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## **SHEPHERDS**

**Boyce Edwards  
Lee Fisher  
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Rey Cruz  
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Gaylen Williams**

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## **PREACHERS**

**Dan Carter  
Boyce Edwards**

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## **TREASURER**

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## **MONTHLY SUPPORT:**

**Cherokee Home  
For Children  
Cherokee, TX**

**Christian Homes &  
Family Services  
Abilene, TX**

**Foster's Home  
For Children  
Stephenville, TX**

**Sunny Glen  
Children's Home  
San Benito, TX**

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **SUNDAY**

BIBLE CLASSES \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ 10:30 A.M.

EVENING WORSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ 5:00 P.M.

### **WEDNESDAY**

CLASSES/DEVOTIONAL \_\_\_\_\_ 7:00 P.M.

*"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments:  
for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13*

Who are you influencing, and how are you influencing them? The body of Christ is effective only when the members work together in one common good. In Eph. 6:1 Paul said, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right." It is the duty of the parent to righteously train their children and this helps them to have listening and attentive ears to make righteous decisions and to give obedient heed to God's word.

*"Train up a child in the way he should go:"*

Therein the child looks to the parent as the parent looks to God. The parent's actions should display a gentle care for their children. We also find in Prov. 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." The thought indicates the first instruction that is provided to a child in his/her early education stage.

The process is to help our children choose the right path and make the right decision that will led them the right way.

Jesus said in Matthew 5:14 & 15: "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick: and it giveth light unto all that are in the house." It is essential and critical that the mission known of the

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Christian gets to the world. Christians are the salt of the world, and we are to meet the world's need with the gospel of Christ, and fulfill Christ's mission to the world! We as that light must clearly shine forth into the darkness of the world setting upon a candlestick! We dare not hide our light under a bushel! But inconsistent and irreligious conduct in the life of a Christian will hide God's light from the world! Therefore, let your light shine through a clean life before the Lord and before the world in which you live.

*"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine;"*

We must obey Paul's command in 1 Timothy 4:16: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." We must be sober and vigilant, guarding against a possible falling away into sin that can so easily occur! We must watch what we teach, and make certain that nothing pulls us away from the faith! So, what image have you reproduced? What are your intentions? Who is influencing you? Who are you influencing?

In Love,

Brother Petties



## **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

**December 24-25-The Office will be closed for the Christmas holiday.**

**December 31-January 1-Office will be closed for the New Year holiday.**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

## From the Desk of Dan Carter

### BEING NOBLE

I remember how the apostle Paul had been treated when he brought the gospel to Thessalonica. The record is found in the seventeenth chapter of Acts. It says that many received the word with gladness and were obedient, but the unbelieving ones, stirred up the people, and it forced Paul and Silas to flee to another city. This town was known as Berea.

A great thing is said of the Bereans: *"These were more noble than those of Thessalonica, in that they received the word with readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, to see if those things being spoken were so"*-Acts 17:11.

Now, to be noble in the sight of God is here spoken: 'They searched the scriptures daily' to see whether what was spoken was true, or false. What a great statement!

See, we may applaud a man for his looks, his speech, his personality. But, the heart of the matter is that which God defines as 'NOBLE!' It is the one who believes His Word! Those at Berea received one of the greatest commendations in all Holy Writ: they were noble because they searched the scriptures to see if what was spoken was in accordance with God's Word! That makes a man noble in the sight of God! After all, it is better to be noble in God's sight than in any other!

**WHY WERE THEY CALLED NOBLE?** The Answer Is Simple. They Searched The Scripture To Determine The Truth! Listen to me: Wouldn't that be a noble thing today if men would quit listening and admiring men, and start searching the scripture to see if the truth is taught! That would stop a lot of foolishness! It would not stop it all, because some will never search the scripture. Some are led around by smooth speeches that deceive (Romans 16:18).

Some would rather rely on man than the Word. In the day of Judgment, we will have to answer for what we have believed and followed. All the relying on some preacher will be ended because they, also, will be giving account for what they have taught!

Preachers need to preach the truth with sincere hearts. They need to give a reason for the hope that is preached. The Word of God, not the word of men, will judge us in the last day (John 12:48). Preachers will have their own to answer for in that day. They can't help us, they will answer for their own works.

The searching of scripture is our only course. The Word of God is our only way. We don't follow men; we follow God. We should be grateful for those who have spoken the Word to us, but whether we are saved,

or lost, will depend on whether we obeyed God; not man.

I will always love Bob White. His race is over. He was the gospel preacher whom I heard preaching and I responded to the message. I knew the truth, having been taught in my youth by my mother and grandmother, so when I heard Bob preaching the pure word, I was obedient. I was seventeen years of age. I began preaching just three months after my obedience to the gospel.

God bless all who preach it; and, all who obey it! These are the Noble Ones of whom the Lord spoke.



### Old Testament Chapter Study (In Chronological Order)

- Day 202 - Hosea 8-14
- Day 203 - Isaiah 28-30
- Day 204 - Isaiah 31-34
- Day 205 - Isaiah 35-36
- Day 206 - Isaiah 37-39; Psalm 76
- Day 207 - Isaiah 40-43
- Day 208 - Isaiah 44-48
- Day 209 - 2 Kings 18:9-37; 2 Kings 19:1-37; Psalm 46, 80, 135
- Day 210 - Isaiah 49-53
- Day 211 - Isaiah 54-58
- Day 212 - Isaiah 59-63
- Day 213 - Isaiah 64-66
- Day 214 - 2 Kings 20-21
- Day 215 - 2 Chronicles 32-33
- Day 216 - Nahum 1-3
- Day 217 - 2 Kings 22-23; 2 Chronicles 34-35
- Day 218 - Zephaniah 1-3
- Day 219 - Jeremiah 1-3
- Day 220 - Jeremiah 4-6
- Day 221 - Jeremiah 7-9
- Day 222 - Jeremiah 10-13

\*If you would like to join the forum to ask questions, share insights, or to receive encouragement, please see Gaylen or Nichole Williams.

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF  
DECEMBER 23, 2018:**

**PARKING LOT DUTY:** PATRICK SELLERS

**HALL MONITOR:** MARVIN FLETCHER

**AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR DECEMBER:**  
JACOB BRYANT

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** DAN CARTER

**SONG DIRECTOR:** ZACK PETTIES

**COMMUNION:**  
(NORTH) LEE FISHER, REGGIE BASS  
RUFAS BROWN, TAY HIGHTOWER

(SOUTH) ROGER DEEM, REY CRUZ  
CHARLES CULVER, SHAWN FORKEY

**SCRIPTURE READING:** DENNIS MARLER

**PICK UP CARDS:** RANGER SANDERS  
ANDREW FORKEY

**PRAYERS:**  
(A.M.) ANDRE PETTAWAY, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM  
(P.M.) TREVOR HEILMAN, MARVIN FLETCHER

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):**  
VICTORIA & ISABELLA POLANCO

**EVENING SONG DIRECTOR:**  
REGGIE BASS

**EVENING COMMUNION:**  
ROGER DEEM, REY CRUZ

**WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER (SINGING  
NIGHT):** GAYLEN WILLIAMS

**WEDNESDAY PRAYER:** DENNIS MARLER

**PREPARE COMMUNION FOR DECEMBER:**  
BEVERLY WILLIAMS & DONNA HINES

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF  
DECEMBER 30, 2018:**

**PARKING LOT DUTY:** BRUCE BROWN

**HALL MONITOR:** ROGER DEEM

**AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR DECEMBER:**  
JACOB BRYANT

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** BOYCE EDWARDS

**SONG DIRECTOR:** TYLER CUTTS

**COMMUNION:**  
(NORTH) MARVIN FLETCHER, ANDRE PETTAWAY  
CHARLES CULVER, JIM DUKES

(SOUTH) DENNIS MARLER, TREVOR HEILMAN  
RUFAS BROWN, PATRICK SELLERS

**SCRIPTURE READING:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS

**PICK UP CARDS:** BO & COOPER BRYANT

**PRAYERS:**  
(A.M.) LEE FISHER, AL WILSON  
(P.M.) DERREL HEGINBOTHAM, REY CRUZ

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):**  
GAYLE & TRACY WILSON

**EVENING SONG DIRECTOR:**  
GAYLEN WILLIAMS

**EVENING COMMUNION:**  
TREVOR HEILMAN, MARVIN FLETCHER

**WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER (SINGING  
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**WEDNESDAY PRAYER:** ZACK PETTIES

**PREPARE COMMUNION FOR DECEMBER:**  
BEVERLY WILLIAMS & DONNA HINES

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**REMEMBER OUR MILITARY:** Please keep Tracy Wilson's son, Zane Wilson in your prayers as he is deployed.  
-Kingsford Asare is deployed to the border. Please keep him in your prayers.

**OUR SICK:** James Garner is having knee pain. Please keep him in your prayers.  
-Tanja Arch is having pain from her teeth. Please keep her in your prayers.  
-Gaylen Williams' co-worker, Cynthia, is waiting for a kidney transplant. Please keep her in your prayers.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND:**  
Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, Jerdene Williams' friend and member in Oklahoma City (Hunter Rhodes), Donna Hines's friend's granddaughter (2 year-old Kylie Pruitt), Connie Cruz, Nelda Cox, Jim Dukes & his sister, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Billye Hughes, Merlene Stoker, Dora Ray Chanslor, Willard Dunn, Heather Heilman's co-worker's son (Jordan Davis), Archie & Jessi Turner, Mary Ann Culp, former members (Gene and Penny Fogle), William Odum's father & uncle, Ralph Hughart's sister-in-law (Carol Hughart), David Shilling, Judy Wall's sister-in-law, (Gail Scott) & brother (Don Scott), Millie Simcox, Jim Dukes' sister (Marie Session), Lois Brown, Alice Allison, Garnie & Nada Miller, Shawn Forkey, Trudy Perrault's granddaughter (Lieda), great grandson (Jesse), & her daughters (Trudy & Carol), Connie Cruz's friends (Oscar Hernandez), Marta Torres, Juanita Cardenas & Yolanda Perez) also Rey & Connie's family here & in Puerto Rico, Linda Walts, Tina Pallo, Al & Gayle Wilson's sister-in-law (Regina Farmer), Alice Saffor, John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), Sybil Cason, Jonathan Simmons Sr., Janet Simmons, Gail Mende's son (Eric), Shirl Foster, and Amanda Petties' nephew. Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

**SYMPATHY:** We wish to extend our sympathy to John & Lynn Hobson, Joyce & Bruce Brown, Janet & Jonathan Simmons, and their families on the passing of their mother, Mildred Butler, on December 17. Her funeral service was held on December 20. Please keep these families in your prayers.  
-We wish to extend our sympathy to former members, Tommy, Sheri, Todd, & Brooke Bailey on the passing of Tommy's mother, Nancy Pyron, on December 15. A memorial service will be held for Nancy at the Wildwood Valley church of Christ in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee, today at 1 pm. Please keep this family in your prayers.

**REJOICE!** We rejoice for our new sister in Christ, Rosealy Jones, who was baptized last Sunday. Please welcome, encourage, and pray for our new sister.

**VISITATION TEAMS:** The Visitation Ministry will resume the week of January 13, 2019.

**FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCHEON:** We will have our monthly Fellowship Potluck Luncheon on Sunday, January 6, following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring casseroles, meat dishes, vegetables, and desserts. Kitchen Group #1 will have kitchen duties (Brenda Sellers, Martha Bell, Jessica Bryant, Kitty Kacir, & Amanda Petties).

**WELCOME!**  
*\*Our speaker for today is Boyce Edwards.*

Please fill out an Attendance Card and pass it to the inner aisle so we may have a record of your attendance.

*Thank You!*

### BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

- ⇒ Bible Studies With One Of Our Preachers Or Elders
- ⇒ Free Bible Correspondence
- ⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

*To our visitors—Thanks for being with us today, and please come again!*

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ❧ JANUARY ❧

**1-Office will be closed for the New Year holiday.**  
**6-Fellowship Luncheon following the morning services. Kitchen Group #1 will have kitchen duties (Brenda Sellers, Martha Bell, Jessica Bryant, Kitty Kacir, & Amanda Petties).**