



Volume XXII, No. 8
February 21, 2021

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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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

Please silence your phones before worship begins

Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 9:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 am

Announcements & Prayer:

**Scott Hooten
Richard Kellam**

Song Leader:

Song #

Song #

Song #

Communion:

Brad Chastain

Mike Willis

Brian Sherrin

K.C. Smith

Hunter Warren

Shannon Sheppard

Song #

Offering:

Song #

Song #

Message:

Rodney Britt

Invitation Song #

Song #

Closing Prayer:

Danny Meeks

Third Sunday Singing at 6:00 pm

Wednesday Evening Worship at 7:00 pm

There is an **Adult Class** that meets in the **Auditorium**, and a **Ladies Class** that meets in the **Fellowship Hall**.

There are two children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is taught by **Lisa Meeks**. (The **K-2nd Grade** has no students in this age group at this time.) The **3rd-5th Grade Class** is taught by **Vivian Warren**. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)

Louise Rabe (home bound, would love to have calls and cards)
Frank Shelton, brother of **Brenda Hooten**
Randell Resneder (leukemia), son of **Robert & Norma Resneder** (experiencing pain due to chemo)
Norma & Robert Resneder
Jon Resneder, brother of **Robert Resneder**
Kassie Smith (migraines)
Cleta Hooten (health issues)
Bobby Hooten (cancer treatments)
Margie Carpenter, sister of **Cleta Hooten** (stroke, in rehab)
Tom & Lana Waters' granddaughter **Christina** (injured in an auto accident)
René Funk (recovering from surgery)
Kari Smith (swelling in the orbital socket surrounding the main optical nerve)
Jimmy Hooten, the oldest son of **Boots & Dail Hooten**
Vince Grippo (a former member, badly burned in an accident, is still in the hospital, also prayers for his wife, **Lisa**)
Alyssa (Hill) & Nate Dagleish (prayers for smooth pregnancy and delivery)
Naomi Funk, daughter-in-law of **Reneé Funk** (cancer spread, in a lot of pain as a result)
Tina Smith (radiation treatments five days a week)
The Chastain family: Brad, Randa, Karlee and Ally; Joey, Wendy, Colton, and Kayla, and his sister, **Betty Valentine** (loss of **Robert Chastain**)
Higher Ground Sister, Chris Fahey, passed away last week. She had been hospitalized with pneumonia.

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

Please send any new prayer requests, and any updates on people currently on the prayer list, to: lwrangle@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:

Floyd Rogers, #1216373, Allred Unit, 2101 FM369 N, Iowa Park, TX 76367
Nick & Ashlie (Ivy) Stephan, 7122 CR3219, Lone Oak, TX, 75453
Kris & Shea Ivy, 4102 CR 3221, Lone Oak, TX 75453
AIC Stone, Chance C., 3075 B Juniper Street SW, McChord Field, WA 98439
Emily (Hooten) & Nathan Heinrichs, 1445 N. Pecan Hill, Stephenville, TX 76401
Kara (Hooten) & Devon McCasland, 141 CR 2211, Mineola, TX 75773
Anna Hooten, 4333 Antilley Rd, Apt. 313, Abilene, TX 79606
Luke Hooten, 2227 S. 3rd St., Unit K, Waco, TX 76706
Alyssa (Hill) & Nate Dalgleish, 523 Hillary Circle, Sugarland, TX 77498
Bethany Hill, 5437 Naaman Forest Blvd, #923, Garland, TX 75044
Carley Hill, 1 Thompson Dr., Searcy, AR 72143
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
Dustin Winkler, 5616 Spring Valley Rd., Apt 170, Dallas, TX 75254
Frank Shelton, Colonial Lodge, Room 143, 3590 Stanford, Greenville, TX 75401
Ken Hare & Reneé Funk, 1864 South Mountain Rd., Marshall, AR 72650
Jonny Knighton, College Edge Apts, #911, P.O. Box 911, Bryan, TX 77802 (Blinn College)
 (Please give Linda Rawle any changes)

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
02/07/21	103	\$4,270	\$3,000
02/14/21 (Streaming)		\$	\$3,000
02/21/21		\$	\$3,000
02/28/21		\$	\$3,000

CONTRIBUTIONS

You can mail your church contribution to: Point Church of Christ, P.O. Box 1011, Emory, TX 75440

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

Be sure to visit the church website for lots of information: www.pointchurchofchrist.org.

DUE TO WATER BEING OFF, THE RESTROOMS WILL NOT BE OPERATIONAL TODAY.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

John Satterwhite - Feb. 22



Long before Zaccheaus couldn't see Jesus, the tree was already planted to meet his need.

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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Funeral Food Hostesses for Feb:

Laura Oualline
 Vivian Warren
 Dianne Willis



NEED 1 MORE VOLUNTEER

Correspondence Team for Feb:

Ladies' Bible Class - Visitors
NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick
 Dianne Willis - Encouragement



CHURCH NEWS CONNECTION

To be added to the group – **Text your name and cell phone number to Jake Pickens 903-456-3445.**

This will incorporate all the emails and individual texting that has been done in the past into one notification source.

This will help keep everyone informed about illness, deaths, funerals, birth announcement, and information about upcoming events. If you have information that the church needs to know about **please text that information to Jake Pickens** and he will send it out in a few minutes.

LIVE STREAMING

If you are unable to meet with us in person, please join us on **Sunday mornings at 10 am** on the **Point Church of Christ Facebook Page** for our live stream service. Communion supplies are available at the building. Ask Ken Player or Mike Willis for assistance with these supplies.

ARMS OF HOPE GROCERY TRUCK

The truck will be making a grocery run the week of **March 15-19**. Currently they need:

Dishwashing Liquid, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper Mayo, and Mustard

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 24 Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm
 Mar.19 Arms of Hope Grocery Truck

Please remember our members or their families currently service in the military: **Chance Stone**, son of **Rheann Stone & Savannah Wright**, niece of **Vivian Warren**.

I asked a friend who has crossed 70 & is heading towards 80 what sort of changes he is feeling in himself. He sent me the following:

1. After loving my parents, my siblings, my spouse, my children and my friends, I have now started loving myself.
2. I have realized that I am not "Atlas." The world does not rest on my shoulders.
3. I have stopped bargaining with vegetable & fruit vendors. A few pennies more is not going to break me, but it might help the poor fellow save for his daughter's school fees.
4. I leave my waitress a big tip. The extra money might bring a smile to her face. She is toiling much harder for a living than I am.
5. I stopped telling the elderly that they've already narrated that story many times. The story makes them walk down memory lane & relive their past.
6. I have learned not to correct people even when I know they are wrong. The onus of making everyone perfect is not on me. Peace is more precious than perfection.
7. I give compliments freely & generously. Compliments are a mood enhancer not only for the recipient, but also for me. And a small tip for the recipient of a compliment, never, NEVER turn it down, just say "Thank You."
8. I have learned not to bother about a crease or a spot on my shirt. Personality speaks louder than appearances.
9. I walk away from people who don't value me. They might not know my worth, but I do.
10. I remain cool when someone plays dirty to outrun me in the rat race. I am not a rat & neither am I in any race.
11. I am learning not to be embarrassed by my emotions. It's my emotions that make me human.
12. I have learned that it's better to drop the ego than to break a relationship. My ego will keep me aloof, whereas with relationships, I will never be alone.
13. I have learned to live each day as if it's the last. After all, it might be the last.
14. I am doing what makes me happy. I am responsible for my happiness, and I owe it to myself. Happiness is a choice. You can be happy at any time, just choose to be!

I decided to share this for all my friends. Why do we have to wait to be 60 or 70 or 80, why can't we practice this at any stage and age?

DO YOU REMEMBER A TIME WHEN....

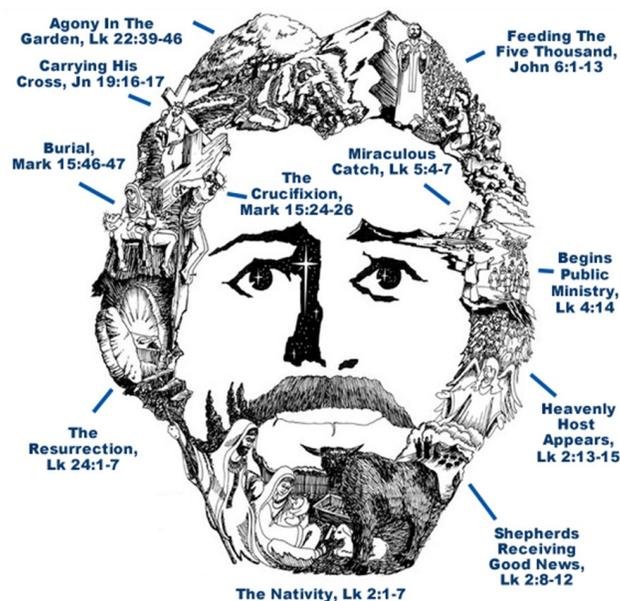
- Decisions were made by going "eeny-meeny-miney-moe?"
 - Mistakes were corrected by simply exclaiming, "Do Over! ?"
 - "Race issue" meant arguing about who ran the fastest?
 - Catching the fireflies could happily occupy an entire evening?
 - It wasn't odd to have two or three "Best Friends?"
 - The worst thing you could catch from the opposite sex was "cooties?"
 - Having a weapon in school meant being caught with a sling-shot?
 - A foot of snow was a dream come true?
 - Saturday morning cartoons weren't 30-minute commercials for action figures?
 - "Oly-oly-oxen-free" made perfect sense?
 - Spinning around, getting dizzy, and falling down was cause for giggles?
 - The worst embarrassment was being picked last for a team?
 - War was a card game?
 - Baseball cards in the spokes transformed any bike into a motorcycle?
 - Taking drugs meant orange-flavored chewable aspirin?
 - Water balloons were the ultimate weapon?
- If you can remember most or all of these, then you have lived!!!!!!

THE STORY OF JESUS

The gentleman who drew this is Joe Castillo. He went to Asbury Theological Seminary. He did this during a chapel service. It was fascinating - he told the Gospel story - each part of Jesus' life - **and he was drawing the story as he told the story.** We didn't realize until the end what the entire picture was. A rare talent!!!

The rolled away stone of the empty tomb corresponds nicely to where the ear would be, and the stars in the eyes provide a sense of scale for the Star of Bethlehem, which is tucked into the shadow of the nose. I think my favorite touch is using the Sea of Galilee and its mountain backdrop for the right eyebrow.

Mr. Castillo is known principally as a *sand artist*. The term conjures up visions of large sculptures at a beach, but what Mr. Castillo does is very different: using his hands, he draws pictures in sand spread on a light table.



FINDING GOD IN THE PARK

Abe was fiercely independent, even at the age of 85, but after a mild stroke his son insisted he move in with him. Abe missed going to the park near his old apartment, and one Saturday he set out to find it. When he became disoriented, he asked a young boy where the park was. The boy, named Timmy, said he'd like to take Abe there, but he didn't have time because he was looking for God. He needed to talk to him about why his parents were getting a divorce.

"Maybe God is in the park," said the old man. "I'd like to talk to him, too, about why he's made me useless." They set off together to find God.

At the park, Timmy began to cry about the divorce, and Abe lovingly held the boy's face in his hands and looked him straight in the eyes. "Timmy, I don't know why bad things happen, but I know it's not because of you. I know you're a good boy and your parents love you and you'll be okay." "Are you sure?" "I'm sure." Timmy gave Abe a big hug and said, "I'm so glad I met you. Thanks. I think I can go now."

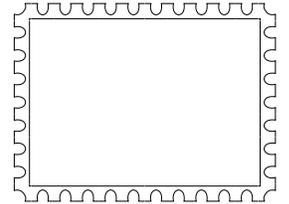
From across the street, Timmy's mother saw them hug and when the boy came up, she asked in a worried voice, "Who was that old man?" "I think he's God." "Did he say that?" she demanded. "No, but when he told me I'm going to be okay, I felt better. Only God can do that."

When Abe got home, his son in a scolding voice asked, "Where were you?" "I was in the park with God." "What makes you think you were with God?" "Because he sent me a boy who needed me, and when the boy hugged me, I felt God telling me I wasn't useless."



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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.

You'll never get to where God is taking you by
looking back over your shoulder.
Leave it. Bury it. Forgive it. Let it go.
Turn forward and press on straight ahead.
~sandikrakowski

EMBRACE THE CHANGE

At 40, Franz Kafka (1883-1924), who never married and had no children, walked through the park in Berlin when he met a girl who was crying because she had lost her favorite doll. She and Kafka searched for the doll unsuccessfully.

Kafka told her to meet him there the next day and they would come back to look for her.

The next day, when they had not yet found the doll, Kafka gave the girl a letter "written" by the doll saying "please don't cry. I took a trip to see the world. I will write to you about my adventures."

Thus began a story which continued until the end of Kafka's life.

During their meetings, Kafka read the letters of the doll carefully written with adventures and conversations that the girl found adorable.

Finally, Kafka brought back the doll (he bought one) that had returned to Berlin. "It doesn't look like my doll at all," said the girl.

Kafka handed her another letter in which the doll wrote: "my travels have changed me." the little girl hugged the new doll and brought the doll with her to her happy home.

A year later Kafka died.

Many years later, the now-adult girl found a letter inside the doll. In the tiny letter signed by Kafka it was written:

"Everything you love will probably be lost, but in the end, love will return in another way."

Embrace the change. It's inevitable for growth. Together we can shift pain into wonder and love, but it is up to us to consciously and intentionally create that connection.

Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

Danny Lambert (prayers for multiple health issues)

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

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

Phyllis Ketchersid, a friend of **Jeanne Killough** (liver disease)

Jeanne Killough asked for prayers for **Leah Daytec** (very ill)

Also **Leah's brothers**, **Josh Botteicher** (heart problems and seizures), and **Randy Botteicher** (high blood pressure)

Jeanne Killough asked for prayers for parents, **Matt and Erin McClure**, and for their young son, **Hayes**

Susan Roberts (breast cancer)

Nancy Prather Smith, a friend of **Jennifer Hill Phyllis Disotell**, niece of **Larry, Dail, and Teddy Joe Hooten**

Higher Ground Sister, Kandra Murphy (Covid)

- If you do not pray except when you feel like praying, you will not pray much, nor pray when you most need it. ~Charles Spurgeon
- I always feel it well to put a few words of prayer between everything I do. ~Charles Spurgeon
- A lie can travel half way around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes. ~Charles Spurgeon
- The Lord gets his best soldiers out of the highlands of affliction. ~Charles Spurgeon
- Sincerity makes the very least person to be of more value than the most talented hypocrite. ~Charles Spurgeon
- Anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows, but only empties today of its strength. ~Charles Spurgeon
- Humility is to make a right estimate of one's self. ~Charles Spurgeon