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Misinformed

Denzel Washington is quoted as saying, “If you don’t read the newspaper, you’re uninformed, if you read the newspaper, you are misinformed”. Living in the information age, we have become so accustomed to having answers to all of our questions, regardless of the topic. In many ways this is a blessing, because it allows us to be informed and make educated decisions. On the other hand, it has made several individuals believe that they are experts in nearly every subject. I’m certain you have seen this yourself. Occasionally though, every individual, expert or otherwise, can be wrong. One way or another information can circulate that is simply false or misleading. We call this misinformation. This happens for a number of reasons. It may be that those proliferating the information simply received false information which they failed to verify. More commonly people accept and spread information that helps to support their own worldview or agenda in order to sway others to their cause. One way or another this misinformation often becomes prevalent enough to lead many people astray and even sometimes convince people to reject truth. What is more damaging though is that, on nearly every issue, misinformation is abundant on every side, and people seem unaware of their own biases. This leads to individuals looking at “facts” to come to opposing conclusions. The New Testament writers greatly emphasized the importance of diligently verifying the information we receive. In Galatians 1:8-9 Paul says;

“But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

It is often easy to yield to the temptation to believe and share things which are simply not true, because we so badly want them to be true. Some misinformation would just be so much more convenient or affirming to our worldview if it were true, but if we are not living in the truth, are we really living as intended? We must stay vigilant to prove every word we speak according to the truth of Scripture and example of Christ. Not only must our words be factual but they must be godly and glorifying. If we choose to ignore the truth, we are uninformed, if we consume the modern media, we are likely misinformed, but we can take security in knowing that God’s Word never needs a redaction, as it will forever be the truth.

-Jordan Fontenot

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 Raymond Walker
Communion Leader Raymond Walker

Adult Bible Classes:

- “A Study of Matthew” by Steve Baker
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium
- “A Study of Philippians” (Young Adult Class)
by Raymond Walker Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in A101
- “Celebrate Recovery Step Study” (Adult Ladies Class)
by Velta Worley Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in room A103
- “Spiritual Warfare: A Study of Angels, Satan & Demons”
by Scott Logan
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 C201

Teen Bible Classes:

- “Acts” (7th –8th) by Jordan Fontenot/Joshua Watrous
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center C-205
- “Explaining Our Faith” (9th –12th) by Scott Simpson
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
- “Christianity on Trial” (7th–12th Boys) by Jordan Fontenot
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center, Room C-205
- “Different but Equal” (7th-12th grade Girls) by Ellen Fontenot
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/UC3r3Z5p1jFwx1g7rDUclVYA>

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0–1 year	A105/A106
2 years	A107
3–4 years	A108
Kinder–1st grade	A109
2nd–3rd	C201
4th–5th grade	C106/Magnolia Room
6th grade	A102

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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 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, September 12, 2021

9:00 AM Bible Class	295
10:15 AM Worship	444 @ WOCC 343 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	208
Contribution	\$37,438.02

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

7:00 PM Bible Class	233
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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
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Notes

Announcements

Please pick up your books for **Ladies Bible Class TODAY** at the table in the foyer. We look forward to meeting this Tuesday, September 21 at 9:30 a.m. and will have a luncheon following class.

Those Young Professionals who signed up to go **Kayaking** will meet at North Lake Conroe Paddling Co. in Willis Saturday, September 25 at 9:00 a.m. See Bryce Caldwell with any questions.

Please welcome our **Guest Speaker, Dr. Richard England**, Executive Director of FACE (French African Christian Education) Sunday evening, September 26. Richard will share a lesson and update us on the great work in Benin, Africa in training preachers to fulfill the great commission. <https://www.frenchafricanmissions.com>

Save the Date for the **Faithful Father's Father-Son Retreat!** The retreat will be October 22-24 at Frontier Camp Retreat Center in Grapeland, TX. Fathers and one son (ages 7 - high school seniors) are invited to attend. The cost is \$100 for each father-son pair. The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, October 13. Please sign up and find more information at the table in the foyer!

Hurricane & Disaster Relief

For those interested in supporting ongoing hurricane and disaster relief efforts, here are some organizations to consider supporting through individual donations or volunteer efforts:

- **Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort, Inc.** - disasterrelieffort.org
- **Churches of Christ Disaster Response Team** - churchesofchristdrt.org
- **South Union Church of Christ, 7427 Ardmore, Houston, TX** - secretary@sucoc.org

Disaster Relief Effort (DRE) provides boxed supplies (food, clothing, diapers, cleaning materials, etc.) to impacted areas. We partnered with DRE in response to Hurricane Harvey in 2017 and we currently offer financial support as a congregational outreach. The Disaster Response Team (DRT) is always looking for volunteers to go into impacted areas and offer support with demolition and rebuilding operations. Both of these organizations offer ongoing disaster support throughout the country. South Union is leading a local support effort for churches of Christ within the Houston area that is specific to TX / LA events. All are worthy causes for anyone interested in getting involved.

Expectant Families

Abby & Brandon Richardson
Kristin & Elliot Roberts
Maggie & Daniel Spears

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

SEPTEMBER DONATION NEEDS:

Sunny Glen Children's Home: Toilet Paper, Napkins, Floor Cleaner, Cereals
Arms of Hope: Ketchup, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Salad Dressing

Youth News

There will be a **Youth Invasion TONIGHT** immediately following the evening assembly at Shake Shack.

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

The next **Youth Devo** will be a Sunday, October 3 immediately following the evening assembly in the Chapel Center.

Treehouse Kids

The deadline to sign up for the **Geronimo Adventure Park** Bridge Kids Event (3rd—6th graders) is **TODAY!** 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.

Bible Builders for children ages 2yrs-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.

Texas Bible Bowl

Bible Bowl Practice meets every Sunday night from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium.

Thank you

Thanks to everyone for supporting Smile for a Child. We filled 122 boxes! The children of Nicaragua will be truly blessed!

Thank you, Glenda Haggard

Thank you so much for all the cards, the beautiful plants, and the comfort you have given Rebecca and me since the loss of my mother. My mother was a wonderful Godly woman who deeply loved her children and grandchildren. She also knew and loved many of you over the years. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Love, Patricia & Rebecca Osborn

The thank you below is to everyone who sent supplies and money with the Ingrams and helped with labor to assist Hurricane Ida victims:

I wanted to tell you how grateful I am for the assistance given to our school by you, your husband and friends last Wednesday. What Mr. Ingram and the crew did for us was simply amazing! I don't think that we could've resumed school today had it not been for y'all's kindness. Mr. Ingram and the guys went WAY above the call of duty by removing three entire trees that would've posed a safety hazard to our students. The fact that they were willing to put their own personal safety and comfort aside to help us and so many others was a great example of true, self-sacrificial Christian charity and love. Even as I write this email I shake my head in awe at y'all's commitment to serve others. I will never forget you sweet people.

If I can ever be of assistance to you and your family in any way, please do not hesitate to ask.

Your Friend, Rob Newman
Ridgewood Preparatory School

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Sign up for Geronimo Adventure Park Due Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship Bible Bowl Practice
	6:15 p.m.	Bible Builders - Jesus is Here!
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Invasion - Shake Shack
Monday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting Group
	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Women)
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball (Men)
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class & Luncheon
	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	9:00 a.m.	Young Professionals Kayaking
	9:45 a.m.	THK Geronimo Park

Upcoming Events

September 26	Guest Speaker Dr. Richard England (FACE)
	Youth Invasion
October 3	Sunday Social Popcorn & Praise
	Congregational Singing
	Youth Devo
October 8	Youth Guys/Girls Night Out
October 9	Men's Breakfast
October 10	Youth Invasion
October 16	Fall Festival
October 17	Youth Invasion
October 22-24	Faithful Fathers Father-Son Retreat
October 24	Impact CoC Meal
	Elder/Deacon Meeting
	Congregational Meeting
October 29	Southern Sudan Banquet

Prayers

- ✠ **Ella Kerze**/has tested positive with COVID-19/Her symptoms so far have been mild/Please pray for Ella's healing and that she has no long-term effects.
- ✠ 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, 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: **Ken Coleman, Dennis Daulton, Marty Justice, Diana McFarland, John O'Connor, Jeff & Barbara Pachman, Gina Rutledge, Gina Talbott, Sonny & Barbara Taylor, Michael Williams, Betty Yovanovich.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Jill Duncam, Luis Esparza, Kim Griffie, Glenn McDonald, Travis Jantz.**

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