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 p.m.

What's in it for God

Ever wonder why God wants us to obey Him? What exactly does God receive from our faithfulness and obedience? We say that we want to please God and do so by avoiding sin or making a sacrifice in our service to others but how does our improved morality or increased service advantage God? He doesn't need anything nor does our goodness add any advantage to Him—He's above it all anyways.

I believe the answer to this question lies in His character of love. John says that the defining element of His nature is love (I John 4:16) and this is the first clue that reveals the reason He is pleased when we obey. The second clue is found in Genesis where Moses writes that humans have been created in the image of God (Genesis 1:26). The final insight is the fact that disobedience is the cause that now separates man from God and alters his original God-like nature (Genesis 2:15-17).

When we put these together we realize that when man obeys God it means that He is seeking to become like God as he was first created to be before sinful disobedience marred his likeness of the Divine. This, in turn, pleases God because it means that man is positioning himself (through faithful obedience) for blessings which God, in His love, is eager to provide for those who believe and obey Him.

(Ephesians 1:1-14).

So, what's in it for God when we obey Him? The short answer is that our obedience gives Him the opportunity to bless us in love, and blessing us pleases Him.

Philippians 4:9

Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

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June 30, 2019

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Services:

Today:9:30 Bible Classes

10:30 Morning Worship

5:00 Evening Worship

Wed. 7:00 Bible classes

Servants for June/July

Greeter/Comm. Prep: Alice Fall and Lora

Virden

Greeters for July: Richard & Becky Bullough Communion Prep: Frank & Theresa Baldwin

Men Leading Services today

Welcome/Call to Worship: Frank Baldwin

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Randy McCord

Brandon Hodgson

Gary Rice

Herminio Gutierrez

Scripture Reading: Taylor Radcliff

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Craig Case Alternates: David Sander, Clofas Case, Jordan

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P.M. Song Leader: David Sander

Wednesday Night: July 3

Songs: Garth Radcliff Speaker: Craig Case

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Garth Radcliff

Upcoming Events:

July 6-13 Madera YBC

July 20-26 Tahoe Family Encampment

Aug. 4 Services at Valley Christian Home Services at Valley Christian Home Sept. 1

Sept. 12-14 Grief Seminar w/ Mike Wentworth

Sept 21 West Visalia Ladies Day Ladies Retreat at YBC Oct. 4-6



The July Birthday Fellowship will be held on Sunday evening July evening July 21st. The theme will be Potluck. Herminio and Isabel Gutierrez will be the hosts for the evening.

Ladies Retreat

Registration forms are in the foyer for Ladies Retreat. It will be held at YBC Oct. 4th -6th. Early bird registration is 90.00 prior to Sept 15th. The Saturday only fee is 30.00. This year's retreat is being hosted by Madera.

West Visalia Summer Series:

Thursdays at 7:00pm "Learning from the Past While Focusing on the Future" (Great and Not-So-Great Characters in Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther and Job).

- July 4 Ezra Jovan Payes
- July 11 Zophar Cliff Sabroe
- July 18 Mordecai Matt Threlfall
- July 25 God in Esther Rob Redden
- August 1 Job John Poole
- August 8 Vacation Bible School
- August 15 Sanballat Chris Nunes
- August 22 Haman Chris Roberts August 29 - Haggai - Nick Westberg

But those that hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not be faint.

Isaíah 40:31



Dick Coxsey has been moved to rehab in Hanford.

The family of Tinky Mnyandu as her mother passed away suddenly this week in South Africa. Tinky has traveled to S. Africa.

Lorie Witt will have surgery in late July
Justin Witt fell and injured his ankle
Eula Rhoads, problems with blood pressure
Randy McCord is recovering from surgery
Rita Frankmore has been in a San Francisco
hospital for a week.

Ella Hunter in ICU following a mini-stroke. **Ginko Reinhardt** seeing Drs. to determine the stage of lung cancer she has

Don Blackwell for strength and endurance as he recovers from accident that caused paralysis. **Bart Massey**, friend of Dixie Blair, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

Cindy Fuentes recovering from hip surgery and investigating heart issues.

Ron and Kris Cole Ron's Myeloma has returned. Infusions have not been effective at this time. Clinical trials are being investigated. Melanie Hooper, classmate of Tiffany Radcliff, is home now and learning to walk again.

Doug Standridge

Sherry Smith, friend of Kerri Hodgson, is now off the ventilator.

Frances Aguirre recovering from back surgery and has a long way to go

Lois Atchley, Sandra Case's grandmother, under hospice care.

Becky and Glen Fraley, Glen is on the San Francisco transplant list. He is currently home in bed on oxygen.

Hal Crain is having dialysis 3x a week. **Leon and Lois Collins,** Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues

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

We Love the Souls of Everyone

"This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:3–4).

Because we love the souls of men and want them to go to heaven, we preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. Paul knew this burden and said, "I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (Romans 1:14–16).

Because we love the souls of men, we are not afraid to speak out against sin. We know that passions of the flesh "wage war against the soul" (1 Peter 2:11).

Because we love the souls of men, we preach the need to follow Jesus. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. "No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6).

Because we love the souls of men, we point people to what is best. The Lord Jesus came to bring us an abundant life (John 10:10). His yoke is easy, and His burden is light (Matthew 11:28-30). He is the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6). He is "our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption" (1 Corinthians 1:30). We can do no better than to preach Jesus and Him crucified to every soul in every place who will hear.

—Phil Sanders - Author of 'A Faith Built on Sand' and 'Adrift' Speaker for "In Search of the Lord's Way" via The Gospel Advocate

			July 2019			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Į.	Sat
	1 Joyce & Gary Curtis	2 Jeanne Case Isabel Gutierrez	က	4 Independence Day	5 Donna Case	9
7 Bill Butts Robin Otto	&	6	10 Abrina Lopez	11 Sandra Case	12	13 Grant Martyn
14 Irene & Rudy Aguirre	15 Joyce Curtis		17	, ,	19 Herminio Gutierrez Caitlyn & Nick Harp	20 Bailey Radcliff
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Birthday Fellowship						
28 Brandon Hodgson Janice McCord	29	30	31			
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Independence Day

The 4th of July is Thursday it holds special significance to our nation. It marks the date, in 1776, on which the founding fathers signed the Declaration Of Independence, declaring our independence from England and our determination to be a free and sovereign nation. Accordingly, we celebrate July 4th as Independence Day.

The United States of America have stood as a symbol of freedom to oppressed peoples around the globe for well over two hundred years. We have repeatedly defended our freedom and independence and that of other nations from oppressors.

But I'm afraid that we've taken our freedom for granted for so long, that many of our own citizens do not realize what a precious blessing it is. We would do well to remember that our nation was not always free, that winning our independence was costly and that we could, more easily than we might realize, find ourselves once again under the rule of another. We are truly blessed to live in this land in freedom.

There is a far more important Independence Day, however, than that celebrated each year on July 4th. When a person learns the truth of the gospel of Christ, and in obedience turns to Him as his Lord and Savior, he is set free from the guilt and condemnation of his sin (John 8:32). As he repents of his sins and is baptized into Christ (Romans 6:3), the blood shed by our Lord on the cross cleanses that soul of the guilt of his sins (Acts 22:16). He is literally set free!

A person set free from sin "is a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17), a Christian. In becoming a Christian, that person is "delivered...from the power of darkness and conveyed...into the kingdom of the Son of His love" (Colossians 1:13), in other words, the kingdom of God. The Revised Standard Version translates "the power of darkness" as "the dominion of darkness." The devil is the ruler of that dominion (2 Peter 2:4).

A person who lives in sin is a slave of the devil (Romans 6:16). But when a person is baptized into Christ, he is set free from the slavery of sin (Romans 6:6-7). In being set free, he has gained his independence from the most cruel, ruthless, bloodthirsty tyrant there is. He no longer lives under sin's curse. As long as he stays faithful to God, he can look forward with assurance to eternal salvation (Romans 6:22; Revelation 2:10).

The most incredible Independence Day is the day a person is baptized for the remission of his sins (Acts 2:38), the day he enters into salvation in Christ (Romans 8:1), the day he is set free from sin, the day he comes out from under the tyrannical rule of the devil. Oh, what an Independence Day! Have you experienced that Independence Day in your life???

John 8:31-32 Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."