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*Foster's Home
For Children
Stephenville, TX*

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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*

GOD DESERVES BETTER FROM ME

Shepherds Notes by Zack Petties

In Jeremiah 10: 23, the prophet reveals the problem of mankind. Inside, we are uncompromising to think that the right way to live is within ourselves and nothing else matters. In our early years it may have been instilled in us to do our very best in what we do. But, in some the ideal is, "At least I've done, or given something!" In Gen 4:5-7, when Cain learned that God had not accepted his sacrifice he was wroth, and his countenance fell. But the right offering and behavior of Able resulted in good productivity. God evaluates both our motives and the quality of what we offer him. Those of us who lead the church especially need to ponder these things. Notice in Malachi 1:7-13, when the Lord confronted Israel through Malachi, they didn't get it! They said, "How have we despised Your name?" (1:6) "How have we defiled You?" (1:7) The priests looked at all their activities: they were busy offering sacrifices and leading the people in worship. What was the problem in the attitude illustrated?

The problem was that they were not doing what they did with a God-ward focus. They were not offering their sacrifices to please the Lord. They were not focused on magnifying His name. In fact, they were bored with the whole thing (v.13). Their attitude reflected their arrogance and lack of reverence for God. They were going through the motions of worship, but their hearts were not seeking to exalt and glorify God as He deserves. It's really easy to lead in worship, or preach sermons, or teach Sunday School, or serve the Lord in any capacity with wrong motives. If our hidden motive is to have people think highly of us, our hearts are not right before God. Our attitude in all service or labor should always be, "Lord, this is an offering to please You and to magnify Your name!" Any other focus dishonors God, whether we are aware of it or not. We should give God His due Honor of service, and not just give Him what we want to give Him.

Salvation is a free gift! You cannot earn it or pay for it! You can only accept it freely. But it cost God the life of His beloved Son. Once you accept such a precious gift, it demands everything you have in response. When you recognize that you are not your own, you were bought with a price, and that all that you have has been freely given to you by God, how can you hold back anything from Him? But these priests in Malachi's day were giving God the left-overs. They had no use for a blind, lame, or sick animal, so they'd give it to God on the altar (1:8). But God tells them that He would rather that they close the doors of the temple than to have them offer these cheap sacrifices to Him.

Don't give God the leftovers! Give Him the best you've got! His name will be great among the nations. Make sure that He is great in your daily life! When we all appear before the judgement seat of Christ; what a joy it would be to hear the words of the Lord. Saying, "*Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord*"-(11 Cor. 5:10, Matt. 25:21).

In love,

Brother Petties

From the Desk of Dan Carter

IS IT THE REAL THING; OR, A MIRAGE?

Years ago, I heard a story about three cowboys. I would like to share it with you.

It was during a blinding sandstorm in a Western desert that the three cowboys were separated from their comrades and became lost. But, then, they found each other. They were happy, but realized that soon they would all die of thirst unless they found water. Suddenly a cool grove of trees and a pool of water appeared on the horizon. As fast as they were able, they ran toward the life-giving water. But as they threw themselves down to drink, there was not anything but dry dust! It had been a MIRAGE!

Man thirsts after things he believes to be necessary to his life: Money, Fame, Position, Success, etc. He is fooled by a dream world, for once he reaches these things, there is not found the happiness, nor joy, he sought.

There was a woman who had come to draw water for her thirst, when she met Christ. He was sitting by the well. He said to her: "Would you give me a cup of water?" She said: "You Jews have nothing for we Samaritan's." Jesus said to her that the ones who drank of that well will thirst again, but He could give her water so she would never thirst!

You will remember their conversation; it is found in John 4.

Listen to the words of Isaiah, the prophet: *"Ho, every one that thirst's, come to the waters, and he that has no money; come; come, buy, and eat; yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price"*-Isaiah 55:1.

True happiness, true peace, is drinking of the Fountain of Life; Christ!

When man thirsts after righteousness and seeks the kingdom of God, his life becomes fruitful and abundant. He finds happiness, satisfaction, and peace, in service to God.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness: For they shall be filled"-Matthew 5:6.

True happiness, true peace-of-mind, can only come when we are in the right relationship with our heavenly Father. That relationship is restored by the sacrifice of the Lamb of God! Men often seek happiness in things that satisfy not; they often seek Peace, where there is no Peace! In Christ, we are restored to The One who loved us from the beginning.

Now, don't think all will be rosy. Sometimes we get to thinking: "If I am a Christian, then all my pains are

gone." Actually, many times, we will experience much pain and hurt in living for Christ. Look, the devil hated Him, will he not also hate those who follow Him? Certainly! We can expect hurt, sorrows, and disappointments, too.

Why? Because the devil wants to destroy us. He will succeed in carrying some away from the faith! He will be happy if he takes you back!

But, hang in there! Don't give up! We are warring against a mighty foe, but, He that is with us is "Greater than he that is in the world!"



New Testament Chapter Study

New Testament

Day 12- Luke 1-4

Day 13- Luke 5-8

Day 14- Luke 9-12

Day -15- Luke 13-16

Day -16- Luke 17-20

Day -17- Luke 21-24

Day -18- John 1-4

Day -19- John 5-8

Day -20- John 9-12

Day -21- John 13-16

Day 22- John 17-20

Day 23 - John 21, Acts 1-3

Day 24- Acts 4-7

Day 25- Acts 8-11

Day 26- Acts 12-15

Day 27- Acts 16-19

Day 28- Acts 20-23

Memory verses:

Psalm 118:8

Psalm 8

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

**PETER’S TEACHING ABOUT MANNER OF LIFE, # 3
AM SERMON - BOYCE EDWARDS**

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
MARCH 10, 2019:**

I. DEFINITION:

PARKING LOT DUTY: BRUCE BROWN

HALL MONITOR: MARVIN FLETCHER

II. VAIN MANNER OF LIFE

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR MARCH:
JACOB BRYANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS: TREVOR HEILMAN

III. OTHER PASSAGES DEALING WITH AN UNPROFITABLE
MANNER OF LIFE

SONG DIRECTOR: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

COMMUNION:

(NORTH) LEE FISHER, ROGER DEEM
RUFAS BROWN, WAR MOBLEY

(SOUTH) DENNIS MARLER, PAUL PORTLEY
PATRICK SELLERS, TAY HIGHTOWER

IV. CLOSING COMMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING: ANDRE PETTAWAY

PICK UP CARDS:

COREY & CHASE CULVER

**PETER’S TEACHING ABOUT MANNER OF LIFE, # 4
PM SERMON - BOYCE EDWARDS**

PRAYERS:

(A.M.) ZACK PETTIES, TYLER CUTTS
(P.M.) JIM DUKES, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

I. THE CHRISTIAN IS TO BE “DEEPLY DISTRESSED”
BY THE FILTHY LIFESTYLE OF THE WICKED.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):

ANGELA & DERICA THOMAS

II. GENERAL OBSERVATIONS FROM THE TEXT

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: TYLER CUTTS

EVENING COMMUNION:

REGGIE BASS, TREVOR HEILMAN

III. THE APPLICATION OF PETER’S TEACHING IN II
PETER 2:7 & 8, AND THE CONTEXT IS THAT CHRISTIANS
TODAY ARE TO BE HIGHLY REPULSED AND OFFENDED
BY LIFESTYLES THAT ARE CONTRARY TO GOD’S
WORD!!

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER: PAUL RUBY

WEDNESDAY PRAYER: ROGER DEEM

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR MARCH:

AMANDA PETTIES

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

REMEMBER OUR MILITARY: Please keep Tracy Wilson's son, Zane Wilson in your prayers as he is deployed.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Donna Hines's friend's granddaughter 2 year-old (Kylie Pruitt), Doris Edwards, Linda Moore's niece & brother-in-law, Skip & Tina Pallo, Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Diane Holubec, Freddie Saffor, Jim Dukes's sister (Marie Sessions), Natalie Fisher's mother, Traelyan Fisher, Rikki Martin's grandmother, War Mobley's sister, Brenda Sellers' sister (Jessie Gilcrest), Barbara Robinson, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, Jerdene Williams' friend (Hunter Rhodes), James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Billye Hughes, 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, David Shilling, Judy Wall's sister-in-law, (Gail Scott) & brother (Don Scott), Lois Brown, Alice Allison, Garnie & Nada Miller, Trudy Perrault's great grandson (Jesse), & her daughters (Trudy & Carol), Linda Walts, Al & Gayle Wilson's sister-in-law (Regina Farmer), John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), Sybil Cason, Jonathan Simmons Sr., Janet Simmons, Gail Mende's son (Eric), and Shirl Foster. Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

VISITATION TEAMS: Visitation Team #1 will meet with their leader, Jim Dukes, today, to get their visitation assignments. Team members are: Jim Dukes, Marvin & Christina Fletcher, Jerdene Williams, Victoria Polanco, Ollie Jones, Freddie Saffor, Kingsford Asare, and Lois Brown.

PANTRY NEEDS: Our benevolence pantry is needing the following items: Canned beans, canned meats, canned vegetables and cream soups, canned corn and peas, canned fruit, rice, cereal, pasta, paper towels, and toilet tissue. These items can be in the foyer. Thank you!

VAN DRIVERS NEEDED: Van Drivers are needed to share the work of bringing members who are unable to drive to services. Please sign-up on the sheet in the foyer and see Dennis Marler for more information.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT: On March 29, at 6:30 pm, there will be a Ladies Nail Night Hosted by Jennifer Forkey in the Fellowship Hall. If you wish to order a set or sets of nails, please contact Jennifer Forkey.

SIGN UP FOR YARD WORK: We invite our members to sign up to help with the yard work. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the south foyer.

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!

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10-Daylight Savings Time Change (clocks move forward 1 hour).

11-15-KISD Spring Break

23-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall.

24-Ladies Bible Class, 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

24-Cherokee Drive begins.