



Lemoore church of Christ

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Ready? Ryan Parsons

As we stand on the threshold of 2020, we would rather not look back. However, 2021 doesn't look like it is going to start as well as we would like. As tensions continue to rise, our community's health is endangered, and threats of lockdowns create uncertainty, we must all ask the question, "Are you ready and prepared?" You may be asking yourself, "For what?"

Scripture tells us to always be at the ready. We are supposed to always be ready to answer attacks on our faith with the reason we live in hope rather than despair. Sadly, this may prove useful in the days to come. 1 Peter 3:15- But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

Moreover, we are to stand ready to teach the gospel message at every opportunity afforded to us. 2 Timothy 4:2- Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

And finally, as we look to the future, we should be keenly aware of situations that need a little...or a lot of Jesus. Paul calls them "good works." Preparations need to be made to deploy needed ministry at a moment's notice. 2 Timothy 2:21- Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work. Titus 3:1- Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work.

The new year is certain to offer some trying times. But we know there will always be opportunities to do God's work regardless of fortune or famine. Are you preparing for the things we most certainly will be called to do in our service to our King? Let's get ready!

Prayer List:

Caitlyn Harp has COVID-19. Treating at home for now but not feeling well.

Hannah Ortiz, daughter of a friend of Garrett, in hospital

Maria Craig, Joyce Curtis' mother in isolation room with COVID 19 as well as 38 other residents of Pioneer's Home in Arizona.

Cleta Sisk, Eula's sister, had a TIA- Was treated at hospital but is home now.

The families of Frank Ball and Jim Craig – both former members here, passed away from COVID

Jim, Whitney's son, home on oxygen

Darlene Wilson is waiting for the date for her next procedure.

Lynne and Phillip Garretson – both have COVID

John Moore is now home

Sandy, friend of Cheryl Crain, had surgery

Gary Curtis recovering from eye surgery

Mike Souza recovering from back surgery

Eula Rhoads

Gail Davis, Jenny Davis-Fall sister-in-law – In ICU in Mississippi

Megan, Garth's Brother-in-law's niece, cancer

Michael Davis, from Springville is very ill.

Kim Cargill, Stephanie Tischmacher's stepmom

Doug Standridge

Red and Marjorie Cooper Marjorie surgery postponed indefinitely as there are no beds available.

Family of Diane Wren, mother of a friend of Denise Dean, passed away on Tuesday.

Janet Billington radiation for liver cancer

Kelly Kusserow, friend of Lisa Butts, has cancer

Gary Radcliff, Garth's father, continual chemo

Linda Frye, Cancer

Bill Fox, co-worker of Frank Baldwin,

Angie and Tito Cano- Tito having regular infusions

Casey Case Jr ongoing oncology treatment

Our Mission Work:

- First Responders
- Preachers in Nicaragua
- Agape Village
- Crossover Ministry
- City of Children
- Manuelito's Children's Home
- Church of Christ Disaster relief Fund
- World Christian Broadcasting