

# Lake Houston Church of Christ

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### **Contrary Winds**

*By Bob Deister*



We recently took a trip to southern Missouri and Oklahoma. On the way to Missouri, we had a strong tail wind with occasional cross winds. As long as the wind was behind us we made good progress on our trip and had fairly good gas mileage. The occasional cross winds slowed our progress by forcing me to keep both hands on the steering wheel and my eyes on the road ahead as well as on anything around us.

On the trip home from Oklahoma, we faced fierce head winds and cross winds. Driving was difficult, gas mileage was poor, and I had to grip the steering wheel firmly at all times to keep from being blown off the road. When we finally arrived at home, we were exhausted.

As I was reflecting on these two very different situations with the wind, I got to thinking about our Christian lives. The following passage came to mind:

*Ephesians 4:11-14 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.*

When we are well equipped for our Christian lives, with our heads and hearts filled with the Word of God and with the fellowship of faithful brethren to encourage and help us along the way, the cross winds of life are easier to handle. We are carried along life's path by a tail wind of strong faith based in God's Word that helps to keep us

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### **ELDERS**

JY Brown  
 Orville Culpepper  
 Bob Deister  
 Mike Drachenberg  
 Larry Heasley  
 \*Pat Porter  
 Doug Sessions  
 \* Elder on call

### **DEACONS**

Mike Degge – Foreign Missions  
 Mike Diaz – Benevolence  
 Carl Holder – Domestic Missions  
 Eric Johnson - Finance  
 Ken Johnson – Building & Grounds  
 Eric Kennedy - Visitation  
 Tim Mansell – Building & Grounds  
 Don McAdoo – World Bible School  
 Darvin Mitchell – Worship  
 Warren Roane - Education

### **MINISTERS**

Kevin Hahn – Preacher  
 Cason Pearce – Associate Minister;  
 Licensed Professional Counselor

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<b>Our Record</b>	04/16/17
Bible Study	204
AM	375
PM	203
Wednesday	233
Contribution	\$12,867.93
Budget	\$17,125.00

## Prayer List

### MEMBERS

- ✧ Rita Ballard – Tumor on pituitary gland
- ✧ Laura Buchanan – Regent Rehab
- ✧ Wayne Campbell – Kingwood Rehab
- ✧ Katy Dedo – Modified bed rest
- ✧ Elmer Hitt – Home after cataract surgery

### MEMBERS WITH ONGOING CONCERNS

- ✧ Cindy Bornsheuer
- ✧ Sonya Brown
- ✧ Wayne Campbell
- ✧ Jesus Carmona
- ✧ Lois Crothers
- ✧ Patsy Daw
- ✧ Genie Deister
- ✧ Ruby Eddins
- ✧ Evelyn Fain
- ✧ Marie Gordon
- ✧ Linda Haynes
- ✧ Mary Young

### EXPECTANT MOTHERS

- ✧ Kathryn Daltry - Boy - July 25th
- ✧ Katy Dedo – Boy (Jason) – June

For a more complete list, visit our website:  
[lakehoustoncoc.org](http://lakehoustoncoc.org)

## Meeting Schedule

### Sunday

Bible Class.....9:00 a.m.  
 Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

### Tuesday

Ladies' Bible Class (September–May)...10:00 a.m.

### Wednesday

Bible class (all ages).....7:00 p.m.

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There you will find:

Our Calendar	Our Missionaries
Prayer List	Those in the Military
Audio Sermons	Involvement Form



## Sincere Appreciation

We want to express our gratitude to both Joseph Barela and Michael Corley for their service as deacons to the congregation. – The Elders

## Prayer Request

Cedric Covington came forward last Sunday asking for the congregation to keep his family in their prayers.

## Thank You

Thank you all for cards, letters, calls, but mostly prayers. I love you all and miss you so much. May God bless you. Your sister, Ellen Boucher

I received the most beautiful floral arrangement from my wonderful church family! Yellow roses are my absolute favorite! Thank you so much for all your thoughts, prayers, and amazing flowers! We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful church. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! – Katy Dedo

## Moving

**David & Linda Ellisor** are moving to Tyler; **Larry & Pam Fain** have moved to Tomball; and **Shane & Susan Young** are moving to Austin. Please leave these folks a message in the Thomas Kinkadee books in the foyer.

## Graduation Luncheon

Please join us for the Graduation Luncheon celebration on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. The meat (chopped beef and chicken) will be provided. If you are able, please bring the following side items: vegetables, baked beans, salads, potato chips, dinner rolls, and pies. There is a sign-up sheet located in the foyer for these specific items. Thank you in advance for your help!

## Fellowship Groups

Johnson/Jimenez: Fellowship lunch at the home of Michael and Mindy Corley (4518 Plantation Pass, Humble 77346), today, April 30<sup>th</sup>, following morning worship. We'll be having an Italian themed lunch. For example spaghetti, lasagna, ravioli, etc. with salads and breads. A few desserts would be welcome as well. We will provide chicken spaghetti, a green salad, and garlic bread along with a cherry pie for dessert. I hope you are able to join us!



Schaefer: Please remember we'll be meeting today, April 30<sup>th</sup>, after morning services, at the home of Matt & Kristen Schaefer for hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring your sides and desserts and be ready to have some fun!

## Ladies Bible Class

Ladies' Bible Class has now concluded for the spring. Lord willing, we will resume in September and will be studying Ephesians. Hope you'll join us.



## 2017 Graduating Seniors

Ashley Ayala	Joseph Aguilar
Bailey Brooks	Miranda Covarrubias
Caleb Covington	Ethan Gunnels
Hannah Hahn	Daniel Harrison
Krisanne LaBurt	David Strout
Lazaro Villafranca	

**Reminder:** Graduating Seniors, you must have your PowerPoint (10-12 slides), a photo and biography page  
**turned in by today, April 30<sup>th</sup>.**  
 You can email it or submit it in on a flash drive or disc.

*Emily Hahn*

AND

*Kason Carroll*

INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE  
THEIR MARRIAGE

*May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

LAKE HOUSTON CHURCH OF CHRIST  
8003 FARMINGHAM ROAD  
HUMBLE, TEXAS

7:00 PM

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

on the path toward our eternal reward with Jesus Christ. Even with a strong faith behind us, those inevitable crosswinds of temptation, peer pressure, and life’s troubles will try to divert us from the path toward our desired reward. But if we are well prepared for those problems with a good knowledge of Scripture and with spiritual maturity, we will be better able to keep our lives headed in the right direction.

However, some Christians are like those described in the latter part of this passage. They are not well grounded in the Word of God. They do not have a strong faith, and they do not participate in fellowship with stronger brethren who can encourage them to stay on the right path. Instead of allowing faith to be tail wind carrying them along toward the goal, they fight against it like a head wind that keeps them from making good progress in their Christian lives. With no foundation in God’s Word, false doctrines and deceitful schemes easily push them one way or the other away from that narrow path to eternal life. They lose sight of the ultimate goal, hope fades, and they drift away from the Truth of Christ, becoming lost.

So if we really want to spend Eternity with Jesus Christ, let us each prepare for the contrary winds that are sure to affect our lives. We must fill our hearts with God’s Word by diligent study, not only on Sunday, but every day. We need to avail ourselves of the strength and encouragement of faithful brethren in fellowship, not just during Sunday worship but every time the doors are open. And we must seek opportunities to serve other brethren to help them to stay on the right path, too.

The Lake Houston elders want every member of the congregation to hear “Well done, good and faithful servant” (Matthew 25:21, 23) on that Last Day when we will all stand in Judgment.

## Those Privileged to Serve

Sunday, April 30, 2017		Sunday, May 7, 2017	
Speaker	Kevin Hahn	Speaker	Kevin Hahn
Song Leader	Aaron Barnes	Song Leader	Bert Esteban
Greetings/Call to Worship	Mike Sharp	Greetings/Call to Worship	John Doering
Communion Talk	Elmer Hitt	Communion Talk	Doug Sessions
Communion	Paul Ansley Alvin Logan	Communion	Russell Buckner William Hall
Scripture	Kenton Lockhart Lamar McWaine	Scripture	David Strout Victor Snyder
Closing Prayer	Gary Ward Pat Porter	Closing Prayer	Doug Sessions
Greeters	Logan Lyerly	Greeters	Arruda J.Doering/R.Lawhon
Communion Prep	Porter	Communion Prep	Logan Lyerly
Cards	Eric Caballero Jacob Taylor	Cards	Carter Allen Caden Carnathan
Building Lockup	Jayden Fillyaw Jackson Corley	Building Lockup	Garrett Gardner Josiah Villafranco
	K. Johnson Kennedy	Building Lockup	McAdoo Mansell
<b>EVENING</b>		<b>EVENING</b>	
Speaker	Kevin Hahn	Speaker	Kevin Hahn
Song Leader	Fred Fain	Song Leader	Terry Hunt
Opening Prayer	Eric Kennedy	Opening Prayer	Carl Brooks
Communion	Miles Fortson William Fortson	Communion	Wasiu Adelunke Wasiu Adelunke, Jr.
<b>Wednesday, May 3, 2017</b>		<b>Wednesday, May 10, 2017</b>	
Greetings	Caleb Hahn	Greetings	Carter Allen
Song Leader	Cason Pearce	Song Leader	Brent McFarland