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

2,000 Years Later

Two thousand years ago a little, old man sat in a cold prison cell writing on a piece of parchment. The government which imprisoned him was one of the most powerful the world has known. It ruled from India to Spain and from the Sahara desert to distant Britain. The prison house in which he was confined was made of stone and built to last forever. One day the dungeon was opened, and that man—the apostle Paul—was led down the Appian Way a short distance from Rome where his head was severed from his body. The government that killed him has long since passed into history. The name of that executioner is forgotten. The prison house has crumbled and only the dungeon is left. The body has long since returned to dust. But the words Paul wrote on that parchment have been alive through almost two thousand years. They have brought comfort, hope, and inspiration to untold millions of earth's inhabitants. Jesus promised, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away" (Matthew 24:35). Two thousand years have passed; yet the Bible is just as powerful now as it was when fresh from the pen of inspiration.

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September 23, 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 **September:**Communion/Greeters: Herminio & Isabella
Gutierrez

Men Leading Services for Sept. 23th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Gary Curtis

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Craig Case

Randy McCord Frank Baldwin Larry Gamble

Scripture Reading: Frank Baldwin

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Gary Rice Alternates: Clofas Case, Rich Rhoads, Herminio Gutierrez, Brandon Hodgson P.M. Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Wednesday Evening Sept. 26th: Bible Bowl: The men of the Bible

Upcoming Events!

Sept. 23rd – Birthday Fellowship

Sept. 28th – Area Wide Singing

Sept. 30th – VCH Services

Oct. 1 – Men's Meeting

Oct. 21st – Birthday Fellowship

Oct. 24th – 5th Wednesday singing here in Lemoore.

Oct. 31 – Special services followed by trunk or treat

Nov. 21-14 - Thanksgiving at YBC

Area Wide Singing:

The Area Wide Singing is the last Friday of September, the 28th at Mid Valley – Tulare.

Birthday Fellowship:

Tonight, is our birthday fellowship and the theme being "potluck". Our hostess will be Shirley Garretson. Let's all come and enjoy this time of fellowship and to meet our newest members!

Services for Oct 31st:

Since Halloween happens to be on Wednesday, our services will change up a bit. There will be a devotional at 5:00, dinner at 6:00 and then trunk or treat activity at 7:00. Please come join us for a great evening of study and fellowship.

Welcome Baby!!

Carly Ann Dial was born on September 13th at 7:41 p.m. She weighed 7lbs. 4 oz. and is 20 ½ inches long. Parents Bethany and Brandon Dial have now taken Carly home. Grandparents Richard and Becky Bullough are beaming as are James and Jaime Dial of Hanford. Great-Grandparents Lee and Leticia Dial are just a little happy as well.

5th Wednesday Singing:

Because the 5th Wednesday is on Halloween, they have moved the 5th Wednesday singing to the fourth Wednesday, Oct 24th. Lemoore is hosting, with Caruthers and Riverdale attending. More to come on information about snacks following the singing.

Support for Taylor:

There are two ways to give support to Taylor while he is at Bear Valley. One is to send a check directly to the school. The other way to support Taylor is make a check out to the Lemoore church of Christ anytime during the first 3 weeks of the month. More details of this information are posted on the bulletin board for your reference.

"When a man takes the cross, he will find grace in it, for grace comes through the cross."

Prayer List

Jamie Smith, granddaughter of Jack Otto, Blood infection

Craig Case An angiogram was performed showing no stents needed at this time. Craig is now home.

Darlene Wilson seeing Dr. for tests for leg issues

Charles Fall Blood clot behind knee – concerns of DVT at this time.

Trace Pierce has been in the hospital. **Dwayne Herrington** Gary Rice's uncle, hospice due to end stage COPD

Sarah Dewey, granddaughter/niece of the Case families, has suffered with heart problems and was recently diagnosed with clogged arteries.

Evan Autry, relative of Darlene Wilson, family problems

Betty Standridge

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 and Leon is undergoing amino therapy.

Mark Cooper has had treatment for his cancer and is now home again.

Michael Lopez has been in the hospital because of kidney stones.

Marjory Cooper – still suffering from infection

Nancy Evans, friend of the Cole's, chronic leukemia

Christy McCord having therapy for a neck/back injury

Rita, a friend and coworker of Chelsea Stafford, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, is currently in the Rehab Center.

David Ryal Minister from Morro Bay, is home now and able to attend church now.

Russ Burckhart

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

Avery family, as Ed ,colleague of Denise Dean, died from lung cancer.

Mike Virden seeing a specialist. He is currently on oxygen all the time and his condition has worsened. He and his support team are headed to San Francisco for evaluation to determine if he is eligible for the lung transplant list. It is a lengthy process.

Richard Bullough – medical issues **Reagan Dean**, Denise's brother, Surgery in Dallas on Oct. 1

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Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy **Hannah Detlefsen**, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, has returned home.

Doug Standridge- continuing with dialysis. He will be consulting a specialist with the next week or so.

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

Life's Voyage

One ship drives east and another drives west, With the self-same winds that blow. This the set of the sails and not the gales, That tell them the way to go.

Like the winds of the sea are the winds of fate, As we voyage along through life. Tis the set of the soul that decides the goal, And not the calm or the strife.

So That All May See Your Progress

Throughout Scripture, there is several common themes that continue to reappear. One of them is the need to be obedient to God in spirit and in truth.

<u>I Timothy 4:11-16 (ESV)</u>: Command and teach these things. Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress. Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

You can see from the passage, the apostle Paul is telling Timothy what he needs to do to progress in the faith. On the truth side, there is the need to read and understand scripture. As you grow in understanding, you need to teach. On the spirit side, you need to conduct yourself with love and purity. Growth cannot occur unless you are working on spirit and truth. It is not enough to understand scripture if you do not care about living the values they portray. It is also true it is not enough to love others, if you are not interested making sure your advice is scriptural. There is the need to be consistent in word and deed.

<u>Matthew 18:3-4 (ESV)</u>: And said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

As God's children, our goal is to please Him. Even though we may have the best intentions, it is not our place to set the standard. We have to be humble enough to accept the fact we do not always have the best ideas. Choosing to focus on spirit is to devalue the need to understand scripture. On the other hand, choosing to focus on truth is to devalue the need to do all things in love and purity. There is a balance Christians need if they want to be effective when encouraging and bringing others to the faith. It is God's desire for all to be saved and to come to repentance. As Christians, it is our mission to bring His desire to fruition; and the only way to accomplish our goal is to live as the Father commands.