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Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, January 28, 2018		
9:00 AM Bible Class	418	
10:15 AM Worship	642	
6:00 PM Worship	232	
Contribution	\$27,953.54	
Wednesday, January 31, 2018		

7:00 PM Bible Class

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 December 31, 2017, Actual Unrestricted Contributions are \$1,450,459.34 versus Budgeted Unrestricted Contributions of \$1,429,260.00 for a surplus of \$21,199.34.

Notes

February 4- Evening Assembly - Congregational Singing

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

February 4, 2018

Elder of the Day Nathan Ingram

Communion Leader Chris Miley

Adult Bible Classes:

"Studies in John" by Dave Short Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium

"'Come to Jesus' Meetings" by Robert Dozier Sundays in Worship Center A101

"Studies in Matthew" by Joel Blake Sundays in Worship Center A102 (20s & 30s)

"A Study of Joshua" by Scott Logan Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium

Teen Bible Classes:

"1 Samuel" by Scott Simpson Sundays in Chapel Center C203 (9th-12th)

"1 Samuel" by Rick Medford Sundays in Chapel Center C201 (7th & 8th)

"Various Topics" by Chris Tomberlin Wednesdays in Chapel Center C203 (7th-12th)

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0-1 years	A103	1st grade	
1 year-olds		2nd grade	B203
2 year-olds	A107	3rd grade	
3 year-olds	A108	4th grade	
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 <u>0 to 4 years</u>.



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Is Love Unconditional?

I was reading something recently that focused on a young man expressing his anger at his parents because they didn't love him. He was ridiculing their claim to be Christians because (in his words) "Christians claim to love others, but that's a lie because love is unconditional."

It turns out that he was involved in a lifestyle that his parents believed to be immoral. Because they refused to give approval to his actions, he accused them of not loving him.

Truthfully, I don't know him or his parents – so I cannot absolutely say that his parents do or don't love him. But his accusation against his parents, whether he realizes it or not, is a form of manipulation – trying to pressure his parents to "prove that they do love him" by giving their approval to his actions.

Knowing something about parental love, I strongly suspect that his parents love him deeply. But what he either fails to recognize or refuses to acknowledge is – you can love someone without approving of their actions. Sadly, in his efforts to force his parents to approve of his actions, he is foolishly rejecting the truest and most genuine love that he is likely to experience in his entire life.

Is love unconditional? I think it must be. I Corinthians 13:8 says "Love never fails." It seems pretty obvious that the prodigal son's dad must have loved him deeply – even when he was involved in a sinful life.

Don't confuse love with approval. Don't be so desperate for approval that you forfeit love.

- Ken Stegall

Announcements

Please join us for **Congregational Singing <u>TONIGHT</u>** during the evening assembly.

Lost and Found items will be displayed on tables in the foyer <u>TODAY</u> and next Sunday, February 11. Unclaimed items will be donated to Impact.

Men's Luncheon will be this Tuesday, February 6 at 11:30 a.m. at Pappas Bar-B-Q.

The **Sweetheart Banquet** for ages 60 and over will be Saturday, February 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Sign up at the Welcome Center by this Wednesday, February 7 if you will attend.

For anyone interested in helping out with the **2018 WOCC Girls Conference**, there will be a **Girls Conference Planning Meeting** Sunday, February 18 from 5:15 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. in room A102.

Keith Kasarjian, the director of Extensions Studies for the Bear Valley Bible Institute, will be our guest speaker Sunday evening, February 18. WOCC partners with Bear Valley in the support of an extension school in Zimbabwe. You will not want to miss his lesson.

The **Impact Truck** will be in the area March 2. Currently Impact cannot use mattresses, large desks, TVs or monitors that are NOT flat screens or non-working items. Contact Gary Tannahill with any questions. Thank you for your donations.

Registration is NOW open for the **WOCC Found Faithful Parenting Seminar** at <u>woccparentingseminar.weebly.com</u>. The seminar will be on March 24-25 and is for parents of children ages birth - 12th grade. Childcare will be provided.

HARVEY Recovery Service Opportunity: There are several elderly and disabled families in the area that need minor finishing help in rebuilding their homes. If you can hang sheetrock, tape / float / texture walls, paint and do minor construction (replace doors, repair floors, frames, siding, etc.), or if you just want to help or fund contractors for this work, please call or text Scott Blake at 281-659-5961.

Lifeline Chaplaincy Hospital Outreach—Contact Marty Justice or visit the Welcome Center to request a professional Lifeline Chaplaincy visit for someone you know in the hospital.

Registration for the **2018 WOCC Girls Conference** is now open! The conference will take place Saturday, April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You can register and find more information at:woodlandoaks.org/girls-conference.html.

New Members

Doug & Rilene Cobb

Kaytlin Gonzales

Don & Karen Gilbert

Youth News

Winter Retreat is a spiritually refreshing weekend camping retreat for the members of the Woodland Oaks Youth Group and their friends. This event is open to students 7th-12th grade. It takes place at Hensel Camp in the beautiful central Texas hill country outside of Marble Falls, Texas. Students will spend the weekend learning about God, growing in their friendships, and relaxing. The retreat will be February 16-18. The cost is \$30 per person. Sign up by <u>TODAY</u> at: woodlandoaks.org/forms-resourses.html

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, February 18 immediately following the evening assembly at Crust Pizza Co.

LTC

Bible Bowl Practice will meet Sunday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Richard Hyde will teach the 7th - 12th graders in room A102, and Al Ardito will teach the 3rd - 6th graders in room A101.

There will be a **LTC Workday** for all participants of chorus, puppets, drama, song leading, bulletin board, etc. Sunday, February 11 from 11:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Lunch will be provided. Please bring a change of casual clothes. This year there are select workdays for LTC rather than every Sunday as in years past.

Treehouse Kids' News

Sprouts Story & Craft Time meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the church foyer.

There will be a **WOCC Little Lambs Valentine's Day Party** this Friday, February 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center/Playground. Bring Valentines to trade, a box or bag to collect Valentines for your child, and a finger food item to share for lunch. Please RSVP on the event page on the WOCC Children's Facebook Page so we know how many Valentines to bring.

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 February is Exodus 13:3 - "... the Lord used His mighty hand to bring you out of Egypt."

Sympathy

Kathleen Moore, sister of Violet weeks, died Sunday, January 28 in Wales.

Fanny Tilley, mother of Joyce Allen, died Monday, January 29. The funeral service was held Friday, February 2 at Jersey Village Church of Christ.

Nora Fierro, friend of Linda Merriman, died Tuesday, January 30.

Expectant Families

Cody & Dustin Haney Laura & Kevin Sim

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

FEBRUARY DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Canned Meats, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Macaroni and Cheese

Sunny Glen Children's Home: Liquid Laundry Detergent & Kids Snacks

		This Week
Today	6:00 p.m.	LTC Bible Bowl Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Congregational Singing
	6:15 p.m.	Bible Builders (Baby Moses)
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball
Tuesday	9:50 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class
	11:30 a.m.	Men's Luncheon - Pappas Bar-B-Q
	6:45 p.m.	Young Professionals Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
	10:00 a.m.	Sprouts Story & Craft Time
	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Classes
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Friday	10:00 a.m.	Little Lambs Play Group -Valentine's Day Party
Saturday	11:30 a.m.	Sweetheart Banquet

Upcoming Events

February 11	LTC Workday		
February 16-18	Youth Winter Retreat		
February 18	Girls Conference Planning Meeting		
	Youth Invasion - Crust		
February 19	Ladies Movie Night		
February 23-24	Men's Retreat		
February 25	LTC Workday		
March 2	Impact Truck in Area		
March 2-3	Family Devo & Games/Service Project/Broomball & Lock-in		
March 3	Men's Breakfast		
March 4	LTC Workday		
March 11	Sunny Glen Donations Due		
March 24-25	Found Faithful Parenting Seminar		
March 25	LTC Workday		
	Bridal Shower - Abby Purvis		
March 30-31	LTC		
April 1	LTC		
	Serve Impact CofC Meal		
April 7	Men's Breakfast		
April 14	Golf Tournament		
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Prayers

- **† Eileen Young/**Surgery went well.
- **♣ Azlyne Anderson/**granddaughter of Texas & Danna Stevens/will have heart surgery April 13.
- **Ken Coleman/**Memorial Hermann The Woodlands Hospital for blood clots/No visitors at this time please.
- ₱ Members battling cancer: Tom Campbell, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, and Steven Talbott.
- ♣ Friends & family battling cancer: Jeff Branton, John Chegin, Mike Ferdinand, Mike Knappier, JJ Lovoi, Jerry Malone, Marty Pedranzan, Meghan Rudd, Garland Spelce and Becky Splawn.
- † Please remember our members: **Pat Charleston, Krista Chapman,** and **Pharis Fowler.**
- ₱ Please remember friends & family: Angie Conway, Kathy Conway, Jim Farley, Harry Hallows, John Hinson, Reggie Johnson, Randall Morgan, Leigh Oliverio, Cinthya Ramirez, Milo Scheler, Soren Scheler, and Gary Stucky.