The Lemoore Caller

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Schedule of Services	9:30
Sunday Bible Study Sunday A.M. Assembly Sunday P.M. Assembly Wednesday Evening Classes/Devotional Birthday Fellowship 12st Tue	7:00 nonth after worship esday of the month
Birthday Fellowship	onday of the month

~Black Friday Eve~

The 4th Thursday in November doesn't get much "press" these days. It's all about "me" and the fun I can have at Halloween and Christmas. Thanksgiving has become an afterthought. Christmas goes up in the stores right after at manoween and emissions looking forward to "Black Friday." "Pig Out" on Thursday with turkey, dressing, and pumpkin pie and then get to bed early and ready for the 5:00 am mad rush to satisfy corporate America!

A special day of Thanksgiving has no more scriptural support than Halloween or Christmas, but at least Thanksgiving has a kind of "upward and outward" focus, helping us to think about all God has blessed us with and to

express that thanks in prayers (I Thess. 5:18; Eph. 5:4 & 20; I Tim. 2:1).

God is good even to those who hate him and those who will not acknowledge Him. He gives them life, air, food, the sun for warmth, and rain for water. The problem with many "evil" men is that they are not thankful but rather, like Paul says, "worship and serve the creature rather than the Creator" (Rom. 1:25).

On Thanksgiving day, plan to take a moment with your family to stop and count your blessings and then pray. On this coming special day, be thankful rather than thinking forward to "Black Friday." On Thanksgiving Day and every day let us thank our God and Father of Jesus Christ, "who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places in Christ" (Ephesians 1:3).

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November 15, 2015

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 Lead: Vernon Garretson Communion Prep. and Greeters: Randy and Janice McCord

Men Leading Services on November 15th:

Song Leader: Gary Curtis Opening Prayer: Craig Case Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: Lead - Vernon Garretson Scott Ervin, Randy McCord, Excell Green

Scripture Reading: Judson Ervin
Amnouncements: Richard Bullough
Closing Prayer: Craig Standridge
Alternates: Mark Lane, Frank Baldwin,

Herminio Gutierrez, Judson Ervin

Please check the list that is posted on the builletin board for the current month's schedule.

Desirated Dodd Pureral Services: Services will be held in honor of Durward on Monday, November 10th at 10:30 a.m. at Lemoore Church of Christ building. Interment will follow at Lemoore Cemetery and a reception in the fellowship hall immediately thereafter. Visitation is scheduled for Sunday, November 15th, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Phipps-Dale Chapel, Lemoore.

Linda Otto Memorial: A celebration of life will be held on November 21st, 11:00 a.m. to 1000 p.m. at Glad Tidings in Hanford.

Valley Christian Home Worship: Lemoore will host the service on December 6th at 2:30 p.m. Gary Curtis will be the speaker. Please plan to attend as we all are an encouragement to the residents and testimony of God's love.

FYBC Roofing Work Day: Materials have been delivered and volunteers are needed to reroof and/or mend several of the roofs at the camp. Dates to work will be determined accordingly, as volunteers are available. If you are available to lend a hand, please see Denise Dean.

Lesson on Evangelism. You are invited to the Airport Church of Church in San Francisco on November 19-22 to hear Evangelist Randy Mabe from Las Vegas. They will have morning and evening classes Thursday through Sunday. Please read the flier that is on the bulletin board for more information.

Kaye Dodge would like to offer sincere thanks to everyone that sent cards, called on the phone, visited and offered up prayers while she was ill. Your display of love and concern has been greatly appreciated.

Birtham Fellowship: we have pastponed November and December Birthday Fellowship due to additional events on the calendar for those months. We will resume in January, at which time, we will celebrate November, December and January birthdays and anniversaries.

Valley Christian Home Christmas Gifts

Each Christmas, we have the opportunity
to share a gift with the residents of the
home. A list of gifts requested is on the
bulletin board and your kind donations
are greatly appreciated. Please bring
your unwrapped gifts with you to church
and they will be delivered to VCH.

Prayer List

The Family of Durward Dodd as he passed away Monday, November 9th. Brother Dodd was 95 years old.

The Family of Carolyn Campbell, Debbie Parrent's mother, as she passed away 2 weeks ago.

<u>Van Bass</u> will be having knee surgery in the near future.

Marjory Cooper, recovering from eye surgery.

Whitney Broaddus will have surgery on November 20th.

<u>Jeff Mason</u> will be having shoulder surgery. <u>Suzanne Mason</u> – medical tests.

Johnny Mac Wilson, a cousin of Gary Curtis who lives in Texas, has suffered a stroke.

Ted Johnstone, a co-worker and friend of Jeff Mason - in the hospital for extensive health problems. He is hoping for a liver transplant.

Colton Banuelos, a friend of Griselda Gutierrez, as he suffers with seizures and has been diagnosed with a cyst on his brain.

Brittany Rocha, an acquaintance of Emily Standridge, as her baby boy was born early, at 26 weeks. He is in critical condition with numerous complications.

Wes Simmons, fellow alumni of Brandon Greene, as his wife passed away.

<u>Devin Johnson</u>, grandson of Darlene Wilson, home from the hospital and improving, after being injured in a motorcycle accident.

Richard Bullough will be having surgery in the coming weeks to remove a kidney. He has been preparing with medical tests and will require more tests before surgery.

Johnny Goodson, a cousin of Mark Lane is doing well while recovering from open heart surgery.

Wes Cole, Gary Cole's brother, as he has been very ill with various health concerns. He is now in a rehab hospital for recovery.

Angela, a cousin of Elizabeth Puckett, extended hospital stay.

Nichole Walsh, Scott Ervin's boss – ongoing health issues

Rodney Montgomery, brother of Jeanne Case has been diagnosed with cancer and will have surgery soon.

Rachel Bodine, a cousin of Mark Lane is going through medical testing.

<u>Shae McNeeley</u> has been experiencing health problems. She received a successful heart and lung transplant a few months ago.

<u>Lois Gable</u>, a friend of the Lane family has been diagnosed with cancer.

<u>Cami Cassaday</u>, Suzanne Mason's cousin, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Tammy Scott, wife of Ray Scott, who attended in Lemoore years ago, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She has begun treatment.

Sheri Salazar, a co-worker of Lisa Butts – has been diagnosed with Stage 4 breast cancer. She is doing very well through all of this and is grateful for all the prayers.

Irene Aguirre, as she suffers with Macular Degeneration that is causing her eyesight to deteriorate.

<u>Francis Aguirre</u> as she deals with pain, as a result of health conditions.

Zackery Hankel – great-nephew of Dixie Blair has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia. He has spent several weeks in the hospital, but is home now, awaiting a bone marrow transplant.

Doug Standridge – in need of a kidney transplant and waiting for the call with a suitable match.

Dorma Atkinson is not able to leave her home and needs constant care.

Beverly Rice, aunt of Donna Lane has been diagnosed with liver cancer.

<u>Jamie Smith</u>, Jack Otto's granddaughter, has Stage 4 Multiple Sclerosis.

<u>Cathy Carlisle</u>, a cousin of Mark Lane has been diagnosed with cancer.

Our Mission Work

- *Our preachers in Nicaragua
- *Agape Village
- *Crossover Ministry
- *Manuelito Children's Home
- *Church of Christ in Branson, MO
- *Church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund

Please contact Donna Case if you have any new information or updates for the bulletin.

FYBC Holiday Boutique and Breakfast: On December 12th, 10:00 a.m. at Yosemite Falls Café, Fresno, (Ashlan & 99). This annual event will feature an "all you can eat" breakfast buffet, along with a dessert auction, (family size cakes, pies, brownies, etc. are needed) and boutique items that can be purchased. All proceeds go to benefit Yosemite Bible Camp. Tickets are \$20 and more information is on the bulletin board.

Also, Lemoore will again be putting together two "gift baskets" for auction; one football season cooler and one coffee basket. A list of items needed is posted on the bulletin board. Items are needed by Dec. 6th.

A craft day will be on November 29th after morning service to assemble items to sale at the boutique.

Christmas Party: Mark and Donna Lane have invited all adults to a Christmas party potluck and gift exchange at their home on December 12th at 6:00 p.m. Please see either Mark or Donna for more details.

Teens to Wrap Christmas Gifts: Gift wrapping will be offered on Dec. 20th after morning service. Bring your gifts to morning worship and leave them with our young people and you can pick them up just before evening worship, after they have been beautifully wrapped. Donations will kindly be accepted.

Thank You Card: A lovely thank you card has been posted on the bulletin board from Vernon and Shirley. They would like to thank everyone for the retirement party, cards and gifts. Please take a moment to read the card before you leave today.

Gratitude for our Military: In the wake of Veteran's Day, let us set aside a moment to thank our Military personnel and their families for all they do for our country and the sacrifices they make. Whether the sacrifice be missing a special occasion while serving overseas or suffering the death of a loved one as he or she lost their life in a battle to protect our country, let us not overlook the hardships soldiers and their loved ones endure so that we may live in the freedom that this country provides us. Remember, we are blessed to have such dedicated people and leaders. Here in Lemoore, many families are somehow connected to someone in the military and several of our own members are either veterans or family members of veterans. Thank you to all; your service and dedication is so very much appreciated!

THE SOLDIERS LIFE

The soldiers life is not for all
A soldier must be willing to give his all
He is overworked and underpaid
A truer patriot was never made

Ready to go at any time
Wherever there is trouble or the first sign
His courage and honor are unsurpassed
Ready and willing to complete the task

Travelling to lands both near and far
He stands his post and looks at the stars
Wondering what he might have done
If he had not chosen to carry a gun

Remember the next time that you are driving by
And see the flag flying proud and high
That somewhere out there a soldier stands
Weary and cold in a foreign land
Protecting our country from our foes
Standing tall and proud come rain or snow.

-- written by SSgt. Scott E Hilligoss

Creation

I want to share a few things from a book by Brad Harrub. His book is entitled "Convicted" He shares sever facts of creation and we will include a verse from the WORD that validates his information taken from Genesis 1:1. All tjhis just might help as you think about and study the beginning.

- 1. God created everything: As you study, be sure to look at the following passages, Gen. 1:1; Psa. 33:6 & 9; Psa 19:1; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2; John 1:1-3. When you read those passages, ask yourself "What are they saying about the beginning and who was there?"
- 2. God created everything in six days: Gen. 2:3; Ex. 20:11; Ex. 31:15-17. How powerful is our God? Is he powerful enough to create things by just saying, "Let there be?" OR...is God not really that powerful so that he would take millions and millions of years to "get it done?" Genesis uses the word "Yom" the Hebrew word for day, a twenty-four hour period. It is not the word for a period of time or age.
- 3. The Bible indicates that man has been here since the creation of the world: Mark 10:6; Matt. 19:4; Romans 1:20. When the Bible says man was part of the six days (Yom) of creation, he must have been from the beginning and not past of an evolutionary process.
- 4. The Bible indicates that Adam was indeed the first man: I Cor. 15:22 & 45; Romans 5:12-14; I Timothy 2:13.
- 5. The Bible gives the genealogy from Adam to Christ, and all mentioned where people: Gen. 5; Gen. 11; Matt.1(for Joseph); Luke 3 (for Mary).
- 6. The Bible demonstrates the need for redemption and a savior: Gen. 3:15; I John 5:11-13; Heb. 6:19-20; Col. 2:13-14.
- 7. The New Testament writers believed that Genesis 1 11 historically true: all eight of the N.T. writers quote from the first 11 chapters of Genesis. Jesus quoted from the first sever chapters of the Old Testament. Seventeen of the twenty-seven books of the New Testament quote from Genesis 1-11.

I believe along with Brad Harrub that the content of Genesis 1-11 is literal and the basis for our belief in the rest of the Bible. Is what we are and where we've come from the result of a universal process of godless development or the process of a holy, powerful, creative, living God. I choose to think it is.