# 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	
Wednesday Evening Bible Classes/Devotional	

Elders: Craig Case, Vernon Garretson Jesus Loves Me

Karl Barth was a famous philosopher who spent many years studying the Scriptures. He was once asked, 'What is the greatest theological discovery you have ever made?'

He thought and said simply, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

Can you remember where you were the first time you heard those words? I can't, because, quite honestly, I don't remember not knowing it. The words are sung by children literally all over the world, and frankly, I do not know a message more needed by every child, and adult, than those simple words with the life changing message, Jesus Loves Me This I know, For The Bible Tells Me So.

Jesus Himself said, "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:12-13).

Can you imagine that? Jesus loves me!

"What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

MATTHEW 16:26

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November 27, 2016

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 December:

Communion Prep. & Greeters: Wilma & Gary Cole

Men Leading Services for November 27th:

CALL TO WORSHIP: ELDER: Vernon Garretson

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff OPENING PRAYER: Lynn Atkinson

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Frank Baldwin Herminio Gutierrez, Craig Case, Gary Rice SCRIPTURE READING: Brandon Hodgson ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:

Randy McCord

ALTERNATES: Craig Standridge, Gary Curtis,

Taylor Radcliff, Richard Bullough P.M. SONG LEADER: Taylor Radcliff

### **Upcoming Events!**

<u>November 30<sup>th</sup></u> – Riverdale to host 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday singing

December 4th - Valley Christian Home Worship

<u>December 5th</u>- Men's business Meeting <u>December 16th</u>- Christmas Caroling

December 18th- Teen Gift Wrapping Day

<u>Bible Bowl – Congratulations to those with 100%</u> -Darlene Wilson, Becky Bullough, Alice Bolton, Donna Lane, Eula Rhoads, Whitney Broaddus, and Taylor Radcliff. Great job everyone!

Wednesday Night Adult Class: Please remember to submit any questions to the elders that you would like to add to the list for study on Wednesday nights, as we continue our "question and answer" style of class on Wednesday, December 7th.

Valley Christian Home Worship Service: we will have the opportunity of worshipping with the residents at the home on December 4th at 2:30. We plan to share cookies with the residents before service again this time and your donations of cookies would be appreciated. If you are able to bake and donate cookies, please see Linda Atkinson.

5th Wednesday Singing - Riverdale will host this time of worship and fellowship at 7:00 p.m., November 30th. Please join us as we travel to Riverdale to sing songs of worship and to fellowship with our brothers and sisters from Riverdale and Caruthers. Refreshments will be served after singing. If you would like to car pool to Riverdale, please meet in our parking lot at 6:15 that evening. Or if you need a ride, please call Craig or Donna Case.

Christmas Caroling! It is nearly that time of year again! We are planning on an evening of caroling and refreshments on Friday, December 16th. We will meet at the building at 6:00 p.m. and then car pool to make several stops and sing traditional Christmas songs at people's homes. Refreshments will then be enjoyed at Denise and Sarah Dean's home in Armona, following the caroling. This will be a fun and joyous evening that everyone is invited to be a part of. More information will follow, as time gets closer to the date.

Abdiel, Our Sponsored Child from City of Children: We plan to send a Christmas gift to Abdiel. Denise Dean will coordinate the purchase and sending of a gift and will collect money by December 11<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help sponsor this gift, please give your donation to Denise by Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. All the words of encouragement, and gifts that we send to Abdiel, and the prayers we pray for him are so appreciated and such a good example of God's love. Thank you

Teens Offer Christmas Gift Wrapping: This December 18th, our teenage members will be wrapping gifts at the home of Sarah and Denise Dean after morning worship. If you would like to have gifts wrapped, please bring the gifts to church in the morning and they will be carefully transported to the Dean home, where they will be nicely wrapped and returned to the building in time for you to pick them up after evening worship. Lunch will also be provided for the teens, while they are busy wrapping. Thank you for your participation, your support is greatly appreciated.

<u>Cristmas Gifts for Valley Christian Home</u>: if you would like to participate in the gift collection, please see the list of suggested items on the bulletin board. More details will be available soon.

### **Prayer List**

<u>Doug Standridge</u>, waiting for a kidney transplant. He has visited U.C. Davis Hospital for additional medical tests.

<u>Gary Cole</u> will have additional medical tests in anticipation of surgery.

Lynn and Linda Atkinson, as they have not been feeling well for several days.

Donna Lane will have minor leg surgery.

<u>Richard Bullough</u> – kidney surgery is scheduled for Dec 2 <u>Elizabeth Garretson</u> is home, recovering from surgery.

Alice Fall recovering well from surgery.

<u>Van Bass</u> has come home from the hospital and is recovering after having a heart attack.

<u>Dixie Blair</u> is doing well, recovering from her second cataract surgery.

Joyce Curtis- recovering from hand surgery.

<u>Danette Curtis-</u> recovering from hip replacement surgery.

<u>Lucile Chamberlain</u> has moved to Fig Garden Retirement Village in Fresno. Her new address is on the bulletin board for anyone that would like to send cards or letters.

<u>Kristen Hill Menezes</u>, a friend of Emily Standridge, has been diagnosed with Stage 2 Breast Cancer. She has been receiving chemo therapy and is scheduled for a double mastectomy in February.

<u>Johnny Goodson</u>, Mark Lane's cousin has been diagnosed with COPD.

<u>Donna Boyd</u> – Friends of Yosemite Bible Camp Memberis going through cancer treatment.

<u>Emily Carpenter</u>, a young student where Bree Radcliff attends school; cancer has returned.

<u>Alyssa Radcliff</u> will require further medical tests regarding pulmonary issues.

<u>Bethany Dial</u> will go in for medical testing regarding intestinal issues.

Mike Souza - hip replacement surgery.

<u>Alfredo Gonsalez</u>, Rosa Gutierrez' father, has been moved to a rehab hospital, to recover and rehabilitate from the effects of West Nile Virus.

<u>Emmitt Walker</u>, Aguirre's great –grandson, who is only 3 months old, is battling Cystic Fibrosis. He has already had 6 surgeries and may require more during his treatment.

Glen Fraley continues to improve after having a heart transplant. He will continue under doctor's care for checkups and medical tests for several months.

Marge Tassler, grandmother of Nick and Caitlyn Harp will be meeting with doctors soon regarding cancer treatment.

Merlin Welch, a neighbor of the Atkinsons, as he recovers from a stroke.

<u>Casey Case, Jr.</u>, grandson of Clofas and Jeanne Case, going through treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma and an additional blood disorder. He is responding well to treatment.

<u>Lois Gable</u>, a friend of the Lane family, has been diagnosed with cancer. Her health is declining greatly. <u>Beverly Rice</u>, aunt of Donna Lane has been diagnosed with liver cancer. She is not doing well.

<u>Holiday Travelers</u> – this is a very busy time of year for traveling. Please pray for all those who may be driving, flying and any other type of travel, that they may have a safe journey.

Members of the Armed Forces: those on deployment and those closer to home. Please remember them all in your prayers, as we pray they are safe and we thank them for their service.

<u>First Responders in all fields:</u> Please keep those in mind who work diligently in keeping up with emergencies and providing medical care, fire protection and security from danger for all our citizens.

### **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

#### Proverbs 16:24

Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

### Isaíah 58:8

Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard.

### **Untapped Resources**

Have we ever gone to the store to buy a needed item, later to discover we already had the very thing we wanted — tucked away and forgotten?

When a family prepares for a move or does a thorough housecleaning, no telling what they may discover in the back of closets and the bottom of drawers! Much of it may be disposed of without regret. But occasionally, there may be something of real value!

When this happens, they most likely are glad to find what they'd forgotten they had, and frustrated to realize they could have been using it to their advantage all along.

Spiritually speaking, the solution to our problems may be a lot closer than we think. The Bible, so close at hand, is full of practical instruction, encouraging promises, and helpful examples. As beneficial as it is, why don't we use it more often? What could we be missing by not studying it with greater diligence?

The Bible doesn't guarantee freedom from problems, but it can equip us to deal with our problems and motivate us to draw on the help God is anxious to provide.

And that brings us to prayer. When we pray, we tap into the power of God Himself (<u>Hebrews 4:14-16</u>; <u>Philippians 4:6-7</u>). A 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. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

There's an old hymn entitled, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" that tells us the following in its lyrics:

"O what peace we often forfeit, Oh what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer."

Then there is the local congregation. The benefits of active participation in the church's worship, work, and fellowship are beyond estimation. Some Christians have never been active members and have yet to experience the spiritual benefits. They don't know what they're missing! Others have experienced the benefits, but have somehow let less important things crowd out what they once enjoyed so much. How sad! The solution may lie closer than we think! The Hebrew writer encourages us to:

"....we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it .... How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" (Hebrews 2:1,3 NASB).