

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.

The Inspiration of Every Word

Understanding the nature of inspiration will open doors to deeper understanding as you study the Bible. Consider that when Moses brought the tablets of stone down from Mount Sanai there were no misspelled words on those stones. Every word was chosen by God. Every single letter of every word had been chosen and written by the hand of God...Read your Bible and look at every word in every verse. It will open many doors of deeper understanding. Every letter of every word has been chosen by God!

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

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December 17, 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 December:

Communion Prep. and Greeters:

Gary & Wilma Cole

Men Leading Services for December 17th:

WELCOME /CALL TO WORSHIP: Craig Case

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

OPENING PRAYER: Gary Rice

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Randy McCord

Rich Rhoads, Lynn Atkinson, Taylor Radcliff

SCRIPTURE READING: Taylor Radcliff

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Frank Baldwin

ALTERNATES: Herminio Gutierrez, Richard Bullough,

Clofas Case, Jordan Willis

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

Men To Lead Devotional Wed., Dec. 20th:

SONGS: Garth Radcliff

SPEAKER: Randy McCord

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRAYER: Gary Curtis

Upcoming Events!

Dec. 17th – Gift Wrapping by the Teen Group

Dec. 31st – Count Down to 2018

Visitor's Lunch – A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board for anyone that would like to participate in this program. For any details about the plan, please talk to Gary Cole.

Gift Wrapping: Today, after morning worship, bring all your gifts that need wrapping to the fellowship hall and our teen group will take care of the details! If you would like to have gifts wrapped, leave them in the morning and plan to pick them up the same day, after evening worship. Lunch will be provided for the teens.

2018 is Just Around The Corner! On December 31, help us ring in the New Year. We will have a devotional at 5:00 p.m., followed by dinner, games and fellowship. Details will be available as time gets closer to the "count down".

Recipe for Christmas All Year Long

*Take a heap of child-like wonder
That opens up our eyes
To the unexpected gifts in life—
Each day a sweet surprise.*

*Mix in fond appreciation
For the people whom we know;
Like festive Christmas candles,
Each one has a special glow.*

*Add some giggles and some laughter,
A dash of Christmas food,
(Amazing how a piece of pie
Improves our attitude!)*

*Stir it all with human kindness,
Wrap it up in love and peace,
Decorate with optimism, and
Our joy will never cease.*

*If we use this healthy recipe,
We know we will remember
To be in the Christmas spirit,
Even when it's not December.*

Psalms 145:2

*Every day I will praise you and extol your
name for ever and ever.*

Prayer List

Paul Keithly from Hanford has been in the hospital for several days in serious condition.

Lynn Atkinson, recovering from surgery and waiting for biopsy results.

Mike Virden will have a consultation with a specialist at UCSF January 12th, to determine when he will qualify to be on the lung transplant list. He has been approved for an experimental medication currently.

Leah Grilione, recovering from the flu.

Ginko Reihart, a friend of Darlene Wilson is in the hospital in serious condition due to a lung infection.

Terry Pugsley's father, a friend of Calvin Ye, was diagnosed with Stage 4 Cancer.

Raquel Gutierrez was diagnosed with a problem involving her pituitary gland. She has been prescribed medication and will be under doctor's care.

Dianne Worrell – recovering from knee surgery.

Vern Davis, from Riverdale, has come home after a week in the hospital and will consult with specialists in the coming weeks.

Paula Ali, Betty Standridge's niece, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in both lungs that is believed metastasized from cervical cancer she had 2 years ago. She will meet with specialists to discuss her treatment options.

Alexis Raygoza, Gutierrez's nephew, as he is in the hospital down South. He is suffering a heart infection and also a blood clot has caused 2 strokes. He is recovering and expected to stay in the hospital for an undetermined amount of time.

Doye Willis, Jordan Willis' dad has undergone medical tests, as he struggles with memory problems.

Dixie Blair recovering from carpal tunnel surgery.

Lora Virden's niece, JeanAnne Emmins, as she has been diagnosed with cancer.

John Whited, brother-in-law of Whitney Broaddus, has spent time intermittently in the hospital, rehab hospital and home with medical care.

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

Glen Fraley - He continues to do well regarding his heart transplant and will continue ongoing checkups with doctors.

Doug Standridge- doing well, continuing with dialysis.

Lucile Chamberlain - Lucile is living at Somerford Place of Fresno.

Hannah Detlefsen, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, is suffering the effects of major birth defects, including blindness.

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, as he continues treatment for a recurrence of cancer.

Dorma Atkinson- under the care of medical specialists, after experiencing numerous TIA's and struggles with blood pressure issues.

Casey Case, Jr., under ongoing care of oncologists.

Alana Pfeiffer, Jack Otto's granddaughter, as she struggles with issues of domestic violence.

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

The Healing That We Need

Why, O Lord, does it always seem
That we often get no reply?
When we are so very desperate
For all the answers why

When we need a special touch
To heal all of our sickness,
A miracle that only you can do,
Restoring strength to our weakness

We do not know the reasons 'why'
You don't answer straight away,
We only need to have faith in you
And be persistent when we pray

You may choose to heal much more
Than our needs of the physical
So much more is the spirit inside
That may be in need of a miracle

For you care so much for us
And want to see us healed,
Not only in this body of ours
But in our souls as well

We needn't feel so downcast
As we wait upon the Lord,
For the answer will come in His time
Then we shall be restored.

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COMPETITION

All of our school and working life most of us have had to compete. We do it for grades, honors, salary, pride and politics. Sadly some even compete with other parents through their children. Do beauty pageants for three-year-olds sound familiar? Then, of course, there are competitive sports of all sorts. Strangely more acrimony and even violence is seen among the fans than in the players. Certainly there are still friendly competitions between adults and kids. Sportsmanship is dying but is not dead yet. One can even compete with oneself to make a better score in games and puzzles. However, one needs plenty of self-control to keep from turning to resentment and blame when we lose.

It appears that competition started early in history and led to the first murder when Cain resented Abel's more pleasing sacrifice to God. (Gen 4: 2-11) Although Miriam, the sister of Moses and Aaron, was called a prophetess, (Ex 15:20) she and Aaron fell prey to the temptation of envy and competition with Moses. They said, "Has the Lord spoken only through Moses?" The Lord was very angry and caused leprosy to fall on her. Only because Moses pled with the Lord was it reduced to 7 days. (Nu 12:1-15)

We remember many other competitions in both the Old and New Testaments: King Saul and David (1 Sam 18:6-9) Joab and Abner (2 Sam 3:27) David and Absalom (2 Sam 15: 13-14) James and John versus the other apostles (Lk 9:46) Barnabas and Paul (Acts 15:39-40). In all of these cases each person wanted to impose his will over the others. Jesus' prescription for all cases of ego is given in Luke 9:48. Using a small child as a visual aid, he said, "...for he who is least among you all—he is the greatest."

Aren't we happy that the Christian journey is not a competition of one against the other? Many, many scriptures tell us we are to support our brethren even to the point of giving up some of our "rights." (Rom 14:21) A great secular lesson for all of us might be what often occurs in the Special Olympics when one contestant who sees another fall stops to help him/her and both continue together to the finish line. So let's run a good race.

2 Timothy 4:7

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.