



Point church of Christ

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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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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

ORDER OF WORSHIP 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:
Song Leader:

Tom Waters
K.C. Smith

Song #96
Song #83

I Stand in Awe
God Is So Good

Song #287

There Is a Redeemer

Communion:

Brad Chastain
Matt Oualline

John Higbee
Jake Hooten

Alan Little
Lance Hooten

Song #781
Offering

Thank You Lord

Song #528
Song #810

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Listen to Our Hearts

Message:

Richard Kellam

Invitation Song #635
Song #1014

Freely, Freely
Jesus Loves Me

Closing Prayer:

Charley Stark

FIFTH SUNDAY POT LUCK LUNCH

Fifth Sunday Prayer Service at 6 pm

Wednesday Evening Worship at 7:00 pm

There is an **Adult Class** that meets in the **Auditorium**. There is also a **Ladies' Class** in the **Fellowship Area**. There are three children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is taught by **Kari Smith**. The **1st through 5th Grade Classes** is taught by **Candice West**. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 1 Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm
Feb 1 Wednesday Night Devotional & Classes, 7 pm

PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)

Tom Waters (prostate cancer)

Jackie & Jakie Pickens (several health issues)

Lisa Clark's mother-in-law, **Ellawayne Clark** is set for surgery on Jan. 30 for aortic valve replacement.

Carrie May's 3 yr. old granddaughter, **Piper** (bad bacterial infection in her eye socket)

Robert Resneder (cancer in his bronchial area)

Norma Resneder (repeat infections in her jaw, fractures)

Norma Resneder's mother, **Imogine Davis**, has heart failure and pneumonia.

Norma Resneder's brother, **Ken Arnold** had a light stroke last week and they found leakage in his heart valves.

Wayne Garner, the places where they attached his colon are NOT leaking. He is now getting a full liquid diet. He still has 4 chemo treatments to get through.

Prayers are asked for **Marvin & Tina Smith** and their 11 yr. old grandson, **Tucker Henderson**.

Craig Sisk, grandson of **Wes and Linda Rawle**, is still in critical condition in ICU and is now on dialysis. The doctors are not optimistic.

Kassie Smith has a tentative date of Feb. 2 for the surgery to remove her stimulator for her migraine.

James Woodson passed away last week.

Justin Horschig's grandmother, **Donna**, passed away last week. Justin, Nikka and McKinley have gone to Michigan to be with family there.

Ronnie Kinworthy, the husband of one of Rica's co-workers, has been told his cancer has returned.

Alan Little's lab results from his prostate surgery were good. He had clear margins so no further treatment is required.

Cleta Hooten is now in Greenville Health and Rehab, and in Room 404A.

Vivian Warren's brother-in-law, **Bob Russell**, has voice box cancer and has started radiation treatments and will also have chemo every Monday after the radiation treatments.

Linda Rawle has had upper respiratory problems the last several days and has a bad cough and lost her voice.

Kari Smith reported that **both of Kassie and KC's boys** have the flu.

Johnny Melton, neighbor of **Tom & Lana Waters**, has lung cancer and experienced breathing problems and was taken to the ER last week.

Bobby Preast's cousin passed away last week.

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
Linda Higgins, 3400 Miles Rd. apt 2006. Sachse, Tx 75048
Priscilla Martin, Brookdale Georgetown, 2600 E. University Ave, #117, Georgetown, TX 78626
Dustin Winkler, 5616 Spring Valley Rd., Apt 170, Dallas, TX 75254
Ken Hare & Reneé Funk, 1864 South Mountain Rd., Marshall, AR 72650
Jonny Knighton, 824 Churchill St., College Station, TX 77840
Knighton, Jason D. 7251 Robbins Rd., Stop #677, Moody AFB, GA 31699
Wonda Banks, 219 PR 8515, Point, TX 75472
Kenna Kellam, Cedar Ridge Apartments, 11100 E. 96th St. S., Unit #933, Tulsa, OK 74133
Rodney & Paula Britt, 6046 21st Century Dr., Charlestown, IN 47111
 (Please give Linda Rawle any changes)

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
01/01/23	114	\$4,285	\$3,000
01/08/23	95	\$3,356	\$3,000
01/15/23	96	\$3,913	\$3,000
01/22/23	100	\$4,131	\$3,000
01/29/23		\$	\$3,000

CONTRIBUTIONS

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

FEBRUARY WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The **Wednesday night** meals are served at **6:00 pm**. The **Men of the congregation** are responsible for the meals February. The next meal is **Feb. 1**.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Brian & Rachele Sherrin - Feb. 3

Johnny Knighton is on a mission trip to Neema Village in Tanzania, Africa with the Aggies for Christ Group. They will be working in an orphanage.

Please keep this group in your prayers for a safe and successful trip. They are due to be back home **February 24-26**.

Be sure to go to the Point Church of Christ Facebook Page and "Like." There is also a Point Church of Christ Updates & Events Page

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

CONGRAULATIONS TO THE NEW PARENTS

Jake & Jordyn Hooten have a new baby boy, **Layton Ray Hargis**, who was born last week. Proud Grandparents are **Scott & Rachele Hooten**, and Great-Grandparents are **Larry & Brenda Hooten**.

Carly (Hill) & Paden Overbey are the proud parents of **Hazel**, born last week in Arkansas. Proud Grandparents are **Trey & Jennifer Hill**.

WHO TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION

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

DEACONS

Dail Hooten	Lance Hooten	Larry Hooten
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COMMITTEES

Building Use and Activities Committee:

Ken Player	Robert Resneder
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Construction Committee:

Wayne Garner	Larry Hooten	Dail Hooten
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Finance Committee:

Lance Hooten	Alan Little	Mike Willis
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SEEKING A NEW PERSON FOR THE CHURCH NEWS CONNECTION

Jake Pickens is wanting to train someone else to help with doing the Church News to alert people via the internet. If you can help with this it would be greatly appreciated!

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



Funeral Food Hostesses for Jan-Feb: NEED 4 VOLUNTEERS



Correspondence Team for Jan-Feb: Monday Morning Breakfast Ladies - Visitors NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick/home bound NEED A VOLUNTEER - Encouragement

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

NEWSLETTER

Lisa Clark has graciously agreed to take over the Newsletter We have had one session for her training with another one scheduled next week.

Linda has been sick for several days so no training this week.

DEER RUN SIGN-UPS

Camp Deer Run Registration is **Feb. 5**. Please get your child's applications in early to get the week or weeks they want to attend before they are booked up.

This activity is crucial for our children to be with other children in a wonderful Christian facility with Christian Counselors, and a lot of fun activities as well.

"YOU SAY" CONFERENCE

This conference is for **7th grade through College age girls**. It has been being held in Arkansas where **Nikka Horschig** worships, but this year it will be **Feb. 10-11** in Tulsa where **Kenna Kellam** worships. They are taking registrations now on their website. Find **Rica Kellam** to get their website information so you can get registered.

If today gets difficult, remember the way sunlight bounces off a window, the sound of your favorite person's laugh, the feeling when a song you love comes on, the color of the sky at dusk, and that we are here to take of each other. ~Nanea Hoffman

A CHILD'S PRAYER

By C.M. Callan

Most are familiar with the simple prayer that so many children learned at a early age.

"Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep.

"If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take."

It seems to me that this prayer has a lot to say even in its simplicity. Without hesitation or modification, the words speak to trust in God for His ability to comfort and protect. It also speaks to God's power and majesty as it asks God for protection by saying He not only can but, will "keep my soul" while I rest. It is an admittance of our dependency and faith.

The prayer also speaks to the fragility of life and the ever present reality of death, but not in a fearful way but because something that is inevitable. It is not fearful because God is waiting for us on the other side. The one praying also can see that God has prepared a place for those who are faithful, a place where we should want to be.

One who prays this prayer from the heart is demonstrating a definite mind-set. It depicts a person that has a fixed goal in life, a goal of being in heaven with our Lord when this life is over.

The desire to go to heaven has to be the driving force we all need. When we set this as our goal and become determined to stay with it, then our actions on a daily basis will reflect our goal and show our trust in love for God. Could it be that part of our problem today is the fact that we have not taught our children this prayer, or any prayer? Would we "adults" do well to incorporate this prayer in our prayer life and mean it?

~submitted by Charley Stark

THE DANGER OF FRIENDS WHO INFLUENCE US IN NEGATIVE WAYS

Natalie was raised in a loving, Bible-believing home. When she grew up, she married a Christian and created a similar Christ-centered atmosphere in her home.

Then, in her late thirties, Natalie met Jane in her "mom's group" at church. At first Natalie was bothered by some of Jane's beliefs about God, but she soon began wondering if her own upbringing had been too narrow-minded. Perhaps Jane was right - perhaps some of Scripture was simply men expressing cultural prejudices. Jane's Christianity was attractive to Natalie because it was more culturally acceptable and she enjoyed Jane's company.

Scripture warns us about people like Jane:

"I urge you, brothers and sisters, to watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them. For such people are not serving our Lord Christ, but their own appetites. By smooth talk and flattery they deceive the minds of naive people." Romans 16:17-18

We all have unsaved friends and family members, but our close companions should be solid believers:

"Do not be misled: Bad company corrupts good character." 1 Corinthians 15:33

We must guard our hearts against the compromised teachings that often come from professing Christians (Proverbs 4:23).

Dear Christians, let's "be alert and of sober mind. Our enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8

~Bible Love Notes

FIFTH SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

We will be meeting at **6 pm next Sunday night** for our regular Prayer Service. If you have something you would like the **Elders, Decans, Minister, or the entire congregation** to pray for, please give the information to one of them prior to the service tonight.

LADIES OUTREACH MEETING

The next meeting of our new ladies outreach group is **this afternoon immediately after the Potluck Lunch**. The purpose of this group is for the more "mature" ladies to mentor the younger ladies and women of our congregation. This group is for girls in 5th grade all the way to college age, as well as the older women. Kari Smith will be demonstrating bee keeping.

AFC WEEKEND

Aggies for Christ will be here for the weekend of **February 24-26**. We will need housing for them. If you would be interested in keeping two or four or six (!) please get with Kassie Smith to let her know how many you can accommodate, and whether you would like to keep girls or guys.

Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

2023 SPRING HIGHER GROUND CLIMBS

The **Men's Climb** will be **April 13-16** at Focus Point. Pray that the men who attend will leave with a renewed attitude for God. It will begin Thursday night, April 13 at 7:00 pm and end Sunday Morning after a worship service

The **Women's Climb** will be **April 20-23** also at Focus Pointe Pray that the men who attend will leave with a renewed attitude for God.. It will begin Thursday night, April 20 at 7:00 pm and end Sunday Morning after a worship service.

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 us. He changes our relationship in the home and in the workplace. 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.

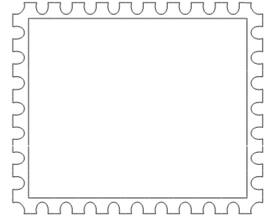
We are all in need of growth in our lives, particularly in our relationship to God. Higher Ground is intended to enhance the Christian's commitment to God, the family and the church. It is designed to encourage self-examination that will reveal needs in individuals and find inspiration to grow from the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

Higher Ground is a three-day event for "Climbers." It begins on Thursday evening at 7:00 pm and concludes on Sunday afternoon at 12:00 noon. During this time there will be many opportunities and challenges for each individual to examine themselves, to share with one another, to be encouraged by others, and to encourage others. Through times of worship, times of study, quiet times of reflection, and devotionals, each climber will find motivation and paths of spiritual growth.

Fear does not stop death. It stops life. And worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles. It takes away today's peace.



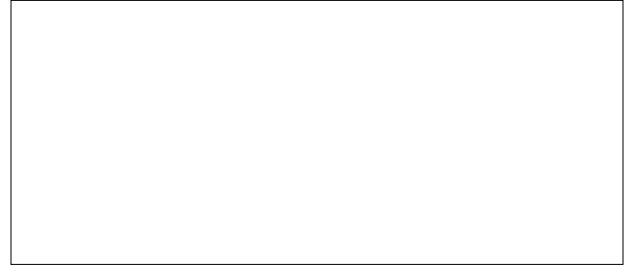
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SECURITY MEASURES

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.

Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

Charley & Brenda Stark's great-niece, **Brittany Stark** (cancer)
Brenda Stark's sister, **Tammy Krantz** (cancer, doing radiation and chemo)
Darrell Kempf's wife, **Kim Kempf** (Cancer and many other health issues)
Dianne Willis' brother-in-law, **Roger Hooten** (cancer has metastasized into both lungs) Please pray for **Roger & Shirley**, and their **family**.
Odell & Cindy Rushing's baby, **Walker** (back in the hospital until further notice)
Richard Kellam's neighbor, **Jerry Varney** (cancer)
Doug & Joan Morgan, friends of **Joey Chastain** (both have cancer)
Lacy Coker, a friend of **Randa Chastain** (colon cancer)
Linda Sustaie (chemo for breast cancer)
Kassie Smith's friend, **Justin Myers** (asked for prayers)
Kassie Smith's friend, **Adrian** (having a tough time and needs prayers)
Kassie Smith's friend, **Christian Bostick**, son of **Brian Bostick** (going to go to a GI Specialist)
Kassie Smith's friends, **Lacy & Bud Oldham** (are expecting a baby, her water broke early, staying hospitalized until 36 weeks)
McKala Baron, a friend of **Kassie Smith**, is 20 weeks pregnant and is experiencing low amniotic fluid. Her baby's name is **McCoy Baron**. They are sending her to a specialist.
Marvin Smith's mother (cirrhosis of the liver)
Nan & John Satterwhite (dealing with health issues)
JoAnn Hamil's yard man, **Derrell**, had an accident and is in the hospital.
Margie Jacobs is doing much better.

Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

Megan Higbee, daughter of **Pam Higbee**, (stomach problems)
Danny Meeks' friend, **Anthony Bradberry** (heart issue)
Matt Oualline's cousin, **Linda Barnett** is in the hospital.
David Davidson, **Pat Lawson's** brother (blood clots in his legs and some other issues)
Randa Chastain's uncle, **Eugene Edwards** (had another biopsy of his brain, results were sent to other doctors)
Reba Kempf's nephew, **Noah** (may have brain damage on the left side of his brain)
Diana Boyer has asked for prayers for her daughter, **Cassandra**, her husband, and the **Treadway family**. They are having marital problems.
Prayers are asked for **Jamie Rogers** (cancer, and one of her sons who has terminal cancer)
Butch Smith's parents, **Durwood and Clara** (are now at home)
Steve Stedham, cousin of **Danny Meeks**, was diagnosed with lung cancer. They have removed part of his lung.

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