<u>Elders</u>						
Gary Erwin	Mark Freeman	Nathan Ingram	Flo Mata			
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Administration	Joel Blake	Greeting/Welcome Center	Ben Brockman Michael Matheidas			
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Family Life Center	Chris Davis	Visitor Contacts	James Young			
Fellowship	Tim Riggs	Worship	Scott Blake, Joey Dawson Bill Malone, Brant Mathis			
Finance	Jeff Fleming Brandon Smith	Youth	Matt Hemphill Terence O'Connor			
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Eastern European Missions

Supported Children's Homes

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

Schedule of Services

Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Classes (Offered for All Ages)	
	10:15 AM	Morning Worship Assembly	
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly	
Tuesday	9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Class (September-April)	
	6:45 PM	Young Professionals' Bible Study	
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Class	
Thursday	10:00 AM	Community Bible Class (Preschool Childcare Provided)	

Sunday, July 17, 2016			
9:00 AM Bible Class	378		
10:15 AM Worship	556		
6:00 PM Worship	238		
Contribution	\$28,283.00		
Wednesday, July 20, 2016			
7:00 PM Bible Class	NC		

THOSE CHOSEN TO SERVE TODAY				
July 24, 2016 Morning Service		Evening Service		
Hosts	Karen Hopper/Lisa Geerman			
Welcome Center	Beth Brockman/Marty Justice/ Marcia Mata/Brandy Medford			
Song Leader	Sonny Taylor	Sonny Taylor		
Prayer	Joel Blake	Bryce Caldwell		
Communion	Glenn Addison	Scott Logan/Grant Tucker		
Prayer/Scripture Reading	David Roberts	Tim Riggs		
Nursery Staff	Elise Fair/Cindy Hicks/Vel Worley			
Closing Remarks	Nathan Ingram	Nathan Ingram		

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We Don't Worship Baal

As I was reading the opening chapters of Jeremiah, the author depicts Jeremiah as the mouthpiece for God in a judicial setting. God makes an accusation, the defendants (the people of Judah) respond with their defense, then God (as judge) pronounces the verdict and the sentence.

The primary charge that God is bringing against Judah is that they have forsaken Him and are worshipping the Canaanite and Egyptian gods—idols.

Their response: ". . . That's not true! I haven't worshipped images of Baal!"

God responds, "But how can you say that? Go look in any valley in the land! Face the awful sins you have done." (Jeremiah 2:23)

I'm reading this and I'm thinking, "Why would they deny something so obvious . . . so easily refuted? Why would they deny worshipping Baal when the evidence is undeniable?"

So I investigated a bit. Archaeologists have found small plaques showing an Asherah (female goddess) and a male god (Baal) with an inscription identifying them as Yahweh. It seems that over a period of time Baal-worship crept into Israel's (and Judah's) religion but they still considered themselves to be worshipping Jehovah. It became so ingrained that they could not see the distinction. They didn't consider themselves as worshipping Baal—even though they obviously were.

I am reminded of how easy it is to allow culture to creep into our thinking . . . and into our churches . . . and how prone we are to conform to the pressures of society. The only safeguard I know is to stay close to the source of truth by reading and studying your Bible *and* determining to practice what you learn.

-Ken Stegall

Announcements

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

We invite you to join any of our Adult Bible Classes:

"A Study of Ezra, Nehemiah & Esther" by Steve Vogl

Location: Chapel Center Auditorium

"The Salt Life" by Marty Miller Location: Worship Center A101

"In the Fullness of Time: A Study of Jesus' World" by Mike Yanochik

(20s & 30s i.e. TNT)

Location: Worship Center A102

"A Study of the Gospel of John" by Rick Medford

(Singles & Young Professionals)
Location: Education Center Room B107

"The Gospel According to Luke" by Blondell Mack & Sam Bradley

Location: Chapel Center Magnolia Room



A <u>staffed nursery</u> for children birth to 2 years is available during each Sunday morning worship assembly in the Children's Wing. A <u>training room</u> is located at the back of the auditorium for <u>ages 3 and older</u>.

Heart of God Summer Bible Challenge Ages 2 Years Through 6th Grade



Each week of summer, WOCC's children have memory work to recite to "Heart Doctors." When the task is completed, the children receive stickers for their Heart Chart and a treat from the Treasure Chest. Today's assignment is Psalm 119:9-12 (July 24). Next week's assignment is Psalm 139:13-14 (July 31).



Children's Ministry Family Fun Night! July 24, 2016 After Evening Worship Family Life Center

For families with children through 6th grade. See Chuck Bryant for more information.

EXPECTANT FAMILIES

Kaylin & Stephen Booker Kendra & Joel Blake

Katrisha & Chris Tomberlin

Announcements



WOCC welcomes **Shawn Jones** and **Pat Sheaffer** who will be presenting lessons for today's morning and evening assemblies.

Shawn preached for WOCC when the congregation was first forming and has had a long career in ministry. He is currently a Managing Director at U.S. Capital Advisors and will present the morning lesson.

Pat is the co-director of the Adventures in Missions (AIM) program with Sunset International Bible Institute and will present a lesson tonight as well as update the congregation on this apprentice missions program that trains college-age men and women to work together to strengthen the church and bring the lost to Christ.

Thank you, Gentlemen!

Quarterly Elders & Deacons Meeting

TODAY, Sunday, July 24, 2016 4:30 p.m. Chapel Center Magnolia Room





Welcome back to thirteen WOCC members who attended Camp Wyldewood.
The group returned July 21.



Bridal Shower Honoring *Shelby Glenn* Sunday, July 31, 3:00 p.m. WOCC Chapel Center



Registered at Macy's and Bed, Bath & Beyond.



Congratulations to **Melody Young** who was named Teacher of the Year at New Caney Middle School!



<u>A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.</u>

JULY DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Canned Vegetables

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 31 Bridal Shower for Shelby Glenn August 1 Youth Jabberwacky

August 7 Children's Ministry Family Fun Night
August 13 Father/Child Fishing Expedition & Hot Dog Lunch

September 11 Children's Ministry Service Project

THIS WEEK

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Today	9:45 a.m.	Heart of God Bible Challenge	
·	4:30 p.m.	Elder/Deacon Meeting	
	7:00 p.m.	Children's Ministry Family Fun Night	
Monday	5:30 p.m.	Youth Jabberwacky at Katy Church of Christ	
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Youth Meet Me For Kayaking	
·	6:45 p.m.	Young Professionals Bible Study	
Wednesda	ay 7:00 p.m.	Bible Classes (Adults: Monty Tuttle)	
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class	
·	6:15 p.m.	Youth Meet Me ForStrykers Baseball	
Friday	10:00 a.m.	Little Lambs Play Group	
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The next Summer Meal will be Wednesday, August 3 at 5:30 p.m.



PRAYERS

- Tom Campbell, Ron Cole, Ken Craig, Michael Dawdy, Barb Geraci Dorger, Faye Gillin, Debi Hix, Debbie Kroeschel, Kelly Malone, Lisa Middlebrook, Kenneth Miller, Marilyn Pate, Marcy Patty, Joella Unruh, Harold Wade and Jim Weldon are battling cancer.
- Please remember Linda Alexander, John Brakebill, Avis Burright, Lorene Burright, Ken Coleman, Fran Cote, Caleb Cox, Dot Dawdy, Joe and Bobbie Fellabaum, Mary Helen Foster, Lawson Freeman, Jeri French, Gerald Fruzia, David Garza, Dan Gray, Harry Hallows, Peggy Hutcheson, Shirley Jones, Margret Korner, Marjorie Lockwood, Georgia Meadows, Carletta Moore, Lee Muniz, Lon & Judy Perry, Bill Pieper, Kim Prahl, Gert Robert, Julia Thacker, Kay Thornton, Bill Walton, Eric Watson, Elizabeth Joan Webb, Karen Weber, Micah West, Wally Westbrook, Jimmy Worley, Howard Yates and Ellouise Zapalac.