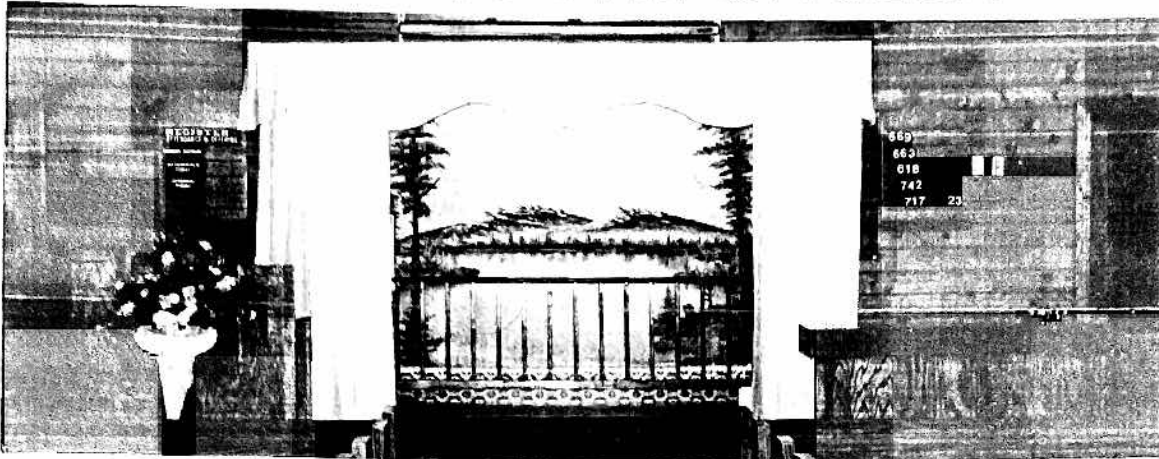


# THE LEMOORE CALLER



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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES.....9:30  
SUNDAY A.M. WORSHIP ASSEMBLY..... 10:30  
SUNDAY P.M. WORSHIP ASSEMBLY.....5:00  
WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASSES/DEVOTIONAL.....7:00  
BIRTHDAY FELLOWSHIP.....3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP  
BUSINESS MEETING..... 1<sup>ST</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH @ 6:00

## MEN WHO SERVE THE CHURCH IN LEMOORE

ELDERS: RICHARD BULLOUGH, CRAIG CASE,  
MARK LANE, VERNON GARRETSON  
PREACHER: VERNON GARRETSON

## Let us be Slow to Speak

James 1:19

The observation has been made that our ears are out in the open, exposed and unguarded while our tongues are concealed behind ivory bars. James wrote *"Wherefore my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."* To be slow to speak is to speak in a careful manner, allowing our words to be the result of a thought process, rather than to speak in haste. Solomon said in Proverbs, *"He that keeps his mouth keeps his life."*

Our speech can be negative and can in some cases incite anger. Proverbs 15:1 says, *"A soft answer turns away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger."* Speech can be dirty, and that comes from a dirty mind. Paul wrote in Colossians 3:8, *"Put filthy communication out of your mouth."* Our words can consist of no purpose at all and we're told in the scriptures that we will give an account of every idle word we've spoken. Words can violate the trust of another person. Again it was Solomon who said, *"A talebearer revels secrets: but he that has a faithful spirit conceals the matter"* (Prov. 11:13) Paul writes to Timothy warning him about gossip and what it can do, so our words can be those of a busybody.

Not only can our speech be negative, but it can also be positive. Our speech can be used to tell the truth. It can be used to share Faith. It can be used to confess what we believe. Romans 10 says, *"with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."* Our Speech can Honor God, Hebrews 13:15 speaks of the sacrifice of praise which is the fruit of our lips. Ephesians 4 talks of speech that edifies, we are always trying to find ways to build others up, well our speech can do that. And lastly, our speech can be used to spread the Gospel.

"Think before you speak." We've all heard that. That's why God say, *"Be swift to hear, slow to speak....."*

# Lemoore Church of Christ

May 3, 2015

Sunday: 9:30 am Bible Classes  
10:30 am Morning Worship  
5:00 pm Evening Worship

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Classes  
Members scheduled to serve for May:

Communion Lead: Excel Green

Communion Prep: Joyce and Gary Curtis

Greeters: Betty Edwards and Dixie Blair

Elders Meeting: The elders will meet on the last Monday of each month.

Men's Business Meeting: The schedule has been changed for the meetings. The new meeting time will be the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Men Leading Services today, May 3:

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Mark Lane

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table : Lead – Excell Green

Richard Bullough, Derek Cathey, Randy McCord

Announcements: Jeff Mason

Closing Prayer: Craig Case

Alternates: Judson Ervin, Gary Rice, Garth Radcliff, Michael Fite

FYBC Charity Golf Tournament was a Success:  
Thank you to all who participated in the fund raiser. One golf team from Lemoore golfed as well as a hole was sponsored by some of our members. A great day was had by all and the tournament raised a total of \$5,691.00. Funds will be contributed to the improvements the camp needs. Another tournament is planned for May 30th in Modesto.

Bible Bowl: Wednesday was the Bible Bowl quiz on Matthew 16. Several members earned 100%: Garth, Tiffany, Taylor, Bailey and Bree Radcliff, Donna Lane, Gary Curtis, Becky and Richard Bullough, Craig Standridge, Jeanne Case, Gary and Wilma Cole, Lora Virden, Darlene Wilson, Betty Edwards and Linda Atkinson. Good Job!!

Vintage dishes needed and battery candles too:  
Along with the vintage dishes the ladies have requested, there is a need for "flameless" battery operated candles. The larger size candles are most needed. If you are able to donate dishes or candles, please see Isabella Gutierrez or Linda Atkinson. Thank you!

Hospitality Baskets: We will be making the baskets for the Retreat and need your help to fill them with sample size products such as shampoo, bath gel, toothpaste, etc. Please see the list of items on the bulletin board if you are interested in helping out. Thank you.

Super Saturday: We will be planning this event and need your help. The dates and times will be determined soon. Please read the sign-up sheet that is posted on the bulletin board next to the office and please sign up to help in the areas you are able to participate. Please consider helping in this VBS style event as we reach out to children in our congregation and community.

Memorial Day BBQ at YBC: The date scheduled is Memorial Day, May 25, 2015. Everyone is invited to come up to the camp and enjoy a fun day or all weekend of fellowship and good food and fund raising. There will be family activities, and also a dessert auction. Pies and various family size desserts are needed for the auction. All proceeds go toward camp improvements. We would love to see everyone attend this fun and spirited event, but if you are not able to attend, and would like to make a dessert or monetary donation, you may bring the items to church on Sunday Morning, May 24<sup>th</sup>, and Denise Dean can take the items with her up to the camp. Thank you for all your support.

Ladies Retreat Committee Meeting: The next meeting is planned for May 17 after morning worship. We will be having a salad potluck at the home of Isabella Gutierrez. All ladies are invited to attend and help with planning the retreat.

## Prayer List

The Family of James Milburn, as he lost his battle with cancer last week. He was the chaplain at Adventist Health.

Durward Dodd has been feeling tired and weak. He has been staying at home.

Dovie Lane, Mark Lane's mother has now been placed under the care of Hospice, as Alzheimer's has worsened drastically.

Linda Otto- health concerns.

Herman Dodge, Kaye Dodge's brother-in-law has been diagnosed with brain cancer. The prognosis is not good.

Bernice Ellis received a pace maker and is doing very well.

Curt Albrecht – son-in-law of Kaye Dodge had heart surgery. He has come home from the hospital and will continue his recovery at home.

Linda Rowe – non responsive and in hospital.

Vincent Garretson - corneal replacement surgery went well, but he has had a second surgery to replace stitches that became infected. His vision is already improving and is expected to make a full recovery.

Hal Crane, Lisa Butts' brother-in-law has not been doing well and has spent time in the hospital.

Tiffany Radcliff's Uncle was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer.

Allison Baldwin will be having back surgery.

Emily Carpenter, 8 year old friend of Annabelle, diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia.

Sheri Salazar, a co-worker of Lisa Butts – Stage 4 breast cancer.

Denise Dean - medical tests.

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

Francise Aguirre – has had a series of “mini strokes” and will be following up with doctors.

Zackery Hankel – great-nephew of Dixie Blair has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia. He is preparing for a bone marrow transplant.

Nina Powers, a relative of Lora Virden - cancer surgery with treatment to follow.

Junior Gutierrez – pray for his return to church.

Mada McCord, Randy's mother, in a rehab hospital, recovering after a fall.

Shae McNeely, doing very well after having received a heart and lung transplant.

Derek Cathey – away on deployment.

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

Dorma Atkinson has been experiencing a series of mini strokes and needs constant care.

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

Van Bass – has been experiencing considerable pain in his knees and difficulty walking.

Phyllis Green, Becky Bullough's sister, is home, slowly improving, after many days in the hospital, due to a lung infection.

Gloria Rife sister-in-law of Jack Otto, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Jamie Smith, Jack Otto's granddaughter, has Stage 4 Multiple Sclerosis.

Cathy Carlisle, a cousin of Mark Lane has been diagnosed with cancer.

Wally and Phyllis Zieser – friends of the Lane family from Rogue River Church of Christ, – both have health concerns.

Hope Michael, friend of the Lanes from Grants Pass, Oregon Church of Christ, is dealing with health issues.

Stacey Ballantyne, Suzanne Mason's sister, going through cancer treatment.

Mark Lane's sister: not doing well.

Jennifer Dew –continuing to suffer from side effects caused by two types of chemotherapy.

### Our Mission Work

\*Our preachers in Nicaragua

\*Agape Village

\*Crossover Ministry

\*Manuelito Children's Home

\*Church of Christ in Branson, MO

\*Rogue River Church of Christ in Oregon

\*Church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund

*FAITH makes a man a Christian.  
His LIFE proves he is a Christian.  
TRIAL confirms him as a Christian  
DEATH crowns him as a Christian.*

# The Value of Worship

Ben Bailey

In January 2000, Barna Research Group published a survey concerning church attendance that was very alarming. Their survey showed that only 40% of American adults attend church services on a typical weekend ([www.barna.org](http://www.barna.org)). How shocking that 6 out of every 10 people don't attend church services regularly! Of the sixty percent who don't attend church regularly, an estimated twenty percent either don't believe in God or have no desire for religion. But what about the other forty percent who don't attend? These may not attend church services regularly because they have not realized the inherent value of worship. What makes worship so valuable?

**Our Creator.** A knowledge of and a personal relationship with God makes worship essential to the Christian life. It is in worship that we praise and magnify God for who He is and what He has done for us (Jn. 4:24). When worshipping God we realize our purpose in life is to glorify Him in every way (Isa. 43:7). It is this close communion with God that makes us humble ourselves and focus on eternity (James 4:10, Eccl. 12:13-14). The Lord's brother sums it up by saying, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8).

**Our Bible.** Studying the Bible makes worship an invaluable time for us. Job said, "I have treasured Your words more than my necessary food" (Job. 23:12). Our Lord encouraged us to "hunger and thirst after righteousness" (Matt. 5:6). Many people today are starving for spiritual food. Worshipping God through the study and preaching of His word is one way we can fill this void. Please note that in the Bible, worship is not an option it is a must (Jn. 4:23-24).

**Our Impact.** The impact of worship on our own lives and the lives of those whom we contact makes worship vital. Studies show that those who go to worship live longer. The factors for this longevity of life are prayer, stress relief, inward peace and acceptance. Man has always tried to find ways to make life longer. Here is one proven way to increase the length of one's life. Studies also show that the impact worship has on our children is essential. Barna Research Group found that 61% of those who attended church regularly as a child still attend regularly as an adult. But sadly 78% of those who were not taken to church as a child do not go to church regularly as an adult. For the sake of your own soul and the soul of your children please attend worship where the truth is taught.