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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

**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: Lance Hooten
Song Leader: K.C. Smith

Song #480 Blessed Assurance
Song #308 Wonderful Love of Jesus

Song #364 Come, Share the Lord

Communion:
Mark Eldridge Mike Willis Hunter Warren
Marvin Smith James West Gary Williams

Song #221 Jesus, Name Above All Names
Offering

Song #31 Be Still and Know God
Song #23 Our God, He is Alive

Message: Richard Kellam

Invitation Song #907 Hark the Gentle Voice
Song #38 Awesome God

Closing Prayer: Mark Eldridge

Third Sunday Evening Singing at 6 pm
Fellowship to Follow

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 22	Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm
Feb 22	Wednesday Night Devotional & Classes, 7 pm
Feb 24	Aggies For Christ
Mar 3	Acapella Reunion Tyler, TX

PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)

Tom Waters (prostate cancer)
Cleta Hooten (dementia)
Jackie & Jakie Pickens (several health issues)
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, **Imagine Davis** (heart failure and pneumonia)
Norma Resneder's brother, **Ken Arnold** (light stroke and leakage in his heart valves)
Wayne Garner (at home, now on a full liquid diet, 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 & Linda Rawle**, is in Carrus Health hospital in Sherman, TX. He is getting physical therapy and is being able to walk the hall some, with assistance. He hopes to be transferred to the actual Rehabilitation side of the hospital soon. He is awake and alert and was in good spirits when we visited last Tuesday. Please continue your prayers for him.
Ronnie Kinworthy (husband of one of Rica's co-workers, cancer has returned)
Vivian Warren's brother-in-law, **Bob Russell** (voice box cancer, on radiation and chemo)
Johnny Melton, neighbor of **Tom & Lana Waters** (lung cancer)
Lisa Clark's mother-in-law, **Ellawayne Clark's** surgery on for aortic valve replacement has been put on hold.
Kassie Smith, the surgery to remove her stimulator for her migraines is on hold pending insurance approval.
Debbie Ivy had surgery on her wrist last Tuesday and her first cataract surgery last Wednesday. Both went well.
Nan & John Satterwhite (dealing with health issues)
Vivienne Bellows (Higher Ground Sister) had double knee replacement surgery. Please pray for pain management and successful recovery.
Roger Hooten's chemo treatment is not working. They are working on another kind of treatment.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:

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Kris & Shea Ivy, 4102 CR 3221, Lone Oak, TX 75453
AIC Stone, Chance C., 3075 B Juniper Street SW, McCord Field, WA 98439
Emily (Hooten) & Nathan Heinrichs, 1445 N. Pecan Hill, Stephenville, TX 76401
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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
Cleta Hooten, Greenville Health and Rehab, Room 404A, 4910 Wellington Street, Greenville, TX 75401
 (Please give Linda Rawle any changes)

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
02/05/23	98	\$3,691	\$3,000
02/12/23	90	\$3,973	\$3,000
02/19/23		\$	\$3,000
02/26/23		\$	\$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 in February. The next meal is **Feb. 22**.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

John Satterwhite - Feb. 22

AFC WEEKEND

Aggies for Christ will be here for the weekend of **February 24-26**. We will need housing for them. We also need projects for them to do while they are here. If you have any needs at your home please let K.C. know.

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.

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

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

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 Feb:

Katie Preast
 Dianne Willis
 Laura Oualline
 Linda Rawle



Correspondence Team for Feb:

Monday Morning Breakfast Ladies - Visitors
NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick/home bound
 Dianne Willis - Encouragement

COUNTRY PREACHER

I remember the story about the old country preacher who had a teenage son, and it was getting time the boy should give some thought along the line of choosing a profession. Like many young men, then and now, the boy didn't really know what he wanted to do – and he didn't seem overly concerned about it.

One day, while the boy was away at school, his father decided to try an experiment. He sent into the boy's room and placed on his study table these three objects: a Bible, a silver dollar, and a bottle of whiskey ...

"Now then," the old preacher said to him self, "I'll just hide behind the door here, and when my son comes home from school this afternoon, I'll see which of these three objects he picks up. If he picks up the Bible, he's going to be a preacher like me, and what a blessing that would be? If he picks up the dollar, he's going to be a businessman, and that would be okay too. But if he picks up the bottle, he's going to be a drunkard – a no-good drunkard, and Lord, what a shame that would be."

The old man was anxious as he waited, and soon he heard his son's footsteps as he came in the house whistling and headed back to his room. He deposited his books on the bed, as a matter of routine, and as he turned around to leave the room he spotted the objects on the table. With a curious set in his eye, he walked over to inspect them. What he finally did was, he picked up the Bible and placed it under his arm. He picked up the silver dollar and dropped it into his pocket. He uncorked the bottle and took a big drink ...

"Lord have mercy," the old man whispered, "He's gonna be a politician!"

Point Ladies Civic Club Mexican Stack up Feb 25 6:00 pm at Point Community Center. Dinner will be a Mexican stack up and payment is by donation. Take outs are offered. Funds raised go to a scholarship fund for area students.

Ladies Outreach this afternoon at 3:30 pm. Ladies will meet to learn how to paint with Katie Preast. Supplies will be provided.

Acapella Reunion Tour March 3rd in Tyler, Texas. Rodney Britt will be in attendance. The church van will be taken and other vehicles as needed.

2023 SPRING HIGHER GROUND CLIMBS

The **Men's Climb** will be April 13-16 at Focus Pointe. 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 women 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.

- If you spend time praying for people instead of talking about them, you'll get better results. ~unknown
- Never forget that walking away from something unhealthy is brave, even if you stumble a little on your way out the door. ~unknown
- I am not in competition with anyone and have no desire to play the game of being better than anyone. I am simply trying to be better than the person I was yesterday. ~unknown
- Trusting God won't make the mountain smaller, but it will make the climbing easier.
- God can make the rest of your life be the best of your life. Trust Him. He has a plan for you. ~Tony Evans

WOMEN NEED EACH OTHER

Time passes.

Life happens.

Distance separates.

Children grow up.

Jobs come and go.

Love waxes and wanes.

Men don't do what they're supposed to do.

Hearts break.

Parents die.

Colleagues forget favors.

Careers end.

BUT.....

Friends are there,

no matter how much time and how many miles are between you.

A girl friend is never farther away than needing her can reach.

When you have to walk that lonesome valley and you have to walk it by yourself, the women in your life will be on the valley's rim, cheering you on, praying for you, pulling for you, intervening on your behalf, and waiting with open arms at the valley's end.

Sometimes, they will even break the rules and walk beside you...Or come in and carry you out.

Girlfriends, daughters, granddaughters, daughters-in-law, sisters, sisters-in-law, Mothers, Grandmothers, aunties, nieces, cousins, and extended family, all bless our life!

The world wouldn't be the same without women, and neither would I. When we began this adventure called womanhood, we had no idea of the incredible joys or sorrows that lay ahead. Nor did we know how much we would need each other.

Every day, we need each other still.

INTERESTING CURE-ALLS

Cure urinary tract infections with Alka-Seltzer. Just dissolve two tablets in a glass of water and drink it at the onset of the symptoms. Alka-Seltzer begins eliminating urinary tract infections almost instantly even though the product was never been advertised for this use.

Eliminate puffiness under your eyes..... All you need is a dab of preparation H, carefully rubbed into the skin, avoiding the eyes. The hemorrhoid ointment acts as a vasoconstrictor, relieving the swelling instantly.

Honey remedy for Skin Blemishes. Cover the blemish with a dab of honey and place a Band-Aid over it. Honey kills the bacteria, keeps the skin sterile, and speeds healing. Works overnight.

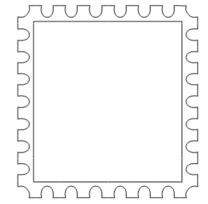
Listerine therapy for toenail fungus ... Get rid of unsightly toenail fungus by soaking your toes in Listerine mouthwash. The powerful antiseptic leaves your toenails looking healthy again.

Easy eyeglass protection ... To prevent the screws in eyeglasses from loosening, apply a small drop of Maybelline Crystal Clear nail polish to the threads of the screws before tightening them.

Coca-Cola cure for rust... Forget those expensive rust removers. Just saturate an abrasive sponge with Coca Cola and scrub the rust stain. The phosphoric acid in the coke is what gets the job done.



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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.
Richard Kellam's neighbor, **Jerry Varney** (cancer)
Doug & Joan Morgan, friends of **Joey Chastain** (cancer)
Lacy Coker, a friend of **Randa Chastain** (colon cancer)
Linda Sustaire (chemo for breast cancer)
Marvin Smith's mother (cirrhosis of the liver)
Megan Higbee, daughter of Pam Higbee
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)
Randa Chastain's uncle, **Eugene Edwards**
Diana Boyer has asked for prayers for her daughter, **Cassandra**, her husband, and the **Treadway family**.
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** (lung cancer)

THE THIMBLE

One day, when a seamstress was sewing while sitting close to a river, her thimble fell into the river. When she cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "My dear child, why are you crying?" The seamstress replied that her thimble had fallen into the water and that she needed it to help her husband in making a living for their family.

The Lord dipped His hand into the water and pulled up a golden thimble set with pearls. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. The seamstress replied, "No." The Lord again dipped into the river. He held out a silver thimble ringed with sapphires. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. Again, the seamstress replied, "No." The Lord reached down again and came up with a leather thimble. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. The seamstress replied, "Yes." The Lord was pleased with the woman's honesty and gave her all three thimbles to keep, and the seamstress went home happy.

Some years later, the seamstress was walking with her husband along the riverbank, and her husband fell into the river and disappeared under the water. When she cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked her, "Why are you crying?" "Oh Lord, my husband has fallen into the river!" The Lord went down into the water and came up with Mel Gibson. "Is this your husband?" the Lord asked. "Yes," cried the seamstress. The Lord was furious. "You lied! That is an untruth!"

The tailor replied, "Oh, forgive me, my Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I had said 'no' to Mel Gibson, you would have come up with Tom Cruise. Then if I said 'no' to him, you would have come up with my husband. Had I then said 'yes,' you would have given me all three. Lord, I'm not in the best of health and would not be able to take care of all three husbands, so THAT'S why I said 'yes' to Mel Gibson."

The moral of this story is: Whenever a woman lies, it's for a good and honorable reason, and in the best interest of others. That's our story, and we're sticking to it.