# The Lemoore Caller

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# **Schedule of Services**

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

# Fellowshipping

Fellowship is often times overlooked in the life of a Christian. If you grew up in the church, you might associate the word "fellowship" as something your church family did by bringing a pot-luck style of lunch for all to share after a special Sunday service. But fellowship is not an event, no, it should be part of our life as a Christ-follower. Maybe the strongest and most pointed passage about fellowship is from Hebrews 10 when the author says that some have stopped meeting and are neglecting fellowship. This is important for all men and women of faith. As you read through these passages, consider your own life and attitudes towards fellowship. Romans 12:10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.

1 Corinthians. 1:9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Acts 2:42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Are you devoted to Christian fellowship?

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April 8, 2018

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 April:
Communion Prep. and Greeters:
Kaye Dodge and Whitney Broaddus

Men Leading Services for April 8th:

WELCOME/CALL TO WORSHIP: Craig Case

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff OPENING PRAYER: Frank Baldwin

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORDS TABLE: LEAD: Randy MC Cord

Herminio Gutierrez Garv Rice

Brandon Hodgson

SCRIPTURE READING: Gary Rice

ANNCMT./CLOSING PRAYER: Taylor Radcliff

ALTERNATES: Rich Rhoads, Clofas Case,

Richard Bullough, Lynn Atkinson

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

#### **Upcoming Events!**

TODAY! – Valley Christian Home Worship
<u>April 10<sup>th</sup></u> – Ladies Birthday Luncheon, Sizzler in
Hanford

April 13 - Modesto YBC staff meeting 7p.m.

April 14th - Ladies Lunch and study on Roman Culture,

part 3, at Linda Atkinson's home

April 15th - Birthday Fellowship

April 28th - FYBC and YBC board meeting

May 28th - Memorial Day BBQ at YBC

<u>June 16th – 23rd:</u> YBC with Modesto church of Christ

June 30th - July 7th - YBC hosted by West Visalia -

please see the flier on the bulletin board.

**Valley Christian Home Services:** Today we will host the services at Valley Christian Home. Taylor Radcliff will be speaking. Prior to the 2:30 services, we will meet at 1:30 to greet the residents with cookies and invite them to services. Please plan to join in and hear an inspiring from Taylor.

**<u>Bulletin Information:</u>** If you have information for the bulletin – please get it to Denise Dean by Thursday of the week. Her contact information is in the bulletin.

Ladies Birthday Luncheon: All ladies are invited to lunch at Sizzler in Hanford on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 11;30. We will celebrate ladies' birthdays for the month of April. If you would like to attend, please let Wilma Cole know, as reservations are being made.

<u>Care Package for Jordan:</u> Jordan should have received his first care package. Thank you to all who brought items. The next collection will be in May.

<u>Ladies Luncheon</u>, all ladies are invited on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. to Linda Atkinson's home where the third part of the series of "The Roman Culture" will be the topic. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m. with lunch to follow.

<u>Visitor's Lunch Today:</u> A meal has been prepared and we invite all our visitors to join us for lunch in the fellowship hall after services this morning.

# Seven Things you will Never Regret

- 1. Showing Kindness to an aged person or to anyone.
- 2. Destroying a letter written in anger.
- 3. Offering an apology that saves a friendship
- 4. Stopping a scandal that was ruining a reputation
- 5. Taking time to show consideration to your mother, or your wife, your children, your father or to anyone.
- 6. Helping a young person find himself by finding the truth, also duty and honor.
- 7. Accepting the judgment of God on any question.

## **Intuition for God**

Oh! May I see in everything,
Our God in all the birds that sing,
In every cloud the breezes bring,
In men who have him as their king.
In leaves, in trees that flank the stream,
In sparkling dew, kissed by sunbeam,
In rocks, yea, in all of nature's schemes.
If I, each day, can think and know,
The truth that all God's world doth show,
That God's own life through all doth flow,
Won't this help me, in Him to grow?

## **Prayer List**

<u>Mike Virden</u> is under the care of a pulmonologist as he undergoes treatment for a serious lung condition.

<u>Caleb Baldwin</u> doing well following surgery to repair a broken collar bone.

<u>Kay Dodge</u> had a biopsy on her thyroid - waiting for results

Whitney Broaddus is scheduled for knee surgery on April 17th.

Richard Bullough – cancers.

<u>Darlene Wilson</u> is under doctor's care for an injured shoulder.

Alana, 11-year-old relative of Tiffany Radcliff, suffered a head injury that resulted in a stroke. Bob Mayorga, uncle of Leah Grilioni, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer and also cancer in his neck.

<u>Pat Souza</u>, Debbie Souza's sister-in-law is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, has been diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma and will have a bone marrow transplant.

<u>Hershel Hill</u> from Caruthers had the procedure and it went well-biopsy was normal.

<u>Calvin Yee's aunt</u>, as she has suffered a stroke. <u>Sandy Curtis</u> has been experiencing back pain and will have an MRI and possibly surgery.

<u>Melissa Costa</u>, a friend of Calvin Yee, will undergo medical tests for a lump in her breast, heart problems and severe headaches.

<u>Kerri Hodgson</u> will have a medical consult on April 19.

<u>Thomas Dewey</u>, grandson of Clofas and Jeanne Case, is being treated for kidney problems.

<u>Phillip Garretson</u> – concerns of a cardiac problem. He is under the care of a cardiologist.

<u>Twila Johnson</u>, Darlene Wilson's daughter has issues with her thyroid. She is scheduled for surgery April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

<u>Marjory Cooper</u> has been struggling with pain in her shoulder and is under doctor's care.

<u>Scott Worrell</u> is recovering from surgery and faces ongoing medical issues

<u>David Ramirez</u>, missionary in Nicaragua, is suffering complications after having shoulder replacement surgery.

<u>Alexis Martinez</u>, friend of the Baldwin family, is suffering a return of cancer.

Jordan Willis, as he has been deployed with the Navy. He will be gone for several months.

Paula Ali, Betty Standridge's niece, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in both lungs.

<u>Alexis Raygoza</u>, Gutierrez's nephew, recovering from a heart infection and 2 strokes.

<u>Jean Anne Emmins, Lora Virden's niece,</u> as she has been diagnosed with cancer.

<u>Hannah Detlefsen</u>, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, is suffering the effects of major birth defects, including blindness. Her condition has declined recently.

<u>John Whited</u>, brother-in-law of Whitney Broaddus, has spent time intermittently in the hospital, rehab hospital and home with medical care.

<u>Glen Fraley</u> continues to do well regarding his heart transplant and will continue ongoing checkups with doctors.

<u>Doug Standridge</u>- doing well, continuing with dialysis.

<u>Dennis Thomas</u>, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing radiation for a recurrence of cancer.

<u>Casey Case, Jr.</u>, under ongoing care of oncologists. <u>Alana Pfeiffer</u>, Jack Otto's granddaughter, as she struggles with issues of domestic violence.

First Responders

Military and their families

Those Traveling

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

No creed but Christ,
No book but the Bible,
No name but "Christian",
No plea but the gospel,
No aim but to serve,
In Christ unity,
In opinion liberty,
In all things Charity!

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15: 13

## Are You Shining or Burning Out?

In 1975, a story was printed about the great inventor, Thomas Edison. The story printed that Thomas Edison had invented the light bulb in 1879 and that in 1901, one of these bulbs he had invented was installed at the Livermore, CA. Fire Department. As of the time the story was printed in 1975, the bulb was still there and still burning brightly after seventy one years of service.

By our "modern" standards of light bulbs, it should have been replaced at least 852 times. That bulb was a hand blown bulb with a thick carbon filament made by the Shelby Electric Co. Unfortunately, Shelby went out of business because no one ever needed to reorder light bulbs because they built them to last.

In our world of planned obsolescence, such longevity is a thing of the past. Even Christians can learn from the durability of the Shelby light bulb, as Jesus did NOT say "Let your light shine for a short period, or when it's convenient." (Matt 5:16). God intends for us to remain faithful until death (Rev 2:10). Too many Christians today "burn out" early and are never repaired.

In the gospel of John, Jesus teaches by use of the parable of the vine and the branches. He said, "If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire and are burned." (John 15:6) This passage teaches us that those who once received the life giving strength from the vine, may become unfruitful branches and be cut off and cast into the eternal lake of fire (hell).

It is a heart wrenching situation when we see those that know the truth, have obeyed the truth, and began to let the light of Christ shine in their lives to become disconnected and fall back into the darkness of sin. Evidently, their faith was not strong enough for them to stay the course.

Every Christian is his brother's keeper and has the responsibility to encourage, as he has opportunity. However, each one is ultimately responsible for his own soul. The prophet Jeremiah lamented for the slain people of Jerusalem (Jer 9:1). This is why he is labeled "The Weeping Prophet." He was not weak, but crying over the consequence of Israel's sins, but he could not live for them. He could not impart his faith into them, he could only preach to them of the error of their ways. It was up to them to make the changes necessary to avoid God's wrath.

God's word instructs us to "warn those that are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be patient with all" (1 Thess 5:14). There are things that we have a responsibility to do, but we can not live out the lives of other people. Being "faithful unto death" is an individual's responsibility for their own soul. If our light burns out before we cross the finish line, we will lose the rewards of heaven, and be cast into the eternal fire.

Failure should not be in the plan of a child of God. Faithfulness is a lifetime commitment and is the only commitment that is worth our life. Jesus said "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?" (Matt 16:26)

1 Thessalonians 5:19

Do not quench the Spirit.