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*Cherokee Home  
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Abilene, TX*

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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*

### Shepherds Notes

*By Zack Petties*

### Endeavoring

Christians can claim victory in Christ in the midst of the most troubling times. *"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world"* (John 16:33). Jesus explained to His disciples that in the struggles they would experience, they would not be alone. In today's life some people may think they don't have to worry about sin because its God's job to forgive. Their concept is God is so loving that He won't judge, and sin isn't so bad as they say because it teaches valuable lessons; so we need to stay and embrace with the culture around us. It is too easy to take God grace for granted! God doesn't, and cannot overlook sin! No matter how many excuses people make, sinners will have to answer to God. *"I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do"* (Romans 7:15).

In Romans 7:15-22, Paul also admitted that he was carnal ( Greek term: sarkinos). As a slave to the power of sin, Paul recognizes that those things he wishes he could do, he cannot do, and conversely those things he knows he must not do, he finds himself doing. Paul shares with us lessons learned in dealing with sinful desires: self-determination (struggling in ones own strength) doesn't succeed-(7:15). Becoming a Christian does not stamp out all sin and temptation from a person's life (7:22-25). Our old way of life before we believed in Christ is completely in the past. We should put it behind us like old clothes to be thrown away for good. If we allow these old ways to surface, it could devour or engulf us into abandonment toward Christ. In Luke 22:31, Satan wanted to crush Simon Peter and the disciples like grains of wheat. He hoped to find only chaff and blow it away. This same desire of Satan applies to us today. Paul acknowledged he recognizes that in he himself there is not the ability to do good (Romans, chapter 7). He cannot do the will of God for sin holds dominion over him. By himself he couldn't break it because it was a constant warfare between the old sinful nature and his delight in the law of God. Unfortunately, when a Christian attempts to win that battle in himself, he is always defeated. Self-attempts to rid indwelling sin causes the frustration which can lure a person into going away.

In conclusion, we, as Christians will be faced with trials as a part of life. Some of our problems are brought about by our sins (Prov. 13:15). Some difficulties come as a result of doing what is right (2 Tim. 3: 12). Leaning on God, and being governed by His will leads us through all things no matter how troublesome!

In brotherly love,  
Brother Petties

**SAVE THE  
DATES FOR  
OUR 2019  
VBS!  
JULY 28-31!**



## From the Desk of Dan Carter

### SLOW TO WRATH

Listen to the words of James 1:19 & 20: *"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: For the wrath of man works not the righteousness of God."*

Then add to these, Ephesians 4:26: *"Be angry, and sin not: don't let the sun go down on your wrath."*

The Carter's have hot tempers. I was always cautioned by my dad, who was hot-tempered: "Son, sometimes, it is better to just walk away."

That piece of advice helped sometimes: Sometimes, it didn't. Most kids had rather fight than to walk away.

As I said, the Carter's are noted for their hot tempers. I had many fights when I was in grade-school, and high school. Dad's advice was listened to on occasions and it made me feel better about myself...just to walk away. However, when anyone called you a coward, for walking away, it would cause a fight.

I suppose what I am saying is: that as God's people we need to be careful and follow these beautiful verses at the heading of this lesson.

(1). Swift To Hear: That is a hard one. It is hard to just listen to the other side of the story before action is taken. Most of the time, we had rather fight than listen. This has caused much trouble in the Church over the years. Churches have divided over foolishness. Over opinions that mattered nothing in reference to our salvation. We should be patient and listen, then, offer our thoughts. Getting mad and dividing the body of Christ is wrong.

(2). Slow To Speak: It is better to hold our tongue than to say something that we regret later on. You know what I mean. We have all said things that we wish we could take back, but once said, they are forever there.

Before speaking, we need to chew our words. We need to think about how they will be received, especially, if we are angry.

(3). Slow To Wrath: There is nothing wrong with wrath, if we are mad at the right things. God is a God of Wrath (Read: Hebrews 4:3); and, *"The day of His wrath is coming"*- Revelation 6:7! Our problem comes when we are mad all the time. Sometimes folks walk around as though they were mad at the whole world. They never see any good. Some look for the bad in every word and thing.

I would not give you five cents for a man who had no wrath...we just need to know when to be mad. We must be Slow To Wrath.

Dad was right: Sometime it is better just to walk away; Other times, we need to stand and fight. Circumstances will determine. A man who has no backbone will stand for nothing; and, fall for anything!

We need men, and women, of strength and courage. We need to control our emotions. Even when we are in confrontation we should conduct ourselves as Christians. We are even told to "Love Your Enemies, and Pray For Them"-(Matthew 5:44).



## OLD TESTAMENT Chapter Study

### Old Testament

Day 79- Ex 3-6

Day 80- Ex 7-10

Day 81- Ex 11-14

Day 82 - Ex 15-18

Day 83- Ex 19-22

Day 84- Ex 23-26

Day 85- Ex 27-30

Day 86- Ex 31-34

Day 87- Ex 35-38

Day 88- Ex 39-40, Lev 1-2

Day 89 - Lev 3-6

Day 90- Lev 7-10

Day 91- Lev 11-14

Day 92 Lev 15-18

Day 93- Lev 19-22

Day 94- Lev 23-26

Day 95- Lev 27, Num 1-3

Day 96 - Num 4-7

Day 97- Num 8-11

Day 98- Num 12 -15

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

**MY HELP**

**AM SERMON - DAN CARTER**

Psalm 121:1-3

**DAVID: A MAN OF GOD**

\*Son of Jesse; Son of Obed; Son of Boaz, Who Married, Ruth!

\*His Parents Taught Him Of The Lord (I Sam. 22:3).

\*David Never Doubted The Lord: I Sam. 17:33-36!

Note: Psa. 46; Psa. 37:1-3; (Psa. 73); Rom. 8:28; Prov. 3:5,6.

**WHY TROUBLE?**

Note: Job 5:7; 14:1.

1. At One Time, Man Ruled The World (Gen. 1:26).
2. Sin Changed Everything: Death And Destruction Followed: Gen. 3:17; Rom. 8:22; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 2:2; 2 Peter 2:4; John 1:5.

THUS: EPHESIANS 6:12!

**TWO REALMS**

\*SPIRITUAL; PHYSICAL-LIGHT; DARKNESS.

1. PHYSICAL: Death. Heb. 9:27.
2. SPIRITUAL: I John 1:7; 3:1,2; I Cor. 15:47-49.

Note: Rev. 21:8!

Note: Our Choice; Joshua 24:15.

God Gave Us Freedom.



**HE DELIVERS ME**

**PM SERMON - DAN CARTER**

Psalm 18:47-49

**Who Delivers Us?**

Note: John 6:66-69; Psalm 23; John 10:11; Hebrews 4:15,16; John 14:6; Matthew 11:28,29.

**From What Am I Delivered?**

1. Burdens of the day: Psa. 55:22; Phil.4:6,7; 4:19; I Peter 5:7.
2. Sorrow & Depression: Hebrews 4:15; I Peter. 3:12; John 11:35.
3. From Sin: Eph.2:12; Isa.53:5; Rom. 6:17,18.
4. From Death: 2 Tim.1:10; Jno.6:44,45; Jno.11:25,26; John 5:28,29.

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF**  
**MAY 19, 2019:**

**PARKING LOT DUTY:** BRUCE BROWN

**HALL MONITOR:** JACOB BRYANT

**AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR MAY:**  
PATRICK SELLERS

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** DENNIS MARLER

**SONG DIRECTOR:** REGGIE BASS

**COMMUNION:**  
(NORTH) ZACK PETTIES, ANDRE PETTAWAY  
CHARLES CULVER, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

(SOUTH) GAYLEN WILLIAMS, TREVOR HEILMAN  
RUFUS BROWN, TAY HIGHTOWER

**SCRIPTURE READING:** PAUL PORTLEY

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

**PRAYERS:**  
(A.M.) BOYCE EDWARDS, TYLER CUTTS  
(P.M.) LEE FISHER, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):**  
NATALIE FISHER & AMANDA PETTIES

**EVENING SONG DIRECTOR:** PAUL PORTLEY

**EVENING COMMUNION:**  
BOYCE EDWARDS, GAYLEN WILLIAMS

**WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER:** ZACK PETTIES

**WEDNESDAY PRAYER:** DENNIS MARLER

**PREPARE COMMUNION FOR MAY:**  
VICTORIA POLANCO

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**MILITARY & CIVILIANS OVERSEAS:** Please keep Tim Matter and his family in your prayers.

**OUR SICK:** Jodi Culp's sister, Catrina, has cancer in her bones. Jodi has traveled to Indiana to be with her. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Donna Hines's friend's granddaughter, 3 year-old Kylie Pruitt, has six returning cancerous tumors that are very aggressive. She will be trying an experimental medication. Please keep her in your prayers that the medication works.

-Dorothea Heater is asking prayers for Ken Tooley, whose son, Kirk Tooley, is the preacher, with Central Church of Christ in Pflugerville TX. He has been moved to ICU for low oxygen levels and pneumonia. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Amanda Petties' brother is recovering from surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND:** Martha Bell, Al Wilson, Gail Mende's son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brooke Bailey, Martha Bell, Desiree Burton's father, Brenda Sellers' mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), former member (Merlene Stoker), Freddie Lee Saffor, Jim Dukes's sister (Marie Sessions) and nephew, Doris Edwards, Linda Moore's mother & niece, Skip & Tina Pallo, Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Diane Holubec, Natalie Fisher's mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Billye Hughes, 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, John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), Sybil Cason, former members (Jonathan Simmons Sr., Jr., & Janet Simmons), and Shirl Foster. Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

**SYMPATHY:** We wish to extend our sympathy to Creta Bales, Donna Nicodemus, and their family on the passing of their mother, Dora Ray Chanslor, who passed away on Friday morning, May 17. The visitation will be here at the building on Tuesday, May 21, at 3:00 pm, with the funeral service following at 4:00 pm. Please keep this family in your prayers.

-We wish to extend our sympathy to Ollie Mae Jones and her family on the passing of her brother, Freddie Lee Saffor, who passed away on March 23. Please keep them in your prayers.

**VISITATION TEAMS:** Visitation Team #2 will meet with their leader, Reggie Bass, today, to get their visitation assignments. Team members are: Reggie & Janet Bass, Boyce Edwards, Zack & Amanda Petties, and Gaylen & Nichole Williams.

**LET'S GET THE WORD OUT!** Join us tomorrow, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm, here at the building, to pass out flyers for the upcoming Gospel Meeting. For any questions, please see Zack Petties.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual Gospel Meeting will be held from June 9-June 12. Our guest speaker will be Tom Moore, from the Park Heights church of Christ in Hamilton, Texas.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!** We wish to congratulate Noriah Fletcher, who will graduated on May 17, from Texas State University with a degree in Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, and with a minor in Spanish.

*\*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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### ☪MAY☪

27-Memorial Day (the office will be closed)

### ☪JUNE☪

- 1-Men's Breakfast at the Killeen Golden Corral, 8:30 am.
- 2-Fellowship Luncheon after morning service. Group #3 will have kitchen duties.
- 7-Ladies Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm., hosted by Jennifer Forkey.
- 9-12 Gospel Meeting with Tom Moore