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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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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 K.C. Smith
Song Leader: Scott Hooten
Song #578 We Will Glorify
Song #483 Is It For Me?

Song #176 Lamb of God

Communion:
Danny Meeks Tom Waters Mike Willis
Jordan Meeks Jake Hooten K.C. Smith

Song #63 I Will Call Upon the Lord
Contribution

Song #417 Where He Leads I'll Follow
Song #587 Sing and Be Happy

Message: Richard Kellam

Invitation Song #903 There Is Power in the Blood
Closing Song #266 Majesty

Closing Prayer: Larry Hooten

FIFTH SUNDAY POTLUCK LUNCH
(after morning worship)

Fifth Sunday Evening Prayer Service at 6:00 pm

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)

Jeanne Killough and her sons, **Brian and Brent** (prayers for difficulties settling Larry's estate)
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)
Vivian Warren's niece, **Patty Bouma** (breast cancer/radiation and immune therapy)
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 still in the NICU in Tyler. He had to have the feeding tube again until he is a little stronger.

If you want to have something prayed over, please get the information to **Richard** or one of the **Elders: Mike Willis, Robert Resneder, Tom Waters, or Scott Hooten** after services this morning, or before our service starts tonight.

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, Wolfforth, 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		\$	\$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.

Food Hostesses for January:

Brenda Hooten
Linda Rawle
Katie Thomas



Correspondence Team for January:

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Bobby Hooten - Dec 30
Cleta Hooten - Dec 30
Shannon Honea - Dec 31
Kenna Kellam - Jan 4



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Danny & Lisa Meeks - Dec 29



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Our annual **New Year's Party** will be on **Tuesday, Dec. 31** at **7 pm**. Bring some food to share and be ready to play some games.

FRUITVALE CHURCH OF CHRIST RESOLVE 2020

The Fruitvale Church is hosting a program Saturday, **January 4, 3:00-8:15 pm**, and **January 5, 10:00 am to 2:30 pm**. Guest speakers are Cody Westbrook, Jeff Blanton, Della Blanton, Chip Horton, Kris Groda and Russ Tracy. Watch for information on their Facebook page or webpage, www.fruitvalechurchofchrist.com.

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

DEACONS

Dail Hooten	Richard Kellam	Larry Hooten
Lance Hooten		Brad Chastain

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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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party, 7 pm
Jan 1 **NO** Wednesday Night Meal
Jan 1 Wednesday Night, Devo at 7 pm (no classes)
Jan 2 Grocery Truck at Good Samaritans, 2:30 pm
Jan 13 Good Samaritan Work Day, 12:30 pm
Jan 19 Third Sunday Activities

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Wednesday night, Jan. 1 there will **NOT** be a Wednesday night meal. There will be a devotional service that night, with some songs.

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.

THERE'S NO CHARGE FOR LOVE

A farmer had some puppies he needed to sell. He painted a sign advertising the four pups and set about nailing it to a post on the edge of his yard. As he was driving the last nail into the post, he felt a tug on his overalls. He looked down into the eyes of a little boy.

"Mister," he said, "I want to buy one of your puppies."
"Well," said the farmer, as he rubbed the sweat off the back of his neck, "These puppies come from fine parents and cost a good deal of money." The boy dropped his head for a moment. Then, reaching deep into his pocket, he pulled out a handful of change and held it up to the farmer. "I've got thirty-nine cents. Is that enough to take a look?" "Sure," said the farmer. And with that he let out a whistle. "Here, Dolly!" he called. Out from the doghouse and down the ramp ran Dolly, followed by four little balls of fur.

The little boy pressed his face against the chain link fence. His eyes danced with delight. As the dogs made their way to the fence, the little boy noticed something else stirring inside the doghouse. Slowly another little ball appeared, this one noticeably smaller. Down the ramp it slid. Then in a somewhat awkward manner, the little pup began hobbling toward the others, doing its best to catch up ... "I want that one," the little boy said, pointing to the runt.

The farmer knelt down at the boy's side and said, "Son, you don't want that puppy. He will never be able to run and play with you like these other dogs would." With that, the little boy stepped back from the fence, reached down, and began rolling up one leg of his trousers. In doing so, he revealed a steel brace running down both sides of his leg, attaching itself to a specially-made shoe. Looking back up at the farmer, he said, "You see sir, I don't run too well myself, and he will need someone who understands."

With tears in his eyes, the farmer reached down and picked up the little pup. Holding it carefully, he handed it to the little boy. "How much?" asked the little boy. "No charge," answered the farmer, "There's no charge for love."

The world is full of people who need someone who understands.

USE THE BIBLE AS MANNA

While attending college, both at Cal State and at the University of North Texas, I have to admit that I enjoyed my bed more than my willingness to find a church home. I thought my love for God was enough to sustain me.

My friend Noah loved me enough to speak the truth. "Randell, you need to attend church." Those were the exact words he used some 20 years ago that are still impactful today. Now, as I look back to those days I can easily understand why I was so angry.

Remember those commercials where the guy was crazy angry because he hadn't eaten a certain candy bar? Forget the candy, I was lacking the basic appetite referred to in Matthew 5:6. That verse tells that those who hunger and thirst after righteousness will be blessed. We need food to live, and our soul needs God's word and fellowship to be spiritually nourished. In Exodus 16 we are reminded God gives the Israelites daily manna. He instructs the people to gather up daily manna. On the 6th day they were to get enough for the 7th day.

It is just the opposite for me as I gather on Sundays to sustain my discipline. Going to church to praise, learn, and be in fellowship always helps me be more God-focused in the week. On Sundays, I gather much encouragement and strength. In Acts 2:42, "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer."

My friend and his words of 20 years ago were right on target. He has been my blessing as an encourager in all the years since. I thank God for him. I pray you have encouragers in your life and the blessing of a church home.

In Christian Love,
Randell Resneder

CSI:

(Christians Seeking Inspiration)

Have you ever thought that maybe God was trying to tell you something but you just weren't bright enough or spiritual enough for something enough to 'get it'? Did it ever occur to you that this way of thinking is not giving God enough credit?

Let's examine the facts: God created you, He knows how you're wired, and He knows how you process things. (After all, He designed your system.) SO ... isn't God smart enough to tell you what He needs you to know in a way that you can understand. After all, He wants you to get His point. Why would he send an incomprehensible message?

He wouldn't. Relax. Keep your spiritual ears open and trust God. He's perfectly capable of getting His point across and willing to go to great lengths to do so. Remember the story of Balaam's donkey? (You'll find it in Numbers 22.) It just goes to show that whatever it takes – talking animal, burning bush (Exodus 3), still, small voice (I Kings 19), or something else entirely – God will speak to you. You are THAT important to Him!

- Be thankful to God for every new day. ~unknown
- I'm not worried about the future because I know the Lord is in control, not me. ~unknown
- The Lord is greater than the giants you face. ~unknown
- Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase. ~unknown
- The giant in front of you is never bigger than the God inside of you. ~unknown
- This world isn't worth your soul. ~TobyMac

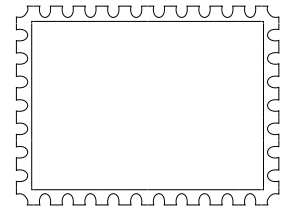


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SECURITY MEASURES

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.



Dear God, We bow our heads and ask,
if it is Your Will, please save this land
from those who seek to destroy it.
In your Son's name we pray. Amen.

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

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

- There's nothing more powerful than an humble person with a warrior spirit who is driven by a bigger purpose. ~unknown
- The storm that was sent to break you is going to be the storm that God uses to make you. ~unknown
- Sometimes God wants His children to really want His attention. But getting God's attention is not cheap. Getting God's attention sometimes takes more than a random shout. ~unknown
- We cannot pray in Love and live in Hate and still think we are worshipping God. ~unknown
- One kind word can change someone's entire day. ~TobyMac
- When you choose the behavior you choose the consequences. ~TobyMac