



Volume XXII, No. 12  
March 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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Robert Resneder	903-473-9530
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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**

**Song Leader:**

**John McAree**

Song #153

Come, Let Us Worship

Song #484

You Are My All in All

Song #701

My Jesus, I Love Thee

**Communion:**

**Clint McAree**

**Joey Chastain**

**K.C. Smith**

**Lance Hooten**

**Jeff Oualline**

**Clyde Kempf**

Song #72

Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty

**Offering:**

Song #578

We Will Glorify

Song #31

Be Still and Know

**Message:**

**Richard Kellam**

Invitation Song #63

I Will Call Upon the Lord

Song #587

Sing and Be Happy

**Closing Prayer:**

**Clyde Kempf**

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

**(Fellowship to follow)**

**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 REQUESTS & UPDATES**

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

**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)

**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)

**Tina Smith** (radiation treatments )

**Ken Player's** dad is back in the hospital.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of **Margie Carpenter**, sister of **Cleta Hooten**, who passed away last Saturday.

**Jimbo and Christina Cooper, and their entire family** need our prayers in the loss of their 20 year old son, **Jacob Cooper**, who died in an auto accident on March 1.

**Colt Davidson**, a young man from Fort Worth, had a serious skiing accident when he lost his traction and hit a tree with the left side of his body. He is in the hospital in New Mexico. His parents **Travis and Chiara Davidson** are with him. Please pray for his recovery.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**TODAY:** Wedding Shower for Kourtney & Alex Ontiveros, at 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall

**TONIGHT:** 3rd Sunday Singing and Fellowship, 6pm

Mar. 24 Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm

Mar. 24 Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm

**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>
03/07/21	91	\$8,047	\$3,000
03/14/21	88	\$3,830	\$3,000
03/21/21		\$	\$3,000
03/28/21		\$	\$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](http://www.pointchurchofchrist.org).

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

God is saying to you today –  
 My child, you are worrying too much.  
 REMEMBER WHO I AM.  
 There is nothing too hard for me. You may not see it,  
 but I have everything planned out for you.

**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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**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

Funeral Food Hostesses for **March and April (2)**  
 Correspondence Team for **March and April:**

- Visitors Cards,
- Cards for those who are sick or shut in, and
- Cards for 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.

**FIVE THINGS TO TELL YOURSELF DAILY**

1. Keep Trying.
2. Keep Praying.
3. Stay Positive.
4. Be Awesome.
5. Become better – not better than anyone else, but better than the person you were yesterday.

- Father, grant me a willing heart to obey even when it's difficult. ~Wendy Blight
- The tragedy of life is not death, but what we let die inside of us while we live. ~Norman Cousins
- Nothing you have is because of luck or chance. It's all due to God's grace and favor.
- What you are going through is not a surprise to God. Rest in that. ~Toby Mac
- Listen and Silent are spelled with the same letters.

### WEDDING SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for **Kourtney and Alex Ontiveros** **TODAY from 2 pm-4 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Kourtney is the daughter of **Darrell and Shannon Honea**.

### THIRD SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Our **Third Sunday Singing and Fellowship is TONIGHT, at 6 pm**. Please bring your favorite foods to snack on and share with everyone.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The March meals will be prepared and served by **Dianne Willis, Brenda Hooten, Linda Rawle, Rica Kellam, Diana Boyer and Kara McCasland**.

The meals will be served at 6:00 pm.

### V.B.S.

Plans are underway for a Vacation Bible School. If you are interested in being a part of this event, please let K.C. or Kassie know.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY

We need everyone to go home today and pull out your church directory. Look at your page.

All new members need to get involved also so we can have a REALLY updated church directory.

**See Debbie Ivy to get in the book!!!**

### LAKE COUNTRY HIGHER GROUND

The **Men's Climb** will be **April 8-11** and will be held at **Camp Focus Point** in Alba, TX.

The **Women's Climb** will be **April 15-18** and will be held at **Camp Focus Point**.

Please be in prayer for these climbs. You can reference the web page - [www.highergroundlakecountry.org](http://www.highergroundlakecountry.org) to answer any questions about the Climbs and their locations.

### WHAT IS HIGHER GROUND?

The mission of Higher Ground Lake Country is to bring people into a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of His unconditional love and forgiving heart.

We believe that true life is found only in living in constant connection to Jesus. Living in this relationship moves us to Higher Ground. Following Jesus changes the way we live. He changes everything and leads us to live in the here and now on Higher Ground. Jesus is the only way for a person to live on Higher Ground eternally. This conviction and a desire to encourage others to live this way are at the heart of Higher Ground.

We are all in need of growth in our lives, particularly in our relationship to God. Higher Ground is intended to enhance the Christian's commitment to God, the family and the church. It is designed to encourage self-examination that will reveal needs in individuals and find inspiration to grow from the Word of God. Higher Ground is a loving ministry of encouragement through edification and reaching out to others through God's Word.

The **contact person** for the **Men's Climbs** is **Lance Hooten**. His phone number is 903-473-8788. His email address is [lhooten@hootensllc.com](mailto:lhooten@hootensllc.com). The **contact person** for the **Women's Climbs** is **Jeanne Killough**. Her phone number is 505-290-7004. Her email address is [nanajmk@yahoo.com](mailto:nanajmk@yahoo.com).

### GOD'S CONVERSATION WITH ADAM AND EVE (MODERN DAY)

To those of us who have children in our lives, whether they are our own, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or students ... here is something to make you chuckle. Whenever your children are out of control, you can take comfort from the thought that even God's omnipotence did not extend to His own children after creating heaven and earth, God created Adam and Eve. And the first thing he said was "DON'T!"

"Don't what?" Adam replied. "Don't eat the forbidden fruit." God said. "Forbidden fruit? We have forbidden fruit? Hey, Eve, We have forbidden fruit!!!!!" "No Way!" "Yes Way!" "Do NOT eat the fruit!" said God. "Why?"

"Because I am your Father and I said so!" God replied, wondering why He hadn't stopped creation after making the elephants. A few minutes later, God saw His children having an apple break and He was ticked! "Didn't I tell you not to eat the fruit?" God asked.

"Uh huh," Adam replied. "Then why did you?" said the Father. "I don't know," said Eve. "She started it!" Adam said. "Did not!" "Did too!" "DID NOT!"

Having had it with the two of them, God's punishment was that Adam and Eve should have children of their own. Thus the pattern was set and it has never changed.

### BUT THERE IS REASSURANCE IN THE STORY!

If you have persistently and lovingly tried to give children wisdom and they haven't taken it, don't be hard on yourself. If God had trouble raising children, what makes you think it would be a piece of cake for you?

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT!

1. You spend the first two years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next sixteen telling them to sit down and shut up.
2. Grandchildren are God's reward for not killing your own children.
3. Mothers of teens now know why some animals eat their young.
4. Children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn't have said.
5. The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.
6. We childproofed our homes, but they are still getting in.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

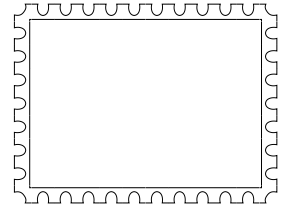
Ashlie (Ivy) Stephan - Mar. 15 (belated)

- Faith doesn't always take you out of the problem. Faith takes you through the problem. Faith doesn't always take away the pain. Faith it gives you the ability to handle the pain. Faith doesn't always take you out of the storm. Faith calms you in the midst of the storm.
- You will continue to suffer if you have an emotional reaction to everything that is said to you. True power is sitting back and observing things with logic. True power is restraint. If words control you, that means everyone else can control you. Breathe and allow things to pass.
- Rock bottom will teach you lessons that mountain tops never will. ~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.

Your good deeds might seem invisible,  
but they leave a trail that is  
imprinted on the hearts of others.

### DANCING WITH GOD

When I meditated on the word GUIDANCE, I kept seeing "dance" at the end of the word. I remember reading that doing God's will is a lot like dancing. When two people try to lead, nothing feels right. The movement doesn't flow with the music, and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky. When one person realizes that, and lets the other lead, both bodies begin to flow with the music.

One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the back or by pressing lightly in one direction or another. It's as if two become one body, moving beautifully. The dance takes surrender, willingness, and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other.

My eyes drew back to the word GUIDANCE. When I saw "G," I thought of God, followed by "u" and "i." "God, "u" and "i" dance." God, you, and I dance. As I lowered my head, I became willing to trust that I would get guidance about my life. Once again, I became willing to let God lead.

My prayer for you today is that God's blessings and mercies be upon you on this day and every day. May you abide in God as God abides in you. Dance together with God, trusting God to lead and to guide you through each season of your life.

This prayer is powerful. If God has done anything for you in your life, please share this message with someone else, for prayer is one of the best gifts we can receive. There is no cost, but a lot of rewards; so let's continue to pray for one another.

**AND I HOPE YOU DANCE!!**

### 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)  
**Vince Grippo** (a former member, badly burned in an accident, is still in the hospital, also prayers for his wife, **Lisa**)  
**Alyssa (Hill) & Nate Dalglish** (prayers for smooth pregnancy and delivery)  
**Naomi Funk**, daughter-in-law of **Reneé Funk** (cancer spread, in a lot of pain as a result)

### WHAT'S IN YOUR BAG?

We all have a bag. We all pack differently. Some of us are traveling light. Some of us are secret hoarders who've never parted with a memory in our lives.

I think we are all called to figure out how to carry our bag to the best of our ability, how to unpack it, and how to face the mess.

I think part of growing up is learning how to sit down on the floor with all your things and figuring out what to take with you and what to leave behind. ~Lauren Fortenberry