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Finish Strong

His heart was not fully devoted to the Lord.

—1 Kings 11:4

“They can’t finish!” is a frequent beef when a sports team is on a losing streak. They start strong but sputter to a dismal finish.

Churches usually start strong, defined by love, unity, and purpose.

Over time, attitudes sometimes change, division intrudes, and they become a shadow of what they were. Strong start. Weak finish.

We’ve all seen individuals start strong, show unusual promise, but fail to live up to expectations. Great start. Disappointing finish.

Solomon started strong. His request for wisdom pleased God (see 1 Kgs 3:5–14). He built a magnificent temple to God’s glory.

How sad to see his fatal stumble in old age. He married foreign women, which God had forbidden, and they “turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the Lord.”

Above all, finish well.

-Joe Barnett

*A Daily Walk in the Word:
365 Devotionals that can be Read in Under a Minute*

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 Raymond Walker
Communion Leader Preston Leonard

Adult Bible Classes:

- “A Study of Colossians” by Michael Matheidas
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
 - “Four Inspired Witness Accounts of the Gospel” by Bob Klemm
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101
 - “Biblical Archeology Review: Can You Dig It?” by Marty Miller
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102
 - “The Church of the Bible” (Young Professionals) by Mac Brockman & Todd Watrous
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)
 - “Windows on the Parables” 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 Chapel Center Room C201
- ### 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 Morgan Whatley
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101
 - “High School Bible Class” (9th –12th) by Jordan Fontenot
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107
 - “Jr High School Bible 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	C106
3 years/Pre-K	A108
Kindergarten	B200
1st grade	B202
2nd grade	B203
3rd grade	B206
4th grade	B208
5th grade	B207
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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For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, woodlandoaks.org, under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

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Last Week’s Attendance

Sunday, May 7, 2023

9:00 AM Bible Class	361
10:15 AM Worship	536 @ WOCC 219 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	244
Contribution	\$36,777.35

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

7:00 PM Bible Class	296
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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 March 31, 2023 are \$444,815 compared with a budgeted amount of \$413,836 produces a surplus of \$30,979.

Notes

Announcements

Congratulations to **Candice & Matt Fitzgerald** on the birth of their daughter **Makenna Blair** on Sunday, May 7. Mom and baby are doing well. **Riley, Emmet, and Cate** are the proud big siblings.

The sharing deacons are in need of a **Volunteer to Deliver Flowers/Plants** for new mothers and for deaths. Please contact Bradley Welborn if you can help.

There will be a **Lads 2 Leaders Meeting** TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly in room A102.

Please join us for a **VBS Workday!** Meet in the teacher workroom at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 16.

Men's Luncheon will be this Tuesday, May 16 at 11:30 a.m. at Eden Café.

Celebrate Recovery's 6 Year Anniversary Celebration will be this Thursday, May 18. Celebrate Recovery at Woodland Oaks launched in the Spring of 2017. It is for anyone who needs recovery to overcome hurts, habits and hang ups. We will start at 6:30 p.m. for a meal, followed by our meeting which will include mini testimonies.

Donations are needed for our **VBS Mission Station**. These items will be donated to Impact Church of Christ. If you would like to contribute, please bring composition & spiral notebooks, washable markers (8 or 10), and glue sticks to the table in the foyer. Register you children (Age 4/PreK - 6th Grade) for VBS and volunteer to help at: <https://www.woodlandoakskidministry.com/>. Contact Jennifer Tolbert for more information.

Empty 2 Liter Bottles are needed for Family Camp! Please bring your empty 2 liter bottles to the box in the foyer.

The **WOCC Golf Tournament** will be this Saturday, May 20 at River Plantation Golf Club. Please see sign up and pay by TODAY. See Robert Shock for more information.

Summer Quarter Teachers Needed! We need volunteers for our Summer Quarter Bible Classes. We specifically need teachers and helpers for Kindergarten and 1st grade on Sunday morning and 2, 3 and 4 Year Olds on Wednesday night. Please contact Matt Fitzgerald, Steve Baker, or Quinn Tolbert if you are willing to serve.

Save the date! There will be a **Speed Fellowship** Sunday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

The next **Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper** for those ages 60+ will be Tuesday, May 23 at 5:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and join us in the Chapel Center.



This is a new way to attract people to study the Bible. You can find more information at the table in the foyer or contact Hank Van Joslin.

New Members

Salah & Shelbea Combs
Callie, Levi, Isla

Ruthie Grushkowsky

Youth News

Mark you calendars for a **Girls Dinner Devo** TOMORROW, May 15 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Ashley Blake's home. See Elise Fair, Meredith Caldwell, or Ashely Blake with any questions.

Tuesday Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Market Street.

There will be an **Elevate Hike Day** this Saturday, May 20. Meet at WOCC at 10:00 a.m. Please bring money for lunch.

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, May 21 immediately following the evening assembly at Sonic (Research Forest).

Save the Date! The **Youth Induction** will be Saturday, May 27 at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Center.

Treehouse Kids

There will be **No Bible Builders** tonight. The final meeting before the summer break will be Sunday, May 21.

Summer Camps

Registration for this year's summer session at **Camp Red Oak Springs** is now open. Early bird pricing is available from March 1 - May 31. Visit www.campredoaksprings.com to register. We attend Session 5, which runs from July 3 thru July 8. A packing list and other details can be found on the camp website. If anyone has questions, please contact Matt Fitzgerald.

Camp Bandina: June 4—10 Find more info and register at: <https://bandina-cecilhutsonsession.com/>.

Camp Wyldeewood: July 9—20 Find more info and register at: <https://www.campwyldeewood.org/>.

Uplift at Harding University: Session A - June 17-22 - Register at: <https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=401&campcode=mcl&lang=en-US>. See Jordan Fontenot with any questions.

Prayers

- ✚ **Mary Jane Nevels**/upcoming biopsy scheduled for May 16.
- ✚ **Dorcas Dillard**/sister of Tony Bloom/diagnosed with cancer.
- ✚ **Pat Higginson**/had back surgery which looks to be successful and now will have several months healing process/Thanks to everyone for the prayers. Pat & Thars appreciate it!
- ✚ **Pam Sharp**/surgery scheduled for May 12 was canceled.
- ✚ Please remember our members: **Melissa Farris, Joe Fellabaum, Skip Foreman, Laurie Riggs, Larry Voorhees, Howard Yates, Betty Yovanovich.**
- ✚ Please remember friends & family: **Danielle Grace, Jim Hughes.**
- ✚ Members battling cancer: **Tony Bloom, Bill Blumenshine, Bobbie Fellabaum, Don Gilbert, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Erica Lunn, Roger McDonald, Bob McDougal, Joanie Roberts, Janice Tadlock, Scottie West, Michael Williams.**
- ✚ Friends & family battling cancer: **Mary Aldaz, Darren Brooks, Judy Chandler, Tesa Cornett, Paul Hendrickson, Melissa Hightower, Toni Mansker, Phil Martinez, Diane McConnell, D'Ann Norwood, Jerry Smith, Raymond Smith, Barbara Starr, Nancy Stewart, Rose Talbott.**

Expectant Families

Katy & Jacob Britton
Angel & Matt Houser

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Lads 2 Leaders Meeting
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball—Women
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
		Youth Girls Dinner Devo
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
	10:30 a.m.	VBS Workday
	11:30 a.m.	Men's Luncheon—Eden Café
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Beginners)
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Tuesday Bible Study
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting Group
	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible 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
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery 6 Year Celebration
		Basketball
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
Saturday		Golf Tournament
	10:00 a.m.	Hike Day

Upcoming Events

May 21	Speed Fellowship
	Youth Invasion—Sonic
May 23	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper
May 27	Youth Induction
May 28	Youth Invasion
May 29	Church Offices Closed
May 31-June 2	VBS
June 2	End of Summer/VBS Celebration
June 3	Men's Breakfast
June 4	Congregational Singing
June 4-10	Camp Bandina
June 9-11	Family Camp
June 12	Jabberwacky
June 17-22	Uplift
June 20	Senior Saints w/Youth Group Game Night & Potluck Supper
June 23-July 1	Elevate
July 1	Men's Breakfast
July 2	Congregational Singing
	Youth Devo
July 4	Church Offices Closed
July 9-20	Camp Wyldeewood
July 15	Faithful Fathers Canoe Event
July 21-22	Youth Mission Printing
August 2-6	Camp Awesome
August 11	JR High Night
August 19	Back 2 School Bash
August 20	Speed Fellowship
August 27	Impact CoC Meal

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of cereal.

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