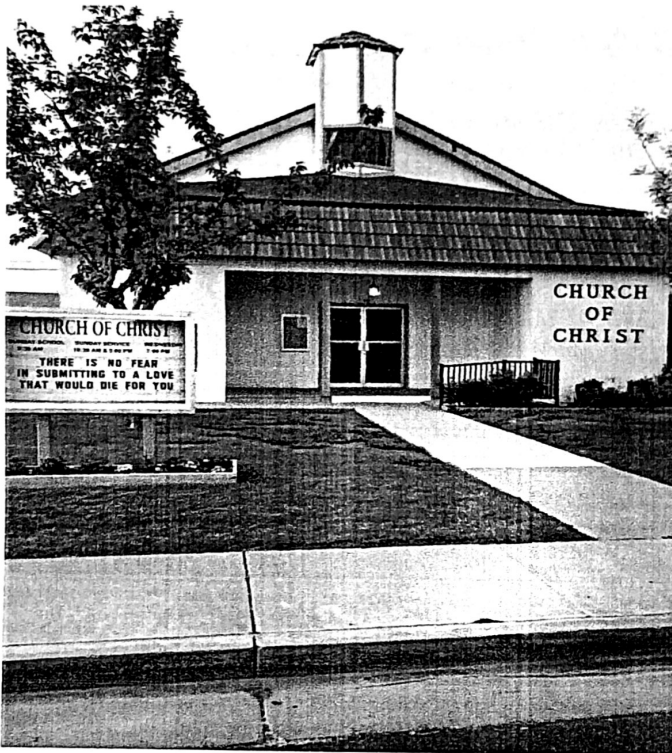


The Lemoore Caller

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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

Running the Race of Life Everyday

Winning a long distance race doesn't always belong to the swiftest runner, but to the runner with the most stamina. To gain stamina, a runner must discipline himself, not only by running every day, but by running up steep and challenging hills.

In 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Paul uses running as an illustration of his own discipline as a Christian in the race of life. He ran to win an eternal crown, and he encouraged others to do the same.

The word "temperate" in 1 Corinthians 9:25, carries with it the idea of rigid self-control practiced by athletes who train to win the coveted gold medal.

As we run the Christian race, i.e., "the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1), are we running with a hit-or-miss spiritual regimen, or with purpose and discipline born out of a desire to please God? (John 8:29; . John 4:34; John 5:30; John 6:38).

The key to any good runner, whether physical or spiritual, is to run every single day, building up the stamina it takes in order to win the race, and to ultimately gain the victory crown (2 Timothy 4:7-8; Revelation 2:10).

2 Timothy 4:7

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

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July 8, 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 July:

Communion Prep. and Greeters:
Richard and Becky Bullough

Men Leading Services for July 8th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Frank Baldwin

Song Leader: Taylor Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Craig Case

Prayer List: Randy McCord

Lord's Table: LEAD: Frank Baldwin
Herminio Gutierrez
Gary Rice
Brandon Hodgson

Scripture Reading: Gary Rice

Announcements/Closing Prayer: Garth Radcliff

Alternates: Clofas Case, Richard Bullough,
Rich Rhoads

P.M. Song Leader: Taylor Radcliff

Wednesday Evening July 11th:

Song Leader: Taylor Radcliff

Speaker: Frank Baldwin

Announcement/Prayer: Gary Curtis

Upcoming Events!

July 9 – Men's Business Meeting

July 15 – Birthday Fellowship

Collection day for Jordan

July 21-25 – Tahoe Family Encampment

July 29 – VCH Services

August 19 – Birthday Fellowship

August 29 – 5th Wednesday Singing-Caruthers

Sept. 7th – 9th – Ladies Retreat at YBC

Sept. 22nd – West Visalia Ladies Day

Care Package:

Next Sunday we will collect for Jordan's next package to Africa. Most importantly Jordan would like letters. He has no form of communication there and would like to hear from all of us.

Bulletin Information for July:

With upcoming vacations this month, we will follow this bulletin print schedule: For **July 15th** – All information should go to Donna Case. For **July 22nd** – Information will go to Denise and will be needed by the morning of the 19th so printing can take place before leaving for Tahoe family Encampment. For **July 29th** – Everything returns to normal.

Thank you:

Thank you for your support of Taylor's quest to attend the School of Preaching. The collection last week totaled over \$1100.00 and is very appreciated.

Birthday Fellowship for July:

Will be held next Sunday at 6 p.m. The theme is picnic food. Fried chicken with the fixings would be great! Homemade ice cream will also be served. Please see Isabel or Herminio for more details.

Samuel 7:22

"How great you are, O Sovereign Lord! There is none like you." –

As for God, his way is perfect: The LORD's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.

Psalms 18:30 NIV

Prayer List

Soccer Team and Coach who are trapped in a mining cave in Taiwan. Unsure at this time of a projected date for rescue.

Burgess Family, cousins of Donna Case, in the accidental death of their 2 year old great grandson.

Isabella Gutierrez is recovering from a dental biopsy and received a good report.

Gary Beane from Madera is home with hospice care due to Leukemia

Dwayne Herrington Gary Rice's uncle, hospice due to end stage COPD

Becky Fraley fell this past week and broke her wrist, arm and shoulder. She is scheduled for shoulder surgery July 11.

Dorma Atkinson has recently been in hospital

Dixie Blair does not have a tumor on her heel and will be consulting with doctors regarding the pain.

Kerri Hodgson battling kidney stones

Marjory Cooper still weak from infection

Nancy Evans, friend of the Cole's, had a diagnostic bone marrow biopsy.

Christy McCord having therapy for a neck/back injury

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, will continue therapy at home, following a stroke and long hospital stay.

David Ryal Minister from Morro Bay, had a liver/kidney transplant at Stanford.

Jason Burlson stomach cancer

Mike Virden Ongoing medical treatment

Richard Bullough – medical issues

Pat Souza, Debbie Souza's sister-in-law is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, home following bone marrow transplant. His counts are up.

Alexa Martinez, friend of Baldwin's, return of cancer

Jordan Willis, had short visit last week, returned to Africa on Thursday. He will be there until February

Hannah Detlefsen, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, major birth defects.

Doug Standridge- continuing with dialysis.

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing radiation for a recurrence of cancer.

Casey Case, Jr., undergoing Chemotherapy.

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

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 in Branson, MO

*church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund

*World Christian Broadcasting

A Letter from God

Good morning,

As you got up I watched and hoped you would talk to me. Just a few words, such as thanking me for something good in your life yesterday or last week would do.

But I noticed you were busy selecting the right clothes for work. I waited again to hear from you. When you ran around the house collecting papers, I knew there would be a few minutes to stop and say hello, but you never slowed down.

I wanted to tell you that I could help you accomplish more than you ever dreamed possible if you would just spend some of each day with me. At one point, you waited fifteen minutes in a chair with nothing to do. I waited to hear from you.

Then I saw you spring to your feet; I thought you wanted to talk to me, but you ran to the phone and called a friend. I watched as off to work you went and waited patiently all day long to hear from you. With all your activities you were too busy to talk with me.

I noticed at lunch you looked around; maybe you just felt embarrassed to talk to me. You glanced three tables over and noticed some of your friends talking to me before they ate, but you wouldn't.

There was still more time left, and I hoped that we would talk. You went home and had many things to do. After they were done, you turned on the TV; just about anything goes there and you spend many hours watching. I waited as you continued watching TV and ate your meal but again you wouldn't talk to me.

At bedtime you were totally tired. After you said good night to your family you plopped into bed and fell asleep. I had so much wanted to be part of your day. We could have had so much fun and accomplished so much together.

I love you so much that I wait every day for thought, prayer or thanks. Well, maybe tomorrow! I'll be waiting.

Your Friend,
God

"All Things Are Yours"

"Therefore let no one glory in men. For all things are yours: whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or things present or things to come -- all are yours. And you are Christ's, and Christ is God's." (I Cor. 3:21-23). Do you ever sit and think about all the wonderful blessings you have as a Christian? Do you stop to remember all the blessings and other good things God has sent your way?

Most of us spend too many waking hours thinking about the problems we have, bills we must pay and day to day frustrations. We focus on what we lack instead of what we have. We not only dwell on our own imperfections but also on the imperfections of others.

It may be that much of the preaching we hear, mine included, is responsible for such negative thinking. It is natural for a preacher to direct his comments against those things which need to be improved. If we are not careful, though, our total emphasis can become negative. Such is regrettable. We should be thinking of the good that is about us -- the encouraging achievements of the past, the great blessing of the present and the great potential of the future. It is a marvelous thing to be a Christian! The above text jumps out at us with this fact. It is an optimistic passage that when read should send you on your way with a song in your heart and a prayer of thanksgiving on your lips. Consider what it teaches about the blessings of a Christian.

Paul, Apollos, Cephas

Why would Paul say that he and these two other men were theirs? The Corinthians had begun to call themselves after the man who had baptized them (1:11-12). To wear a man's name meant to belong to that man. But they did not belong to their teachers. They belonged to Christ. Their teachers, preachers and leaders belonged to them.

We do not belong to preachers and elders. They belong to us. Their place is to serve and they have been provided for our spiritual good. They are ours!

World, Life, Death The world is ours. Sometimes it seems the world is passing us by without paying the slightest bit of attention. Consider the teaching of Matthew 5:5, "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

Who possesses the good life? The worldly revelers? Christians are the only ones who know what life is about (Eccl. 12:13; 2:1-11). Our present life, and its fullness, is a gift from God (John 10:10).

In one way, death belongs to all because "it is appointed for men to die once" (Heb. 9:27). But it belongs to the Christian in the sense that he does not have to fear it (I Cor. 15:55; Psa. 23:4). To the Christian, death is not a loss but a gain (Phil. 1:21-23). It is a way in which the faithful are blessed (Rev. 14:13).

Things Present, Things to come As to things present, consider Luke 6:38, "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you." God's child is always in His tender care (Matt. 6:25-34).

In the matter of things to come, we have a splendid future if we center our lives on Christ. The future blessings which will be given to faithful Christians are incredible (Rom. 8:18-19; I Pet. 1:3-9).

You Are Christ's, And Christ Is God's The future belongs to us only because we belong to Christ. It is because we have embraced those truths which He came to teach that we can have such confidence in our future. Without Christ, and we have nothing to anticipate but despair.

The future belongs to Christ and His disciples because He is God's. When we belong to Him, our future is as secure as His (Rom. 8:17).