

The Lemoore Caller

140 Skaggs St. Lemoore, CA 93245

559-924-2373

lemoorechurchofchrist.org



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

A New Year's Plan

I tried to think of a clever new phrase –A slogan to inspire the next 365 days,
A motto to live by this coming New Year, But the catchy words fell flat to my ear.

And then I heard His still small voice, saying, "Consider this simple, daily choice:
With each new dawn and close of day, Make new your resolve to trust and obey."

"Don't look back caught in regret, Or dwell on the sorrow of dreams unmet;
Don't stare forward anchored by fear, No, live in this moment, for I am here."

"I am all you need. Everything. I Am. You are held secure by my strong hand.
Give me this one thing – your all in all; Into my grace, let yourself fall."

So, at last, I'm ready; I see the way. It's to daily follow, trust, and obey.
I enter the New Year armed with a plan, To give him my everything. All that I am.

Lamentations 3:23

They are **new every morning**; great is your faithfulness.

Lemoore church of Christ

lemoorechurchofchrist.org

December 30, 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 January

Communion Prep: Gary & Joyce Curtis

Greeter: Alice Fall

Men Leading Services for December 30th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Gary Rice

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Randy McCord
Frank Baldwin
Rich Rhoads
Craig Case

Scripture Reading: David Sander

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Gary Curtis

Alternates: Clofas Case, Brandon Hodgson,
Larry Gamble

P.M. Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Wednesday Evening January 2nd:

Songs: Gary Curtis

Speaker: Taylor Radcliff

Announce/Prayer: Garth Radcliff

Upcoming Events!

Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve game night

Jan. 12 – Baby Shower for Baby Rhoads

Jan. 14 – Men's Meeting
Ladies Birthday Luncheon

Jan. 20 – Birthday Fellowship

Jan. 26 – Ladies Day in S.F.

Jan. 30 – 5th Wednesday singing

Feb. 3 – Services at VCH

Feb. 9 – Possible Senior breakfast

Mar. 9 – Lemoore Ladies Day

5th Wednesday Singing:

The next Wednesday evening singing will be on January 30th. The Caruthers congregation will be hosting.

New Year's Eve Game Night:

Come join us for an evening of fellowship, games, laughter, and fun. We will begin about 6:00p.m. with finger foods. The ending time is up in the air and depends on everyone's personal time limit. The evening will be hosted by the Sander Family.

Bible Bowls Results:

The Bible Bowl covering 1 John yielded 6 perfect scores. The included Gary Rice, Lynda Sander, Whitney Broaddus, Kerri Hodgson, Lisa Butts, and Taylor Radcliff.

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 12th 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.

Valley Christian Home:

Lemoore is scheduled to conduct services at Valley Christian Home on February 3rd. More information to follow.

Senior Breakfast:

The tentative date for the Senior Breakfast is Saturday February 9th. More information to follow.

Lemoore Ladies Day:

March 9th is the date for the annual Lemoore Ladies Day. Lynda Sander will be the speaker. The men will provide breakfast. Please see Becky Bullough to help or for more information.

Ladies Day in San Francisco:

Kathleen Ferrell will be the featured speaker at the Ladies Day hosted by the Airport Church of Christ on January 26th. Registration begins at 8:45 and the program begins at 10.

Ladies Birthday Luncheon:

The ladies' birthday luncheon will resume on Monday, January 14th. It will be held at Mountain Mike's beginning at 11:30. Please see Wilma Cole for more information.

Update from Jordan:

We received an email from Jordan this past week. He appreciates all the letters and emails he has received. It is hopeful that he will be returning home toward the end of January. There is a 20% chance this may get extended until April. He requests that we do not send any more boxes of goodies at this time since he may be gone before they arrive.

Grandma's Groceries:

There is a flyer on the bulletin board regarding Grandma's Groceries. If you would like more information regarding this, please speak with Grace Sander.

Bible Class Teachers:

There will be a Teacher's meeting in January. At this time, we have a need for more teachers and to open a cradle roll class. Material has been ordered for this new class and is ready as soon as we have a teacher.

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 has been moved to a rehab center for recovery.

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

Marlon Mills has a separated shoulder from a fall.

Hal Crain still not doing great

Michael Hagerty struggling with personal and family issues at this time.

Sarah Dewey, granddaughter/niece of the Case families, will continue to have medical tests.

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

Mark Cooper has had radiation treatments.

Christy McCord had a successful back surgery but had a reaction to medication.

Darlene Wilson will be seeing a specialist regarding high sodium levels and leg cramps.

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 stroke she had in May.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, recovering from back surgery.

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment.

Hannah Detlefsen, daughter of friends of Lisa Butts,

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing treatment

Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy

Mike Virden has been placed on the lung transplant list in San Francisco and at UCLA

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**

"Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

Deuteronomy 31:6

January 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|--|-----|---------------------|--------------------------|
| | | 1 | 2 Carter Hubble | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 Favian Gutierrez Ariana gutierrez | 9 Alice Fall | 10 | 11 Kellen Case | 12 Baby Shower/Rhoads |
| 13 | 14 Ladie's Birthday Lunch | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Seth Bellwood | 19 |
| 20 Lynn Atkinson | 21 Men's Business Meeting | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Birthday Fellowship | | | 30 Rogelio Gutierrez, Jr. | 31 | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 5 th Wednesday Singing/Caruthers | | | |

New Year's Resolutions

by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson

"I never make New Year's Resolutions, anymore," the man told me, "I never keep them, anyway." I can remember all too many resolutions I've made and let slip away, too. But I believe New Year's resolutions are worth making. Let me tell you why.

First, we all need changes. Some we find very hard to admit to ourselves. I've heard people who say, "I have no regrets about my life. If I had it to do over, I'd do it the same way again." But that attitude is way too blind and self-serving so far as I'm concerned. There is great power in confession--to ourselves, to God, to others. Owning up to our failures is the first, painful step on the road to something better.

Second, when we change calendars is a good time for reassessment. How did last year go? What do I want to do differently this year? This time of year always reminds me of a passage of scripture, better understood by farmers than suburbanites: "Break up your unplowed ground, and do not sow among thorns" (Jer 4:3). It makes sense. The more land you put into production, the more prosperous you'll be. But some of us are stupid enough to try to sow seeds in land overrun by star thistle without breaking up the soil and taking care to root out the thorns as they come up. Call it laziness. Call it stupidity.

Let me ask you a serious question. What percentage of your life is producing something of value to God? How much "unplowed ground" do you have that ought to be broken up in this coming year and made useful? Reassessment. The brink of a new year is a good time for reassessment.

Third, New Year's is an excellent time for mid-course corrections. Sure, we might fail in what we set out to do, but if we fail to plan, the old saying goes, then we plan to fail. If you're so fearful of failure that you never set up your row of tin cans to shoot at, you're not very likely to hit any at all. Failure is not the end. For the person who determines to learn from it, failure is a friend.

One of my heroes in the Bible is the Apostle Paul. Talk about failure! Throughout his life he was opposed, persecuted, shipwrecked, stoned and left for dead, deserted by trusted co-workers, slandered, and scorned. Sometimes it seemed that projects to which he had devoted years were turning to dust before his eyes. But during one of his stints in prison, we can see from one of his letters an unwillingness to quit. "Forgetting what is behind," he wrote, "and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus" (Phil 3:13-14, NIV) No wonder he made a mark on his world. He stopped looking back, and looked forward instead. He didn't let the fear of failure keep him from trying again.

Fourth, New Year's is a time to learn to rely more heavily on the grace of God. Now I've met a few self-made men and women and so have you, but so often these people seem proud and driven. There is another way: beginning to trust in God's help. One more secret from the Apostle Paul: "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength," he said (Phil 4:13, NIV). And God's strength saw him through a lot--through pain, through joy, and through accomplishment.

If this last year, you didn't practice relying on the Lord as much as you should have, there is no time like the present to make a New Year's resolution. In fact, why don't you say a short prayer right now--use these words if you like: "Dear God, I want the new year to be different for me." Now spell out in prayer some of the changes you'd like to see. And close this way: "Lord Jesus, I know that I'm going to need a lot of help for this. So right now I place myself in your hands. Help me to receive Your strength. Amen." Good. Now you've got a much better chance of a Happy New Year.