

MAKING A GREAT SECOND IMPRESSION

I'm sure you are aware that first impressions are important to our guests at Goodman Oaks. We are constantly told by our visitors that Goodman Oaks is a friendly congregation. Did you know that it is in the fifteen minutes after the worship service the most visitors will determine if they will visit a second time?

Research into this vital area has revealed three insights:

- "Friendliness of the people" is the most important thing newcomers look for.
- "Friendliness" is based on how many people talk to them.
- The most important time for "friendly talk" is immediately following the service.

It turns out that a greeting time during the service is a good place to begin the process of connecting with visitors. However, it can become a great experience if members resume their conversation with the guest following the service. It's bad if they pretend nothing ever happened.

To put his principle to the test one congregation established a simple three-minute rule. The congregation decided to be extra friendly to guests and no one could talk to anyone they knew for at least three minutes after the service! Guests were deeply impressed with this simple and powerful expression of friendliness.

Did you know that many of our guests are hesitant to wander around our facilities, even though they'd like to? So, members of friendly congregations are willing to take guests on a short tour after service. It's a low-commitment, limited-time, high-information event. The guide explains activities that take place throughout the week, and guests naturally ask questions. It's a much easier next step than, say, joining a membership class.

I am proud that you are friendly to our guests. Let me ask you to consider taking a few extra minutes of your time to extend an extra measure of grace and kindness to our visitors. Greet them during the welcome, and reconnect with them at the end of the worship service. And if ever the opportunity arises, don't hesitate to take a guest for a quick tour of our facilities.

Grace & Peace
Derek

Sunday Conference call:

To listen to our Sunday morning service live,
call 1-800-914-8405 followed by 4896244
YOU MUST MUTE YOUR PHONE

Family News & Notes

- **Joe Rodgers** is home.
- **Penny Bailey & Steve Arwood** are in Baptist DeSoto.
- **Betty Blue** is in Baptist East ICU.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

HEALTH ISSUES: Joe Albritton, Cindy Caldwell, Tim Edge, Jerry Frederick, Sonia Henry, Beverly Hutcheson, Ken Joines, Misha Kimbell, Peggy McGowen, Bill Newport, Banks Ready, Jerry Richardson, Chris Rogers, Louise Schmittou, Tonya Smith, Jamie Vorhof, Helen Weathers, Eddie & Margaret Whalen, Lula Whittle, Jane Winstead.

REHAB: Richard Fraley, Joe Rodgers

HOSPICE CARE: Katie Culley, Ann Estes

SHUT-INS: Ann Estes, Valeria Canada, Robert Coleman, Maxine Drewery, Lorene Edge, Evelyn Fowler, Sallye Giles, Irmagene Hall, Margaret Jones, Jackie Lorensen, Dot McEwen, Billy & Betty Moore, Dorinda Murphy.

SYMPATHY

Goodman Oaks would like to extend our sympathy to **Steve and Kathy Arwood** at the passing of Steve's mother, Linda Arwood.

SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for Emma McKean, bride elect of **Alex Williams, Sunday, May 7, from 3:00PM until 4:30PM.** She is registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.



...He Came



...He Died



...He Arose



...He Ascended



...He's Coming Back

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION MINISTRY

Basic Training will not worship **Tonight**, at the Tunica Church of Christ. We will reschedule at a later date.

NURSERY WORKERS

April 23

10:00 (0-24 mos) Maranda Bunker,
Hollie Phillips
(2 years) Jean Kuykendall, Mason Branning
5:00PM: Pat Hasler, Debbie Herring

April 30

10:00 (0-24 mos) Heather Cuevas,
Kimberly King, Karen Kopf
(2 years) Mason Branning, Amanda Denton

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

April 30 is a **5th Sunday**. We will have a fellowship meal after the morning worship. The menu is ham, corn, green beans, and rolls. We ask our members to bring **salads and desserts**.

As you know we also set aside the contribution from our 5th Sunday to meet needs that are not in our annual budget. Goodman Oaks is blessed to have our facility paid off. This allows us to use a large portion of our contribution to do works of mercy and missions around the world, and around the county.

We use our facility as a tool to accommodate worship that is centered on God and edifying to each other. We use our facility to host our wonderful education programs and to host programs from the *Encouragers*, to *WBS*, to *Thursday School*. And numerous other ministries that are simply too many to mention.

The proceeds of this 5th Sunday's collection will be used to begin the much needed process of remodeling some of the classrooms and recarpeting the classrooms and hallways. May the Lord continue to bless you for your spirit of service and support.

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

If you plan to go to Sardis Lake Christian Camp this year, please sign up as quickly as possible. That helps us in planning for camp. The dates are **May 28 through June 3**. Scholarships are available. If you need one please see **Jared** or **Alan**. Go to www.sardislakechristiancamp.org to sign up.

EL SALVADOR YARD SALE

The annual El Salvador yard sale will be **Saturday, May 6**. Donations may be dropped off in room 20 and labeled **ESYS**. Please contact **Nick Eddlemon** for pick-ups.

YOUTH NEWS

TEEN GROUPS

Teen Groups will meet immediately following **morning Services today**. We will end at **2:30PM**.

GRAND ISLAND MISSION TRIP

If you would like to go to Grand Island this summer, please let Jared know by **Sunday, May 7**. The dates for this year's trip will be **June 20-June 26**.

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are honored with your presence and your willingness to join us in worshipping God today. An attended nursery for 0-24 months is available in the foyer and 2 year olds meet in room 5. Children ages 3-5 will be dismissed after the Lord's Supper for Children's Church. Hearing assistance is available at the sound booth.

If you are a member of the Church of Christ and are looking for a place to worship and serve, please consider placing yourself under the oversight of our shepherds and becoming part of our family in serving the Lord.

If you are not a member of a church and would like to learn more about the Church of Christ, we would be honored to answer any questions you may have. Please fill out an ivory visitor's card and drop it in the offering plate. If you would be interested in a home Bible study please call Derek McNamara at 662-349-3600.

MEETING TIMES

Sunday:

Bible Class 9:00AM
Morning Assembly 10:00AM
Evening Assembly 5:00PM

Wednesday:

Bible Class 7:00PM

MINISTERS

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Today's Sermon by Dr. Derek McNamara

THE BLESSING 1 PETER 1:10-12

THE WEEKLY RECORD

Contributions:	
Sunday Offering	\$ 18,761
Weekly Budget	\$ 22,900
Attendance:	
Bible Class	340
Morning Assembly	653
Midweek Class	199

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 23, 2017

Singing - Todd Cottrell/Luke McNamara

"Shine, Jesus Shine"

Welcome - Dr. Derek McNamara

895 "I'll Live In Glory"

Prayer - Caleb McMillen

287 "There Is A Redeemer"

The Lord's Supper and Offering

Jim Craddock

490 "It Is Well With My Soul"

226 "Come, Thou Fount Of Blessing"

"Ancient Words"

Message - Dr. Derek McNamara

THE BLESSING

1 PETER 1:10-12

Invitation Song:

538 "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"

Shepherd's Prayer - Tim Mobley

Him we proclaim,
warning everyone and teaching everyone
with all wisdom, that we may present
everyone mature in Christ.

~Colossians 1:28



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SHEPHERDS

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