



# Hoover Church of Christ

*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

*Matthew 6:21*

October 15, 2023

## Lads to Leaders is Here!

We are excited about our upcoming year in the Lads to Leaders program here at Hoover. We had a wonderful kick-off meeting recently, and we are ready to get to work. We are thrilled that many of our youth will be involved in so many different events this year. This wonderful program helps to train our young people to be leaders in the Lord's church. Be looking for a Lads workshop schedule on Sunday afternoons beginning in November. Our Bible Bowl students will enjoy studying the book of Romans, with a special study time on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm during the months of December, January, and February. An area that we will be expanding this year is "Art Says It." James Kemp has offered his expertise and leadership in this event. Below is a message from him. It's going to be a great year.

—Kyle Wadley

## Art Says It

The Lads To Leaders Program trains and develops youth into Christian leaders via a variety of programs. The Art Says It program offers our youth the opportunity to use their talents, skills, and artistic abilities to communicate a biblical message related to the convention theme, "I Am Not Ashamed" (Romans 1:16).

I asked Kyle if our L2L might implement a dedicated Art Says It program, and he approved. The Elders graciously provided room 10 for the Art Says It workspace. We're ready to start the program. We had a great September kick-off meeting and initial sign-up for Art Says It. We have plenty of room for more participants.

Pre-K through second grade and Bartimaeus participants contribute in non-competitive (display) only. Participants in 3rd grade through 12th grade compete in designated categories: drawing/sketching, painting, photography, poster (grades 3-6), and bulletin board.

How can you help? Parents, tell your children about the program and encourage them to participate! I'm available to answer any questions. Everyone: First, we need mentors to assist the program participants, especially painting, drawing, poster making and bulletin boards. Second, if anyone has any art supplies (easels, drawing boards, sketching pads, drawing supplies, paints, etc.) that would be willing to donate, we'd appreciate your generosity. Please see me with any questions about the program. Most important, please keep our program in your prayers!

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### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

9:00 a.m. Bible Class

10:00 a.m. Worship

5:00 p.m. Worship

#### Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

### ELDERS

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## Worship Assignments

**Elder to Contact in October for Needs:**  
Harold Rhodes

### Sunday AM and PM

**Greeters: Front Lobby:** Bill Laughmiller

**Handicap Lobby:** Nancy Griner

**Back Lobby:** Paul & Karen Kirby

**Usher, AM:** Jim Petruzella

**Nursery:** Tiffany McKeown

**Call to Worship:** Chuck Webster

**Scripture Reading:** Shawn Troughton

**Singing:**

**AM:** Kyle Wadley

**PM:** Matthew Cicero

**Opening Prayer:**

**AM:** Jerry Culbertson

**PM:** Ben Vick

**AM Sermon:** Chuck Webster

**Communion:** Steve Cotney

**Announcements:** Jimmy Lyles

**Closing Prayer:**

**AM:** RJ Arnold

**PM:** Campbell Vick

**Audio/Cameras:** Rick Williams

**Alternate:** Will Spurlin

**Video:** Caleb Henry

**Security:** Mike Clelland

**Alternate:** Steven Gaither

### Bible Reading Plan for October-22

**Sunday, October 15:** Mark 4-5

**Monday, October 16:** Matthew 10

**Tuesday, October 17:** Matthew 14;  
Mark 6; Luke 9

**Wednesday, October 18:** John 6

**Thursday, October 19:** Matthew 15;  
Mark 7

**Friday, October 20:** Matthew 16; Mark 8

**Saturday, October 21:** Matthew 17;  
Mark 9

**Sunday, October 22:** Matthew 18



## Today

**Join us for Common Grounds Fellowship** every Sunday morning from 8:15-8:45am in the main lobby. Donuts and coffee are served.

**Visitors**, welcome to our worship service this morning—we're glad you're here. Please fill out a visitor's card that is located in the pew. We would like to know where you're visiting from.

**Our Adult Education Classes:** **Chuck Webster** is teaching in the auditorium, and his class is called: **"A Faith that Works: A Study of the Book of James."** **Rick Williams** and **Jason McKeown** are teaching in the Library, and their class is on **"Suffering."**

We will have a **worship service at the AHEPA 3 Apartments** today at 3:30pm.

**We will meet in the auditorium at 5:00pm for a class.**

## News and Events

**Congratulations to Carter Williams** on his decision to be baptized into Christ!

**The Young at Heart** will be meeting in the fellowship hall on Friday, October 20, at 5:30pm for their monthly **Game Night and Birthday Celebration**. The menu is potluck, so bring your favorite! **Paul and Anita Williams** are hosting this event.

**There will be a Baby Shower for Abbie Schofield** on Sunday, October 22, at 2:00pm. She is registered at [www.babylist.com/list/baby-abbie-schofield](http://www.babylist.com/list/baby-abbie-schofield).

**Our Fall Festival is Friday, October 27, from 6:00-8:00pm in the back parking lot.** Lots of help is needed in planning and setting up the event, so please contact **Daniel** (205-441-3656) or **Lauren Warren** (205-422-6688) to let them know you want to help.

**The Tuesday Ladies' Bible Class** meets weekly in the senior high classroom at 1:30pm. **Leah Covington, Denia Petruzella, and Jamie Powell** are teaching the class, and their theme this year is ***How to Study the Bible***.

## News and Events cont.

**Leadership Class:** All elders, deacons, ministers, and ministry leaders are asked to be part of our leadership class. We meet in the Library on the first Wednesday night of each month from October until June. Please pray for this class.

**Our GriefShare Ministry** will begin on Saturday, November 4, from 10:00am-12:00pm. The weekly sessions will run through January 27.

**Walk4Water (Nov 5):** We're excited once again to be partnering with Healing Hands International to have a Walk4Water in the Birmingham area. We're joining the Palsades, Ashville Road, and Decatur Highway churches on Sunday, November 5, from 2:00-4:00 to raise awareness of the desperate need for clean drinking water in many places across the globe. We'll also give everyone an opportunity to contribute toward a clean water well. Please go ahead and mark your calendars and plan to join us that afternoon.

**The Art of Soul Winning:** Text Jeff Melton at 205-427-3857 with an "S" for Soul Winning Team or an "R" for Retention Team. Please include your name in the text.

### Happy Anniversary

Steve and Joy Martin	October 20
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### Happy Birthday

Abbie Richey	October 15
Sylvia Huffman	October 15
Adelaide McKeown	October 15
Walter Beard	October 18
Donna Dearien	October 21
Mary Thomas	October 21

### Youth

—**Friday-Sunday, October 13-15:** Final Fall Fling at Backwoods Christian Camp  
—**Sunday, October 15:** Area-wide Devotional at the Riverchase CoC, 4:45-7:15pm  
—**Wednesday, October 18:** Iron Sharpening Iron, 5:30-7:00pm  
—**Wednesday, October 25:** F.A.M. Groups  
—**Friday, October 27:** Fall Festival, 6:00-8:00pm  
—**Sunday, October 29:** Bonfire and Devotional at the Warrens' home

### Carelines

**Chad Elmore**, Suzanne Clelland's friend's brother, has been hospitalized with pneumonia.

**Anita Wadley**, Kyle Wadley's mom, broke her hip this week and had surgery. She is in a lot of pain—please pray for her comfort and healing.

**Darren Brooks**, Bob and Joy Brooks' son, had a CT Scan and the results were not favorable. Next week, he'll start back on the original chemo that he first began with.

Joel Abbott's medical assistant, Jasmine Burroughs, requests prayer for her brother, **Justin Traylor**. He has a history of heart disease and is being evaluated for heart surgery.

**Please pray for Sean and Anita Hochdorf.** Anita was diagnosed at UAB with ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease).

**Linda Graham** is recovering from surgery and is doing well.

**Jim Garnett**, a former member of Hoover, is recovering from a stroke.

**Milton Stover**, Paul and Karen Kirby's friend, has been diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma. He lives in Huntland, TN.

**Bill and Shannon McQuillan**, Tom McQuillan's brother and sister-in-law, lost everything in their house fire on September 7, in Santa Rosa Beach, FL. There is a GoFundMe account set up for them, and you can ask Tom or Sherri for details. Anything you can do is greatly appreciated as they need toiletries, clothing, shoes, and money for food so they do not have to worry about cooking.

**Remember our shut-ins:** Sylvia Huffman, Lynne Nichols, Dennis and Nancy Williams, and Joyce Baker.

**Remember our church family:** Mike Creely, Giana Kidwell, Dick Smith, Jeanne Anderson, and Gail Powell.

**Remember our families and friends:** Eddie Williams (Leah Covington's stepdad), Doug and Cathy Abbott (Joel Abbott's parents), Jane Spivey (Rex Anderson's sister), Joy Jones (Jennifer Dalton's mom), and Richard Lawson (Alyssa Long's dad).

### Love Your Children

Older women are challenged to teach younger women to love their children (Titus 2:4-5). Fathers share this responsibility, too (Ephesians 6:4). Like sculptors, parents carve and chisel little hearts into Masterpieces—a wonderful privilege but an awesome responsibility. "Children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them" (Psalms 127:3-5). **Love them enough to . . .**

**Be good examples for them.** What parents do should be worthy of imitation. Many parents fall into the category of "do as I say and not do as I do" (cf. Matthew 23:3). Abraham commanded his children after him (Genesis 18:19). Joshua lived for the Lord and led his family to do so (Joshua 24:15). God chose a godly couple as earthly parents of Jesus (Matthew 1; Luke 2). Zacharias and Elizabeth walked in all the Lord's commands blamelessly before John was born (Luke 1:6). The faith that Timothy has was first in his grandmother and mother (2 Timothy 1:5).

**Teach them.** Teach God's words diligently to children—talk of them constantly (Deuteronomy 6:7; 31; 12-13). **Train children** (Proverbs 22:6). Bring them up in the Lord's nurture and admonition (Ephesians 6:4). When he was a child, Timothy was instructed in Scripture (2 Timothy 3:14-15). It is our responsibility to teach them about the Lord, the one church, purity, heaven, and faith in the Bible. Do not hope someone else will.

**Discipline them.** He that loves, chastens (Revelation 3:19); he that spares the rod hates his son (Proverbs 13:24). God chastens those He loves (Hebrews 12:6). Good fathers correct children, creating respect for parents (Hebrews 12:9). Discipline brings the peaceable fruit of righteousness (Hebrews 12:11). Parents should be united and consistent in discipline.

**Allow them to leave the "nest" at the appropriate time.** Children must leave father and mother and cleave to their mates (Genesis 2; Matthew 19; Ephesians 5). To fail to allow this causes a bundle of problems. Children must always honor parents but must give more allegiance to mates. Allow children to have great families, to become mature Christians, to be wonderful citizens and servants of God and others. Parents are so blessed.  
—Vance Hutton

### Attendance and Offering October 8, 2023

**Attendance:**

**Bible Study:** 172

**AM Worship:** 204

**PM Worship:** 98

**Wednesday:** 162

**Contribution:** \$19,908.92

**Weekly Budget:** \$14,280.00

**Weekly Average:** \$15,084.91

**Contribution to Date:** \$618,481.26

### Hoover Supported Works

- *Childhaven, Cullman, AL*
- *Rainbow Omega, Eastaboga, AL*
- *Churches of Christ Disaster Relief*
- *Cy Walker, Guyana*
- *Clothing Closet*
- *Food Pantry*
- *Guyana*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*

### Mission Trips

- *Guyana*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*
- *Peru*

### Oversight

- *Christ Happy Childhaven, Philippines*
- *Tanzania Missions*

### Philippians 1:18

"What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice."

**Parenting with a Purpose  
(Deuteronomy 6:1-9)**

The Lord is \_\_\_\_\_.

Love the Lord with all your \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ his words in your heart.

Keep his \_\_\_\_\_.

**New GriefShare Class Starting Soon!**

We're beginning a new GriefShare class on Saturday, November 4. It will be each Saturday from 10am-noon and will go through January 27. Any of our members who have struggled with loss are invited to participate. If you have friends who might benefit, please let them know about this class as well.

So many people in the world have experienced significant losses in their lives, so we're thankful to be able to offer this GriefShare Ministry. It is organized around a thirteen-week small-group program where participants meet together for around two hours each week and watch professionally-designed videos featuring professional grief counselors and also people who are grieving. These presentations are coupled with discussions that are designed to internalize what participants learn in the videos. If you think this ministry might help you process your loss, please reach out to Harold Rhodes for more information, or you can visit <https://www.griefshare.org/>.

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