# The Lemoore Caller

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#### **Schedule of Services**

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday A.M. Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday P.M. Worship	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Classes/Devotional	7:00 p.m.

Elders: Craig Case and Vernon Garretson

# Jesus Loves Me

Karl Barth was a famous philosopher who spent many years studying the scriptures. He was once asked, "What is the greatest theological discovery you have ever made? 'He thought and said simply, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

Can you remember where you were when you first heard those words? I can't because quite honestly, I don't remember not knowing it. The words are sung by children literally all over the world, and frankly, I do not know a message more needed by every child, and adult, than those simple words with the life changing message, Jesus Loves Me This I Know, For The Bible Tell Me So.

Jesus Himself said, "This is my commandment. That ye shall love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for a friends" (John 15:12-13).

Can you imagine that Jesus loves me!

"What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Matthew 16:26)

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February 26, 2017

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Classes
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Classes
Members scheduled to serve for March:
Communion Prep. & Greeters:
Craig & Donna Case

#### **Men Leading Services for February 26th:**

CALL TO WORSHIP: ELDER: Craig Case

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff OPENING PRAYER: Lynn Atkinson

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Frank Baldwin

Herminio Gutierrez, Brandon Hodgson, Gary Rice

SCRIPTURE READING: Gary Curtis

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:

Randy McCord

ALTERNATES: Craig Standridge, Brandon Hodgson,

Richard Bullough, Alex Hubble

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

### Men to Serve on Wednesday, March 1st:

SONGS: Garth Radcliff SPEAKER: Mark Lane

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRAYER: Frank Baldwin

#### **Upcoming Events!**

March 4th- Lemoore Ladies Day
March 5th, evening – Norman Atchison from Manuelito
Children's Home will give a progress report
March 19th – Birthday Fellowship – Theme: Potluck
March 29th – Caruthers to host 5th Wednesday singing.
April 2nd – Valley Christian Home Worship
April 7th & 8th – Yard Sale at Valley Christian Home
April 28th – Lemoore Hosts Area Wide Singing
June 17th – 24th – YBC Summer Camp with Modesto

<u>Bible Bowl 100% recipients:</u> Alice Fall, Darlene Wilson, Whitney Broaddus, Becky Bullough, Donna Lane, Gary Curtis, Taylor Radcliff and Betty Edwards.

Clothing Donations Needed: Adventist Hospital Emergency Room in Hanford is in need of men's and women's clothing for their emergency clothing closet. Clothes are kept available for any patients going home, whose clothing may have been damaged in an accident. If you have any to donate, please see Caitlyn Harp.

Ladies Day 2017 - our annual Ladies Day and Breakfast will be Saturday, March 4th. Ladies from all over the valley are invited and invitations are being mailed to several congregations. Special speakers are invited and we will also hear scripture readings and sing songs of praise. The men of our congregation will prepare a delicious breakfast, as well. Ladies, please plan to attend this uplifting day of worship and fellowship. Breakfast is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., with the program to follow at 10:00 a.m.

Yard Sale at Valley Christian Home: The Ladies Auxiliary is planning this bi-annual fund raising event for Aril 7th and 8th. The home's administrator has requested that donated items NOT be left outside the building. Anyone who has items to be donated may call Gary Cole at 559-381-5383 and arrangements will be made to accept the items. Donations may also be left at the Lemoore church of Christ building and will be taken to the home. Furniture, TVs, appliances, and any other large items cannot be accepted until the day before the sale, as there is no storage room available. Thank you for your participation in this event.

Tree Removal Project at YBC: 150 trees have been cut down due to the drought situation. An additional 250 trees will be cut down and your help is needed financially. The professional removal of the trees will cost \$6,000. A plan has been calculated for donations of \$60 each from 100 sponsors, to cover the cost of the removal. Any and all donations of any amount will be gratefully accepted and is tax deductible, with any overage going toward the purchase of new trees. In relation to the trees being cut down; free firewood is available. Anyone interested in the firewood would need to provide their own cutting equipment and transportation. If you are interested in making a donation or taking the trees, please see Lynda Martyn for information.

Have Any Plans for the Summer? How about Yosemite Bible Camp? This year, Modesto Area churches of Christ have invited Lemoore to attend YBC while they are there. The dates will be June 17th through June 24th. The campers range in age from 8 to 18 and the cost is \$100 per camper. Adult volunteers are also needed and their lodging and meals will cost \$55 for the week. Registration forms will be available soon. Please see Lynda Martyn if you have any questions.

# **Prayer List**

The Family of Jaime Ibarra, as he passed away Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Jaime was the son of the Rodriguez family from the Spanish speaking congregation, as well as cousin of the Gutierrez family. He was 25 years old.

<u>Hannah Detlefsen</u>, infant daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, is suffering the effects of major birth defects, including blindness.

Summer Greer, 5 year old neighbor of Emily and Craig Standridge, as she was critically injured in an auto accident. Summer has suffered major head trauma and is in the hospital. Reports have said she is improving.

Marjorie Cooper – recovering from skin cancer removal procedure and waiting for the results of biopsy.

<u>Denise Roberts</u>, daughter of Marjorie and Red Cooper, has had melanoma removal surgery and will follow up with doctors.

<u>Mike Virden</u> has been in the hospital due to a ruptured disc in his back.

Wes Cole and his wife Lorene, Gary Cole's brother and sister-in-law, have both gone to live in an assisted living/rehab facility while recuperating from medical conditions.

<u>Richard Cole</u>, Gary Cole's brother, is now living in an assisted living facility.

<u>Sandy Curtis</u> - concerns regarding chest pain. <u>Mark Stevens</u>, Jack Otto's son-in-law is in the hospital, battling alcoholism.

<u>Lopez Family</u>, Irene Aguirre's brother is near death. <u>Diane, Jazelle Gutierrez' grandmother</u>, has been ill and in the hospital. She has been diagnosed with Stage III Lung Cancer.

<u>Vernon Garretson</u>, recovering from oral surgery and consulting with a cardiologist for medical tests.

<u>Shirley Garretson</u> is scheduled for foot surgery next month.

<u>Douglas Dorn</u>, a relative of the Cole family will be moving soon to a long-term care facility after having been in the hospital. Hopefully a facility will be available near his family in Blacksburg, VA.

<u>Doug Standridge</u>, recovering in a rehab hospital after having open heart surgery. He continues dialysis while there and hoping to recover soon so he can be on the kidney transplant list again.

<u>Jan Rodriguez</u>, Mark Lane's sister, is living with Mark and Donna, while recovering from a fall.

<u>Tim Nichols</u>, Lynn Atkinson's cousin, had been battling bladder cancer. He now has bone cancer; his prognosis is not good.

<u>Lucile Chamberlain</u> continues to live at Fig Garden Retirement Home.

<u>Twila Johnson</u>, daughter of Darlene Wilson, needs prayers for guidance to make better choices in life. <u>Anna Stewart</u>, a niece of Donna Lane, as she is having severe difficulty in her life.

Glen Fraley, his heart is still doing well, after having a transplant; he continues to follow up with doctors regarding his heart. He also had to have a partial leg amputation and will be going through physical therapy and be fitted with a prosthesis.

<u>Dorma Atkinson</u>- under the care of medical specialists, after experiencing numerous TIA's.

<u>Richard Bullough</u> – will follow up with doctors March 8<sup>th</sup>, for more medical tests before scheduling kidney surgery.

<u>Alana</u>, Jack Otto's granddaughter – Please pray that she will make better choices in life.

Johnny Goodson, Mark Lane's cousin has been diagnosed with COPD. He is doing well, currently. Emmitt Walker, Aguirre's great –grandson, who is less than 6 months old, is battling Cystic Fibrosis. He has already had 6 surgeries and may require more during his treatment.

<u>Merlin Welch</u>, a neighbor of the Atkinsons, as he recovers from a stroke.

<u>Casey Case, Jr.</u>, grandson of Clofas and Jeanne Case, going through treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma and an additional blood disorder. He is responding well to treatment.

<u>Beverly Rice</u>, aunt of Donna Lane, has been diagnosed with liver cancer. She is not doing well.

<u>Cold and Flu Season</u>, many people struggle with the effects of these illnesses this time of year, including several from our congregation.

#### **Our Mission Work**

- \*Our Preachers in Nicaragua
- \*Agape Village
- \*Crossover Ministry
- \*City of Children
- \*Manuelito Children's Home
- \*church of Christ in Branson, MO
- \*church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund
- \*World Christian Broadcasting

Psalm 23:4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

			March 2017			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed 1	2	3	Sat 4 Alex Stafford Emily Standridge Annabelle Oliveira Ladies' Day
<b>5</b> Shirley Garretson Flavio Gutierrez, Jr.	6 Men's Business Meeting	7	8	6	10 ·	11
12 Daylight Saving Begins Janice & Randy McCord	<b>13</b> Theresa Baldwin	14	<b>15</b> Hannah Hubble Lynda Martyn	<b>16</b> Paige Case	<b>17</b> Becky Bullough Lynda & Grant Martyn	<b>18</b> Raquel Lopez
19 Logan Tischmacher Birthday Fellowship	<b>20</b> Whitney Broaddus	21	<b>22</b> Hannah & Alex Hubble Kylie McCord	23	24	<b>25</b> Rick Worrell
<b>26</b> Renee Neal	<b>27</b> Julissa –Michelle Lopez J.J. Neal	<b>28</b> Nicole McCord	29 5th Wednesday Singing - Caruthers	30	<b>31</b> Braxton Rice	

# **Using Time Wisely**

Using Time Wisely Time is a gift from God: "This is the day the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it" (Ps. 118:24). Unfortunately, it is extraordinarily easy (as well as culturally acceptable) to waste vast quantities of time. Moreover, most people find it difficult to organize and budget their time wisely. Moses prayed: "So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom" (Psalm 90:12). How might we as Christians make better use of the time God has given us? Make a daily list - The business world has known for years that the most effective secret for increasing work productivity is the following: each morning, write down six items that need to be accomplished that day in order of priority and do them one at a time. The person who aims at nothing is certain to accomplish nothing. "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might" (Eccl. 9:10). Group similar tasks together – E-mails, phone calls and text messages are rarely urgent, and yet when our smart phone "dings," we tend to drop everything and answer it. Why not schedule specific times during the day as "response time" where you could answer all texts, calls and e-mails? Jesus sent the multitudes away and made Himself unavailable to people at times; what causes us to think that it is spiritually healthy for people to have access to us 24/7 (Mark 1:35; 6:45-46)? Give priority to a deep relationship with God - The most important part of our lives is the part that nobody but God sees. Are you spending private time with Him in prayer and worship (Mark 1:35; Matt. 6:6)? Are you regularly feeding on His word (Matt. 4:4; Job 23:12)? Are you developing the Fruit of the Spirit in your life (Gal. 5:22-23)? Far too few people spend time growing a great soul! Is your soul prospering (3 John 2)? If not, your time is not being spent wisely enough (Luke 12:20-21; Matt. 6:33). Ruthlessly eliminate time wasters – Jesus said, "If your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell" (Matt. 5:30). The devil wins when we allow laziness to take over our lives: "He who is slothful in his work is brother to him who is a great destroyer" (Prov. 18:9). While there is a need for rest and relaxation, it is possible for us to become enslaved to our diversions. Plant seeds thoughtfully – Paul wrote: "Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap" (Gal. 6:7). Not every activity or investment pays immediate dividends. However, a wise person will think about future harvests and plant seeds accordingly. What kinds of seeds are you planting now so that there will be a blessed harvest in your future? Emphasize loving family relationships - The light that shines farthest, shines brightest at home. Families need each other, especially in this brutal and unforgiving world. Have you ever stopped to calculate the time that must be invested to fulfill God's commands in Deuteronomy 6:4-9 and Ephesians 5:22-6:4? Christ-centered homes do not happen by accident. Both quality and quantity time invested in our families for the sake of Jesus Christ is never wasted.

May God help us to remember how short our time is (Ps. 89:47; Job 7:6) and to live and invest accordingly.