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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*

Shepherds Notes By Zack Petties

When I'm Going Through A Trial

The definition of a trial is very important! It is defined as "an affliction, act of testing, trying, or trouble." When Christians go through these trials, the question may be asked, "Why me?" and maybe, "Why someone else?" The purpose of these trials or difficulties prove our faith in God-(1 Peter 1: 6, 7). For example: when there is sickness in your family, death in your family, loss of a job in your family, loss of love in your family, loss of food and clothing in your family, and a loss of respect for others and yourself. When trials occur, we will either draw closer to God, or away from Him! We must accept trials as part of the refining process that burns away impurities and prepares us to meet Christ! All Christians face such trials when they let their light shine into the darkness of this world. Enduring trials produces humility and patience-(2 Cor. 12: 7, 10; Rom 5: 3). In like manner, our trials, struggles, hurts, and persecutions refine and strengthen our faith, making us useful to God.

The Apostle Paul made mention of the thorn in the flesh, and was told, "*My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness*"-(2 Cor. 12: 9). The fact that Paul's affliction wasn't removed, and that God's power was displayed in Paul's weakness should give Christians courage and hope today as we walk through severe difficulties in our lives! As we recognize our limitations, we will depend more on God. Our limitations not only help develop Christian character, but also deepen our worship, because in admitting them, we affirm Gods strength! Weakness means to enfold our identity so that all power may be seen as belonging to God, not us-2 Cor. 4:7. Weakness does not mean suffering the consequences for your dishonesty or deceit, but enduring affliction, persecution, and perplexity in order that the life of Jesus might be manifest in our body-(2 Cor. 4:8-11).

Brothers and sisters, trials are a part of life! But with every difficulty, God has provided a way of escape (1 Cor. 10: 13). Sometimes we cringe at the thought of problems and difficulties, but we need resistance and trials to challenge and make us better people. Without trails, we tend to be arrogant. Ps. 119:71 says, "*It is good for me that I have been afflicted: that I might learn thy statutes.*" Christians look to have encouragement to commit to God, because He is their Creator, and faithful in all His promises.

In Love,
Brother Petties

From the Desk of Dan Carter

CUTTING THE WORD OF GOD

The 36th chapter of Jeremiah contains the story of a wicked king who was so upset with what God was saying through His prophet, Jeremiah, that he began cutting the scroll of the book with his knife. Then, he threw the cut up pages into a fire that was burning before him.

Years ago, I remember studying with a person in Houston, Texas. The individual had attended services where I preached and had expressed desire for further study. I went by and studied with this individual. As we were studying on a certain teaching of the Lord, the lady said: "That is not in my Bible!" I said, "Why, sure it is." But, when the person went and got her Bible, she was right...She Had Taken And Cut That Part Of God's Word Out Of Her Bible!

Down through time, there have been those who sought to destroy God's message. Some tried to keep people from reading it. There was a time when owning a Bible was opposed. Some religious teachers did not want their people reading the blessed book because it would oppose some of their false doctrines. The idea was set forth: "If You Want To Know Something About The Bible, Then Come And Ask Me!" Keeping people blind to the book of God would aid in keep them ignorant!

Others oppose the Bible openly. They seek to bury it under the ridicule of "higher criticism."

Then, there are false teachers. Many want to preach just for the honor and money. By smooth and fair speeches, many souls are "won" from the viewpoint of the false teachers. They use the philosophy that "God is love," and would never punish anyone who believed. If that be the case, what about James 1:19, declaring that demons "believe?" Does that mean demons will be saved?

Then others preach that what was demanded in the 1st century is not needed today. We are more intelligent today, so we don't need those other things. You know, like being baptized!

Then, by ridicule, the Bible is put down. When the message of Christ is preached and sin is seen as it really

is, many oppose by saying: "You Are Judging!" How can one be judging when the Word Of God is being read? Again, folks want to do their own thing. They don't want to be told that certain things are wrong, according to the Bible, so they, "Take their penknife to its pages!"

Perhaps the greatest way the Bible is cut is by neglect. Those who have studied this book, reading its pure contents, then failing to comply, are cutting the Word! We should be earnest in our desire to follow this book and teach it to others. Be faithful to its demands and determine to live its teachings in our lives!



New Testament Chapter Study

New Testament

- Day 30- Acts 28, Romans 1-3
- Day 31- Romans 4-7
- Day 32- Romans 8-11
- Day 33- Romans 12-15
- Day 34- Romans 16, I Cor 1-3
- Day 35- I Cor 4-7
- Day 36- 1 Cor 8-11
- Day 37- 1 Cor 12-15
- Day 38- 1 Cor 16, 2 Cor 1-3
- Day 39- 2 Cor 4-7
- Day 40- 2 Cor 8-11
- Day 41- 2 Cor 12-13, Gal 1-2
- Day 42- Gal 3-6
- Day 50- 2 Tim
- Day 51- Titus, Philemon
- Day 52- Heb 1-4
- Day 53- Heb 5-8
- Day 54- Heb 9-12
- Day 55- Heb 13, James 1-3
- Day 56- James 4-5, 1 Pet 1-2

Memory verses:

- Beginner: Rom 6:23
- Advanced: John 8:34-35

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

GOD'S BROKEN HEART

AM Sermon - Dan Carter

HOSEA 11:7-8.

•ISRAEL LEFT GOD!

- 1.Hosea: Servant of God.
- 2.The People Refused To Listen; They didn't want chastisement; they wanted messages on love!
Prov.29:15; 19:18; 23:13,14. *True Love Disciplines!
- 3.Hosea Used As Example. He Marries A Wife.
She Becomes Unfaithful. He Weeps For Her; His Heart Is Broken!
- 4.Hosea Buys Her Back! Note: Hosea 14; Lam.3:22-25.

•EVERY MOMENT:

- *Received Card: "Moments Are God's Gifts."
- A. Busy Moments: Psa.103:1-4; Song: "Praise The Lord"-p.176. Psa.148:1,2. *Take Time To Remember God!
- B. Trying Moments: Prov.3:5; Psa.31:13-17; 37:37-40; Job 13:15; Psa.46:1-3; Matt.14:31.
- C. Happy Moments: Acts 8:39; Phil.4:4; I Peter 4:13.
Song: "O Happy Day"-p.269.



THE LIFE I NOW LIVE

PM Sermon - Dan Carter

GALATIANS 2:20

IMPORTANT OBSERVATIONS

- A. How We Live Here Determines Where We Live In Eternity: Lk.16:19ff; Mk.10:17ff.
- B. Can't Change After Death: 2 Cor.6:2; Heb.9:27.
- C. Crucify Self: Matt.16:24,25.
- D. Live By Faith: Heb.11:6; 2 Cor.5:7; Romans 10:17.

EXAMPLES

- A. NOAH: Hebrews 11:7.
- B. ABRAHAM: Gen.12:1,2; 22:1.
- C. NAAMAN: 2 Kings 5.
- D. SAUL OF TARSUS: Acts 22:12-16.

THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
APRIL 7, 2019:

PARKING LOT DUTY: BRUCE BROWN

HALL MONITOR: MARVIN FLETCHER

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR APRIL:
PATRICK SELLERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS: TREVOR HEILMAN

SONG DIRECTOR: REGGIE BASS

COMMUNION:
(NORTH) BOYCE EDWARDS, GAYLEN WILLIAMS
RUFAS BROWN, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

(SOUTH) ZACK PETTIES, JACOB BRYANT
CHARLES CULVER, JIM DUKES

SCRIPTURE READING: TYLER CUTTS

PICK UP CARDS:
COREY & CHASE CULVER

PRAYERS:
(A.M.) ANDRE PETTAWAY, ROGER DEEM
(P.M.) REGGIE BASS, TAY HIGHTOWER

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

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: PAUL PORTLEY

EVENING COMMUNION:
ZACK PETTIES, GAYLEN WILLIAMS

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER: TYLER CUTTS

WEDNESDAY PRAYER: NATHAN BURTON JR.

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR APRIL:
KITTY KACIR

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

OUR SICK: Annette Streeter's father is having health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
-Al Wilson is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on April 24. Please keep him in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Dennis Marler, Desiree Burton's father, Brenda Sellers' mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), Merlene Stoker, Freddie Lee Saffor, Jim Dukes's sister (Marie Sessions) and nephew, Donna Hines's friend's granddaughter 3 year-old (Kylie Pruitt), Doris Edwards, Linda Moore's niece, Skip & Tina Pallo, Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Diane Holubec, Natalie Fisher's mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, War Mobley's sister, Barbara Robinson, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, 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 family, Linda Walts, Al & Gayle Wilson's sister-in-law (Regina Farmer), John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), Sybil Cason, former members (Jonathan Simmons Sr., Jr., & 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.

SYMPATHY: We wish to express our sympathy to Linda Moore and her family on the passing of her brother-in-law, Steve Moore, on April 4. Please keep this family in your prayers.

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, Kingsford Asare, and Lois Brown.

FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCHEON: Join us today for our monthly following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring casseroles, meat dishes, vegetables, and desserts. Group #1 will have kitchen duties (Martha Bell, Lois Brown, Jessica Bryant, Kitty Kacir, Amanda Petties, and Brenda Sellers).

LADIES BREAKFAST & WORKDAY: There will be a Ladies Breakfast & Workday on Saturday, April 13, 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall. We will be making blankets and finalizing our Ladies Day plans. Please see the list of materials needed on the ladies bulletin board in the south hallway.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT: The Ladies Fellowship Night has been rescheduled for Friday, June 7, at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. For any questions, please see 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.

CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN DRIVE: We are collecting the following items for Cherokee Home for Children until the week of April 28: Liquid Hand soap (please no bar soap), Deodorant, Mouthwash, Body wash, and Shampoo/Conditioners. These items can be placed in the foyer and there are take home lists there as well. Thank you!!!

WELCOME!
**Our speaker for today is Dan Carter.*

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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7-Fellowship Luncheon after morning service. Group #1 will have kitchen duties (Martha Bell, Lois Brown, Jessica Bryant, Kitty Kacir, Amanda Petties, and Brenda Sellers).

13-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall (we will be making blankets and finalizing our Ladies Day plans).

14-Ladies Bible Study, 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

28-Cherokee Drive ends.