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Be Careful Little Mouth What You Say

By: An anonymous wise person

“Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen” (Eph. 4:29).

How would you describe unwholesome talk? Unwholesome means rotten; destructive or harmful.

- What are some ways we can let unwholesome/destructive/harmful talk come out of our mouths toward our spouse and kids?
- When are we most likely to fall victim to this?
 - When things around the house are upside down.
 - When she doesn't do it like your mother did it.
 - When our expectations are not met, we can tend to treat them like an employee or subordinate.
 - When we're angered or hurt, aggravated or mad.

Let's focus on a form of unwholesome talk that is a big killer in our relationships: **BEWARE OF A CRITICAL SPIRIT!** What's the difference between helping someone improve and having a critical spirit? How can we identify whether we have a critical spirit?

- A critical spirit is never pleased.
- A critical spirit expects and finds disappointment wherever it looks.
- A critical spirit arrogantly judges and has an "I'm always right attitude!"
- A critical spirit is easily provoked when angered, hurt, aggravated or mad.
- A critical spirit accounts for every wrong.
- A critical spirit never carries any hope of being pleased. It finds fault with most things.

A critical spirit is the opposite of 1 Corinthians 13. Such an attitude damages the critiqued as well as the critic. Solomon wrote, "Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife" (Prov. 17:1).

“Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen” (Eph. 4:29). What are some things we can say to build others up according to their needs?

- What do our spouses need? They need to be valued, respected, cherished, validated, actively listened to, etc.
- What do our kids need? They need to be listened to, heard, paid attention to, be slow to speak even when you disagree with them, etc.

Let's make a concerted effort this week to bless others with our words.

God loves you and keep reading your Bible!
Shawn

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
	10:15 AM	Morning Assembly
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Classes

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Elder of the Day Mark Freeman

Communion Leader Glenn Addison

Adult Bible Classes:

“A Study of Matthew”

by Joel Blake—Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium

“Doers Not Just Hearers: Book of James”

by Bob Klemm—Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102

“One Nation Under God or Man?” by Mark Freeman

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101

“What They Believe” (Young Professionals) by Mike Smith
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)

“Select Verses from the Gospel of John” by Shan Jackson
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium

“The Bible Quoting the Psalms” (Ages 18-25) by Andrew Isherwood
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in Worship Center Room A102

Teen Bible Classes:

“Hebrews” (9th–12th) by Quinn Tolbert
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-107

“Life of Christ” (7th –8th) by Morgan Whatley
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101

“Our Identity as Christians and Using Our Talents” (9th –12th)
by Bruce & Bryce Caldwell
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107

“Joshua” (7th –8th) by Ross Randow/Colten Cavanaugh
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-101

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0–1 year	A103
1 year	A105/A106
2 years	A107
3 years/Pre-K	A108
Kindergarten	B200
1st grade	B202
2nd grade	B203
3rd grade	B207
4th grade	B208
5th grade	B206
6th grade	B209

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.



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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 August 31, 2024 were \$1,346,164.24 compared to a budgeted amount of \$1,276,924.64 producing a surplus of \$69,239.60.

Notes

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Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, September 15, 2024

9:00 AM Bible Class	448
10:15 AM Worship	614 @ WOCC 177 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	272
Contribution	\$30,947.65

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

7:00 PM Bible Class	326
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You may give online at:

<https://woodlandoaks.givingfire.com/>

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
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Announcements

Congratulations to **Leviticus & Kiera Coyle** who were baptized Wednesday, September 18! Welcome to the family Leviticus & Kiera!

The next **Senior Saints Game Day & Potluck Supper** will be TOMORROW, September 23 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

There will be a **Young Professionals Devo** this Tuesday, September 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Please bring a drink, entree, side, or sweet for a potluck dinner. We will eat together, share thoughts on Scripture, and sing! Contact Andrew Isherwood or Karen Isherwood with any questions.

Smile for a Child filled boxes are due this Wednesday, September 25. Don't forget the \$5 for shipping and handling!

Everyone is invited to the **Southern Sudan Banquet** this Friday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center. See Tyrone Mynhier for more information.

The Faithful Fathers Ministry have been given the opportunity to **Serve at Camp Hope** on Saturday, October 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Dads and children will be serving lunch to veterans at Camp Hope in Houston, Texas. Camp Hope is a great work that aims to bring hope and healing to veterans and their families suffering from the effects of combat related post-traumatic stress. This is a great opportunity for Dads and their children to serve those that have sacrificed for our country. There will be a signup table in the foyer for those interested. Please contact Brad Raphelt with questions.

Save the date! The **Faithful Fathers Father Daughter Retreat** will be October 18-20 at Frontier Camp Retreat Center in Grapeland, TX. Fathers and one daughter, ages 7 – high school seniors, are invited to attend. The cost is \$100 for each father-daughter pair. Sign up and find more information at the table in the foyer.

Matt Walker & Sarah Mayo would like to extend an invitation to attend their **Wedding** on Saturday, December 7 at 1:00 p.m. at WOCC. If you will attend, please RSVP by October 16 at: <https://www.theknot.com/us/sarah-mayo-and-matt-walker-dec-2024>.

Prayers

- ✚ **Cleve McMillion**/was released from the hospital/no visitors at this time.
- ✚ **Rex Reeve**/upcoming tests for health concerns.
- ✚ Please remember our members: **Barbara Conaway, Dennis Chrisco, Joyce Pieper, Laurie Riggs, Larry Voorhees, Raymond Walker.**
- ✚ Please remember our friends & family: **Billy Dearing, Jim Hughes, Robbie Kirby, Erika Phillips.**
- ✚ Members battling cancer: **Bill Blumenshine, Tania Cantu, Pharis Fowler, Lisa Geerman, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Terri Lowry, Erica Lunn, Bob McDougal, Marsha Owens, Jeanne Riggs, Janice Tadlock.**
- ✚ Friends & family battling cancer: **David Bloh, Patricia Franklin, Camellia Jackson, Ella Kasinger, D'Ann Norwood, Barbara Starr.**

Youth News

The next **Youth Invasion** will be TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly at Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steamburgers.

Mark you calendars for the **September Girls Dinner Devo** this Thursday, September 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the FLC Kitchen. Bring your Bible and an apron (optional)! Please RSVP on basicyouthministry.com.

Please join us for an **SNL Devo** on Saturday, October 5 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the home of Jeff & Jane-Ann Fleming. Please RSVP on basicyouthministry.com.

Treehouse Kids

Bible Builders: Children ages 2 yrs-Kinder will be dismissed at Sunday evening assembly to go "through the Bible in a year" and learn about how God has interacted with His people throughout the ages.

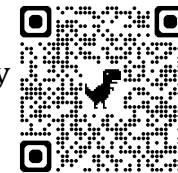
Sprouts Storytime will resume this Wednesday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. in room A109. This program is for children ages 0-Prek4. We will meet together for sensory play, songs, story time, a craft, and fun with friends!

September Memory Verse Check In: Our September Memory Verse is 1 Corinthians 10:31. Our Memory Verse check in will take place in between Bible Class and Worship Sunday, September 29 in the foyer.

Our Fall Quarter **THK Service Project** will be in support of The Moses Closet in Tomball. The Moses Closet helps to support families new to the fostering and adopting community in our area by supplying them with tangible items to help precious children. We will be collecting diaper donations on September 29. The Moses Closet has specifically requested sizes 3-5, but are appreciative of any size. The diapers must be in boxes/packages that are unopened. Please bring your donation on Sunday, September 29 to the table close to the Children's Check-In area. Thank you for your generous hearts!

The **Treehouse Kids will attend Willie Wonka**, presented by National Youth Theatre in support of Hallie Cates on Sunday, November 3. Tickets are \$15. Please sign up and pay Denise Tolbert by Sunday, October 20.

Be sure to check out the **September News Letter** to stay updated and find more details on all upcoming events!



Expectant Family

Maria & John Moehlenbrock

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
The **WOCC Sharing Pantry** is in need of Rice, Beans, Boxed Potatoes
Impact CoC: Rice & Beans

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
		TX Bible Bowl Practice
		Bible Builders
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Invasion—Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steamburgers
	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball-Women
	5:00 p.m.	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class
	6:30 p.m.	Young Professionals Dinner Devo
Wednesday		Smile for a Child Boxes Due
	10:00 a.m.	Sprouts Story Time
	4:00 p.m.	GriefShare
	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Classes
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—WOCC Kitchen
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
		Basketball
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Southern Sudan Banquet

Upcoming Events

September 29	September Memory Verse Check In THK Service Project
October 1	Men's Luncheon—Spring Creek Barbeque
October 5	Men's Breakfast Faithful Fathers Serve @ Camp Hope Youth SNL Devo—Fleming Home
October 6	Congregational Singing
October 8	Youth Bible Study—Watrous Home
October 13	Sign Up for College Care Packages Begins Youth Invasion
October 16	RSVP Due for Matt Walker & Sarah Mayo Wedding
October 18-20	Faithful Fathers Father/Daughter Retreat
October 19	Dorcas Class Youth Service—Impact CoC
October 20	Sign Up Due for THK Willie Wonka Bridal Shower for Rya Welborn—Bride elect of Mitchell Knox Elder/Deacon Meeting Congregational Meeting Combined Youth Devo
October 24	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Alicia Lucas' Home
October 25	Senior Saints—Steel Magnolias @ Owen Theatre
October 27	Sign Up Due for THK The Little Mermaid Sign Up for College Care Packages Due October Memory Verse Check In Speed Fellowship THK Social Youth Invasion
October 28	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper
October 30	5th Wednesday—No Fellowship Meal/No Journeyland
November 2	Men's Breakfast Fall Festival

New Members

Troy Gunz