

# The Lemoore Caller

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## Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study.....	9:30
Sunday A.M. Assembly.....	10:30
Sunday P.M. Assembly.....	5:00
Wednesday Evening Classes/Devotional.....	7:00
Birthday Fellowship.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month after worship
Elder's Meeting.....	last Tuesday of the month
Business Meeting.....	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of the month

## **A Henhouse Parable**

Once upon a time there was a Papa Rooster and a Mama Hen, and they had a little baby chick. "This chick is never going to scratch for a living like I did," declared Papa Rooster. "We shall see that he has everything he needs to grow up and be a fine Chicken."

And they did. They worked their beaks off trying to provide things for their little chick. He wore the finest, shiniest feathers in the whole barnyard. They taught him the finest manners and allowed him to associate with only the best chickens. "I want" is all the baby chick ever needed to say, and his want was immediately provided. The other chicks were envious that he had parents who took such pride in meeting his every wish!

In chicken school, he was always the leader. He led in reading, writing and arithmetic; played in chicken football and basketball and held the first chair in the school crowing chorus. He was valedictorian and voted most likely to make tracks. He went on to Barnfowl University and continued his education. He met a cute little chick co-ed and was wed in an elaborate barnyard affair that had the henhouse talking for weeks afterward. His career seemed assured and future bright, but one morning a tragedy struck. He disappeared and was never seen again. The last anyone ever saw of him was when he was tucked under the arm of a hungry looking hobo, who was headed for a campfire down by the railroad tracks. Alas for the little chick! His parents did everything for him except the one thing he absolutely needed: *they never taught him how to save his life!*

Moral: Are you bringing your children to Bible classes and to worship where they will learn to save their souls? If not, they may not have a chance. The world is a very hungry hobo.....



# Lemoore Church of Christ

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September 13, 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 September:

Communion Lead: Craig Case  
Communion Prep. and Greeters:  
Suzanne & Jeff Mason

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## Men Leading Services on September 13th:

Song Leader: Gary Curtis  
Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough  
Prayer List: Gary Cole  
Lord's Table: Lead: Craig Case  
Judson Ervin, Herminio Gutierrez, Gary Rice  
Scripture Reading: Taylor Radcliff  
Announcements: Scott Ervin  
Closing Prayer: Frank Baldwin  
Alternates: Mark Lane, Garth Radcliff,  
Richard Bullough, Randy McCord  
Please check the list that is posted on the bulletin board for the current month's schedule.

Promotion Sunday will be September 20th: All classes please meet in the auditorium before going to class. Promotions to the next class level will be for the 4 and 5 year olds class through the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes.

Valley Christian Home Luau: the 41st annual fund raising event has been set for Friday, September 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a lovely meal prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary and families, entertainment and a silent auction, as well as door prizes. Come join in the festivities at the home, as it will be decorated in full Hawaiian theme; a good time is to be had by everyone. Please see one of the Auxiliary ladies for tickets.

Happy Retirement! We are planning a dinner to honor Vernon and Shirley, as we appreciate all their many years of service and dedication in Lemoore. It will be Sunday, September 27th after evening service, in conjunction with the birthday fellowship potluck. Hope to see everyone there.

We have a new sister in Christ! Vivian Cotta was baptized into Christ August 30th. Congratulations to her as she begins her walk with Christ.

Events Coming Soon! A devotional in Lemoore is being planned for September 26<sup>th</sup>.

And our Annual "Trunk or Treat" is set for Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. More details will follow on both.

A Very Special Date is Coming Up! Brother Durward Dodd will be 95 years old on September 22. There is a flier on the bulletin board with more information. Durward has been a faithful Christian and member of the Lord's church for many years. He has preached at several locations, including Lemoore, Corcoran and Stratford. He was a frequent panelist on the "One Way" television program and also held Gospel meetings at many other local congregations. His knowledge of God's Word is exceptional and he has always taught the Bible in a simple, yet thorough manner. If you would like to send a birthday card to Durward, you can find his address on the flier. It would be very special if he did receive 95 cards to commemorate his 95 years.

Facebook Challenge: If you follow Lemoore Church of Christ on facebook, watch for "The Challenge of the Week". Each Monday morning, Brandon Greene will announce what that challenge will be.

*Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.*  
Isaiah 46:4 NIV



## Prayer List

Donna Lane: recovering from injuries she sustained when she fell at home.

Linda Otto – Will be having a biopsy done on September 17.

Goldie Neal, Donna Case's mom, will be having eye surgery on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Marge Tassler, grandmother of Nick and Caitlyn Harp, medical concerns.

John Hodgson was admitted to the hospital, but will likely be home soon.

John Cobb, Linda Otto's brother, recovering from stomach surgery and doing much better.

Rosa Adams, co-worker of Suzanne Mason, experiencing premature labor while pregnant with twins. She will spend the remainder of her pregnancy in the hospital.

Richard Bullough will be having an MRI soon.

Phyllis Greene, to Stanford for medical testing.

Whitney Broaddus will be going through medical tests at Stanford.

Eula Rhoads – Recovering from surgery, doing well. She will be consulting with doctors at Stanford.

Bill Curtis, Gary Curtis' father, is in Hanford Nursing and Rehab, while recovering after leg surgery.

Mozell Curtis, Gary Curtis' mother is recovering after surgery.

Rodney Montgomery, brother of Jeanne Case has been diagnosed with cancer and will have surgery soon.

Allison Cordero, spent some time in ICU this week, fighting an infection, while going through chemo therapy. Her baby boy is doing OK in the hospital and will hopefully be able to come home soon.

Rachel Bodine, a cousin of Mark Lane is going through medical testing.

Shae McNeeley has been experiencing health problems. She received a successful heart and lung transplant a few months ago.

Gary Bennett, a relative of the Atkinson family, has been diagnosed with Melanoma that has spread to his lungs and brain. He is home from the hospital and under the care of Hospice.

Lois Gable, a friend of the Lane family has been diagnosed with cancer.

Cami Cassaday, Suzanne Mason's cousin, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Tammy Scott, wife of Ray Scott, who attended in Lemoore years ago, has been diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer.

Sheri Salazar, a co-worker of Lisa Butts – has been diagnosed with Stage 4 breast cancer. She is doing very well through all of this and is grateful for all the prayers.

Jennifer Dew Harris – Recovering from brain surgery, while continuing her battle against cancer.

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

Zackery Hankel – great-nephew of Dixie Blair has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia. He is home awaiting a bone marrow transplant, and is not in isolation at this time.

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.

Gloria Rife sister-in-law of Jack Otto, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She is also recovering from hip replacement surgery.

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

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

### Our Mission Work

\*Our preachers in Nicaragua

\*Agape Village

\*Crossover Ministry

\*Manuelito Children's Home

\*Church of Christ in Branson, MO

\*Church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund

### John 6:2

*and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick.*

~ September 2015 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Kaye Dodge	3 Gary Cole	4 John-Wyatt Ervin	5
6	7	8	9 Wilma Cole	10	11 Linda & Lynn Atkinson Megan Rhea	12 Stetson Schmitt
13	14	15	16 Griselda Gutierrez	17	18 Bree Radcliff	19
20	21	22 Durward Dodd	23 Joanne Ervin	24 Garth Radcliff	25 Betty Edwards	26 Richard Bullough
27 Werner Amman	28 Jaque Green Alissa Radcliff	29	30			





## Beware of False Teachers

Most teachers and preachers look alike. I'm not sure you can tell the difference between a good one and a bad one just by looking. I'm not sure you can tell the difference between a false teacher and a true teacher by sight. But Jesus wanted us to see a difference. If not by sight, then how do you tell the difference?

Jesus warned us of false teachers in Matthew 7:15, "*Beware of False Prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves.*" In other words, they appear to be godly but they're not. When The Apostle Paul spoke of Satan, he gave him special ability. Notice, "*For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light*" (II Cor. 11:14). What makes false teachers so dangerous is that they appear to be righteous. John said, "*For many false prophets have gone out into the world*" (I John 4:11). Let's see...false teachers...false doctrines. No wonder it's hard for people to know what's true and what's not. One of the warnings given by the Apostle Paul is this, "*Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, do draw away the disciples after themselves*" (Acts 20:30). Is that true today? Sure, why not? Peter warned, "*there will be false prophets among you, who will secretly bring destructive heresies*" (II Pet. 2:1). Secretly, so that people aren't really aware of what's happening. The result of that is that people can and will be lost because they believe the wrong thing.

How do false teachers spread false doctrine? Romans 16:18 says, "*By smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.*" You wouldn't expect someone to be so bold as to say..."now folks, this isn't what the Bible teaches but it's what I believe!" II Peter 2:3 tells us they use "*deceptive words.*" You and I have to be aware of what the Bible teaches, or else we'll be "*tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting*" (Ephesians 4:14).

We are warned, "*Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines*" (Hebrews 13:9). Why? We've got a reward coming if we are faithful and true to God and his Word. In Colossians Paul warns, "*Let no one cheat you of your reward.*" Losing something physical and losing our souls are two different things.

How do we deal with those who promote false teaching? II John 2:10-11 says, "*If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine (what is spoken or written in the New Testament), do not receive him into your house nor bid him God speed; for he that bids him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.*" This isn't talking about being friends with someone who believes differently than the Bible...it means giving him encouragement in the false teaching. Timothy was told that "*the Holy Scriptures are able to make you wise unto salvation*" (II Timothy 3:15). If that's true then perverting the "Holy Scriptures" can keep one from salvation.

I don't want to set myself up as the standard. I'm a man...human...frail...and weak. I want a standard that is not from men. I want a standard from God. The Bible is that standard and we can't let men change or pervert it if it is vital for our salvation.