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Open Letter to Our Family at WOCC

I've thought about writing this letter ever since we moved and have put it off repeatedly but it's something I feel I want to do.

How do you thank and encourage those in your life who have had such a positive influence on you and your family? Words seem inadequate - but I want to try.

The Danish philosopher Soren Kierkegaard said, "Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards." It is only in retrospect that we can realize the importance of decisions we make. About fifteen years ago we made the decision to accept your offer to come to Woodland Oaks as your preacher. Janis and I had some concerns about "living anywhere around Houston Texas." We were small town people. The idea of driving in six-lanes of traffic made my hands sweat. Living in a house surrounded by other houses less than fifty feet away - Not for me!

Thinking I was probably making the biggest mistake of my life, we came. Turns out, it was one of the best decisions we've ever made. You laughed at my jokes and enjoyed my country stories. You tolerated my Louisiana accent but best of all, you wanted to study the Bible. You responded to my harassing you to read your Bible through every year! You were generous with your encouragement and praise. We've never been anywhere that we felt more loved and appreciated.

We will always remember our time with you as one of the best times of our lives . . . and one of the most productive. We grew together didn't we? We thank the Lord for our time together. You enriched our lives forever.

As you are in your search for a preacher, don't get too impatient. Remember, it took about a year last time. And I didn't meet any of the criteria your search committee had outlined! 😊 Enjoy the incredible talent the Lord has blessed you with - these guys who are doing such an incredible job in the pulpit! Janis and I are continuing to pray for you every day.

We miss you . . . Especially those Blake kids! Come visit with us on the bayou!

We love you,

Ken and Janis

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

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| 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 Doug Dobbs

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 Will Fitzhugh
 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:

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| 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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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 May 31, 2021 are \$717,682 compared with a budgeted amount of \$605,036 produce a surplus of \$112,646.

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, July 4, 2021

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| 9:00 AM Bible Class | 258 |
| 10:15 AM Worship | 422 @ WOCC 277 Views online |
| 6:00 PM Worship | 139 |
| Contribution | \$36,373.79 |

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

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| 7:00 PM Bible Class | 156 |
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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

Congratulations to **Reece Glass**, who was baptized in Christ Sunday, July 4. Welcome to the family Reece! Reece is the grandson of Tyrone & Alma Mynhier.

Ladies Bible Class will be back in September! There will be a sign-up table in the foyer TODAY. Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Impact Back to School: Volunteers are needed to take Impact kids shopping for school clothing and to eat. Sign up at the table in the foyer beginning TODAY. Contact Glenda Haggard for more information. Donations are also welcome if you cannot take a child.

There is a need for someone to lead a **Cook Team for Men's Breakfast**. Each team rotates cooking once every 4 months. Please contact Robert Shock if you can help.

There will be an **Elder/Deacon Meeting** Sunday, July 25 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

Prayers

- ✚ **Don Southall**/will have heart surgery Tuesday, July 13/Please keep Don in your prayers.
- ✚ **Mike James**/friend of Robert Shock/diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and undergoing treatments.
- ✚ 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, Joe Guidry, Jacob Harter, Mike Howard, Rita Huffstutter, 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, Marla West.**
- ✚ Please remember our members: **Ken Coleman, Dennis Dalton, Clint Edgar, Pharis Fowler, Evelyn Lancaster, Cynthia Lockwood, Corey McEwen, John O'Connor, Terence O'Connor, Joyce Pieper.**
- ✚ Please remember friends & family: **Maria Euseda, Leilani Palmer.**

Youth News

There will be a **Youth Invasion TONIGHT** immediately following the evening assembly at Whataburger (6203 Farm to Market Rd 1488, Magnolia, TX 77354).

The next **Jabberwacky** will be at Midway church of Christ TOMORROW, July 12. The van will leave WOCC at 5:00 p.m.

There will be **NO Tuesday Bible Study** July 13. We will resume Tuesday, July 20 at 5:00 p.m. at Market Street.

There will be a **Youth Service Project** trip to Mission Printing and Six Flags Dallas. We will depart WOCC this Tuesday, July 13 at 7:00 a.m. and return Wednesday evening, July 14. The cost is \$10. Please bring money for meals on the way there and back. Sign up at: <https://bit.ly/3hlpxTi>.

Summer Camps

Camp Awesome will be July 28-August 1 in Buda, TX. This camp is open to children who have completed the 3rd-6th grades. Cost is \$165. Registration is now open at: <https://camp-awesome.square.site/>.

Treehouse Kids

Brown Bag & Bouncin' Bears: Grab or pack your favorite brown bag supper and meet us at Bouncin' Bears (6526 FM 2920 Road, Spring, TX 77379) for a fun night of bounce houses! We have the place to ourselves Saturday, July 24 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.! Reminders: Everyone must wear socks! No seafood, tree nuts or red dye is allowed on premises.

Please RSVP for this **Bridge Kids Event** (3rd—6th graders) August 5! It's going to be so much fun! Drop off will be at 9:45 a.m. at **Geronimo Adventure Park!** We will be going with Champions church of Christ! 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.

Children's Bulletins and Busy Bags are available at the Welcome Center.

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

JULY DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Peanut butter, Jelly, Snack Crackers, Sandwich Bags, Snack Packs, Juice Packs

This Week

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| Today | 9:00 a.m. | Sign Up for Ladies Bible Class |
| | 10:15 a.m. | Bible Class |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Worship |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Evening Worship |
| Monday | 4:00 p.m. | Youth Invasion—Whataburger |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Pickleball (Women) |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Jabberwacky—Midway church of Christ |
| Tuesday | 7:00 a.m. | Pickleball (Men) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Youth Depart for Service Project Trip |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. | Soccer |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Bible Class |
| | 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 |
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Upcoming Events

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| July 18-22 | Camp Wyldewood |
| July 18 | Youth Invasion |
| July 19 | Jabberwacky - Hosted by WOCC |
| July 24 | THK Brown Bag & Bouncin' Bears |
| July 25 | Elder/Deacon Meeting |
| | Youth Invasion |
| July 26 | Jabberwacky - Katy CoC |
| July 28-August 1 | Camp Awesome |
| July 31 | Impact Back to School |
| August 1 | Sunday Social Popcorn & Praise |
| | Congregational Singing |
| | Youth Devo |
| August 2 | Jabberwacky - League City CoC |
| August 5 | Bridge Kids Event @ Geronimo Adventure Park |
| August 7 | Men's Breakfast |
| August 13 | Youth Guys/Girls Night Out |
| August 14 | Teacher Workday |
| | Back to School Bash |
| August 17 | Youth Bible Study time changes to 7 pm |
| September 5 | Fall Quarter Begins |
| September 6 | Church Offices Closed |
| September 10 | Youth Guys/Girls Night Out |
| October 1-3 | Youth Girls Retreat |
| October 8 | Youth Guys/Girls Night Out |
| October 16 | Fall Festival |
| October 24 | Impact CoC Meal |
| | Elder/Deacon Meeting |
| | Congregational Meeting |
| November 6 | Teacher Appreciation Banquet |
| November 12-14 | Youth Fall Retreat |
| November 14 | Friends Day |

Expectant Families

Maggie & Daniel Spears