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 Bible Classes.....7:00 pm

God's Grace

"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8).

Two important things. First, God's servants are totally dependent upon the grace of God. God's grace or favor provides far more than forgiveness. God shapes and molds us into the kind of people that He wishes us to be.

In Philippians 1:6 Paul wrote, "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." Yes, God expects us to use the talents and abilities He gives us, but we should never forget that every good gift comes from Him (James 1:17). Paul urges us, "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure." (Philippians 2:12–13).

Second, we are wholly dependent upon the kindness of God to provide for our needs and the needs of this ministry. God does not send us into His vineyard empty-handed and ill-equipped. God's grace abounds so that we have all sufficiency in all things at all times for every good deed. When faithful Christians ask, God answers; when they seek, He helps them find; and when they knock, the Lord opens the door. God truly answers prayer (Matthew 7:7-9).

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December 9, 2018

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: Gary & Wilma Cole

Men Leading Services for December 9th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Gary Curtis

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff **Opening Prayer**: Craig Case

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Randy McCord

Gary Rice

Herminio Gutierrez Brandon Hodgson

Scripture Reading: Lynn Atkinson

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Frank Baldwin Alternates: Clofas Case, Rich Rhoads, Richard

Bullough, David Sander

P.M. Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Wednesday Evening December 12th:

Songs: Gary Cole **Speaker:** Craig Case

Announcements/Prayer: Frank Baldwin

Upcoming Events!

Dec. 9 - Men's Business Meeting

Dec. 15 - Christmas Party

Dec. 16 – Collection Day for Jordan

Dec. 23 – Gingerbread decorating

Christmas Party:

The Christmas Party for adults will be held on December 15th at the home of Garth and Tiffany Radcliff. It will begin at 6 p.m. After the potluck dinner there will be a white elephant gift exchange. Please bring 1 gift per person (limit of \$15.00) and your favorite potluck dish. Beverages will be provided. RSVP to Tiffany by Dec. 14th.

Men's Meeting:

The monthly Men's meeting will be held today at 3:30 in the fellowship hall. All men are invited to attend.

West Visalia Winter Camp:

The Winter Camp hosted by West Visalia will be held during the week between Christmas and New Year's. All teens are encouraged to attend. There is more information on the bulletin board or you may speak with Garrett or Lynda Sander for more information.

Gingerbread Decorating:

Ginger Bread decorating has been moved to Sunday, December 23rd. Lunch will be provided followed by a time of decorating gingerbread houses. Please see Isabella Gutierrez for more information or to help with this activity.

Thank You:

Thank you to all who attended the FYBC Applebee's breakfast. Hugs and thanks to all those who helped scoop food, serve tables, work the boutique, brought items for the boutique. We could not have completed this activity without all of you!

Church Directory:

We are in the process of updating our church directory. If you have any changes that need to be made in your address, phone, new babies, new members etc., or if you have any questions - please see Wilma Cole.

Baby Shower:

There will be a baby shower to honor Baby Girl Rhoads and parents Matt and Jennifer Rhoads. The shower will be held on Saturday January 13th at 11:30 in the fellowship hall. Finger foods will be served. Jennifer and Matt are registered at Target. Please see Isabella Gutierrez or Eula Rhoads if you have any questions.

Prayer List

Regina Gamble – Larry's sister – having medical issues at this time.

Jack Otto's daughter, Robin, will be seeing a specialist regarding back surgery.

Bill and Mozelle Curtis -Mozelle is still dealing with leg issues and Bill took a fall last weekend.

Becky and Glen Fraley, as Glen goes through the process of being placed on the kidney transplant list.

Paula Lewis is currently having rehab. **Michael Hagerty** struggling with personal and family issues at this time.

Hal Crain still not doing great **Sarah Dewey**, granddaughter/niece of the Case families, will continue to have medical

tests.

Don and Shirley Easter as they continue to work on the job/home life merge.

Leon and Lois Collins, Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues and Leon is undergoing immunotherapy.

Mark Cooper will be undergoing radiation treatment in SF for 6 weeks.

Christy McCord spinal injections have not been successful and they are looking at a fusion of the vertebrae.

Rita, a friend and coworker of Chelsea Stafford, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, is in a nursing home due to a stoke she had in May. **Ron Cole**, Gary Cole's son, still having back pain and will see s Dr. at UCLA on Dec, 13th **Alexa Martinez**, friend of Baldwin's, return of cancer

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment. Hannah Detlefsen, daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, has returned home.

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing treatment Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy Mike Virden They are now waiting for the approval to be a transplant candidate. The Doctors have been monitoring Mike's oxygen level and making adjustments as needed.

Doug Standridge- continuing with dialysis. Doug is also waiting on approval for the transplant list.

First Responders
Military and their families
Those traveling
Our Mission Work:

- *Our Preachers in Nicaragua
- *Agape Village
- *Crossover Ministry
- *City of Children
- *Manuelito Children's Home
- *church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund
- *World Christian Broadcasting

T'was a Sheep.

T'was a sheep, not a lamb, that went astray,
In a parable that Jesus told;

T'was a grown-up sheep that wandered away,
From the ninety and nine in the fold,
And out in the hilltops, out in the cold,
T'was a sheep the good shepherd sought,
And back to the flock, and back to the fold,
T'was a sheep the good shepherd brought.
If the sheep go wrong, it will not be long,
Till the lambs are as wrong as they;
So still with the sheep we must earnestly
plead,

For the sake of the lambs today,

If the lambs are lost, what a terrible cost,

Some sheep will have to pay.

Oh, that man would praise the Lord for his goodness, for his wonderful works to the children of men. Psalm

Invincible Faith

"For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth" (Job 19:25).

Faith in Jesus Christ, if it is genuine, is one of the strongest forces known to the human race. In fact, it's possible to possess a faith that is, for all practical purposes, invincible.

Invincible faith, however, is not merely the intellectual acceptance of the fact that Jesus is the Son of God. No, the power to withstand great hardship comes from believing that, as the Son of God, Jesus Christ is one day going to gain complete victory over every form of evil and injustice. The person who truly believes that will not be defeated by anything that happens in the meantime.

Toward the end of Revelation, we have this description of one of John's visions: "Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called the Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords" (Revelation 19:11-16).

Invincible faith comes not from finding a way to be unconquerable ourselves, but from disciplining our minds to believe in the unconquerability of our King. It is impossible that He will be defeated, and this truth is well attested by everything that has ever been known about Him. When, in the face of temporary opposition, we choose to believe that the ultimate victory will be His, then we adopt a faith that the devil can do little to vanquish. And it is to us that Jesus Christ says, "To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne" (Revelation 3:21).

"Perseverance is our supreme effort of refusing to believe that our hero is going to be conquered" (Oswald Chambers).