



November 2010

Mike's Article

It is a widely accepted historical fact that the legendary Sam Houston made a profession of faith toward the end of his life in 1845. There is a wonderful apocryphal story about his baptism in the Brazos River by the Rev. Rufus C. Burleson, pastor of the Independence Baptist Church in Washington County, Texas. The story is that when it came time for the baptism Sam Houston waded into the water fully dressed in his Sunday clothes. The Reverend asked, "Wouldn't you like to change into some old clothes and protect your purse and watch?" Mr. Houston replied, "If I'm going to do this, you might as well baptize all of me including my time and money."

Martin Luther once said that every Christian goes through three conversions in life—first the heart, then the head, and finally the purse. Actually, for God to be first in the lives of Christians, all three are necessary. Yet, it is true that the last conversion is usually the purse. Making a pledge to the church is a risk in faith but it also reflects the place of God in our lives. We are fond of saying that we live in uncertain times. But people have always lived in uncertain times. The church itself was born into a highly conflicted and violent world. In our own country, challenges such as the birth of a nation, civil war, two world wars, a great depression, and the Vietnam War were confronted and the Church of Jesus Christ not only survived but grew stronger. All of us have our crosses to bear both individually and collectively. Indeed one of the greatest challenges the church struggles with today is the lack of church attendance. Professor Lovett H. Weems Jr. who knows a great deal about church attendance writes, "In the 21st century mainline churches will face perhaps their greatest challenge since they faced the American frontier of the 19th century." We cannot control the onslaught of challenges but we can choose how we will respond.

You will be receiving a stewardship packet, prepared by the leadership of the church, which contains information about the ministry and mission of Woodhaven Presbyterian Church. I pray that you will give prayerful consideration to making a financial pledge toward the current and future ministry of this church as a visible statement of faith in the God who leads us into the future. I don't know if the purported statement by Sam Houston is an historical fact but it is certainly good theology. "You might as well baptize all of me, including my time and money."

Michael Thompson

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NOVEMBER



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Beth Cavazos
Worship
Tom Chasser
Personnel
David Ouzts
Property
Hallie Spence
Christian Education
Linda Batot
COE

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Congregational Care-Co-Chair
Gwen Buhmann
Stewardship
Charles Schmidt
Finance
Ernie Barry
Finance
Janet Walker
Congregational Care-Co-Chair

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Heather Martin-Allen
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James Kinder
Fellowship
Nancy Reed
Stewardship
Jean Rutledge
Community Outreach & Evangelism
Charles Sullivan
Christian Education
Alan Sullivan
Youth Council



Thanksgiving

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

The church will furnish the meal and pumpkin pie.

Bring you favorite dessert to share.

Where: Hancock Hall

When: Thursday, November 18, 2010

Time: Serving from 6pm—7pm “ish”

Please let us know if you are planning on coming by contacting James Kinder at 214-815-8115 or email jimkinder @verizon.net



*Simple
Elegance*

Join Us for Woodhaven's First Annual Simple Elegance *A Celebration of the Season*

Thursday, December 2, 2010
7:30 p.m. in Hancock Hall

Come and enjoy a candlelit wonderland of decorated tabletops and desserts, all provided by women of the church. You will have time to tour and appreciate the variety of family treasures and imagination on display at each table, and then be seated for a delicious serving of your table hostess' special dessert.

Tickets are \$10 each, available from a table hostess.

Seating is limited, so act now!
For more information, call
Carol Wortham 972-570-1499or
Janet Walker 972-579-0315

Thank you

To our Dear Church Family
Thanks to each and every one of you for all of the Love and Support you have shown us in our loss. Thank you for the prayers and card. There were so many. It is difficult to lost a brother. Especially when he was my twin.

You are all in our thoughts and prayers.
May the Love of God and the Peace of Christ be with you.
Norman & Melodi Rozell

YOW in November



November 7: Exploring the Value of Food 5-8

November 12 – 14 Junior High: Youth quake

November 14 Senior High: How to surgically attach your cell phone to your hand 6-8

November 21: Fall Youth Worship Celebration
at Trinity Presbyterian Church in McKinney
meet at Woodhaven @ 2:15PM

November 24: Stew Pot 10:30-2:30

November 28: Thanksgiving **No YOW!**

Any questions please call James Kinder 214-815-8115



*You are invited to the
Children's Choir presentation of*

*Radio J-O-Y:
Where the Best Songs are Songs about Christmas*

*On Sunday, December 19th @ 5:00pm
In the Sanctuary*

*Come help us celebrate the season with joyful music!
Join us in Hancock Hall for a reception after the musical.*

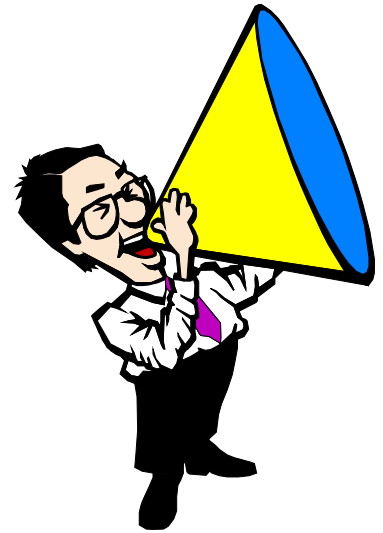
WOODHAVEN'S GIANT CHURCH-WIDE GARAGE SALE

TWO DAYS
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
FEB 11 & 12, 2011
HANCOCK HALL

MARK THE DATE!!

SAVE YOUR ITEMS TO DONATE!
(Don't throw away a thing!)

VOLUNTEER TO HELP



(Sign up sheets will be available in December)

As we have done for our two previous pastors, proceeds will be used to pay for the relocation expenses to bring our new minister and family to Woodhaven!

Garage sale coordinators
CAROL KLEIN & JEN STEPHENS
those "Discard Darlings!"

Watch for more details coming soon!

For more information call: Carol at 972-910-8803 or Jen at 972-790-8381

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Activities

The PNC has 2 requests:

1. Please feel free to question any of the committee members listed below in the following overview.
2. Pray for the committee that we will listen to God who leads us in this search for the pastor who is being called by Woodhaven to continue His work.

PNC Members include: Charles Beach, Katie Castillo, Cesar Cavazos, Peggy Duvall, Jenna Ford (Chair), Dan Klein (Clerk), and Nancy Reed

Step I– Committee Organization

Step II-PNC Prepares the Church Information form (CIF) (CIF form posted on the church website)

Step III-Receipt of the Personal Information forms (PIF)

Step IV– Interviewing Approved Candidate (s)

Step V-Final Candidate

Step VI-Negotiation of Term of Call

This is a summarized version if you want the complete summary it is available in the church office.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Blue Christmas Service

For many of us, Christmas is a bittersweet time of year. It is a time for remembering people and events that have been a part of our lives in the past, but in time the events and people are now changed or gone.

The Blue Christmas service is comforting even for those people who have not lost a loved one or otherwise gone through some type of trauma. Many people appreciate a quiet, meditative worship service that makes time for remembering, sharing our hurting places with God, and preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ. Hosted by our Woodhaven Stephen Ministry.

Workshop: Handling a Oh! No! Christmas!

Date: December 5th

Place: Hancock Hall

Time: 6:15-7:15PM

Presenter: Rev. Mary Stewart Hall

Manager of Chaplaincy Services

Charlton Methodist Hospital

Service: The True Spirit of Christmas

Date: December 5th

Place: Woodhaven Sanctuary

Time: 7:30PM

Presenter: Rev. Michael Thompson

Please plan to attend one or both services on December 5, 2010.

Adult Sunday School Offerings November 2010

Short Attention Span Class:

Studying: Brian McLaren's *A New Kind of Christian*

Led by: Rob Allen

Meets in Hancock Hall

Bible Study Class:

Studying: the life of Paul

Led by: John Blount

Meets in the Handbell Room

Spirit Seekers Class:

Studying: *The Will of God as a Way of Life:*

How to Make Every Decision with Peace & Confidence by

Jerry Sittser

Led by: Charles Schmidt

Meets in the CE Building

Small Group Class:

Studying: the Book of Matthew

Led by: Bonnie Moseley

Woodhaven Presbyterian Church
25th Silver Anniversary Arts and Crafts Spectacular - October 2, 2010
 expense / income by groups

event	expenses	income	Net gain
vendor fees	\$2,684.37	\$3,675.50	\$991.13
bake sale	\$0.00	\$1,387.60	\$1,387.60
food sales	\$461.15	\$3,065.11	\$2,603.96
silent auction, raffle, watch sales	\$1,293.50	\$9,103.50	\$7,810.00
face painting	\$0.00	\$67.00	\$67.00
sub totals	<u>\$4,439.02</u>	<u>\$17,298.71</u>	

2010 event profit \$12,859.69

Well it's over. And talk about the fantastic weather. The only then annoying about the Big Day was the losing efforts of a certain collegiate football team in Fair Park....did you get a chance to see the Children's Choir or The Silvertones sing? What a taste of the wonderful cobblers offered by the Scout Troop in the afternoon. And The H.A.R.T. folks were successful in getting some of the animals they brought out adopted as well.

In the tally figures note one big factor of success. Minimal expenses for the Raffle, Silent Auction, Drink Sales or Bake Sales! What a difference that makes. And did you figure out how many of the watches were sold, over \$1457 worth! Many thanks go to the un-sung heroes who make these events great while keeping expenses out of the equation. Food sales expenses are for the wonderful tasting briskets, hot dogs and sausages, chips, buns, sauces, turkey legs, etc. Each year the vendor's fees offset the necessary event charges for rental tables, chairs, storage truck and bounce house, vendor badges and packets, babysitting, janitorial help and audio rental.

Most of the vendors reported a good day of sales; all express the joy of participating at THIS EVENT due to each of you. The community spirit of friendship and assistance the vendors received by both members and Scouts is something special and unique that is our church's true trademark. And that alone will cause them to be back again next year for a day at that friendly Presbyterian Church on O'Connor in Irving.

Congratulations to you for a job 'Well Done'.

And now, about the 26th Annual Arts and Crafts Spectacular on October 1st 2011.....

The Craft Fair Silent Auction Committee would like to say thank you to each and everyone at Woodhaven that donated items, helped get donations from area businesses or worked at the silent auction on Friday and Saturday. With all your help this silent auction was very successful. It was great team work. THANK YOU!



Gwen Buhmann, Janet Walker, Carol Klein, Jen Stephens, Courtney Komlosi,
 McKenna Marx, Dena Owens, and Becky Hugman

"Sweets for the Sweets" and all the folks that made The Bake Sale successful a **big thank you!!** Carol W, Nancy R & Nancy J

THANKSGIVING NAME CARDS

When you set your table this Thanksgiving, use these homemade name cards with a special message for each guest.

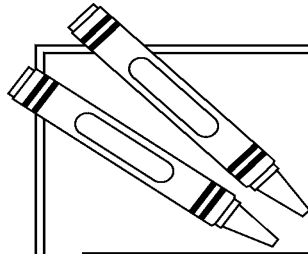
What you need:

- Index cards, any size (one per person)
- Markers
- Fall stickers (optional)
- Fall foam shapes (optional)

What you do:

1. List everyone who will be at your Thanksgiving dinner.
2. Fold each index card in half so it can stand.
3. On one side of each card, write a person's name.
4. Decorate around each name with markers, stickers or foam shapes.
5. On the blank side of each card, write a different Bible verse about blessings or giving thanks. Suggestions include 1 Chronicles 16:34; 1 Chronicles 29:13; Psalm 107:8; Psalm 118:21, 28; or 1 Thessalonians 5:18.
6. Another idea is to write one or more words from one verse on each person's card (depending on the number of guests and words). You can write the verse in order and have people read around the table, or you can mix up the words so guests have to put them in the correct order. (Remember to list the Scripture reference.)

Kid's Page



Just for **KIDS**

Multiply your thanks

We have so many reasons to give thanks to God. When we take time to count our blessings, we realize they just keep multiplying and adding up.

Use your multiplication or addition skills to answer each equation. Then use the word key below to write out Psalm 100:4 (NIV).

WORD KEY

22= him 16= courts 4=gates 24=name 9=praise 8=and 2=to
12= his 18= give 6= with 10= Enter 20= thanks 15= thanksgiving

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$$\frac{\quad}{5 \times 2 \text{ or } 5 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{12 \times 1 \text{ or } 7 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{2 \times 2 \text{ or } 3 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{6 \times 1 \text{ or } 5 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 5 \text{ or } 5 + 5 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{4 \times 2 \text{ or } 6 + 2}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2 \text{ or } 6 + 6}$$

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$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 2 \text{ or } 3 + 3}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 3 \text{ or } 3 + 3 + 3}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{9 \times 2 \text{ or } 9 + 9}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{10 \times 2 \text{ or } 10 + 10}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{1 \times 2 \text{ or } 1 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{11 \times 2 \text{ or } 16 + 6}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{8 \times 1 \text{ or } 3 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{9 \times 1 \text{ or } 5 + 4}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 4 \text{ or } 4 + 4 + 4}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{8 \times 3 \text{ or } 8 + 8 + 8}$$

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Answer: "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name." (Psalm 100:4, NIV)



November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 8:00 AM The Big Meal and 50th Celebration (set-up beginning @ 8 am) 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM 50th Celebration Lunch 5:00 PM YOW (Youth of Woodhaven) Middle School 6:00 PM YOW(Youth of Woodhaven) High School	1	2 General Election Polling Place-Parlor 6:45 PM TEAM Meetings 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #508 Meeting in Hancock Hall	3 5:30 PM Chapel Chimers (Handbell Room) 6:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 6:00 PM Children's Choir (Trinity Theater) 7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	4	5	6
7 5:00 PM YOW (Youth of Woodhaven) Middle School 6:00 PM YOW(Youth of Woodhaven) High School	8 6:30 PM Girl Scouts Hancock Hall 6:30 PM Stephen Minister Supervision - Handbell Room	9 10:00 AM Christ Care Bible Study 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #508 Meeting in Hancock Hall	10 5:30 PM Chapel Chimers (Handbell Room) 6:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 6:00 PM Children's Choir (Trinity Theater) 7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	11	12 7:00 PM Game Night	13 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast in Hancock Hall
14 11:30 AM CC-Committee Meeting 11:30 AM COE Committee Meeting 1:00 PM Set up for Boy scout ceremony 5:00 PM Boy Scout Ceremony 5:00 PM YOW (Youth of Woodhaven) Middle School 6:00 PM YOW(Youth of Woodhaven) High School	15 SESSION MINUTES DUE TODAY! 2:30 PM Hanover Stockyards Investment Club in Handbell Room	16 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #508 Meeting in Hancock Hall	17 SESSION MINUTES DUE TODAY! 5:30 PM Chapel Chimers (Handbell Room) 6:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 6:00 PM Children's Choir (Trinity Theater) 7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	18 6:00 PM Thanksgiving Dinner	19 6:30 AM Sanctuary open for time of prayer and reflection	20 9:30 AM Women of Woodhaven
21 5:00 PM YOW (Youth of Woodhaven) Middle School 6:00 PM SESSION @ 6 PM! 6:00 PM YOW(Youth of Woodhaven) High School	22 6:30 PM Girl Scouts-Hancock Hall 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training in Handbell Room	23 10:00 AM Christ Care Mission Work & Lunch 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #508 Meeting in Hancock Hall	24 10:45 AM Stew Pot 6:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	25	26	27
28 5:00 PM YOW (Youth of Woodhaven) Middle School 6:00 PM YOW(Youth of Woodhaven) High School	29	30 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #508 Meeting in Hancock Hall	1 5:30 PM Chapel Chimers (Handbell Room) 6:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 6:00 PM Children's Choir (Trinity Theater) 7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	2 3:30 PM Set up for Simple Elegance 7:30 PM Simple Elegance: Celebrating the Joy Of Christmas	3	4



Celebrating a



November Birthdays

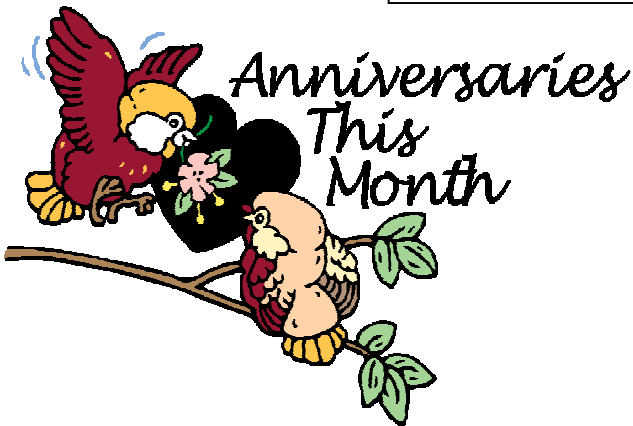
DEAN, Marcy	11/04
LEE, Alex	11/05
STOCKSDALE, Thomas T.	11/05
HAHN, Rachel	11/06
WADSWORTH, Mary Louise	11/06
FAUST, Cynthia	11/07
LARMON, Paul	11/07
HUDSON, Alex	11/09
KLEIN, Daniel	11/09
COLLINS, Owen	11/12
REESE, Pat	11/12
CHEN (DJAJA), Irene	11/14
NELMS, Eddie	11/14
WILLIAMS, Noelle	11/14
JEFFERY, Jerry	11/15
MARX, McKenna	11/16
GARTMAN, Michael	11/17
NELMS, Mollie	11/17
SWAIM, Gary	11/17
ACKERMAN, Joan	11/19
POOLE, Gloria	11/19
SCHLARB, Steve	11/19
NEFF, Billie	11/20
KINDER, James	11/21
DURHAM, Bob	11/22
HILL, Iris	11/22
REBORA, Ashley	11/22
PREMPEH, Nancy	11/26
CAMPBELL, Norma	11/27
HUDSON, Dusty	11/27
HUDSON, Rusty	11/27
PAUL, Ellen	11/27
BOCK, Dick	11/28
TREFNY, Elizabeth	11/30
WILLIAMS, Ethan	11/30

Prayers For Our Family

Gene Dickey
 Rocco Christopher Candiello
 Todd Duvall
 Duane Dyer
 DeAnn Hausinger
 Paul Gonzales
 Arnie Jellison
 Wylie & Stephanie Langford
 Paul Larmon
 Christine Lyman
 Jerry McCullough
 Marilyn Ratliff Portis
 Bob & Mary Ralph
 Melissa Ressler
 (formerly Johnson)
 Joseph Ressler
 Deborah Ripley
 Beth Wells
 Annabelle Wells
 Michelle Williams

Prayers for Armed Forces Families

Michael Aube
 Kelly Dale Clark
 Casey Durham
 Jesse Estrada
 Rhoden Galloway
 Bill Holder
 Sam Jungman
 Thomas Larmon
 Christopher Lee
 Ricki Lewis
 Tommy Milligan
 Kris Mizel
 John Swartz
 Tim Thompson
 Paul Vanderwater
 James Youncofski



November Anniversaries

LORD, Jim & Pat 11/10
 WILSON, Mike & Christy 11/11

Woodhaven Book Club 2010

The Woodhaven Book Club invites you to join us! Our discussions are on the dates noted below, **from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., in Hancock Parlor**. These books are available through “Book Gab to Go” at the Irving Public Library. Ten books are provided as well as a bibliography of the author and questions for the discussion. For the past two years, members have enjoyed the discussions even if they didn’t like the book; we have laughed and cried. Come join us! You’ll be glad you did! For information, contact Ann Ouzts at 972.910.9109 or dmouzts@tx.rr.com.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Book and Author</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
Nov. 8:	The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy	Helen Good/Mary Klinetobe
December:	No book discussion	

Women of Woodhaven Breakfast



Women of Woodhaven (WOW)

Saturday, November 20, 2010 9:00 A.M.

Monthly Moderator is **Carol Wortham!**
Contact Carol for more information.

Topic: “Gratefulness” – poetry, hymnal lyrics, and
medical research

Bring a breakfast item to share.

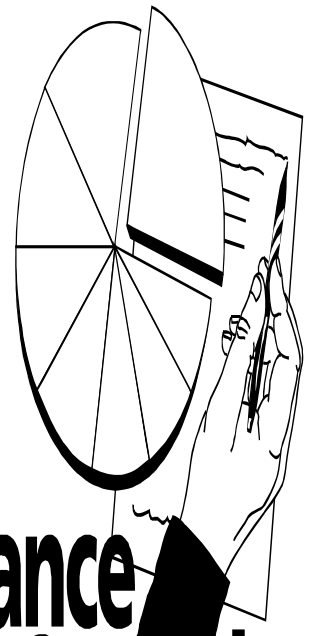
Woodhaven Financial Standing - September 30, 2010

	<u>Actual*</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Income	357,963	319,676	38,287
Expense	321,904	337,360	-15,456

*Actual income reflects special money designations to operating income. Actual Income also includes dollars from non-contribution sources.

*Actual Expenses have been adjusted to account for the use of designated funds. Cost associated with Capital Improvements have not been factored in.

For questions or concerns regarding any Financial or Contribution information, please email bookkeeper@woodhavenpres.org



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Office Hours: 9:00-4:00 Mon-Fri

November



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship 11:30 a.m.



Thanksgiving



Return Service Requested

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