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Putting Jesus First

From the time our kids are born, we have big plans for them. We want them to do great things and try to instill in them a desire to do big things. We tell them, *“You can be or do whatever you want, you just have to put your mind to it.”* We tell our kids they can become a fireman, an astronaut, or even the President of the United States. We tell them they can achieve greatness so they will develop ambition and goals. It makes us feel good as parents when our children put in the effort and succeed. But we must keep the most important thing the most important thing. Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, close friends, the Church; we must work to teach our kids the LORD comes first no matter their ambition or desires! We need to help our kids find their identity in Christ. Listen to what Paul writes.

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory” (Col. 3:1-4).

As a followers of Jesus, He is our life. He’s the most important thing! He is the one who has granted us physical life and the one who grants us spiritual/eternal life. We must work to develop a spiritual mind in our kids. It’s our job to help them understand Jesus is first no matter the consequences and not just in words. Our words are only meaningful when put into action. Our kids need to learn Jesus is more important than school, sports, family, friends, etc. If it hasn’t happened already, the time will come when decisions must be made. Will we teach our kids to sacrifice their desires for Jesus or sacrifice Jesus for a moment of fun? It might not seem like a big deal, but putting Jesus first in the little things will help us put Jesus first in the big things. Let’s be determined to put Jesus first no matter what!

God loves you,

Shawn

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 Bob Klemm

Adult Bible Classes:

- “A Study of Church History” by Steve Baker
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
 - “A Study of Ephesians & Philippians” by Kevan Taylor
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102
 - “Faithful Fathers” (Men’s Class) by the Elders
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101
 - “Sharing the Gospel” by the Various Teachers
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Room)
 - “Blueprint for Living Out Our Life of Faith” by Jordan Blake & Joel Blake
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 C201
- ### Teen Bible Classes:
- “High School Bible Class” (9th –12th) by Matt Fitzgerald
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-106
 - “Jr High School Bible Class” (7th –8th) by Brant Mathis
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101
 - “Combined High/Jr High” (7th–12th Combined) by Doug Peak
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Building 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	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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 Bill Malone
 Kevan Taylor
Youth Brant Mathis
 Scott Simpson

Faithful Fathers: Celebrate Recovery: Chuck Bryant
 Nathan Ingram

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, October 2, 2022

9:00 AM Bible Class	Not counted
10:15 AM Worship	445@ WOCC 174 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	194
Contribution	\$32,555.00

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

7:00 PM Bible Class	226
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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 August 31, 2022 are \$1,104,682 compared with a budgeted amount of \$1,002,148 produces a surplus of \$102,534.

Notes

Announcements

The **WOCC Faithful Fathers Ministry** will host a Dads' Dinner starting at 5:00 p.m. this Saturday, October 15 in the Chapel Center. Come for a fun time of fellowship and share a delicious meal together and learn about the Faithful Fathers Ministry, including the Sunday-morning class, the annual retreat, the monthly small-group Battle Buddies meetings, and the various activities planned throughout the year. Hear from other dads-young and old—how Faithful Fathering can and has strengthened their relationship with their children, and get the opportunity to sign up for a local Battle Buddies group in your area. Let's work together to reinvigorate the fathering front in the church and in our communities!! Sign-up table in the foyer.

Please join us for a **Baby Shower for Maria Moehlenbrock** on Sunday, October 16 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. John and Maria had a baby girl, Eloise, and are registered at babylist.com.

Mark your calendars! There will be a **Speed Fellowship** October 16 in the Chapel Center. Please arrive on or before 5:00 p.m. and RSVP at: <https://forms.gle/q3M9Pk2FEyHdn1be8> so we can plan the room.

The **Faithful Fathers Father-Daughter Retreat** will be October 21-23 at Frontier Camp Retreat Center in Grapeland, TX. Fathers and one daughter, ages 7 - 18 (not yet graduated high school), are invited to attend. The cost is \$100 for each father-daughter pair. The deadline to sign up is this Wednesday, October 12!

Hope for the Holidays: An Introduction to Grief Recovery, presented by Nathan Ingram, Beth Wade, & Marty Justice will be on Thursday, November 3. There are two identical sessions to choose from; 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Please sign up at the Welcome Center by October 30.

Save the date! **Friends Day** will be Sunday, November 13!

Texas Bible Bowl

Bible Bowl Practice will meet every Sunday night from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

New Members

Travis Little
Audrey, Colby, Colette, Zane

Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Ashley Blake at the loss of her grandmother, **Jody Wilson**, on Tuesday, October 4. The funeral services will be tomorrow, October 10 at 10:00 a.m. at Riverside church of Christ in Kerville, TX. Jody is also the grandmother of Lindsey Thomas (Lindsey and husband Jason have been visiting WOCC) Please keep Ashley and the family in your prayers. You can read the obituary and find more information at: <https://grimesfuneralchapels.com/memorialpage.asp?id=25735>.

Youth News

The next **Youth Invasion** will be TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly at Whataburger on 1488.

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

High School Night: We will meet at Top Golf this Friday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$50.

Jr High Night: We will meet at WOCC this Friday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Save the date! The **Youth Fall Retreat** will be November 4-6. The sign up link and more details coming soon!

Treehouse Kids

There will be **NO Bible Builders** tonight. We will resume Sunday, October 16.

Sprout's Craft Time: Join us every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Maker Space for science, craft, and playtime! Preschoolers and homeschoolers welcome! We will be meeting in the new Maker Space area located on the second floor of the education building (Room B201)! Pack a lunch and stay a while!

Friday Playdates: Meet us at Alden Bridge Park on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. for a fun playdate! All ages welcome! Bring a lunch and make a morning of it!

Our 1st **Dorcas Class**, for girls ages K-6th grade, will be this Saturday, October 15 from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m., in the Chapel Center. We plan to meet once a month to focus on serving our widows/widowers, sick, elderly, and others within our congregation. We will be sending cards, making care packages, and other little gifts of love to share. Please contact Jane-Ann Fleming if you have any questions. This is a drop and go event; parents are not required to stay.

Expectant Families

Meredith & Bryce Caldwell

Ellen & Jordan Fontenot

Prayers

- ✝ **Mike Splawn**/back surgery October 6.
- ✝ **Roger McDonald**/upcoming surgery for melanoma.
- ✝ **Skip Foreman**/now at home continuing with home rehab.
- ✝ **Rose Talbott**/mother of Steven Talbott/at home after procedures at Temple Baylor White & Scott Hospital to alleviate pain.
- ✝ **Tyrone Mynhier**/upcoming tests.
- ✝ **Mary Williams**/Brightpointe Rehab Facility/Room 107.
- ✝ Please remember our members: **Judy Bollman, Laurie Riggs.**
- ✝ Please remember friends & family: **Roger Borne, Myron Stewart.**
- ✝ Members battling cancer: **Chuck Birt, Tony Bloom, Bill Blumenshine, Don Gilbert, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Erica Lunn, Bob McDougal, Joanie Roberts, Russell Smith, Janice Tadlock, Michael Williams.**
- ✝ Friends & family battling cancer: **Mary Aldaz, Judy Chandler, Paul Hendrickson, Melissa Hightower, Toni Mansker, Phil Martinez, Andrea Finley Nelson, D'Ann Norwood, Jerry Smith, Raymond Smith, Don Stewart, Nancy Stewart, Rose Talbott.**

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship Bible Bowl Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Invasion—Whataburger
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball—Women
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball—Men
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Beginners)
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Tuesday Bible Study Hour of Prayer
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Sprouts Craft Time
	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Thursday	6:15 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast
	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Beginners)
	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
	7:00 p.m.	Basketball
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (Intermediate/Advanced)
	10:00 a.m.	Friday Playdate
	7:00 p.m.	High School/Jr. High Night
Saturday	9:30 a.m.	Dorcas Bible Class
	5:00 p.m.	Faithful Fathers Dads' Dinner

Upcoming Events

October 16	Arms of Hope Donations Due Baby Shower for Maria Moehlenbrock Speed Fellowship Youth Invasion
October 17	Quilting Group
October 18	Men's Luncheon—Mia Table
October 21-23	Faithful Fathers Father-Daughter Retreat
October 23	Bible Buddy Check up Sign up for Youth Fall Retreat Due Impact CoC Meal Elder/Deacon Meeting Congregational Meeting Youth Invasion
October 26	Youth Lead Assembly
October 30	Sign Up Hope for the Holidays: An Introduction to Grief Recovery Go Serve Sunday Bible Bowl Study Group & Supper
November 3	Hope for the Holidays: An Introduction to Grief Recovery
November 4-6	Youth Fall Retreat
November 5	Men's Breakfast
November 6	Bridal Shower for Rachel Gidden Sunday Social Congregational Singing
November 12	Dorcas Bible Class Youth SNL Devo
November 13	Friends Day
November 18	High School/Jr. High Night
Nov. 24-25	Church Offices Closed
November 27	Youth Invasion

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of canned meats.
Arms of Hope: diapers (various sizes), deodorant, snacks (chips & crackers)

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