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 Evening Bible Classes/Devotional	7:00 p.m.

Parting Your Hair With Attitude

A lady woke one morning, looked in the mirror, and noticed that she had only three hairs on her head. "Well," she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today." So she did, and she had a wonderful day. The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and noticed she had only two hairs on her head. "Hmmm," she said, "I think I'll part my hair in the middle today." So she did, and she had a great day. The next day, she woke up, looked in the mirror, and noticed that she had only one hair on her head. "Well," she said, "I think I'll wear my hair in a ponytail." So she did, and she had a grand day. The next day, she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that there wasn't a single hair on her head. "Yea," she exclaimed. "I don't have to fix my hair today." Attitude is everything!

Philippians 4:8 "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

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November 5th, 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 November:
Communion Prep. and Greeters:
Randy & Janice McCord

Men Leading Services for November 5th:

WELCOME /CALL TO WORSHIP: Frank Baldwin

SONG LEADER: Garth Radeliff OPENING PRAYER: Lynn Atkinson

PRAYER LIST: Craig Case

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Gary Curtis

Taylor Radcliff, Herminio Gutierrez, Rich Rhoads

SCRIPTURE READING: Jordan Willis

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Randy McCord ALTERNATES: Clofas Case, Brandon Hodgson, Gary Rice

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

Men Leading Devotional Wednesday, Nov. 8th:

Songs: Garth Radcliff Speaker: Taylor Radcliff

Announcements/Prayer: Randy McCord

Upcoming Events!

Nov. 12th – Worship at Valley Christian Home
Nov. 19th – Birthday Fellowship
Nov. 22nd – 25th – Thanksgiving Week at YBC
Dec. 2nd: FYBC Breakfast and Christmas Boutique

<u>A Big Thank You</u> to all who participated in our annual Trunk or Treat. Your involvement helps greatly.

Thank You Ladies: The luncheon yesterday at Marjory Cooper's home was a lovely success. Special thanks to Marjory for sharing her home and to Shirley Garretson and Linda Atkinson for hosting, and to all the ladies who helped with food preparation and serving.

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, and Taylor Radcliff will be speaking. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear a portion of God's 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, and a theme of "Comfort Food" is on the menu. 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.

Meeting to Discuss Thanksgiving at YBC: Everyone that is planning to attend the outing at YBC, please stay for a short meeting today, after morning worship.

Friends Of Yosemite Bible Camp Annual
Breakfast and Christmas Boutique will be held
On December 2nd, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at
Applebee's in Fresno, 3604 W. Shaw Ave. (near
Marty Ave.) An all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet
will be featured, followed by a boutique with hand
crafted items for sale. The breakfast will cost \$10
per person and all proceeds will go to Yosemite
Bible Camp. Please join us, as this is a very
worthwhile fundraising event.

Psalm 86:15

But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

Psalm 103:8

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

Prayer List

The Family of Orella Farpella, as she passed away last week.

The Family of Ray Brewer, Dixie Blair's nephew, as he passed away week before last.

<u>Randy McCord</u>, as he has been struggling with neck pain for several weeks.

<u>Garth Radcliff</u> – as he has had several weeks of suffering pain of kidney stones and medical procedures to get rid of them.

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

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

<u>Tony Lawrence</u>, a friend of the Case's, is battling kidney cancer that has metastasized into his lungs.

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

<u>Marge Tassler</u>, grandmother of Caitlyn and Nick Harp, cancer has returned and she has consulted with doctors to discuss treatment options.

June Evans - surgery.

<u>Lora Virden's niece, Jean Anne 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>Glen Fraley</u> - 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

Merlin Welch, 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

We'll Get Through This

Lord, our troubles are so great, We don't know what to do; The price for our iniquity Is finally coming due.

The world is crumbling all about; No safe place can be found. Right is wrong, wrong is right; The change is quite profound.

Lord, we need Your guiding light To lead us out of here;
We'll focus on
Your Word, and prayer,
To take away our fear.

Temptations of
This dying world
We'll rule out and let go;
Give our burdens all to you,
Shed all worldly woe.

That's how we'll Get through this, Lord, Fixed on heaven above, Assured of your protection, help, And everlasting love.

Joy through Christ

On the surface, happiness and joy are similar; they are both uplifting and blissful experiences. Yet there are more differences than similarities. Happiness is a self-focused emotion tied directly to getting what we want. Joy is a spiritual result of our focus on God. It is tied to our salvation and our walk with Christ. Happiness is temporary at best; it is subjective to our circumstances and moods. Joy is eternally-based and can be ours even in our deepest valleys. Happiness quickly leaves us when we fail to attain our goals or we become bored with our prizes. Joy is from God and therefore can never be stolen from us. Joy is given through the Holy Spirit the moment we accept Christ as our Savior. As Christians, our joy can never be completely destroyed, although there are many pitfalls which can significantly diminish it. Joy is a permanent gift from God, but it also a gift for which we must take responsibility for nurturing and protecting on a daily basis. We can always find joy in our salvation, because our salvation is assured. Paul told the Philippians, "In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:4-6). The God who gave us salvation never begins anything that He will not complete. When He saved us, He saved us completely, eternally and forever. Jesus said, "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand" (John 10:28) you may have heard the acronym for J-O-Y representing how to gain joy through our priorities: Jesus, Others, then yourself. But consider this twist: J stands for Jesus, Y stands for You, but O stands for Zero. When absolutely nothing comes between Jesus and You, you will find joy. At the center of our joy is our relationship with God; anything that stands between us and our Savior will corrode our joy. One of the greatest threats to our joy is disobedience to God's Word. When we live in disobedience, we become a fruitless and joyless Christian. Jesus warned against fruitlessness: "No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:4,5). We also face pitfalls to joy through people and circumstances in our lives. We may encounter malicious people who resent our beliefs. We may lose our jobs, our best friends, or our homes. Happiness may be out of reach — but joy is readily available if we know how to nurture it. Paul was no stranger to experiencing hardships. He endured harsh criticism, prison, and near-death situations. He was not always happy, but he had found the secret to maintaining his joy. He remained focused on Christ instead of his circumstances. Rather than resenting his obstacles, Paul was able to say, "But what does it matter? The important thing is that...Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that...what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance" (Philippians 1:18,19). Joy does not mean that we will not experience pain or sadness or frustration when everything seems to go wrong. But unlike happiness, we can find joy in the midst of our suffering. When Christ is at the center of our lives, when His glory is our goal, when we refuse to be intimidated by life's obstacles, and when we live totally for Christ in obedience, we will find a joy that will carry us through the darkest of valleys. Have you covered up your joy with the anxieties and distractions of this world? Have you taken your eyes off of Christ and your relationship with Him? Are you ignoring the convictions of the Holy Spirit to repent of certain sins in your life? If so, seek God's forgiveness today. Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to overcome the obstacles to living a joyful life. "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating or drinking, but of righteousness,, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit." Romans 14:17