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THINKING PAST THE PROVERB

“Good things come to those who wait.” Right? But, “The early bird gets the worm.” Right?

“Ignorance is bliss.” Right? But, “To be without knowledge is to be without light.” Right?

I love proverbs. They frame principles applicable to life’s problems in an understandable way. Proverbs are a powerful medium to teach truth principles.

But not all proverbs fit every situation. Some have broader application than others. “Don’t poke the bear” is a fairly universal truth. But to be truly valuable, most proverbs must be set in an appropriate context. If they are applied in an inappropriate context, they can be extremely destructive.

Let me give you some examples of some proverbs that I have known to be used to advance harmful agendas:

“It’s easier to ask forgiveness than it is to ask permission.”

“Lighthouses don’t compete with each other.” (Used to justify beginning another church in close proximity to an existing congregation for the purpose of attracting members.)

“It takes a village to raise a child.” (That would depend on who gets to determine the makeup of the “village.”)

“Two heads are better than one.” (That depends on who the other head belongs to.)

I love proverbs. They can often be helpful to state a truth in a practical way. But don’t always accept them as applicable to every situation in life.

- Ken Stegall

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 Scott Blake
Communion Leader Jerry Courington

Adult Bible Classes:

“True Justice, Kindness & Compassion” - A Study of the Minor Prophets by Chris Wright

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

“A Study of 1st Timothy” by Bob Klemm

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium

“Young Adult” (Ages 18-25) by Andrew Isherwood & Ross Riggs

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center Magnolia Room (C106)

Teen Bible Classes:

“Joshua” (7th –8th) by Jordan Fontenot

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium

“Shared Experiences” (9th –12th) by Various Teachers

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center, Room C-205

“Do Hard Things” (7th–12th Boys) by Jordan Fontenot

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center, Room C-205

“Christian Dating” (7th-12th grade Girls) by Jaime Faulkner

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center, Room C-203

**Links for streaming Bible classes and Worship:*

<http://woodlandoaks.org/media-center.html> or
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3r3Z5p1jFwx1g7rDUcIVYA>
 Youth: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCit8ZGyUoQr1EB61DYyDLiA/>
 Children: Woodland Oaks Children’s Ministry Facebook Page

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0–1 year	A105/A106
2 years	A107
3–4 years	C103
Kinder–1st grade	C201
2nd–3rd	C106/Magnolia Room
4th–5th grade	A101
6th grade	A102

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Family Life Center Chris Davis

Fellowship Tim Riggs

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Sharing Kyle Gordley
 Bradley Welborn

Reaching Out Gavin Dao

Ushers Tony Bloom

Welcome Center/ Ben Brockman
 Visitor Contacts

Visitation - Hospital & Robert Shock
 Homebound/Men’s Ministry

Worship Eric Kirkland
 Bill Malone
 Brant Mathis

Youth Terence O’Connor

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 June 30, 2021 are \$859,952 compared with a budgeted amount of \$715,043 produces a surplus of \$144,909.

Last Week’s Attendance

Sunday, August 22, 2021

9:00 AM Bible Class	259
10:15 AM Worship	411 @ WOCC 305 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	141
Contribution	\$21,831.58

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

7:00 PM Bible Class	142
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You may give online at:

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

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
 Woodland Oaks Church of Christ
 6700 Woodlands Parkway Suite 230-252
 Spring, TX 77382

Notes

Announcements

Wednesday Meals will resume this Wednesday, September 1! Fellowship meals will be served the first 4 Wednesdays of every month from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Men's Breakfast will be this Saturday, September 4 at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center.

There will be a **Blood Drive** Sunday, September 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please sign up at: <https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive/schedule/323161>.

There will be a **Celebrate Recovery Ladies' Step Study** beginning on September 5 at 9 a.m. The Step Study is a Christ centered program to help overcome hurts, habits, and hang-ups. September 5 will be the introduction to the program. Any woman 18 years of age or older who is interested may attend and will receive a study guide. For more information, please contact Nathan Ingram.

Please join us for **Popcorn & Praise** Sunday, September 5 at 5:00 p.m. for freshly popped popcorn, a cold drink, and fellowship before our singing assembly at 6:00 p.m.

Congregational Singing will be Sunday, September 5 during the evening assembly. Song requests may be listed at the Welcome Center.

Filled **Smile for a Child** boxes are due Sunday, September 12. Don't forget the \$5 for shipping and handling!

Ladies Bible Class will begin Tuesday, September 14 at 9:30 a.m.

You're invited to the **Hannah's Hope Children's Home Informational Meeting** Saturday, September 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center. Hannah's Hope is one of our mission outreaches. Also, if you're new to WOCC it's a great opportunity to learn more about this excellent work. A meal will be served. Please RSVP no later than September 15 to one of the following: Glenn Addison-(281) 704-9032, Cleo Tarver-(832) 623-8701, or Judy Tarver-(281) 814-6181

If you are needing a **Directory Picture** or an update, Adam Barscewski will be taking pictures! Get your picture taken in the foyer by the tree before you grab your coffee and donut!

New Members

Jamie Lee

Expectant Families

Abby & Brandon Richardson

Maggie & Daniel Spears

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

AUGUST DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Jello, Pudding Packs & Mixes, Seasoning & Gravy Envelopes, Condiments (mustard, catchup, mayonnaise)

Sunny Glen Children's Home: Toilet Paper, Napkins, Floor Cleaner, Cereals

Youth News

Tuesday Bible Study meets at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays at Market Street.

There will be a **Youth Devo** Sunday, September 5 immediately following the evening assembly in the Chapel Center.

A **SNL Youth Devo** is scheduled for Saturday, September 11 at the Fontenot home.

The next **Youth Invasion** will be September 12 immediately following the evening assembly.

Treehouse Kids

Please RSVP for this Bridge Kids Event (3rd—6th graders)! Drop off will be Saturday, September 25 at 9:45 a.m. at **Geronimo Adventure Park!** Wear close toed shoes, bring a sack lunch and glove. The cost is \$35 per kid. RSVP on the Children's Ministry Facebook Page or email Jennifer Tolbert: jennifer.tolbert@woodlandoaks.org.

In September we will begin our new **Journeyland** curriculum in our Bible classes! We will begin at the beginning with Genesis! Our Sunday morning classes will focus on the stories. Our Wednesday night teachers will begin a fun rotation extension activities in their rotations of Geography, Crafts, Music and Memory, and Games! Stay tuned for more details!

Texas Bible Bowl

Our church will be participating in the **Texas Bible Bowl Program** at Camp Bandina on April 1-3. This program is open to children in the 3rd grade to adult. We are studying the book of Genesis. If you or your family plan to participate, you MUST sign up by TODAY at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4ea9ad29abf94-bible>.

Bible Bowl Practice begins Sunday, September 12, and will meet every Sunday night from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please see Jennifer Tolbert with any questions or if you are interested in coaching!

2021 Fall Quarter Adult Bible Classes

Classes will begin September 1 and conclude November 28.

Dates	Subjects	Teachers	Location
Sundays	"A Study of Matthew"	Steve Baker	Worship Center Auditorium
Sundays	"A Study of Philippians" (Young Adult Class, formerly 20s & 30s; Questions: Jeremy Haynes)	Raymond Walker	Worship Center A101
Wednesdays	"A Study of Angels, Satan and Demons"	Scott Logan	Worship Center Auditorium

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Women)
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Men)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Study
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Thursday	6:15 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast—Denny's on 1488
	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Basketball
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast

Upcoming Events

September 5	Fall Quarter Begins Blood Drive Sunday Social Popcorn & Praise Congregational Singing Youth Devo
September 6	Church Offices Closed
September 11	Youth SNL Devo
September 12	Smile for a Child Boxes Due Bible Bowl Practice Begins Youth Invasion
September 14	Ladies Bible Class Begins
September 15	RSVP Due for Hannah's Hope
September 17	Youth Guys/Girls Night Out
September 18	Hannah's Hope
September 19	Youth Invasion
September 25	Bridge Kids Geronimo Adventure Park
September 26	Guest Speaker Dr. Richard England (FACE)

Prayers

- ✠ **Chuck, Debbie, & Daniel Bryant**/positive with COVID-19.
- ✠ **Jeff & Barbara Pachman**/have been struggling with COVID-19/Barbara was hospitalized/Jeff is at home.
- ✠ **Ken Coleman**/placed on hospice.
- ✠ **Jill Duncam**/former member/positive with COVID-19.
- ✠ Members battling cancer: **Chuck Birt, Rodney Burke, Don Gilbert, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, Erica Lunn, Bob McDougal, Joanie Roberts.**
- ✠ Friends & family battling cancer: **Mary Aldaz, Phillip Bailey, Jennifer Woodward Banks, Paola Bejaran, Judy Chandler, Judy Davis, Michael Dawdy, Steve Foley, Katie Freeman, Joe Guidry, Jacob Harter, Rita Huffstutter, Mike James, Jerry Malone, Phil Martinez, Susan May, Andrea Finley Nelson, Malu Oliveira, Meghan Rudd, Tara Slusser, Jerry Smith, Don Stewart, Butch Stone, Nancy Stucky, Rose Talbott, Mary Titlow.**
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Dennis Daulton, Michelle Isherwood, Roger McDonald, Marty Miller, John O'Connor, Lottie Prichard, Don Southall, Barbara Taylor, Michael Williams, Betty Yovanovich.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Josh Blackner, Julia Bullock, Camellia Jackson, Travis Jantz.**

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