

Mercy Triumphs Over Judgment

At this moment, in a jail cell in Khartoum, Sudan sits a 26 year-old eight-month pregnant young mother with her 18 month-old son, Martin. Last Sunday, she was sentenced to death for her marriage to a South Sudanese Christian man (who also is a U.S. citizen). She had four days to repent and have her life spared. The sentencing became final Thursday when she refused to recant her Christian faith.

Her Muslim father had abandoned her [Orthodox] Christian mother when she was young. She was reared as an Orthodox Christian. She ran afoul of Sharia law when she married a non-Muslim, since children are required to follow their father's religion.

The President of Sudan is an Islamist who says his country will implement Islam more strictly now that the non-Muslim south has become independent. *

As I read about this and so many other inhumane atrocities being committed on innocents around the world at this very moment, I think, "What should we do?" Do we sit on the sidelines and hurl insults and criticisms? Do we send soldiers and tanks and bombs?

What's the answer? Education? That seems to be reasonable. We need to educate everyone. We need to teach everyone about human rights and human dignity, right? But then, it occurs to me that some of the most highly educated people of whom I'm aware are extremely outspoken proponents of abortion. In fact, some of our highest government officials this past week stated that they could not support a presidentially-appointed judge because he was not strong enough on pro-abortion! So I guess maybe it depends on who the educators are, huh?

Is there no answer? Yes, there is. People need the Lord. "My Only Hope Is You, Jesus! ... My Only Hope Is You!" Be reminded of Jesus' sermon introduction- We call them beatitudes. Blessed are the poor in spirit... meek... merciful... peacemakers. I know that has never satisfied those with blood in their eyes, but when the smoke finally clears; the cross stands alone as the solution to every problem!

- Ken Stegall

* AP article 5/15/2014 - Sudanese Woman Sentenced to Death for Apostasy

Elders

Mark Freeman	Gary Erwin
Raymond Walker	Butch Merriman
Elton Stubblefield	John Rowe

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Involvement & Greeting	Brian Lee
Fellowship	Tim Riggs
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Youth	Todd Watrous & Matt Hemphill
Sharing	Bradley Welborn & Kyle Gordley
Education	Quinn Tolbert & Morgan Whatley
Worship	Bill Malone, Scott Blake & Brant Mathis

Ministers

Pulpit	Ken Stegall
Youth	

Bible Class Coordinators

Pre-School & Elementary	
Cradle Roll	Jean Erwin
Adult	Cleo Tarver
Youth	

Office Staff

Gina Talbott	Rose De Pena
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Supported Mission Works

Ron Clayton	India
Tyrone Mynhier	South Sudan
Benin School of Preaching	West Africa
Mission Printing	Arlington, Texas
Pat Scheaffer	Adventures in Missions
Steve Austin	Texas International Bible Institute
Ralph Williams	Director of Development-Bear Valley Institute Extension School Program
	Uganda School of Evangelism
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Supported Children's Homes

Arms of Hope	Olive Branch Ministries-Peru
Cherokee Home for Children	Sunny Glen Children's Home
Children's Homes of Lubbock	Hannah's Hope-Cambodia

Schedule of Services

Sunday

8:00 AM	Morning Worship Assembly
9:30 AM	Bible Classes (offered for all ages)
10:30 AM	Morning Worship Assembly
6:00 PM	Evening Assembly

Tuesday

9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Class (Start up again Sep. 9th, dismissed for Summer)
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Wednesday

7:00 PM	Bible Class
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Thursday

10:00 AM	Community Bible Class
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Sunday, May 11, 2014

8:00 AM Worship	259
Class	372
10:30 AM Worship	269
6:00 PM Worship	219
Contribution	\$18,083.81

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

7:00 PM Bible Class	272
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THOSE CHOSEN TO SERVE TODAY

May 18, 2014	8:00 AM Service	10:30 AM Service
Hosts	Karen Hopper Nelda Baldacchino	Karen Hopper Nelda Baldacchino
Sound Booth	Craig Cox	Todd Watrous
Song Leader	Sonny Taylor	Sonny Taylor
First Prayer	Sterling Lockwood	Bill Morrison
Communion Coordinator	Larry Abston	Robert McDougal
Communion Prayer	James Osborn	Doug Tucker
Second Prayer & Scripture Reading	Michael Carroll	Cameron Terry
Closing Remarks	Elton Stubblefield	John Rowe
Nursery	Jill Bradley	Shelly Vargo
Lead Coordinator	Joey Dawson	Matt Fitzgerald

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Check out our website for more information at www.woodlandoaks.org

Announcements

We are so happy to welcome these families to Woodland Oaks.

Gertrude M. ROBERT

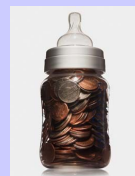
Billy G. WALTON

Please be sure to meet and get to know these families. We are honored to have you as part of our family.

The Church office will be closed Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day.

CHANGE FOR LIFE

This week begins our annual CHANGE FOR LIFE Baby Bottle Campaign. The Pregnancy Assistance Center North provides empty baby bottles for the church family to take home and fill with coins, paper money, and/or checks. Through CHANGE FOR LIFE donations, PACN helps those who find themselves in an unexpected pregnancy and offers life-affirming services. Pick up your bottle in the foyer today.



Welcome to Woodland Oaks Church of Christ. We are honored you chose to worship with us this morning. Please fill out the attendance card in the pew in front of you and place it in the contribution tray. Thank you for visiting us today! We look forward to meeting you!

We invite you to join any of our adult bible classes:

“Chosen by God: A Study of Election” by Chris Freeze
Location: Auditorium

“A Study of Jonah” by Bradley Welborn
Location: Magnolia Rm.

“It’s a Whole New Ballgame - A Study of Hebrews” by Marty Miller
(20s & 30s i.e. TNT)
Location: Annex Room B107

“2 Peter & Other Textual Studies” by John Rowe
(Singles & Young Professionals)
Location: Annex Rm 208

Announcements



**Bridal Shower honoring
Natalie Draper
Today at 3 PM in the church foyer!**



We will have a meal this Wednesday evening.
Come join us for food and fellowship.



**Our next Building Fund Collection will be
Sunday, May 25th.**

Join Us for Family Fun Night

When: Friday, May 23rd

Time: 5:00-9:00 PM

Where: Marilyn Edgar Park in Oak Ridge 26531 Hillside Drive, Oak Ridge North.

What: Bring a picnic dinner, balls and drinks for your family and come fellowship



If you would like an audio CD set or audio DVD of the class series, "Chosen by God: a Study of Election," please sign up in the foyer.



FAMILY CAMP 2014

EMBRACING OBSCURITY

June 20-22 at Lakeview Conference Center, Palestine, TX

Join us for a weekend of family, fun, and fellowship as we study to grow closer as a church family and closer to God as we learn to rely on and praise HIM! All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. This is our 8th Annual Family Camp and sure to be the best yet!

Register THROUGH THE LINK ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE www.woodlandoaks.org and pay the family fee of \$100 or single fee of \$50 by June 1, 2014 at church. Please make checks payable to WOCC (note FAMILY CAMP in memo) and place in collection plate. Registration fee includes food, lodging, activities and t-shirts.

Contact Ryan Coleman for more information - 936-520-6429 or rcoleman34@yahoo.com

ALL MEMBERS

PLEASE PUT YOUR COMPLETED ATTENDANCE CARD IN THE COLLECTION PLATE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 25	Building Fund Collection
June 15-19	VBS
June 20-22	Family Camp



THIS WEEK

Today	3:00 P.M.	Bridal Shower for Natalie Draper
Wednesday	5:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Fellowship Supper Commended for Faith (by Brian Lee)
Thursday	10:00 A.M.	Community Bible Class
Friday	5-9:00 P.M.	Family Fun Night



SOFTBALL

Monday, May 19 8PM & 10PM (Fields #3 & #2)

EXPECTANT FAMILIES

Jami & Brant Mathis

Krista & Stephen Brewster



Anna & Brian Flournoy

Meagan & Cody Mann

Crisanna & Bobby Hulett

Maegan & Brett Rodriguez



BIBLE BUILDERS

Today will be the last Bible Builders.



REMEMBER

- † Diane Struttmann, Rudy Bates and Nelda Baldacchino/cancer treatments.
- † Linda Alexander/experiencing difficulties.
- † Donna Stone (Trisha Hyde's sister)/recovering from heart surgery.
- † Bert Johnson/recovering from bone marrow transplant. He is now moved into an apartment close to the hospital.
- † Clayton Welborn (Bradley Welborn's father)/suffering with kidney and liver issues.
- † Bill Charleston (brother of John Charleston)/congestive heart failure.
- † Janaye Ince/traveling with Aggies for Christ to Thailand for mission work May 17th-July 3rd. Prayers for continual safety, good health and wisdom.
- † Please remember Sue Dunn, John Cheatham Sr., Liz Coleman, Margie Biggs and Velma Sparks