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Last Week's Attendance

 Sunday, May 14, 2017

 9:00 AM Bible Class
 337

 10:15 AM Worship
 625

 6:00 PM Worship
 199

 Contribution
 \$20,612.00

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

7:00 PM Bible Class

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Notes

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May 21 Evening Assembly—Understanding My Bible - Lesson 13

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

May 21, 2017

Elder of the Day Raymond Walker

Communion Leader Ron Crawford

Adult Bible Classes:

"A Study of Revelation" by Elton Stubblefield Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium

"A Study of Colossians" by Steve Vogl Sundays in Worship Center A101

"A Study of Proverbs" by Jason Bullock Sundays in Worship Center A102 (208 & 308)

"Reading Through the Bible" by Gary Tannahill & Rick Medford Sundays in Chapel Center Magnolia Room

"Divine Providence: Is God Involved in My Life?" by Scott Logan Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium

Teen Bible Classes:

"The Fruits of the Spirit" by John Rowe Sundays in Chapel Center C203 (7th-12th)

"Worship Skills" by Ken Stegall & Chris Tomberlin Wednesdays in Worship Center A102 (7th-12th Boys)

"Virtuous" by Jill Bradley, Crisanna Hulett & Pam O'Connor
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C201 (7th-12th Girls)

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0-1 years A103 1 year-olds A105/106 2 year-olds A107 3 year-olds A108	1st grade B202 2nd grade B203 3rd grade B206 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 <u>0 to 4 years</u>.



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Don't Die in the Desert

I wonder how many incredible blessings we miss in our lives because we either become fearful, impatient or discouraged. Each indicates a lack of faith.

The Israelites who were delivered from Egypt succumbed to all three (fear—impatience—discouragement) and consequently missed out on all the blessings of the land that flowed with milk and honey. They died in the desert in a tent.

One of our Bible classes has been studying God's providence. We've been looking at some "case studies" of the lives of several Bible characters that exemplify how God creates situations (most often extremely stressful situations) to accomplish his will in our lives and subsequently, how he uses us to accomplish his greater goal (think Joseph and his role in preserving and forming the nation of Israel).

But the problem is—God doesn't always tell us what he's doing! If he did, we could endure whatever we were called on to endure. If we could just know what God is accomplishing.

Moses revealed just such a situation to Israel before they finally entered the Promised Land. He showed the people there was purpose in the last forty years which appeared to have been wasted years:

"Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the desert these forty years, to humble you and to test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands. He humbled you causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna . . . to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord." -Deuteronomy 8:2-3

If they had just known what God was doing and how it would have ended!

But if we think about it, God <u>has</u> told us what he is doing. He is calling us to trust him; and he <u>does tell</u> us how it ends ("enter into the joys of your Lord").

Don't die in the desert.

-Ken Stegall

Announcements

Congratulations to **Trey Bryant** who was baptized into Christ on May 14. Welcome to the family, Trey!

Congratulations to **Krista and Stephen Brewster** and proud big sister, **Stevie** on the birth of their daughter/sister **Saige Nichole Brewster** on Wednesday, May 17, weighing 6 pounds and 10 ounces.

Lost and found items are displayed in the foyer. After **today** any unclaimed items will be donated to Impact .

A brief awards ceremony will be tonight, Sunday, May 21 following evening assembly to celebrate the 2017 **Leadership Training for Christ** participants.

There will be no **pickleball** game this Monday, May 22.

Men's softball games will be this Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Celebrate Recovery meets every Thursday with a light meal at 6:30 p.m. followed by a time of song, prayer and lesson or personal testimony. Everyone is invited. The May 25 lesson will be "Sanity" by Rick Whitworth.

Sign up at the Welcome Center to attend the **Senior Banquet** honoring WOCC's graduating high school students on Saturday, May 27 at 6 p.m. in the Chapel. Everyone is invited. **Graduate families**: Be sure to include <u>all</u> of your family members on the sign-up list for planning purposes.

Gifts and notes of congratulations can be left at the tables set up in the foyer to recognize WOCC's graduating high school **seniors** through May 27.

Sign up at the Welcome Center for the **Blood Drive** next Sunday, May 28.

Heart to Home groups are forming now. **Every** participant must **sign up** at the Welcome Center by May 28.

Office Administrator Position—WOCC is seeking a dedicated individual to join the staff as an Office Administrator. If you have any interest in this role, please contact Joel Blake (joelablake@gmail.com) by Sunday, May 28, 2017.

Ladies Exercise Class will resume Monday, June 5 at 12:30 p.m.

The Impact church of Christ helps people with spiritual and physical needs. Donations of new or good used items are accepted for those in need or for a garage sale in the spring. The **Impact truck** will be in our area June 9 to pick up large items. Contact Gary Tannahill to schedule a pick up.

The annual **Change for Life** campaign benefitting *Pregnancy Assistance Center North* is underway. Pick up a baby bottle in the foyer and return by June 18.

Sympathy

Dot Dawdy died Thursday, May 18 at the age of 95. A memorial service will be held ,Monday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m. at WOCC. Burial will take place Tuesday, May 23 at 2:00 p.m. at Moore Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Arlington, TX. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Mission Printing or Hannah's Hope Children's Home.

Thank You

Thank you church family for all the food, cards, prayers, calls, visits and help with transportation to appointments during and after my recent surgery. We are blessed with loving, caring, thoughtful Brothers and Sisters. We love you.

John and Betty Kody

Youth News

There will be a **Parent Meeting** today Sunday, May 21 for all parents of current <u>6th through 12th grade students</u> in A102 at 5:30 p.m.

There will be a **Summer Kickoff** for all families of <u>6th through 12th graders</u> today, Sunday, May 21 following evening assembly in the Family Life Center. There will be a volleyball game and dinner will be provided.

Treehouse Kids' News

Bible Builders meets tonight, Sunday, May 21 for the **final meeting** of this school year. The May memory verse is Daniel 3:17—"... the God we serve is able to deliver us ..."

Worship Training for boys ages 4 to 8 meets Sunday May 21 and 28 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 May 31 devotional.

Sprouts Storytime—Wednesday, May 24, 9 a.m., Chick-fil-A Westwood. **Little Lambs Play Group**—Fridays at 10 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

Vacation Bible School

Be *Trailblazers for the Faith* at VBS June 12-15 from 9 to 11:45 a.m. Sign up at Woodlandoaks.org by June 9th.

Vacation Bible School **work days** will be Tuesday May 23 and May 30 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. <u>There are projects for all skill levels!</u>

Volunteer for **Vacation Bible School** at the bulletin board in the foyer.

Prayers

- ➡ Verniece Priest/admitted to St Luke's May 18 for symptoms of heart failure/Room 468/Short visits are welcome.
- **Peggy Albright**/mother of Anne Jetton/surgery May 17 to remove colon mass/awaiting biopsy results.
- ♣ Clora Heath/doing well and recovering at grandson's home after fall and brief hospitalization for brain hematoma.
- **Wallace Crawley/**home following testing/IV antibiotics required.
- ₱ Friends & family battling cancer: Jeff Branton, Charlene & Paul Deason, Kenneth Miller and Becky Splawn.
- ₱ Please remember our members: Linda Alexander, Lorene Burright, Pat Charleston, Ken Coleman, Shirley Jones, Betty Kody, Evelyn Lancaster, Georgia Meadows, Lee Muniz & Helena Jaramillo & son Nathaniel, Mary Jane Nevels, Judy & Lon Perry, Gert Robert, Danyce Rundell, Gina Talbott, Denise Tolbert, Wally Westbrook and Jimmy Worley.
- Please remember friends & family: Avis Burright, Betty Caldwell, Bud Charleston, Debra Clark, Hannah Colvin, Caleb Cox, Cecil Curry, Harry Hallows, Christine Harrison, Mauricio Jaramillo, Marjorie Lockwood, Jerry Malone, Arnold Mendoza, Carletta Moore, Bill Pieper and Kim Prahl, Jay Smith.

		This Week	
Sunday (Today)	5:30 p.m.	Parent Meeting (6th-12th grade families)	
	6:00 p.m.	Worship Training for Young Men Ages 4-8	
	6:20 p.m.	Bible Builders (Ezra/Nehemiah).	
	7:00 p.m.	LTC Awards Ceremony	
		Summer Kickoff (6th-12th grade families)	
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School Work Day	
6:30 &	7:30 p.m.	Men's Softball Games	
	6:45 p.m.	Young Professionals Bible Study	
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Sprouts Storytime—Chick-fil-A Westwood Village	
	5:30 p.m.	Meal	
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Classes	
Thursday 1	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class	
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	
Friday 1	10:00 a.m.	Little Lambs Play Group	
Upcoming Events			
Ma	y 28 Blo	ood Drive 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.; TREK Payment Due	
<u>-</u>		fice Closed for Memorial Day	
_		3S Work Day	
Ma	y 27 Ba	inquet for Graduating High School Seniors (6 p.m.)	
Ma	y 29 Ch	urch Offices Closed for Memorial Day	
June 4	4-10 Ca	mp Bandina	
Ju	ne 9 Im	pact Truck	
	VE	3S Volunteer Meeting/Set Up (Family Event)	
Jun		S S	
June 12-15 Vacation Bible School			
Jun	e 15 VE	15 VBS Family Jamboree	

New Members

PACN Baby Bottles Due

TREK 2017

Family Camp

Michael & Gloria Glover, Ava

June 17-24

June 23-25

June 18

Wayland & Laurie Riggs

Expectant Families

Lindy & Jeremy Haynes Carter & JP McIntosh Nikki & Brian Lee Bridget & Johnny Lovell Kerri & Gabe Rangel Julie & Charles Smithson Chelsea & David Sparks Beth & James Stevens

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.