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January 5, 2019

**WELCOME VISITORS**

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate so we will have a record of your visit, AND  
**Come Again Soon!**

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Elders: Scott Hooten	903-268-8214
Robert Resneder	903-473-9530
Tom Waters	903-473-0167
Mike Willis	903-268-6039

Schedule of Services:

Sunday:	Bible Classes for all ages	9:00 am
	Morning Worship	10:00 am
	Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday:	Wednesday Evening Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Classes for all ages	7:00 pm

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**Sunday AM: Bible Classes for all ages at 9:00 am**

*\*\*\*Please silence your phones before worship begins\*\*\**

**Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 am**

**Announcements & Prayer**

**Song Leader:**

Song #429

Song #97

**Mike Willis**  
**Scott Hooten**  
O to Be Like Thee  
I Sing Praises

Song #332

Lead Me to Calvary

**Communion:**

Joey Chastain

Jeff Oualline

Brad Chastain

Jonny Knighton

Jake Pickens

Alan Little

Song #167

Hosanna

**Contribution**

Song #869

We're Marching to Zion

Song #718

We Shall Assemble

**Message:**

**Rodney Britt**

Invitation Song #940

Only a Step

Closing Song #881

Mansion Over the Hilltop

**Closing Prayer:**

**John McAree**

**Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 pm**

**Song Leader:**

**Ken Player**

**K.C. Smith**

**Wednesday Evening Worship at 7:00 pm**

There are three Adult Classes, one in the **Auditorium**, and one in the **Fellowship Hall**, and the Ladies Class meets in the **Toddler Class Room**.

There are three children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is being taught by **Lisa Meeks**. The **K-2nd Grade** is taught by **Richard & Rica Kellam**. The **3rd-5th grade Class** is taught by **Claudia Wilk**. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

**PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)**

**Bobby Hooten** (bladder cancer)

**René Funk** (prayers for her entire family: son, **Troy**, her daughter-in-law **Naomi**, and their three children, daughter, **Valerie** and her two children)

**Randell Resneder** (leukemia), son of **Robert & Norma Resneder** (numbers are still good)

**Louise Rabe** (home bound, would love to have visitors, phone calls, and cards)

**Jerry Kelley**, brother of **Jane Martin** (severe COPD)

**Kassie Smith** (migraines)

**Kendall Howerton** (recovering from surgery)

**K.C. Smith's grandmother** (stroke)

**Charla Wiley**, the sister of **René Funk** (doing better)

**Robert Resneder** (having treatments every Monday & Wednesday to heal his foot)

**Danny Lambert** (prayers for multiple health issues)

**Renee Vargas** (prayers for encouragement)

**Frank Shelton**, brother of **Brenda Hooten** (Parkinson's/now on Legends Nursing Home)

**Joanna Morgan**, a friend of **Joey & Wendy Chastain** (Stage 3 ovarian cancer)

**Tom Waters** (recovering from heart attack/surgery to put in stint)

**Benny Hearne, Linda May's** brother (health issues)

**DaLee Little** suffered a minor stroke last week.

**Cleta Hooten** (tumor on her heart) is getting weaker. Please pray for both **Cleta & Bobby** as her condition changes.

The infant son of **Kara & Devon McCasland, Wade**, is now home.

**Tim Hooten**, son of **Teddy Joe & Gaye Hooten**, has a tumor on his spine. He is waiting on more test results.

**Rickey Willis**, cousin of **Kirk Reams**, inhaled some chemicals on the job, causing him to have severe breathing problems. He is in the hospital in Tyler, on a ventilator with a trachea.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jan 8	Wednesday Night Meal & Bible Study, 6 pm
Jan 9	Grocery Truck at Good Samaritans, 2:30 pm
Jan 13	Good Samaritan Work Day, 12:30 pm
Jan 19	Third Sunday Activities

**IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:**

**Floyd Rogers**, #1216373, Allred Unit, 2101 FM369 N, Iowa Park, TX 76367  
**Nick & Ashlie (Ivy) Stephan**, 5521 Southfork Drive N., Royse City, TX 75189  
**Kris & Shea Ivy**, 4102 CR 3221, Lone Oak, TX 75453  
**Cpl. Justin (and wife Lyndsey) Redmon**, 960 Lupine Hills Dr., Unit 58, Vista, CA 92081  
**AIC Stone, Chance C.**, 3075 B Juniper Street SW, McChord Field, WA 98439  
**Emily (Hooten) & Nathan Heinrichs**, 241 N. Patrick St., Dublin, TX 76446  
**Kara (Hooten) & Devon McCasland**, 141 CR 2211, Mineola, TX 75773  
**Anna Hooten**, 3515 29th St., Lubbock, TX 79410  
**Luke Hooten**, 2227 S. 3rd St., Waco, TX 76706  
**Alyssa (Hill) & Nate Dalglish**, 523 Hillary Circle, Sugarland, TX 77498  
**Bethany Hill**, 4732 Morningside Drive, Mesquite, TX 75150  
**Carley & Jennifer Hill**, Box 14445, 915 E. Market Ave., Searcy, AR 72149-4445  
**Delaney Hill**, Box 11131, 915 E. Market Ave., Searcy, AR 72149-1132  
**Kenna Kellam**, SB#0424, Oklahoma Christian University, 2801 E. Memorial Rd., Edmond, OK 73013-6474  
**Savannah V. Wright**, (Vivian Warren's niece), PSC 817 Box 7301, PPO AE 09622-0074  
**Linda Higgins**, 1610 Timberbrook Drive, Wylie, TX 75098  
**Priscilla Martin**, The Oaks Retirement Center, 3720 Williams Road, #118, Georgetown, TX 78628, phone 512-943-0281  
**Randell Resneder**, 7102 Alcove Ave., #404, Wolforth, TX 79385-9755  
**Benny Hanks**, Wood Memorial Nursing Home, 320 Greenville Ave., Room 112, Mineola, TX 75773  
**Stacie & Todd Anderson & Wil**, 12030 Carls Cove, Biloxi, MS 39532  
**Dustin Winkler**, 5616 Spring Valley Rd., Apt 170, Dallas, TX 75254  
**Frank Shelton**, Room 407, 2300 W. Jack Finney, Greenville, TX, 75402-3763

**(Please give Linda Rawle any changes or additions.)**

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
12/01/19	103	\$4,266	\$3,000
12/08/19	93	\$2,836	\$3,000
12/15/19	107	\$3,947	\$3,000
12/22/19	108	\$3,147	\$3,000
12/29/19	102	\$2,828	\$3,000

**YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD**

The new Youth Activity Bulletin Board is on the east wall of the north wing, **across from the High School Classroom**. Here you will find activities for all youth, regardless of what school or campus they are on.

It is important to our youth that we all support them in their individual activities throughout the year.

**Be sure to go to the Point Church of Christ Facebook Page and "Like." There is also a "Church" Group**

**Be sure to visit the church website for lots of information: [www.pointchurchofchrist.org](http://www.pointchurchofchrist.org).**

**WHO TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION**

Good Samaritans	Stephanie Garner
Senior Suites & Rehab	Vivian Warren
Arms of Hope Cottage	Scott & Rachelle Hooten
Church Historian (give pictures, articles, etc)	Rica Kellam
Church Directory	Debbie Ivy
Visitation	Dianne Willis
Newsletter	Linda Rawle

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**DEACONS**

Dail Hooten	Richard Kellam	Larry Hooten
Lance Hooten		Brad Chastain

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**COMMITTEES**

**Building Use and Activities Committee:**

Ken Player	Robert Resneder
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**Construction Committee:**

Wayne Garner	Bobby Hooten
Dail Hooten	Larry Hooten

**Finance Committee:**

Lance Hooten	Alan Little	Mike Willis
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**Food Hostesses for January:**



Brenda Hooten  
 Linda Rawle  
 Jeanne Killough  
 Katie Thomas



**Correspondence Team for January:**

Monday Morning Sisters - Visitors  
**NEED A VOLUNTEER** – Sick  
 Dianne Willis - Encouragement

Please remember our members currently serving in the military: **Chance Stone, Savannah Wright, Justin, Redmon, Dakota** (Robert Resneder's nephew)

**DUST IF YOU MUST**

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better  
 To paint a picture or write a letter,  
 Bake a cake or plant a seed,  
 Ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time,  
 With rivers to swim and mountains to climb,  
 Music to hear, and books to read,  
 Friends to cherish and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there,  
 With the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair,  
 A flutter of snow, a shower of rain.  
 This day will not come round again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind,  
 Old age will come and it's not kind.  
 And when you go – and go you must –  
 You, yourself, will make more dust.

~Rose Milligan

**ARMS OF HOPE GROCERY NEEDS**

The Grocery truck will be in our area the week of **March 16-20**. Their needs at this time are: **paper towels, Clorox wipes, and kids cereal**. Please remember the children and families they serve in your prayers.

## JANUARY FOOD FOR THE SOUL

Stephanie Garner    Laura Oualline    Rheann Stone  
Kay Gabbard        Margie Jacobs        Lisa Clark

These women will be preparing and serving the Wednesday night meal for the month of **January**.

The next meal is **January 8 at 6:00 pm**. We have community members and many of our church family come to participate in this meal.

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

If you are **new to our congregation**, or if you have an **address or phone number that has changed**, or you would like a more recent photo, **PLEASE** see **Debbie Ivy** after services today.



## TEACHERS NEEDED

There are Sign-up Sheets on the bulletin board for Sunday and Wednesday Children's Bible Class teachers. Please consider signing up for a two-month stint in one of the classes. The current teachers need a well deserved break.

## THE FIERY SERMON

A member of a certain church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the preacher decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening. The pastor found the man at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his preacher's visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited.

The preacher made himself at home but said nothing. In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, the preacher took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

The host watched all this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The preacher glanced at his watch and realized it was time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow, once more with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the preacher reached the door to leave, his host said in an emotional tone, "Thank you so much for your visit and especially for the fiery sermon. I will be back in church next Sunday."

## WORDS

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day...30,000 to a man's 15,000. The wife replied, "The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men ... The husband then turned to his wife and asked, "What?"

## WIFE VS. HUSBAND

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard full of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?" "Yep," the wife replied, "in-laws."

## NEED WASHING?

A little girl had been shopping with her Mom in Wal-Mart. She must have been 6 years old, this beautiful red haired, freckle faced image of innocence.

It was pouring outside. The kind of rain that gushes over the top of rain gutters, so much in a hurry to hit the earth it has no time to flow down the spout. We all stood there, under the awning, just inside the door of the Wal-Mart. We waited, some patiently, others irritated because nature messed up their hurried day.

I am always mesmerized by rainfall. I got lost in the sound and sight of the heavens washing away the dirt and dust of the world. Memories of running, splashing so carefree as a child came pouring in as a welcome reprieve from the worries of my day.

Her little voice was so sweet as it broke the hypnotic trance we were all caught in, "Mom let's run through the rain," she said. "What?" Mom asked. "Let's run through the rain!" She repeated. "No, honey. We'll wait until it slows down a bit," Mom replied.

This young child waited a minute and repeated: "Mom, let's run through the rain." "We'll get soaked if we do," Mom said. "No, we won't, Mom. That's not what you said this morning," the young girl said as she tugged at her Mom's arm. "This morning? When did I say we could run through the rain and not get wet?" "Don't you remember? When you were talking to Daddy about his cancer, you said, "If God can get us through this, He can get us through anything!"

The entire crowd stopped dead silent. I swear you couldn't hear anything but the rain. We all stood silently. No one left. Mom paused and thought for a moment about what she would say.

Now some would laugh it off and scold her for being silly. Some might even ignore what was said. But this was a moment of affirmation in a young child's life. A time when innocent trust can be nurtured so that it will bloom into faith.

"Honey, you are absolutely right. Let's run through the rain. If GOD lets us get wet, well maybe we just need washing," Mom said. Then off they ran. We all stood watching, smiling and laughing as they darted past the cars and yes, through the puddles. They got soaked. They were followed by a few who screamed and laughed like children all the way to their cars. And yes, I did. I ran. I got wet. I needed washing.

Circumstances or people can take away your material possessions, they can take away your money, and they can take away your health. But no one can ever take away your precious memories ... So, don't forget to make time and take the opportunities to make memories every day.

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven.

**I HOPE YOU STILL TAKE THE TIME TO RUN THROUGH THE RAIN.**

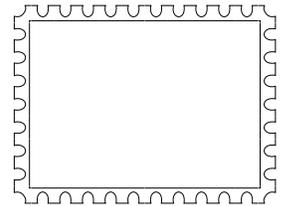
## MARRIAGE SEMINAR

While attending a Marriage Seminar dealing with communication, Tom and his wife Grace listened to the instructor. "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other." He addressed the man, "Can you describe your wife's favorite flower?" Tom leaned over, touched his wife's arm gently and whispered, "It's Pillsbury, isn't it?" The rest of the story gets rather ugly, so I'll stop right there.



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### SECURITY MEASURES

As a step toward implementing Security Measures, the Elders have decided that **the two doors on either side of the podium will remain open during services, BUT all other doors will be locked ten minutes after services start.** However, you may leave the building through any door, at any time.

Listen and Silent are spelled with the same letters.

**Prayer List:** (continued from Page 1)  
**Tommie Nell Flegal, Linda Rawle's** cousin  
**Delores Smith** (breast cancer), a friend of **Robert Chastain**  
**Donna Nance**, a friend of **Jeanne Killough** (liver failure and cancer has spread all over her body)  
**Dale Guest**, a friend of **KC Smith** (cancer all over his body)  
**Paul Robert Hempstead** (cancer), fiancé of **Mandy, Kay Gabbard's** daughter  
**Bryan & Sharon Waters**, the son and daughter-in-law of **Tom & Lana Waters**, and their three daughters (in Amman, Jordan for 3 years)  
**Mary Hunter**, a friend of **Danny Meeks** (started radiation treatments for breast cancer)  
**Chad Wallace**, brother of **Justin Wallace**, a **Lake Country Higher Ground Staff member** (serious health problems)  
**Amber Wright**, sister of **Lance Wright** (cancer throughout her body)  
**Michelle Grice**, a friend of **Wendy Chastain**, (cervical cancer/new treatment plan for several months)  
**Mike McLemee**, son-in-law of **Leon Fenter** (very aggressive form of lung cancer that has spread to his liver)  
**Ariel McLemee**, great-granddaughter of **Leon Fenter** (Leukemia)  
**Jeanne Killough's** niece, **Shauna Ferguson** (has stopped all chemo treatments. Please pray for peace, comfort, and pain free days.)  
**Dustin Dugar** (diagnosed with cancer of his sinuses)  
**Morgan Cudd, Shay McAree's** boyfriend (Celiac disease)  
**Susan Roberts** (breast cancer)  
**David Long**, a Higher Ground brother (very sick)

**Peb Ratliff**, mother of **Jeanne Killough** (prayers for multiple health issues) (prayers for Jeanne's sister, **Annette Strong**, Peb's caregiver)  
**Tommy Strong**, a Higher Ground brother (has a fractured L-5 vertebrae and several other herniated discs)  
**Melissa Adair**, niece of **Larry, Dail and Teddy Joe** (bad migraines)  
**Palin Caboda**, niece of the **Honea family** (may be suffering from Brittle Bone disease)  
**Vivian Warren's** niece, **Patty Bouma** (breast cancer/radiation and immune therapy)

**PLEASE CHECK THIS LIST & NOTIFY LINDA RAWLE IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES.**

### MAN'S PERSPECTIVE OF A WOMAN DRIVER

This morning on the interstate I looked over to my left and there was a woman in a brand new Cadillac doing 65 mph with her face up next to her rear view mirror, putting on her eyeliner. I looked away for a couple seconds and when I looked back she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup.

As a man, I don't scare easily. But she scared me so much, I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the donut out of my other hand. In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my cell phone away from my ear, which fell into the coffee between my legs, splashed, and burned my leg, ruined the phone, soaked my trousers, and disconnected an important call!