

## 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!



January 5, 2020

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### Last Week's Attendance

#### Sunday, December 29, 2019

9:00 AM Bible Class	310
10:15 AM Worship	491
6:00 PM Worship	182
Contribution	\$33,879.50

#### Wednesday, January 1, 2020

7:00 PM Bible Class	N/A
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### Deacons

**Administration** Joel Blake  
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**Reaching Out**

**Ushers**

**Welcome Center/Visitor Contacts**

**Visitation - Hospital & Homebound/Men's Ministry**

**Worship**

**Youth**

Robert Shock

Eric Kirkland

Bill Malone

Brant Mathis

Matt Hemphill

Terence O'Connor

### 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

January 5, 2020

**Elder of the Day** Nathan Ingram

**Communion Leader** Kyle Hutchings

### Adult Bible Classes:

**"A Study of Romans Chapters 1-8"**  
by Ken Stegall Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium

**"The Gospel (Assurance)"** by Raymond Walker  
Sundays in Worship Center A101

**"Living in a Foolish World: What is the Wise Thing to Do"**  
by Gavin Dao Sundays in Worship Center A102 (20s, 30s, & others)

**"Questions Jesus Asked"** by Scott Logan  
Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium

### Teen Bible Classes:

**"1 & 2 Peter"** Senior High (9th-12th) by Jordan Fontenot  
Sundays in Chapel Center C201

**"Toolkit for Christian Living"** Junior High (7th-8th)  
by Rick Medford & Eric Alarid, Sundays in Chapel Center C103

**"Guy Talk"** 7th-12th Guys by Jordan Fontenot  
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C201

**"Girl Talk"** 7th-12th Girls by Ellen Fontenot  
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C203

### 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.

A **Nursery** is available during Sunday morning worship for children 0-23 months. For children 24 months and up, there is a **Training Room** available at the back of the auditorium, behind the glass windows.

### Biblical Economics

Did you know that there are some sound economic principles in the Bible? One of them is found in II Thessalonians 3:10. It says "... If anyone is unwilling to work, he should not eat."

The context is Paul's contrast between his own history of working to provide for his own food while he was in Thessalonica in contrast to some members of the church there who wanted others to take care of them.

His solution to this problem was to command those who were not working to "... settle down and work for their own bread."

Since the earliest of times God has required his people to be concerned about and generous to those who are poor. The early church was (Acts 2), the elders and apostles in Jerusalem admonished Paul to "continue to remember the poor" (Gal. 2). Paul spent a considerable amount of time and energy encouraging the Gentile Christians to send financial assistance to the drought victims in Judea. So we have plenty of encouragement and precedents to help those who are unable to help themselves.

But God wants us to work to earn what is needed to provide for ourselves and our family. That is both a physical and spiritual principle. The Greek word meaning in II Thessalonians 3:11 indicates that if we are not busy about our own affairs we tend to be trying to tend to other folks' affairs!

We have a classic example in our own time of attempting to create an environment that encourages people not to work, but rather live off the work of others - a violation of biblical and common-sense economics. It will be interesting to watch this crisis unfold.

God intended for mankind to work and be productive.

Back in the day when common sense seemed to be more common, parents told their children "Idleness is the devil's workshop!"

Can you imagine the impact of implementing this one simple principle in our society?

-Ken Stegall

### Missions

For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, woodlandoaks.org, under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

### Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through November 30, 2019 are \$1,250,591 compared with a budgeted amount of \$1,324,111 produces a deficit of (\$73,520).

### Notes



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## Announcements

Congratulations to **Emma Winford** who was baptized into Christ December 31. Welcome to the family Emma!

**Congregational Singing** will be TONIGHT during the evening assembly.

**Men's Luncheon** will be this Tuesday, January 7 at 11:30 a.m. at Red Lobster.

There will be a **Blood Drive** Sunday, January 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

There will be a **Heart to Home Event** Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center! Join us for dinner and a fun and inspirational evening.

**Ladies Bible Class** will resume Tuesday, January 14 at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Center. Please make plans to join as we begin our study of Peter and his ministry in the book of Acts.

Save the date! This year's **Men's Retreat** will be January 31-February 1 in the Chapel Center. Freddie Anderson will be the speaker. See Robert Shock for more information.

**AIM Challenge Week** will be January 31 through February 7. See Paul Gidden for more information.

## Daily Bible Reading

There is nothing that you can accomplish this next year greater and more beneficial for yourself and your family than reading through your Bible. What greater legacy could you leave your family? There is a **2020 Bible Readers' Sign-Up** at the Welcome Center for those who plan to read through the Bible in 2020.

Our **2019 Bible Readers' Banquet** will be Saturday, January 25 at 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Please sign the list by Sunday, January 12 individually at the Welcome Center and indicate whether you will attend.

## LTC

**Leadership Training for Christ** sign up is underway! LTC takes place in Dallas over Easter weekend, April 10-12. If you would like to participate, or would like more information, please see Jennifer Tolbert.

## Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Gina Talbott and Mary Young at the loss of Gina's nephew-in-law and Mary's grandson-in-law, **Jeff Branton**, Saturday, December 28. The funeral was held Tuesday, December 31 in Alabama.

## Youth News

There will be a **Youth Devo TONIGHT** immediately following the evening assembly in the Chapel Center. Please bring \$3 for food.

**Youth Weekly Bible Study** meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Market Street Starbucks.

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, January 12 immediately following the evening assembly at Potbelly Sandwich Shop. (Market Street)

## Treehouse Kids' News

**Sprouts Story & Craft Time** will take a break for the holidays. We will resume meeting January 15.

**Worship Training** for boys ages 1st to 6th grade meets Sunday evenings in January at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center to practice leading singing with real A/V equipment. The young men will lead the congregation during the January 29 devotional. Contact Frank Kerze or Kevin Wilkerson for more information.

**Bible Builders** resumes Sunday, January 12. 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 January is Genesis 1:1-"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

## Prayers

- ✠ **Baby Ruckert**/friend of Pam O'Connor/hospitalized with septic shock and has meningitis/Please keep baby Ruckert & her parents in your prayers.
- ✠ **Skip Foreman**/went home from hospital December 27, but had another fainting episode and was taken to ER at Methodist Hospital December 31/Expected to be released January 2.
- ✠ **Burnice Murray**/recent visitor/fell and broke her hip/Moved to ICU at Memorial Hermann The Woodlands for heart and liver failure.
- ✠ **Roland Laird**/hospice care at home.
- ✠ **Terry Hopper**/requesting prayers.
- ✠ Members battling cancer: **Tom Campbell, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, Dean Hurlbert, Bob McDougal, Joanie Roberts, and Nancy Stucky.**
- ✠ Friends & family battling cancer: **Jennifer Woodward Banks, Teri Barker, Paola Bejaran, Fred Conrad, Emily Cottle, Mike Ferdinand, Larry Hall, Randy Hicks, Mike Howard, Kathy Kaaiohelo, Jordan Love, JJ Lovoi, Jerry Malone, F.R. Mitchell, Mallory Mitchen, Malu Oliveira, Gerald Pereiro, Meghan Rudd, Becky Splawn, Leon Taylor and Marla West.**
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Tony Bloom II, Ken Coleman, Alma Mynhier, Nancy Palmer, Judy Perry, Laurie Riggs, Carol Smith and Danna Stevens.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Leslie Davis, Deborah Evans, Jerry Frye, Johnny Lovoi, Anika Matheidas, Sean McFarland, Terra Mynhier, Leilani Palmer, J. Paul Spelce, Brooke Allison Veale, and Debbi (Dozier) Williams.**

## This Week

Today	6:00 p.m.	Congregational Singing Worship Training (Boys 1st-6th grade)
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Devo
	7:30 p.m.	Pickleball
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Women's Pickleball
	6:00 p.m.	Advanced Men's Pickleball
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Men's Luncheon - Red Lobster
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Soccer
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
	8:30 p.m.	Pickleball
Thursday	6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast@ Denny's on 1488
	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Pickleball

## Upcoming Events

January 12	Youth Invasion - Potbelly Sandwich Shop Bible Builders Resumes
January 14	Ladies Bible Class Resumes
January 15	Quilting Group Sprouts Story & Craft Time Resumes
January 19	Blood Drive Youth Devo
January 21	Heart to Home Event
January 24	Youth Guys Vs. Girls Night
January 25	Bible Readers' Banquet
January 26	Impact CofC Meal Youth Invasion - Freebirds
January 29	Young Men Lead Singing
January 31-February 7	AIM Challenge Week
January 31	Men's Retreat
February 2	Youth Devo
February 6	Community Bible Class Potluck
February 7	Youth Guys Vs. Girls
February 8	Sweetheart Banquet
February 9	Youth Invasion - MOD Pizza
February 14-16	Youth Winter Retreat
February 22	Youth SNL
February 23	Bridal Shower for Michelle Reiner -bride of Brad Henkelman Youth Invasion - Zoës Kitchen
March 28	Guy's Conference
March 29	Impact CofC Meal

## Expectant Family

Laura & Kevin Sim

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

**JANUARY DONATION NEEDS:  
WOCC Sharing Pantry: Breakfast Items**

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