## 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 Bible Classes.....7:00 pm

## Someone Is Always Watching

It is not uncommon for children to look up to those who are older or wiser than they are. For this reason, little brothers and sisters will never cease to imitate their older siblings. These scenarios, however, are not exclusive to older and younger siblings or even younger or older people. The truth of the matter is that just as you and I look up to certain individuals, there are some looking to us for guidance and example. If young people and new Christians do not have strong examples to follow as they test their wings, the chances of them growing into strong Christians decrease. It is our responsibility as Christians to help one another grow, and we can do a great deal by simply setting a good example. Many Christians do not feel confident enough to talk to someone about the Bible and, because of this, feel like they aren't doing what they should. If you are living in a way that is pleasing to God, you are reaching people. Though you may not always realize it, there is someone learning from you. If you are behaving in a way a Christian should, then those around you are getting a good message. If you are not living as you should, then those lessons, too, are being learned by those around you. We can be a great help to those who imitate us if we will do as Paul suggested to the Ephesians (Eph. 1)"be imitators of God as dear children"

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August 19, 2018

9:30 a.m. Bible Classes Sunday:

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Classes

Members scheduled to serve for August: Communion/Greeters: Frank &Theresa Baldwin

## Men Leading Services for August 19th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Richard Bullough

Song Leader: Gary Curtis

Opening Prayer: Randy McCord

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Frank Baldwin

Rich Rhoads

Herminio Gutierrez Brandon Hodgson

Scripture Reading: Brandon Hodgson Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Garth Radcliff

Alternates: Clofas Case, Gary Rice, Craig

P.M. Song Leader: Gary Curtis

## Wednesday Evening August 22:

Bible Bowl: Important Women of the Bible

## **Upcoming Events!**

August 19 - Birthday Fellowship

August 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Singing-Caruthers

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> - Ladies Retreat at YBC

**Sept. 11** – Monthly Ladies Luncheon resumes

Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> – West Visalia Ladies Day

## **Birthday Fellowship for August:**

Tonight, is taco night in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the fover if you are still looking for ideas of what to bring. The Coles are hosting - Let's have a great turn-out!

A journey of a thousand miles begins with the taking of one step, the firsts one. So does the journey from earth to heaven. This one and first step is obedience to the gospel. -1 Peter 4:17 and II Thessalonians 1:7-9

#### Celebration:

Leon and Lois Collins will celebrate 75 years of marriage on September 8th. Due to poor health, no party will be held. If anyone knows Leon and Lois and would like to send a card, their address is:450 Kern Ave. Morro Bay 93442

#### Ladies Retreat:

The Lord is my Rock from Psalm 18:1-6, is the theme for this year's Ladies Retreat at YBC. It is to be held on Sept. 7-9. The guest speaker is Peggy Coulter. Registration fee is 95.00 for the weekend. Saturday only fee is 30.00. If you choose to participate in the craft class - please include an additional 5.00. Registration forms are on the table in the foyer. Should you have any questions, please contact Ruth Mapes at 786-3748

#### Memorial:

The Memorial for Donna Lane's father will be held next weekend. In lieu of flowers the family has requested that donations be made to the Make a Wish Foundation of NTX. 6655 Deseo, Irving Texas. 75039

# Simple Truths to Repeat when you are in

a spiritual battle: God's got this. The Lord fights for me. Jesus Loves me. Not today Satan. I am a child of God. He is able. It is finished. His Grace is sufficient Joy comes in the morning. I am not alone. I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Fear has no grip on me. Christ is enough for me. He has overcome the world. I am a new creation in Christ. Jesus conquered the grave. Sin does not define me, Christ does. Be still and know. God is good.

#### Prayer List

Dwayne Herrington Gary Rice's uncle, hospice due to end stage COPD

Kaila Williams, Granddaughter of John and Patsy Calhoun of Caruthers, suffered stroke-like symptoms and will be seeing a neurologist soon as she did not have a stroke. She is 28 and serves in the US Air Force.

The Rodgers/Lane Families at the passing of Donna's father. Services are being held in Texas on August 25th

Becky Fraley is recovering from shoulder surgery following a fall.

Betty Standridge will have an angiogram on August 27th.

Melissa Jackson, friend of Caitlyn Harp, Awaiting medical test results.

Leon and Lois Collins, Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues.

Marjory Cooper still suffering from infection Nancy Evans, friend of the Cole's, chronic leukemia

Christy McCord having therapy for a neck/back injury

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, will continue therapy at home following stroke and hospital stay

David Ryal Minister from Morro Bay, is home now but has a long road f recovery ahead of him. He is able to attend church now.

Mike Virden Medical issues are progressing Richard Bullough – medical issues Pat Souza, Debbie Souza's sister-in-law is

undergoing treatment for cancer.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, home following bone marrow transplant. His counts are up. Alexa Martinez, friend of Baldwin's, return of cancer

Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy Hannah Detlefsen, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, currently at Stanford.

Doug Standridge- continuing with dialysis. Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and

Clofas Case, undergoing treatment

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment. Alana Pfeiffer, Jack Otto's great

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

## **Giving of Yourself to Others**

There are lonely hearts to cherish, While he days are going by, There are weary souls who perish, While the days go by.

If a smile we can renew, As our journey we peruse, Oh, the good we all may do, As the days are going by.

There is no time for idle scorning, While the days are going by, Let your face be like the morning, As the days are going by.

Oh, the world is full of sighs, Full of sad and aching eyes, Help your fallen brother rise, As the days go by.

Help me, O God, to give to thee, That which thou dost bestow on me, Rich love, amazing, boundless free, And proofs of service thou canst see! And all that thou art giving me, Help me, O God, to give to thee! Help me, O God, to give to thee, That which thou freely givest to me, Strength and wealth and length of days, And gifts of song to sing thy praise! Yea, and all that thou art giving me, Help me, O God, to give to thee!

### The Connection of the Cross to the Church?

Many seem to think they can magnify Christ's death on the cross while minimizing or completely ignoring the Lord's church. But the scriptures express a definite relation between the cross and the church. It is not possible to understand the nature of the church until one has viewed it in the light of the cross. A proper understanding of the relationship between the cross and the church will enable one to appreciate God's plan of redemption for sinful man. Please note some definite connections between the cross and the church:

- 1. The cross made the church possible. It was through the cross that God reconciled both Jew and Gentile in one body (Eph. 2:13-16). When Christ died, He took away the Law of Moses and created one new man in His church. Paul wrote, "And he is the head of the body the church" (Col. 1:18). Hence we conclude the cross made the church possible.
- 2. The church was purchased by the blood of the cross. The church did not exist before the cross, because it was purchased with the blood of the cross (Acts 20:28). Before Christ's death, the New Testament was not in force, and without the New Testament, the New Testament church could not exist (Rom. 7:4; Heb. 9:15-16).
- 3. The cross is connected to worship. New Testament worship cannot be rightly understood without being viewed in the light of the cross, since we have access to God through Christ and His cross (Eph. 2:15-16). It is by the cross that we approach God through the new and living way or the church (Heb. 10:19-20). All Christians are priests who offer worship, through our High Priest Jesus Christ (I Pet. 2:9). Every act of Christian worship relates to the cross.
- 4. The cross relates to entrance into the church of Christ. The way of the cross is the way into the Lord's church. The message of the cross must be preached to every creature and is the means of approaching the benefits of the cross of Christ. These acts are faith (Jn.8:24), repentance (Acts 3:19), confession of faith in Christ (Rom. 10:9-10), and baptism for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:3-4).
- 5. The cross condemns division. Denominationalism is out of harmony with the cross of Christ. The cross of Christ purchased one church (Acts 20:28; Eph. 2:15). Every Christian should know that it is a paramount duty to promote unity, and discourage division, in order to fulfill one of the purposes of the cross (Eph. 4:1-6). To the Corinthians, Paul administered a scathing rebuke for their divisions (I Cor. 1:10, 12-13). The entire Christian religion centers around the cross of Christ, and every act of obedience, and every facet of His teaching—the church, its establishment, its worship, its entrance, its unity—directly relates to the cross (Gal. 6:14).