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Time Marches On

For some of us it's a memory; for others, you're facing it now. Sending your child off to school for the first time, I was twenty-six years old. In the words of a good friend of mine, "I could sort tigers!" I could handle anything. Nothing rattled me . . .

Until I saw my little girl all dressed up in her new dress with a new book-satchel (before the days of backpacks), with this huge smile on her "big-girl face"- ready to go to school. If someone had told me that I would have teared-up, I would have laughed. But I wasn't laughing! . . . Time marches on.

And then, about 12 years later, we made a trip to Searcy, AR to drop her off at college. The feeling came back, but maybe worse than before. The epitome of mixed-emotions! We all knew it was going to be tough. She had told me, "Daddy, I know I'm going to call you and beg you to let me come home, but please don't let me." Easier said than done! . . . Time marches on.

This year, Janis and I have two grandchildren starting college. Their parents will have to remind themselves, like we did- "As much as this hurts, it's the way it's supposed to be. It would really be sad if they were never willing/able to 'leave the nest.'" It's hard when emotions get piled up together, isn't it? Happy. . . Proud. . . Sad - all at the same time. . . Time marches on.

So, as someone who now has all these experiences under my belt, let me give those of you who are on the front-end of this journey a bit of advice from where Janis and I are now. Teaching your child to love the Lord is the most important thing. If you did, then all that other stuff that you would worry about . . . it's taken care of. Things like, Will they go to church faithfully? What kind of clothes will they wear? What will they do when they are on a date? What will they be doing for entertainment? What will they do when their friends want to do something they know is wrong? What kind of person will they choose to marry?

That little girl/boy with that so-cute-I-can't-stand-it smile, standing there with their new backpack ready to go to school for the first time, is either going to make you the proudest person in the world, or they are going to break your heart like no one else could!

What are you doing to ensure that they love the Lord more than anything or anyone else in the world? Remember . . . Time marches on and you can't back it up!

- 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 Raymond Walker

Communion Leader Larry Shiver

Adult Bible Classes:

"How We Got the Bible" by Marty Miller
Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium

"A Study of I Timothy" by Sam Bradley
Sundays in Worship Center A101

"A Study of Hebrews" by Chris Wright
Sundays in Worship Center A102 (20s & 30s)

"Reading Through the Bible" by Michael Matheidas & Rick Medford
Sundays in Chapel Center Magnolia Room

"Great Prayers of the Bible" by Various Speakers
Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium

Teen Bible Classes:

"Freed for Freedom" by Chris Tomberlin
Sundays in Chapel Center C203 (7th-12th)

"A Study of I & II Peter/Jude" by Nathan Ingram
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C203 (7th-12th)

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

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, July 30 2017

9:00 AM Bible Class	383
10:15 AM Worship	576
6:00 PM Worship	230
Contribution	\$24,260.00

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

7:00 PM Bible Class	335
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Through June 30, 2017, Actual Unrestricted Contributions are \$669,333.21 versus Budgeted Unrestricted Contributions of \$701,146.42 for a deficit of (\$31,813.21). We've run a deficit 5 out of 6 months of 2017.

Notes

Announcements

Jonathan Heermann will be leaving Monday, August 7 to join the Army. Please keep Jonathan in your prayers as he trains for his chosen career.

There will be a come and go **Wedding Shower for Cody and Erin Powers** today from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Cody and Erin are going to be China Missionaries, so there will be a Money Tree in lieu of gifts.

Congregational Singing will be tonight during the evening assembly. Song request can be listed at the Welcome Center.

The **Back to School Bash** for ALL families will be this Saturday, August 12 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at WOCC. Please wear swimwear and bring a towel. Those with last names A-M bring desserts, N-Z bring chips.

There will be a **Bridal Shower for Anika Orr**, bride elect of David Matheidas, Sunday, August 13 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Jill Gordley's Home. Anika and David are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Tears and Cheers Prayer Time Potluck Brunch will be Wednesday, August 16 at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel Center. This is a time for prayer and fellowship to pray for school age kids.

WOCC Celebrate Recovery is planning to start a Step Study group in September. The Step Study is separate from the usual Thursday evening meeting, and goes through 4 participant guides together, answering and discussing questions in each lesson. We would like to encourage anyone who needs it to get into a step study group, as this is where true healing occurs from hurts, hang-ups and habits. For more information, please contact Nathan Ingram, or celebraterecovery@woodlandoaks.org.

Prayers

- ✠ **Lorene Burrigh**/recovering from surgery on August 2.
- ✠ **Cade Clepper**/nephew of Keisha Scott/fighting infection from elbow surgery.
- ✠ **Diana Morrison**/recovering from gallbladder surgery on August 1.
- ✠ **Gina Talbott**/shingles, knee and back problems.
- ✠ **Members** battling cancer: **Tom Campbell, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, and Nancy Lee.**
- ✠ Friends & family battling cancer: **Jeff Branton, Charlene Deason, Mike Ferdinand, JJ Lovoi, Marty Pedranzan, and Becky Splawn.**
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Linda Alexander, Pat Charleston, Ken Coleman, Wallace Crawley, Don Gilbert, Clora Heath, Shirley Jones, Evelyn Lancaster, Georgia Meadows, Nathaniel Muniz, Mary Jane Nevels, Nancy Palmer, Judy & Lon Perry, Gert Robert, Danyce Rundell, Denise Tolbert, Wally Westbrook, Jimmy Worley and Juan Zambrano.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Peggy Albright, Avis Burrigh, Caleb Cox, Miriam Egger, Harry Hallows, Nicholas Henss, Paul Hollingshead, Marjorie Lockwood, Jerry Malone, Carletta Moore, Bill Pieper, Clifford and Barbara Purvis, Jay Smith, Fanny Tilley and Riley Weller.**

Youth News

Youth Boys Basketball (7th-12th grade) will be tonight from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Dads and friends are welcome.

The youth group will go to the **movies** this Tuesday, August 8. Look for more details on the BASIC Facebook page.

Youth Service Project this Thursday, August 10 the youth group will meet at WOCC from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to bake and organize care packages for the senior members of our congregation. Lunch will be provided. The packages will be delivered on Sunday, August 13 by members of the youth group.

Human Foosball will be Tuesday, August 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Treehouse Kids' News

Our **Heart of God Program** is today, Sunday, August 6 and August 13. Please pick up a list of verses and practice them with your child. The theme for our verses this summer is "Have Courage."

Little Lambs Play Group for children ages birth to Pre-K will meet Fridays at 10:00 a.m. beginning August 18.

Worship Training for boys ages 4 to 8 will meet Sunday evenings in August in the Chapel at 6 p.m. to practice leading singing with real A/V equipment. The young men will lead the congregation during the August 30 devotional. See Frank Kerze for more information.

Expectant Families

Nikki & Brian Lee
Emily & Jeremy McMurray

Kerri & Gabe Rangel
Julie & Charles Smithson

Thank you

The love you have poured out on our family at the passing of our husband/father/grandfather has been lavish. We each love the plants you sent us and appreciate so much those who took part in Daddy's service and helped to feed our large family afterward - as well as those who helped make sure the sound and technology ran smoothly. Every hug and expression of consolation, each card, floral tribute and contribution made in his name are recognized and treasured as acts of loving service. The food different ones have brought has sustained and nourished our bodies as your prayers on our behalf to the father have helped to sustain our spirits. We thank God for you and are very grateful to be part of this church family. May God bless you all as you have blessed us.

The Harold Wade Family

This Week

Sunday (today)	Heart of God Challenge
4:00 p.m.	Wedding Shower for Cody & Erin Powers
6:00 p.m.	Worship Training
6:00 p.m.	Congregational Singing
7:00 p.m.	Youth Boys Basketball
Monday	6:00 p.m. Pickleball
Tuesday	TBD Youth Movies
	6:45 p.m. Young Professionals Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. Bible Classes (Adult: Randall Tucker)
Thursday	10:00 a.m. Youth Service Project
	10:00 a.m. Community Bible Class
	6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery
Friday	
Saturday	5:00 p.m. Back to School Bash

Upcoming Events

August 13	Heart of God Challenge
	Bridal Shower—Matheidas
	Worship Training
August 15	Men's Luncheon - Red Lobster
	Youth Human Foosball
August 16	Quilting Group
	Tears & Cheers Prayer Time
August 18	Little Lambs Play Groups starts
August 20	Youth Parent Meeting
August 25	Treehouse Kids Boy/Girl FFN
August 27	Baby Shower for Bridget Lovell
August 30	Youngest Men Lead Singing
September 2	Men's Breakfast
September 6	Sprouts begins
September 10	Heart to Home Moms Meeting
	Bible Builders Begins
September 12	Ladies Bible Class Begins
September 14	Heart to Home Reveal Dinner
September 23-24	Parenting Conference
October 14	Fall Festival
October 22	Elders/Deacons & Congregational Meetings
	Treehouse Kids Lunch Potluck
November 4	Friends Day Set Up
	Treehouse Kids Light up the Night Bike Ride
November 5	Friends Day

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of restocking.
Please donate any non-perishable food items.

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