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The Only Thing That Counts

Paul's letter to the churches in Galatia is a plea for Christians to avoid the extremes of legalism and antinomianism. That's a big word that means living without restraints – literally "no law."

That's always our struggle as Christians – maintaining balance in our lives. That's illustrated over and over in the scriptures.

For example, Paul spent the first five chapters of his epistle to the Roman Christians trying to persuade them that righteousness cannot be gained by keeping law. He insisted that righteousness is a gift that is received by faith. *"For if those who live by law are heirs, faith has no value and the promise is worthless, because law brings wrath."* He is careful to ensure that we understand that law itself is not the problem. *"The law is good and righteous and holy."* Our problem is our inability to keep law. *"For all have sinned . . ."* and there is a severe, unavoidable penalty for sin – *"The wages of sin is death."*

Once we struggle out of the jungle of trying to gain righteousness by being "good enough" (legalism) we now face the next hurdle of antinomianism – throwing off all restraints! The pendulum wants to swing to the other extreme.

Knowing this, Paul immediately warns (Romans 6:1) – *"What shall we say then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means (absolutely not)!"* We have been released from slavery to sin so that we can now be controlled by righteousness to enable us to offer ourselves as holy, living sacrifices acceptable to God.

Successful Christian living is about maintaining the balance . . . avoiding the extremes. Both extremes breed arrogance.

"For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision (legalism) nor uncircumcision (antinomianism) has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." – Galatians 5:6

-Ken Stegall

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 (Offered for All Ages)
 10:15 AM Morning Worship Assembly
 6:00 PM Evening Assembly
Wednesday 7:00 PM Bible Class

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Elder of the Day Elton Stubblefield

Communion Leader Sterling Lockwood

Adult Bible Classes:

- "Who is This Jesus?"** by Steve Vogl
Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium
- "Acts of the Apostles"** by Marty Miller
Sundays in Worship Center A101
- "One Anothering"** by John Rowe
Sundays in Worship Center A102 (20s & 30s)
- "Learning to be Fishers of Men"** by Mark Freeman & Raymond Walker
Sundays in Chapel Center Magnolia Room C106 (Evangelism Class)
- "A Study of Biblical Manuscripts"** by Elton Stubblefield
Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium
- "The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith"**
by Adam Fracht Wednesdays in Worship Center Room A102 (Men's Bible Study)

Teen Bible Classes:

- "Colossians/Philemon"** by Scott Simpson
Sundays in Chapel Center C203 (9th-12th)
- "Ruth/Esther"** by Rick Medford
Sundays in Chapel Center C201 (7th & 8th)
- "Jesus Among Secular gods"** by Chris Tomberlin
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C203 (7th-12th)

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

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| 0-1 years A103 | 1st grade B202 |
| 1 year-olds A105/106 | 2nd grade B203 |
| 2 year-olds A107 | 3rd grade B206 |
| 3 year-olds A108 | 4th grade B208 |
| Pre-K A109 | 5th-6th grade B209 |
| Kindergarten B200 | |

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.

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Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, April 1, 2018

9:00 AM Bible Class	281
10:15 AM Worship	748
6:00 PM Worship	175
Contribution	\$32,497.00

Wednesday, April 4 2018

7:00 PM Bible Class	298
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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.

Budget

Through February 28, 2018, Actual Unrestricted Contributions are \$211,358.01 versus Budgeted Unrestricted Contributions of \$222,308.30 for a deficit of (\$10,950.30).

Notes

April 8- Evening Assembly - Understanding My Bible - Lesson 40

Announcements

Congratulations to **Flo & Marcia Mata** who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary Friday, April 6.

A special **thanks to Chris Tomberlin, Jennifer Tolbert**, and to each volunteer who helped in preparing our students for LTC! We are so grateful for all the hard work and time you've put into helping our students grow and become closer to God. LTC participants, your church family is proud of the growth you've gained during LTC.

The **LTC Awards** will be presented **TODAY** during the morning assembly.

In an effort to accommodate those who may face challenges with a disability: starting **TODAY**, the elders have agreed to designate the one short bench on the far left side and the one short bench on the far right side at the rear of the auditorium for those with disabilities. The goal is to provide some additional seating to relieve any stress related to finding a seat for members or visitors with a disability.

There will be a **Girls Conference Planning Meeting TODAY** at 5:15 p.m. in room A102.

The **2018 WOCC Girls Conference** will take place Saturday, April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Join us for a **Bridal Shower Honoring Taryn Tuttle**, bride elect of Kirby Logan (son of Scott & Janet Logan), Sunday, April 15 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Taryn & Kirby are registered at Target, Crate and Barrel, and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Join us for a **Work Day** to help clean the church roof gutters on Saturday, April 14 at 9:00 a.m. Please bring your blowers, ladders, and rakes. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center if you will join the work fun and fellowship.

WOCC will be hosting the annual **Eastern European Mission Banquet** for our area on Tuesday, April 17 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. A free catered meal will be provided and no tickets are required, but please register online at www.eem.org/events or sign up at the Welcome Center in the foyer. Monty Tuttle, EEM Coordinator, will be giving an update on all the great things God is doing, through EEM. It will be a great evening and we hope you will attend. If you have questions, please contact Cleo Tarver or Paul Gidden.

Kleinwood Church of Christ is having a **Meeting with Chuck Durham** on April 8-11. Go to www.kleinwood.com for details.

There will be a **Elders & Deacons Meeting** Sunday, April 22 at 4:30 p.m. in the Magnolia Room.

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** Sunday, April 22 immediately following the evening assembly.

Robert Shock is in need of volunteers to **Help Organize the WOCC Golf Tournament**. If you can help, contact Robert Shock.

Youth News

Senior Banquet:

- ⇒ Senior parents, please **Schedule an Appointment for the Parent Letter Recording** for **TODAY** or Sunday, April 15 at: <https://goo.gl/ut4NBF>
- ⇒ Senior's **Table Display Items Due** Sunday, April 15.

There will be a **Youth Service Project** Saturday, April 14. Please meet at WOCC at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided.

The youth will go to **Main Event** Saturday, April 14. The van will leave WOCC at 6:30 p.m. and return at 9:30 p.m. The cost is \$15. Dinner is included. Please sign up at the Welcome Center and pay Chris Tomberlin by Wednesday, April 11 if you will attend.

There will be a **Youth Devo** Sunday, April 15 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. More information to come.

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. at Jason's Deli.

Summer is approaching and there will be a lot of activities for our spiritual and relational growth. **Summer Camps** are always a great way to make new friends, reunite with old ones, and mature one's faith. Registration is now open to both summer camps that we corporately attend as a youth group. Camp Bandina will be June 10-16. Camp Wyldewood: Session 4 will be July 8-19. The sign up links can be found at:

<http://woodlandoaks.org/forms-resources.html>

Treehouse Kids' News

Bible Builders for children ages 2 to 5 will be dismissed at the Sunday evening assembly to go "through the Bible in a year." The memory verse for April is I Kings 18:21 - "If the Lord is the One and only God, follow Him."

Sprouts Story & Craft Time meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Foyer.

Little Lambs Play Group meets Fridays at 10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

Expectant Families

Iveth & Todd Freeman
Cody & Dustin Haney
Mary & Eric Kirkland
Christelle Nordgulen
Lindsey & Doug Peak

Maegan & Brett Rodriguez
Maggie & Daniel Spears
Ling Ling & Cameron Terry
Kaylyn & Randy Wilkinson

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

APRIL DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Tomato Products & Pasta

Arms of Hope: Saran Wrap

This Week

Today	5:15 p.m.	Senior Parent Letter Recording
	6:15 p.m.	Girls Conference Planning Meeting
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Bible Builders (Elijah and Elisha)
Tuesday	9:50 a.m.	Pickleball
	6:45 p.m.	Ladies' Bible Class
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Young Professionals Bible Study
	5:30 p.m.	Sprout Story & Craft Time
	7:00 p.m.	Meal
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Classes
	6:30 p.m.	Community Bible Class
Friday	10:00 a.m.	Celebrate Recovery - 1 Year Anniversary
Saturday		Little Lambs Play Group
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Service Project
		Youth Main Event

Upcoming Events

April 15	Bridal Shower for Taryn Tuttle (Bride elect of Kirby Logan)
	Senior's Table Display Items Due
	Youth Devo
April 17	EEM Banquet
April 21	Girls Conference
April 22	Elder/Deacon Meeting
	Congregational Meeting
	Youth Invasion - Jason's Deli
April 28	Hannah's Hope Banquet
April 29	Arms of Hope Donations Due
May 5	Men's Breakfast
	Senior Banquet
May 6	Senior Sunday
May 8	Ladies' Bible Class Special Event
May 19	Golf Tournament (Deer Park)

Prayers

- ✚ **Sterling Lockwood**/undergoing tests for chest pains.
- ✚ **Sandy Hyde**/mother of Richard Hyde/lumbar fusion with instrumentation at Providence Hospital March 10.
- ✚ **Nikki Rogers**/has been moved to the rehab floor at Conroe Regional/Room 363/the direct phone to the room is 936-525-3903.
- ✚ **Danyce Rundell**/requests prayers for recent heart issues and recurring pain that is preventing mobility.
- ✚ **Peggy Hutchinson**/friend of Sheri Butler/battling bone and liver cancer.
- ✚ **Connie Theilen**/aunt of Karen Ardito/hospitalized with meningitis.
- ✚ Members battling cancer: **Tom Campbell, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, Nancy Stucky, and Steven Talbott.**
- ✚ Friends & family battling cancer: **Jeff Branton, John Chegin, Donna Dunham, Mike Ferdinand, Shawna Holland, Mike Knappier, JJ Lovoi, Jerry Malone, Lisa Middlebrook, Marty Pedranzan, Meghan Rudd, Garland Spelce and Becky Splawn.**
- ✚ Please remember our members: **Linda Alexander, Ken Coleman, Shirley Jones, Bridget Lovell, and Nancy Palmer.**
- ✚ Please remember friends & family: **John Paul Grady, Harry Hallows and Leilani Palmer.**