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### Questions To Reflect On 2023

Today is the last day of the year. How was 2023 for you? Here are a few questions to reflect on so that 2024 will be even better than 2023. Some of these questions will have a greater impact than others. Some might be more difficult to answer than others. Some of them will be very convicting. Take some time, read through them, and reflect. These questions are not in any particular order.

1. How did I use my talents and blessings to serve God this year?
2. How did I use my talents and blessings to serve others this year?
3. Did I love God and display my faith consistently?
4. Did I love my family well?
5. Did I love others well?
6. Did I make my time with the Lord a priority?
7. What acts of love, respect, service, and kindness did I show my spouse?
8. What acts of love, respect, service, and kindness did I show my children?
9. Did I notice God at work in my life this year?
10. How did God use me this year?
11. How was I purposefully involved in the Church?
12. How was I an encouragement?
13. What prayers were answered?
14. Was the fruit of the Spirit evident in me?
15. What is something I learned this year in my Bible study?
16. Did I grow in spiritual disciplines?
17. Did I allow God to lead my decision making?

Use these questions how you like. Spend more time on some than you do on others. Add your own questions. As you reflect, don't forget to look forward. How might God use you in 2024? Are you excited?

God loves you,

Shawn

Tomorrow gives you a wonderful opportunity to read through your Bible in 2024!

## 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

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

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**Elder of the Day** Butch Merriman  
**Communion Leader** Quinn Tolbert

#### Adult Bible Classes:

- “**Be Careful**” by Scott Blake  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
- “**David: A Man After God’s Own Heart**” by Randy Sparks  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101
- “**Daniel—God’s Sovereignty**” by Dave Short  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102
- “**Handling Money God’s Way**” by Gary Tannahill & Dennis Chrisco  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center Room B204 Library
- “**Fruit of the Spirit**” (Young Professionals) by Tony Bloom & Doug Peak  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)
- “**Amos—The Boldness of Faith**” by Scott Logan  
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 Room A102

#### Teen Bible Classes:

- “**Romans**” (9th–12th) by Jordan Fontenot  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-107
- “**Genesis**” (7th–8th) by Brant Mathis  
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101
- “**Judges**” (9th–12th) by Jordan Fontenot  
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107
- “**JR High Class**” (7th–8th) by Daniel Fair  
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	A107
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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 Mike Arnold

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**Reaching Out** Gavin Dao  
 Bryce Caldwell

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**Homebound/Men’s Ministry** Robert Shock  
**Worship** Eric Kirkland  
 Bill Malone  
 Kevan Taylor  
 Jordan Blake

**Youth** Brant Mathis  
 Todd Watrous  
 Daniel Fair  
 Trent Tadlock

**Faithful Fathers:** Chuck Bryant  
**Celebrate Recovery:** Nathan Ingram

### Missions

For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, [woodlandoaks.org](http://woodlandoaks.org), under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

### Contacts:

#### Last Week’s Attendance

##### Sunday, December 24, 2023

9:00 AM Bible Class	326
10:15 AM Worship	550 @ WOCC
	196 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	N/A
Contribution	\$56,147.52

##### Wednesday, December 27, 2023

7:00 PM Bible Class	117
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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  
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### Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through September 30, 2023 are \$1,368,178, compared with a budgeted amount of \$1,241,508 produces a surplus of \$126,670.

### Notes

## Announcements

We are blessed and thankful that **Janna Wilkerson** has accepted the position of **Children's Coordinator**. She will be working with Deacon of Childrens Ministry Richard Hyde, and Deacons of Education Matt Fitzgerald and Mike Arnold. Pray God's blessing on them as we work to entrust God's truth to our children.

The **Church Offices will be Closed** Monday, January 1.

**Men's Luncheon** will be this Tuesday, January 2 at 11:30 a.m. at Palotta's Italian Grill.

The Building and Grounds Deacons are looking for **Volunteers to Unlock & Lock up the Building**. If you would be willing to be a part of the rotation, please contact John Tolbert, Scott Green, or Sam Washburn.

The **Men's Prayer Breakfast** resumes this Thursday, January 4 at 6:15 a.m. at Denny's on 1488.

**Men's Breakfast** will be this Saturday, January 6 at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center.

**Congregational Singing** will be Sunday, January 7 during the evening assembly. Make your song requests at the table in the foyer.

**Community Bible Class** will resume Thursday, January 11.

There is a **2024 Bible Readers' Sign up** in the foyer for those who plan to read through the Bible in 2024.

The Prestoncrest congregation in Plano will be hosting a **Conference on Evangelism** and church growth on February 23-25, 2024. For those interested in attending, you can register and find more information at [Prestoncrest.org/story](http://Prestoncrest.org/story).

## Texas Bible Bowl

There is **No Bible Bowl Practice** TONIGHT. Practice resumes January 7.

## Thank you

WOCC Family,  
Thank you for all the sweet notes and gift cards sent to me during grad school finals. Grad school and teaching at the same time is tough, so I was extra thankful for the gift cards during finals week.

Love,  
Sarah Catherine Fleming

## Youth News

Harding University will host an **Area Wide Youth Devo** TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly in the Family Life Center. Dinner will be served. All families, prospective students, and alumni are invited to attend.

There will be a **High School Devo** Sunday, January 7 immediately following the evening assembly in the Youth Center.

## Treehouse Kids

There will be a **3rd-6th Grade Girls Lock-In** tomorrow, January 1 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. There will be snacks, but please eat before you arrive. Bring a sleeping bag and a pillow. We will play games, hang out and get some sleep too. Please see Krista Chapman if you would like to help or for more information. Sign up in the foyer by THIS MORNING if you will attend.

The next **Dorcas Class** (for girls K- 6th grade) will be this Saturday, January 6. Meet in the Chapel Center from 9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. For more information, please see Jane-Ann Fleming.

## Prayers

- ✠ **Charles Smithson**/began chemo treatment this week/prayers are appreciated.
- ✠ **Debi Hix**/liver biopsy December 27.
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Betty Fowler, Don Raney, Laurie Riggs.**
- ✠ Please remember our friends & family: **Dean "Jr" Guyton, Ernie Landry, Pete Nuthak.**
- ✠ Members battling cancer: **Tony Bloom, Bill Blumenshine, Pharis Fowler, Don Gilbert, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Erica Lunn, Bob McDougal, Marsha Owens, Joanie Roberts, Charles Smithson, Janice Tadlock.**
- ✠ Friends & family battling cancer: **Darren Brooks, Dorcas Dillard, Paul Hendrickson, Paul Melton.**

## Expectant Families

Janna & Kevin Wilkerson  
Meredith & Bryce Caldwell

***A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.***  
The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of personal care products (shampoo, liquid & bar soap, toothpaste, hygiene products, baby care items).

## This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Area Wide Youth Devo hosted by Harding
Monday		Church Offices Closed
	7:00 p.m.	3rd—6th Grade Girls Lock-In
Tuesday	11:30 a.m.	Men's Luncheon—Palotta's Italian Grill
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting Group
	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Classes
Thursday	6:15 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Denny's on 1488)
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
		Basketball
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
	9:30 a.m.	Dorcas Class

## Upcoming Events

January 7	Congregational Singing Bible Bowl Practice Resumes Youth Devo—High School
January 10	GriefShare Begins
January 11	Community Bible Class Resumes
January 14	Bible Builders Resumes
January 16	Men's Luncheon
January 18	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Lindsey Thomas' Home
January 20	Youth Service
January 22	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck
January 28	Parent Workshop
February 2-9	AIM Challenge Week
February 3	Men's Breakfast Dorcas Class
February 4	Congregational Singing
February 5	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Montandon Home
February 9-11	Youth Winter Retreat
February 12	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck
February 17	Sweetheart Banquet TX Bible Bowl Review Event
February 23-25	Evangelism Conference—Preston CoC
March 2	Men's Breakfast Dorcas Class
March 3	Spring Quarter Begins Congregational Singing
March 10	Daylight Savings Begins
April 5-7	Texas Bible Bowl
April 6	Men's Breakfast Dorcas Class
April 7	Congregational Singing
May 4	Men's Breakfast Dorcas Class
May 5	Parenting Workshop Congregational Singing
June 1	Men's Breakfast
June 2-8	Camp Bandina

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