



# Point church of Christ

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## WELCOME VISITORS

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visitor's card and  
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we will have a  
record of your visit,  
AND  
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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

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

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes** at 9:00 am

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

**Announcements & Prayer:**

**Tom Waters  
Richard Kellam**

**Song Leader:**

Song #869

We're Marching to Zion  
He Keeps Me Singing

Song #615

Song #337

Hallelujah! What a Savior

**Communion:**

Charley Stark  
Derrick Dieken

Clyde Kempf  
Brad Chastain

Butch Smith  
Scott Hooten

Song #163

His Name Is Wonderful

**Offering**

Song #844

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  
Days of Elijah

Song

**Message:**

**Rodney Britt**

**Invitation Song #948**

I Am Resolved

**Closing Song #103**

He Has Made Me Glad

**Closing Prayer:**

**Butch Smith**

**Third Sunday Singing** at 6:00 pm

**(Fellowship to Follow)**

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

The **Adult Class** meets in the **Auditorium**. There are three children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is taught by **Kari Smith**. The **Preschool to 2nd Grade** is taught by **Lisa Meeks**. The **3rd-5th Grade Class** is taught by **Dwana Winkler** for the month of **November**. *This class needs a teacher for December*. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 24	Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm
Nov. 24	Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm
Feb. 11-13	Aggies for Christ will be here

### PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

Please send any new prayer requests, and any updates on people currently on the prayer list to: [lwrawle@gmail.com](mailto:lwrawle@gmail.com).

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

**Randell Resneder** (leukemia), son of **Robert & Norma Resneder** (experiencing pain due to chemo)

**Norma Resneder**

**Kassie Smith** (migraines)

**Cleta Hooten & Bobby Hooten** (health issues)

**Scott & Rachelle Hooten, Jake & Jordyn Hooten**, and **Jordyn's mother, Amber** (need our continued prayers)

**Frank Shelton**, brother of **Brenda Hooten**, (doing better)

**Darrell Kempf's wife, Kim Kempf** (back in hospital, after latest chemo treatment)

**Barbara McAree** (last chemo treatment done!)

**Tina Smith** (a fungus in her throat)

**Tina Smith's mom, Laverne**, recently had hip surgery and is having issues recovering from anesthesia.

**Marvin Smith's mother** (cirrhosis of the liver)

**Richard Kellam's dad, Richard** (prostate problems)

**Richard Kellam's mother, Pat** (in a nursing home for rehab)

**Richard Kellam's neighbor, Jerry Varney** (has cancer, treatments will start December 29th)

**Tom Waters** (cancer)

**Matt Oualline** (diabetes)

**Claudia Wilk** (recovering from spine surgery)

The **Hamil's grandson Jake** is struggling with a drug problem. He also has some legal issues to deal with.

**Clara Smith**, mother of **Butch Smith** and grandmother of **K.C. Smith**, recently fell. She has several health issues as well. Her husband Durwood is trying to help her.

**Kris Ivy** has blood clots in his leg again.

**Easton Stephan**, son of **Ashlie and Nick Stephan**, had to have tubes put in his ears.

**Jeff Oualline's** clients, the **Caldwells**, lost their 32 year old daughter, **Sarah**, due to multiple health problems.

**Mary Hunter**, the wife of **Derek Hunter**, **Danny Meeks friend**, has been having mini-strokes, and problems with her oxygen levels.

**Clyde Kempf's** aunt, **Bessie Carol** (Covid, 83 years old, very low oxygen)

**Jeremy & Melissa Ashlin** new baby, **Caleb Wyatt Ashlin** (now at home)

**Lisa Meek's** sister, **Vicki Summerlin** (at UT Southwestern for tests, she is really struggling)

**Robert Resneder** is struggling to breath and needs our prayers.

**Heather Parkerson** (Higher Ground) had successful surgery. She appreciates the prayers on her behalf.

**Carrie May's** daughter, **Jessica Anderson**, had back surgery and **Carrie** will be staying with them for a couple of months.

Remember our efforts in **Ghana and Togo**, and for the workers who are our boots on the ground.

**IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:**

**Floyd Rogers**, #1216373, Allred Unit, 2101 FM369 N, Iowa Park, TX 76367  
**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  
**Anna Hooten**, 1010 Juneau Ave., Lubbock, TX 79416  
**Luke Hooten**, 2227 S. 3rd St., Unit K, Waco, TX 76706  
**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**, 2011 98<sup>th</sup> St., #314, Lubbock TX 79423  
**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)  
**Knighton, Jason D.** 8384, 527 I Avenue, Unit 2319, Sheppard AFB, TX 76311  
**Nita Tolison**, 9142 W. Dreyfus Dr., Peoria, AZ 85381  
**Willie Tolison**, (Group Home) 8648 W. Salter Dr., Peoria, AZ 85382  
**Wonda Banks**, 219 PR 8515, Point, TX 75472  
**(Please give Linda Rawle any changes)**

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
11/07/21	100	\$3,341	\$3,000
11/14/21	100	\$3,514	\$3,000
11/21/21		\$	\$3,000
11/28/21		\$	\$3,000

**CONTRIBUTIONS**

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

**RAINS COUNTY ANGEL TREE**

The Angel Trees are out in Brookshires, Don's, El Manna, Sidekicks, Marshall's BBQ Pit, Potts Feed, City National Bank, CB-TX bank, and at Hooten's Hardware. We will be needing workers in the coming weeks for sorting and stuffing bags.

Several people have agreed to serve on the Board. Thank You So Much!!!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS**

The **NOVEMBER** meals will be prepared and served by the following people:

**Rachelle Hooten      Sharon Eldridge      Rheann Stone**  
**Kassie Smith          Barbara McAree      Shannon Honea**

The next meal is **November 24** will be served at **6:00 pm**.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS**

The **DECEMBER** meals will be prepared and served by the following people:

**Dwanna Winkler      Katie Preast              Tina Smith**  
**Randa Chastain      Lisa Meeks**

Their first meal will be **December 1** at **6:00 pm**

- Growing closer to God is not the result of "trying harder"... but of surrendering more.
- If you don't go after what you want, you'll never have it. If you don't ask the answer is always no. If you don't step forward you're always in the same place.
- God's presence will always flood the darkness with His glorious light. ~Leah Dipascal

**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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**CHURCH NEWS CONNECTION**

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

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.

**Funeral Food Hostesses for November-December:**



Laura Oualline  
 Brenda Stark  
 Brenda Hooten

**NEED 1 MORE VOLUNTEER**



**Correspondence Team for November-December**

Monday Morning Breakfast Ladies - Visitors

**NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick**

Dianne Willis - Encouragement

Please remember our members and their families currently serving in the military: **Chance Stone**, son of **Rheann Stone**, & **Savannah Wright**, niece of **Vivian Warren**, and **Jason Knighton**, son of **LeeAnn Knighton**.

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](http://www.pointchurchofchrist.org).

Communion supplies are available at the building. Ask Ken Player or Mike Willis for assistance with these supplies.

- If the words don't add up it's usually because the truth wasn't included in the equation.
- Worry not about other people's standards or values, but focus on your own. Staying true is more valuable than lowering your standards.
- Work for a CAUSE, not for applause. Live life to EXPRESS, and not for impress. Don't strive to make your presence noticed, just to make your ABSENCE FELT. ~unknown
- The devil doesn't come dressed in a red cape and pointy horns. He comes as everything you have ever wished for. Pray for wisdom and discernment.
- Gossip dies when it hits a wise person's ears.

### THIRD SUNDAY SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP

**TONIGHT at 6 pm**, is our Third Sunday Singing and Fellowship night. Plan to attend and be uplifted by the congregational singing. Bring your favorite food item to share after the singing.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Dalton Honea - Nov. 22  
Karlee Chastain - Nov. 23  
James Warren - Nov. 24  
Kari Smith - Nov. 25  
Gayle Hooten - Nov. 26

### WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Join us to celebrate the wedding of  
**Bethany Taylor Hill & Titus Wade Palmer**

Saturday, December Eleventh  
Two Thousand and Twenty-One  
Four O'clock In The Evening  
Backstory Brewery  
211 Magnolia St.  
Sulphur Springs  
Texas 75482

**RSVP by Dec. 1st @theknot.com/bethanyandtitus**  
(There is an invitation on the bulletin board)

### MARINE CORPS SERGEANT AS A TEACHER

A former Sergeant in the Marine Corps took a new job as a high school teacher. Just before the school year started, he injured his back. He was required to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. Fortunately, the cast fit under his shirt and wasn't noticeable.

On the first day of class, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in the school. The smart-aleck punks, having already heard the new teacher was a former Marine, were leery of him and he knew they would be testing his discipline in the classroom. Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, the new teacher opened the window wide and sat down at his desk. When a strong breeze made his tie flap, he picked up a stapler and stapled the tie to his chest.

Dead silence ... The rest of the year went very smoothly.

### PRaise THE LORD – THE KIND OF FAITH WE ALL NEED

There was a little old lady who was very spiritual who would step out on her porch every day, raise her arms to the sky and yell, Praise the Lord!

One day, an atheist bought the house next door to her, and he became very irritated with the spiritual lady. So after a month or so of her yelling Praise the Lord! from her porch, he went outside on his porch and yelled back, There is no Lord!

Yet, the little old lady continued. One cold, wintry day, when the little old lady couldn't get to the store, she went out on her porch, raised her hands up to the sky and said, Help me, Lord. I have no more money, it's cold, and I have no more food.

The next morning she went outside, and there were three bags of food on the porch, enough to last her a week. Praise the Lord! she yelled.

The atheist stepped out from the bushes and said, There is no Lord. Ha! Ha! Ha! I bought those groceries!

The little old lady raised her arms to the sky and said, Praise the Lord! You sent me groceries and You made the Devil pay for them!

- Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path through life.
- Be selective with your battles. Sometimes peace is better than being right.

### THE LYING WOMAN FROM TEKOA

God is perfectly forgiving and perfectly just. That's why He offers salvation to those who repent and believe. But to satisfy His perfect justice, Christ gave His life for our sins. Perfect love is sacrificial and forgiving, but it cannot approve evil.

Sadly, there have always been people who think a good God should overlook their sins. That's the belief behind universal salvation. It's not enough that Christ died for those who repent. Universalists expect Christ to die for unrepentant people who reject His sacrificial offer of grace. This is a false belief that we find throughout human history.

For example, in 2 Samuel 14, Joab sent a wise woman from Tekoa to encourage David to pardon his son Absalom even though Absalom was responsible for the premeditated murder of his brother.

The Tekoa woman told David that God wanted him to give unrepentant Absalom a complete pardon because God devises ways so that a banished person does not remain banished from him.

It's true that God provides a way for banished people (i.e., sinful mankind) to walk in freedom in His presence. But we must believe in Christ and genuinely repent.

Sadly, the woman from Tekoa convinced David to pardon unrepentant Absalom, and Absalom went on to bring great shame and hardship on Israel and his family, especially on David.

Perfect love is sacrificial and forgiving, but it cannot approve evil.

~Bible Love Notes

### TWELVE DAILY REMINDERS

1. The past cannot be changed.
2. Opinions don't define your reality.
3. Everyone's journey is different.
4. Things always get better with time.
5. Judgments are a confession of character.
6. Over-thinking will lead to sadness.
7. Happiness is found within.
8. Positive thoughts create positive things.
9. Smiles are contagious.
10. Kindness is free.
11. You only fail if you quit.
12. What goes around, comes around.

### THINK

There was a blind girl who hated herself because she was blind. She hated everyone, except her loving boyfriend. He was always there for her. She told her boyfriend, "If I could only see the world, I will marry you."

One day, someone donated a pair of eyes to her. When the bandages came off, she was able to see everything, including her boyfriend.

He asked her, "Now that you can see the world, will you marry me?" The girl looked at her boyfriend and saw that he was blind. The sight of his closed eyelids shocked her. She hadn't expected that. The thought of looking at them the rest of her life led her to refuse to marry him.

Her boyfriend left in tears and days later wrote a note to her saying: "Take good care of your eyes, my dear, for before they were yours, they were mine."

This is how the human brain often works when our status changes. Only a very few remember what life was like before, and who was always by their side in the most painful situations.

- A bad attitude can literally block love, blessings and destiny from finding you. Don't be the reason you don't succeed.
- Worry is a total waste of time. All it does is steal your joy and keeps you very busy doing nothing.
- All God wants is the little we have. ~Lysa TerKeurst



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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.

### 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 streamed service.

### MAY GOD GRANT YOU PLENTY OF TIME

On his death bed, Alexander the Great summoned his generals and told them his three ultimate wishes:

1. The best doctors should carry his coffin;
2. The wealth he has accumulated (money, gold, precious stones) should be scattered along the procession to the cemetery, and
3. His hands should be let loose, hanging outside the coffin for all to see.

One of his generals, who was surprised by these unusual requests, asked Alexander to explain. Here is what Alexander had to say:

1. I want the best doctors to carry my coffin to demonstrate that, in the face of death, even the best doctors in the world have no power to heal.
2. I want the road to be covered with my treasure so that everybody sees that material wealth acquired on earth, stays on earth.
3. I want my hands to swing in the wind, so that people understand that we come to this world empty handed and we leave this world empty handed after the most precious treasure of all is exhausted, and that is TIME.

TIME is our most precious treasure. It is LIMITED. We can produce more wealth, but we cannot produce more time. When we give someone our time, we actually give them a portion of our life that we will never take back. Our time is our life.

May God grant you plenty of TIME.

- There are no perfect parents, and there are no perfect children, but there are plenty of perfect moments along the way. ~Dave Willis.org
- God promises to strengthen you with His might. It is a gift and you are commanded to use it. ~Dr. David Jeremiah
- God sometimes takes us into troubled waters, not to drown us, but to cleanse us.

### Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

- Benny Hearne, Linda May's** brother (ongoing health issues)
- Jay Sikes (Brenda Hooten's** nephew, and the father of **Debbie Ivy's** daughter-in-law)
- Debbie Ivy** requested prayers for **James Duran** (on a list for a heart transplant)
- Troy Funk**, son of **Rene' Funk** and children need our prayers after the loss of his wife and their mother, **Naomi.**
- Dianne Willis'** brother-in-law, **Roger Hooten's** (immunotherapy to battle cancer)
- Kay Gabbard's** sister, **Rayma Farmer** (cancer has spread to lymph nodes)
- Tony Spalding** (cancer in his tonsils)
- Richard's** cousin, **Debbie Gordon** (cancer has returned)
- LeeAnn Knighton** (cirrhosis of the liver, she is the mother of **Jonny and Jason Knighton**)
- Max Lucado**, author and minister (has an ascending aortic aneurism)
- Willie and Nita Tolison** (Willie has Dementia and Covid, and has been moved to a group home in Arizona, and Nita (health issues) has also been moved to Arizona. (see page 2)
- Jason Brumit**, infant son of **Alyshea & Dylan Brumit** (had a bad reaction to his 2 month vaccinations)
- Tom & Lana Waters'** granddaughter **Christina Ron Jr.** and **Tim Yarborough**, whose mother **Wanda** is a member at the Emory church, are having difficulty handling the loss of their father.
- Doug and Joan Morgan**, friends of **Joey Chastain** (both been diagnosed with cancer)
- Evelyn & Roy Skinner**, grandparents of **Pamela Higbee** (Roy is in the hospital, Evelyn is his sole care giver and she needs shoulder surgery)
- Pamela Higbee's** friend, **Carol**, is struggling with depression and another friend, **Carolyn Moore** needs surgery.