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WOODLAND OAKS

CHURCH of CHRIST

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“Trimming The Hedge”

“Everyone loves a trimmed hedge.” I don’t know where I ever heard that, but it has been with me for a long time. And I don’t know if it makes sense to anyone in the world but me, but to me it says, “Not many folks want to get out in the heat and trim the hedge, but when someone takes the time and effort to do it well, everyone notices.” I’ve learned to really appreciate people who “trim hedges.” ... the folks who plan and organize and motivate and work to cause things to happen.

Lots of folks have good ideas, but not many will act on those ideas. It’s a risk. You might fail. Someone might criticize you. While I’m right there, let me say something about criticism: I’ve always heard that the only way to avoid criticism was to **do nothing**. But that’s not true. You’ll get criticized for doing nothing! So, from the very outset, know that you are going to be criticized. You can’t avoid it. And much of it will be unfair. The one thing about criticism you can [somewhat] control is **what** you are criticized for. And I prefer to be criticized for doing something rather than doing nothing!

Paul knew something about criticism, didn’t he? Through it all, he was an encourager. He wrote the Galatian Christians - “*Let us not lose heart in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*” Lots of folks quit along the way. They never know the satisfaction of completing a really difficult task. I respect the folks who endure to the end.

Vacation Bible School was fun for everyone involved. But it involved dozens of people who donated hundreds and hundreds of hours of work. Watching how smoothly everything worked reminded me of the little duck swimming on the pond- so serene on the surface, but “paddling like sixty” underneath.

Thank you to this year’s directors- Quinn and Jenn Tolbert and Kendra Stegall. Thanks to Jennifer Watrous who coordinated all the incredible artwork, and all the ladies (and men) who worked for weeks in preparation. Thanks to those who provided meals and snacks... for the teachers, and the high school and college young people who worked with the skits. Thanks to Cory for emceeding. This was truly a coordinated effort from the whole church.

I’m in awe of the whole thing. We have some really talented people who use those talents to serve others (and consequently- the Lord).

And then, this week, there’s **Family Camp!** Another incredible event that requires lots of dreaming, planning and organizing.

I hope you are taking advantage of these efforts to strengthen our families and reach out to our community! I’m happy to be a member of a family of servants, aren’t you?

-Ken Stegall

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY	
BIBLE CLASS	9:30 AM
MORNING WORSHIP	8:00 & 10:30 AM
EVENING WORSHIP	6:00 PM
TUESDAY	
LADIES BIBLE CLASS	9:30 AM
WEDNESDAY	
BIBLE CLASS	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	
COMMUNITY BIBLE CLASS	10:00 AM

WHERE TO FIND US

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS DUE
BY 12 NOON EACH THURSDAY.

**PLEASE
PUT YOUR
COMPLETED
ATTENDANCE CARD
IN THE
COLLECTION PLATE**

Please join us for
a service at
SILVERADO
ALZHEIMERS
HOME
today at 2 PM.

HELP PEAKS MOVE TO SAN ANTONIO



If you can help the Peaks load their truck on Friday, June 26 at 9 am, please let Brenda Peak, Gary Tannahill or the church office know.

FAMILY CAMP June 26—28

There will be a short Family Camp meeting after classes on Wednesday night (6/24) in the auditorium. If you are attending the camp this year, please plan to be at the meeting or send someone to collect the information for you. You will receive your t-shirts, information booklet, and directions to camp at this time.



Parents: please plan to bring a plain white t-shirt to camp for your child's craft project. Thank you!

SOUND HELP NEEDED



There is a need for more help in the sound booth. If you are interested there will be a training class on Saturday, July 11 at 9 a.m. Please see the sound booth personnel for more information.

Thank You

We would like to say a big THANK YOU! to everyone who gave their time and talents to VBS this year. It was a definite success! We were able to encourage approximately 120 kids to Go Lead, Go Obey, Go Tell, and Go Serve for Jesus. Thank you so much!

*Jenn & Quinn Tolbert
Kendra Stegall*

Men's Summer

Softball Season Starts Tomorrow



Now that we have had a break to rest from the first season, the summer heat has settled in. We will try to continue our heat up of play as we start the summer season tomorrow, **Monday, June 22**. As of this writing, I do not yet know our game times. We will continue play in division C. If you have been interested in playing softball, now is a good time to join

CHANGE FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

Today is the last day of the CHANGE FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN. Your support of this effort makes possible the many programs made available to those facing crisis pregnancies. The baby bottles are available in the foyer and need to be returned tonight. Thank you so much for your support of this important project.



I'VE LEARNED...

that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch—holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back. (Age 90.)

SYMPATHY

Please remember Tara Slusser and her family as they mourn the loss of Tara's beloved grandmother, June Torbert. Mrs. Torbert passed away Monday, June 15th. Services were held Friday in New London, TX. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family in their loss.



THANK YOU

Tyrone and I are so blessed to have such a caring church family. Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers which remind me of your love and thoughtfulness; for the cards which lifted my spirit; and for the prayers prayed for me.

*God Bless You All,
Alma & Tyrone (Mynhier)*

Thank you so much for the beautiful plant, all your prayers, and your concern and support during this very difficult time. It meant a lot to all of us.

*Love,
Bob & Gayla (McDougal) and family*

*Dear fellow members of Woodland Oaks,
Thank you for honoring me at the Senior Banquet with the John Jackson Scholarship Award. I was surprised and humbled. I appreciate your faith in me. I plan to apply it to my attendance at Harding University in the fall. Thank you again for believing in me and encouraging me. I am grateful to all at my church.
The Lord is good.*

*Ryan Bates
Joshua 1:8-9*

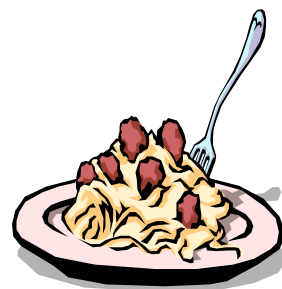
Thank you

I am deeply appreciative of our Woodland Oaks church family! The many calls, cards, visits, meals and flowers are appreciated. But most of all, I'm overwhelmed by the many prayers offered up on my behalf and for Barbara. God has smiled on me! He blessed me with a clear, warning of the heart artery blockages. He blessed me with good doctors who acted quickly and decisively. He blessed me with the love of Christians like you and others all over this country. With God's help, I plan to be back soon, singing His praises more than ever! Thank You and Keep Singing!

*With Love,
Robert Taylor, (aka Sonny)*

Twenties-N-Thirties Supper Club

- If you are interested in becoming a part of a rotating supper club sign up in the foyer.
- Each month you will be assigned a group of people to have supper with. You will decide on a place and time that works for everyone in the group and get together at some point during that month.
- You can meet in someone's home, at a restaurant, or even at a park for a picnic. The next month you will get a new group and do the same thing.
- We would like to rotate groups for at least a year so that people can get to know each other. If you have questions contact Nikki Lee at nikkiandbri-anlee@hotmail.com or check the TNT facebook page.



I'VE LEARNED...

that there are people who love you dearly but just don't know how to show it.

NURSERY HELP

The signup sheet for helping in the nursery during church services is on the door to the nursery. If you are willing to help, please sign up in any of the empty spaces. Your help will be greatly appreciated.




Today:

8:00 AM Morning Worship Assembly
 9:30 AM Bible Class (*Offered for all age groups. See one of the greeters for more details.*)
Adult Classes
 Auditorium Ezra Ed Carmona & Louie Jetton
 Magnolia Room "Mark Your Bibles" Brian Lee & Others
 3rd-4th grade classroom - "The Book of Acts in Action" Young Prof. - Todd Watrous

10:30 AM Morning Worship Assembly
 2:00 PM Silverado Service (*see bulletin front for more information*)
 6:00 PM Evening Assembly

Sunday, June 14, 2009	
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Worship	170
Bible Class	302
Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship	220
PM Worship	165
Contribution	14,241.45
Wednesday, June 17, 2009	
Bible Class	136

**Update on funds raised for the
 Uganda School OF PREACHING**

Amount Needed:	\$225,000	
Amount Given So Far:	\$186,500	

THOSE CHOSEN TO SERVE

June 21, 2009 (This Week)	8:00 Service	10:30 Service
Hosts	Nelda Baldacchino	Karen Hopper
Song Leader	Jeff Fleming	Jeff Fleming
Lord's Table Leader	Brent Foster	Ed Carmona
Coordinator	Matt Hemphill	Pedro Salazar
Closing Remarks	Elton Stubblefield	Elton Stubblefield
Nursery		Nancy & Alex Yanochik
Site Safety & Security	Drew Hendricks	Ken Purvis
June 28, 2009 (Next Week)		
Hosts	Nelda Baldacchino	Karen Hopper
Song Leader		
Lord's Table Leader	Daryl George	Bradley Welborn
Coordinator		
Closing Remarks	Butch Merriman	Butch Merriman
Nursery		
Site Safety & Security		

ELDERS

SAM BRADLEY GARY ERWIN
 MARK FREEMAN BUTCH MERRIMAN
 ELTON STUBBLEFIELD

DEACONS

ADMIN TODD STEPHENS
 FELLOWSHIP TIM RIGGS
 SHARING MINISTRY GARY TANNAHILL
 RICK MEDFORD
 BUILDING & GROUNDS KEN PURVIS
 EDUCATION BOB WELCH
 FINANCIAL JEFF FLEMING
 HOSPITAL VISITATION JOHN CHARLESTON
 MEMBER INVOLVEMENT HAL EGGER
 OUTREACH & MISSIONS GLENN ADDISON
 PAUL GIDDEN
 SPECIAL MINISTRIES DAN GRAY
 NATHAN INGRAM
 YOUTH RANDY BATES
 WORSHIP BILL MALONE

MINISTERS

PULPIT KEN STEGALL
 YOUTH & FAMILY CORY WADDELL

OFFICE STAFF

SECRETARY JENNET GRAY
 MARTY JUSTICE

BIBLE CLASS COORDINATORS

CRADLE ROLL JEAN ERWIN
 PRE-SCHOOL JOANIE ROBERTS
 ELEMENTARY BOB WELCH
 YOUTH CORY WADDELL
 ADULT CLEO TARVER

SUPPORTED MISSION WORKS

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 UGANDA
 RON CLAYTON
 INDIA
 OLIVE BRANCH MINISTRIES
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 MARIO CALLE
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