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.

Christians Will Not Retreat

When the Spanish explorer, Cortez landed at Vera Cruz in 1519 to begin his conquest of Mexico with a small force of 700 men, he purposely set fire to his fleet of eleven ships. His men on the shore watched their only means of retreat sinking to the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico. With no means of retreat, there was only one direction in which to move, forward into the Mexican interior to meet whatever might come their way

To be a disciple of the Lord, we also must purposely destroy all avenues of retreat. We must resolve that whatever price is required for being His follower, we will gladly pay.

As Christians, we have become citizens of the kingdom of God (Ephesians 2:19), and we will not retreat back to the world (Luke 9:62; Genesis 19:23-26; Luke 17:28-32).

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October 22, 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 October:
Communion Prep.: Garth & Tiffany Radcliff

Greeter: Eula Rhoads

Men Leading Services for October 22nd:

WELCOME /CALL TO WORSHIP: Randy McCord

SONG LEADER: Taylor Radcliff OPENING PRAYER: Lynn Atkinson

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Gary Rice

Herminio Gutierrez, Brandon Hodgson, Jordan Willis

SCRIPTURE READING: Garth Radeliff

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Craig Case

ALTERNATES: Rich Rhoads, Richard Bullough,

Frank Baldwin, Gary Curtis

P.M. SONG LEADER: Taylor Radcliff

Upcoming Events!

Oct. 25th - Bible Bowl / Esther, Chapters 1 and 2

Oct. 31st, Trunk or Treat!

Nov. 4th - Ladies Day Luncheon at Marjory Cooper's

Nov. 5th - Daylight Savings Time Ends

Nov. 12th - Worship at Valley Christian Home

Nov. 19th - Birthday Fellowship

Nov. 22nd - 25th - Thanksgiving Week at YBC

Family Outing at YBC: Thank you to all who participated in the outing. The fence was completed and a good time was had by all.

Bible Bowl: We will meet for Bible Study on Wednesday, Oct. 25th, and at that time be given the opportunity to challenge our minds in what we have learned about the book of Esther. We will focus on the first and second chapters. Hope to see everyone there!

<u>Ladies November Birthday Luncheon:</u> Due to various events and busy schedules, the luncheon for November has been cancelled.

Trunk or Treat!! Fall is in the air and it is the time of year again to have a little fun by dressing up our cars and ourselves and share a Halloween Treat with the Trick or Treaters. We will gather in the parking lot on Tuesday, October 31st, to decorate our cars, and then we can go into the fellowship hall at 5:30 for hot dogs, with the Trunk - or - Treating immediately after. If you would like to contribute to the meal, please sign up on the list of items needed (list is on the bulletin board).

Ladies Day Luncheon: November 4th at 11:00 a.m. is the time for the annual Ladies Day at Marjory Cooper's home. All ladies are invited for this lovely day of fellowship; the theme for the day will be "Attitude of Gratitude". Lunch will be provided. Please let Shirley Garretson, Marjory Cooper or Linda Atkinson know if you can attend. And bring a friend!

Worship at Valley Christian Home, November 12th: Please join us as we travel to Hanford to worship with the residents of Valley Christian Home. Services will begin at 2:30. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear a portion of the Word and fellowship with some of the people who may not get out and attend worship services elsewhere. If you would like to participate in inviting the residents and sharing cookies with them, please meet in the activity room at 1:30. Hope to see you there.

November Birthday Fellowship: Everyone is invited to the potluck meal and fellowship to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries for the month of November. The date will be Nov. 19th, after evening worship. Hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving at YBC - Please join us Wednesday, Nov. 22 through Saturday, Nov. 25, as we plan a Thanksgiving weekend at camp. Cabins and RV sites are available and the whole family is invited to attend. Let Gary Rice know if you are interested in joining us for any part of the weekend. His phone number is in the directory.

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 5th

Romans 11:33

[Doxology] Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out

Prayer List

Randy McCord, as he has been struggling with neck pain for several weeks.

<u>Garth Radcliff</u> – recovering from surgery to remove kidney stones.

<u>Doye Willis</u>, Jordan Willis' dad will undergo medical tests.

<u>Alex Stafford</u> is scheduled for oral surgery next week. <u>Darlene Wilson</u> – waiting for results of recent medical tests.

<u>Dixie Blair</u> has been troubled by neuropathy and also had a consultation with doctors regarding her carpel tunnel.

Ray Brewer, nephew of Dixie Blair, has terminal lung cancer and is home, under the care of Hospice.

Tammy Scott, wife of Ray Scott, (he grew up in Lemoore), as she has had a reoccurrence of breast cancer. She underwent surgery.

Rhonda Whooten, as she fell and broke her wrist.

Marge Tassler, grandmother of Caitlyn and Nick Harp, cancer has returned and she will undergo radiation.

June Evans – surgery.

<u>Lora Virden's niece, Jeanne Emmins</u>, as she has been diagnosed with cancer, but has decided against treatment.

<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>Red Cooper</u>, as he has been experiencing considerable back and leg pain. Medical treatment has given him some relief.

<u>Scelene Walton</u>, a longtime friend of Lora Virden has been diagnosed with cancer. She is under the care of Hospice.

<u>Waylon Wittry</u>, great nephew of Wilma Cole – return of brain cancer. He is undergoing an experimental treatment program, but is suffering with adverse effects.

<u>Sarah Dewey</u>, granddaughter of Clofas & Jeanne Case, is under the care of a cardiologist.

<u>Linda Atkinson</u> – Physical Therapy after surgery for a broken wrist/hand.

Glen Fraley broke his foot and will need the use of a wheelchair while recovering. He 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>Lucile Chamberlain</u> - Lucile is living at Somerford Place of Fresno. <u>Hannah Detlefsen</u>, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, is suffering the effects of major birth defects, including blindness.

<u>Twila Johnson</u>, daughter of Darlene Wilson, as she struggles with difficulties in life, including marital trouble.

<u>Dennis Thomas</u>, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, as he continues treatment for a recurrence of cancer. <u>Dorma Atkinson</u>- under the care of medical specialists, after experiencing numerous TIA's and struggles with blood pressure issues.

<u>Casey Case, Jr.</u>, under ongoing care of oncologists.

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

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

First Responders
Military and their families
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

NEVER HAD THE TIME

I knelt to pray but not for long, I had too much to do. I had to hurry and get to work For bills would soon be due.

So I knelt and said a hurried prayer, And jumped up off my knees. My Christian duty was now done My soul could rest at ease.

All day long I had no time To spread a word of cheer. No time to speak of Christ to friends, They'd laugh at me I'd fear.

No time, no time, too much to do, That was my constant cry, No time to give to souls in need But at last the time, the time to die.

I went before the Lord, I came, I stood with downcast eyes.
For in his hands God held a book; It was the book of life.
God looked into his book and said
"Your name I cannot find.
I once was going to write it down...
But never found the time

What Is The Full Life?

Let's ask ourselves what kind of a life we want, and perhaps even more so, what kind of a life does Jesus want for us? Jesus gives us a clue as to what kind of a life He wants for us in John 10:10: 'I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance', or as one translation puts it 'life to the full'. What does this full life mean? It really means all of our life working well for all of God so that we may fulfil the purpose which God has for us and, as a result of that, that we might be truly satisfied. Surely if abundant life means anything at all, it means a life of joy.

Christians can and should be a people who are characterized by an overflowing, amazing, abundant joy, a joy that as the Bible puts it 'knows no limits' and is beyond all explanation, a joy that is based on our identity in God, the joy that flows from a deep source, a joy that is not dependent on circumstances at all. Look at what Paul says in Philippians 4:11-12" I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want". And yet many people would think of Christians being miserable people! God wants you to be happy. Actually, God wants you to be really happy.

We need to increase our desire to pursue joy in God. Paul in the Bible says of preachers, leaders, those who work amongst us: 'We are workers for your joy.' (2 Corinthians 1:24)

Joy is important. When Paul was writing his greatest epistle, he said in Romans 14:17: 'The Kingdom of God is all about...' What? '...righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.'

Psalms 16: 9, David says: 'Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices... and verse 11" You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence [get this!] is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore." Live in joy in the Lord always no matter what.

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: **Rejoice!** Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ...