owens, Joanie Roberts, Pam Sharp, Janice Tadlock, Scottie West, Michael Williams.**
- ✠ Friends & family battling cancer: **Mary Aldaz, Joel Boone, Darren Brooks, Judy Chandler, Tesa Cornett, Dorcas Dillard, Paul Hendrickson, Melissa Hightower, Phil Martinez, D'Ann Norwood, Jerry Smith, Barbara Starr, Nancy Stewart, Rose Talbott.**

Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Ardith Kotzen at the loss of her daughter, **Toni Mansker**, Wednesday, August 2. The service will be Wednesday, August 9 at 11:00 a.m. at Northside Church of Christ in San Antonio. Please keep Ardith and the family in your prayers.

Deepest sympathy to Cleo Tarver at the loss of his brother-in-law, **John Hinson**, July 31. The funeral was held August 5 in Crockett. Please keep Cleo and the family in your prayers.

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship—Congregational Singing
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Devo
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Jabberwacky hosted by WOCC (Arrive @ 6pm)
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Beginners)
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class—Allen Hahn (Adult Class)
Thursday	6:15 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Denny's on 1488)
	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Beginners)
	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Basketball
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)

Upcoming Events

August 13	Ladies Bible Class Sign-Up Begins TX Bible Bowl Kick-Off & Practice Begins Youth Invasion
August 15	Men's Luncheon—Red Lobster Youth Tuesday Bible Study Resumes
August 16	Quilting Group
August 19	Back 2 School Bash—Sawmill Park
August 20	Bridal Shower for Megan Harris-bride elect of Reece Anderson Speed Fellowship Youth Invasion
August 22	Senior Saint Potluck & Game Night
August 23	Sprouts Craft Time Resumes
August 27	Impact CoC Meal Heart to Home Sign Up Due Youth Invasion
September 2	Men's Breakfast
September 3	Fall Quarter Begins Congregational Singing Youth Devo
September 4	Church Offices Closed
September 5	Heart to Home Moms' Meeting
September 9	Dorcas Class SNL Devo
September 10	Heart to Home Meet & Greet Youth Group & Parent Meeting
September 15	Southern Sudan Banquet
September 22	High School Event
September 24	Baby Shower for Tarah Splawn
October 14	Fall Festival
October 15	Speed Fellowship
October 20-23	Faithful Fathers Father-Son Retreat
October 20	Junior High Night

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.

The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of Pudding Packs & Mixes, Seasoning & Gravy Envelopes, Condiments (mustard, mayo, ketchup)
Sunny Glen Children's Home: Dry Pasta, Hamburger Helper, Sunscreen, Ketchup

If you could use meals during times of need, please contact the church office at 936-273-0010 or information@woodlandoaks.org