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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*

SOME THINGS ABOUT DANIEL, THE PROPHET, # 1

Shepherds Notes by Boyce Edwards

1. Somewhere near the year of 606 BC, Daniel was taken as a prisoner of war by Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon-see Daniel 1:1-7. I have never been a prisoner of war, but have supposed that would be a context where a God-fearing person's faith would be severely tested. Using a common figure of speech, "Daniel passed the test in flying colors!" And some 2,600 years later, Daniel's light is still shining brightly for God's people of today to follow!

2. We meet Daniel's deep commitment to God early in the book. *"But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of eunuchs that he might not defile himself"*-Daniel 1:8. Reflecting upon this text through the years, I've wondered how many Christians in a similar context would have said, "Well, in this context, we don't have any choice, and God will certainly understand!"

Brethren, we always have a choice, and in ALL circumstances we ought to be obedient to God! Way too many Christians nowadays don't even have the courage when offered an alcoholic beverage by one of their buddies to say, "No thank you, I don't drink alcoholic beverages!" God will always provide a way of escape when dedicated Christians are determined at whatever cost to be faithful to the Lord-see the record in I Corinthians 10:13. By the way, the "way of escape" is given to us in the next verse: We are to "flee" from whatever wrong is before us-v. 14. Rather than "fleeing," way to many Christians "go along to get along!" Shame, shame!

3. God gave special skills to Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego as they served Him in a prisoner of war context. *"As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams"*-Daniel 1:17. See also vs. 18-20. Do Christians believe that God will do any less today? Paul said, *"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus"*-Philippians 4:19.

4. In a crisis context, Daniel took the matter before the Lord. *"Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions. That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon"*-Daniel 2:17 & 18. The context was that king Nebuchadnezzar was enraged because none of his wise men could interpret his dream, and he had purposed to destroy all the wise men, including Daniel and his 3 friends-see Daniel 2:10-13. In a crisis situation, Jesus told His disciples to pray that God would send forth laborers into the harvest-see Matthew 9:36-10:7. In a crisis situation, the apostles gathered with the church and prayed for strength to speak God's word with all boldness-see Acts 4:23-31. Peter gave some very encouraging words to Christians who are in some type of crisis situation. He said, *"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time. Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you"*-I Peter 5:6 & 7.

May Christians never forget that God is always there for us when we need Him! God bless always, Boyce.

From the Desk of Dan Carter

Precious **MEMORIES**



My life has so many precious memories. I have just gotten down old directories and looked back to the churches where Jeannie and I worked. Years have passed, but the memories are still there.

Graford, Houston, Beaumont, Gainesville, Sanger, Sherman, Whitewright, San Antonio, and Killeen. Over the past 54 years I have many fond memories. I can still see the people, many of whom, have passed on. As if it were yesterday, I think of the laughter and tears. I loved every place. Dear, dear, friends; they are always with me. I will never forget them.

You will recall the writings of the Apostle Paul. He was always reminding the people with whom he had worked of the love he had for them. I feel as did he. I will never forget my dear brethren.

The wise man declared in Proverbs 10:7,

"the memory of the just is a blessing." Paul wrote: *"To Timothy, my dear beloved son, I thank God upon every memory of you in my prayers night and day"*- 2 Timothy 1:2,3. Isn't that a beautiful statement?

The mind of man is a wonderful thing. We are reminded that we need to think on things which are *"true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report"*-Philippians 4:8. If we will fill our minds with good things, then we will have good memories.

With fondness I recall mother and dad. I remember my two brothers who have passed on. I have great memories. I thank The Almighty for granting such.

I want to have a grand reunion in that heavenly home. I want to meet those great men and women of faith who have long gone ahead. I want to sing praises around the Throne of God. I want to get to know the Angels. Won't that be a grand thing? Will it not be wonderful to see loved ones who

have long since passed? My thoughts are filled with the wonders of it all.

Thank God we were not made Robots. We have a heart and soul; we have great memories.

Memories are what we make of them. Endeavor to follow after good things. Thus, the memory will be sweet.

Recall what Abraham said to the Rich man in Luke 16? Hear his words: *"Son, remember, in your lifetime, you had great and good things. You could have helped your poor brother, but chose not to do so...now, he is comforted, and you are tormented."*

Note: he said: "Son, Remember!" Our memories will remain with us forever; even after death.



OLD TESTAMENT Chapter Study

Old Testament

Day 267- Amos 1-4

Day 268- Amos 5-8

Day 269- Amos 9; Obadiah

Day 270- Jonah 1-4

Day 271- Micah 1-4

Day 272- Micah 5-7

Day 273- Nahum

Day 274- Habakkuk

Day 275- Zephaniah

Day 276- Haggai; Zechariah 1-2

Day 277- Zechariah 3-6

Day 278- Zechariah 7-10

Day 279- Zechariah 11-14

Day 280- Malachi

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

THINGS TO FORGET
AM Sermon - Dan Carter

PHILIPPIANS 3:13,14.

PAST SINS

1.Forget That Past Life Of Sin: Read Romans 6:3-6; 17,18; 21-23. *There Was A Time When Sin Reigned; Now, Righteousness.

2.Past Sins: Gal.5:19-25! The Christian Lives A Spirit Life; Not The Flesh Life!

Note: Psalm 103:12! So Must We!

PAST FAILURES

'If At First You Don't Succeed; Try, Try, Again' Note: 'Never Give Up'!

2 Corinthians 4:8,9; Vs.16!

Note: I have a picture of a cat in my office; he is hanging from a limb with his front paws—It Reads: 'Hang In There; The Lord Has This'. Read: I Peter 5:7.

PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS

*Always Reach Forth For Better Things.

I Cor. 15:58; 2 Tim. 2:21; Phil. 3:13,14.

*We Should Never Be Satisfied! We Must Ever Be Ready To Greater Works!



WRONG CHOICES

PM Sermon - Dan Carter

Joshua 24:14-15

Examples

*Rich Young Ruler: Matt. 19:16-22.

*Jews: Trial Of Christ: Matt. 27:16-22.

*Felix: Acts 24:25.

*Agrippa: Acts 26:28.

Note: The Right Choice: John 8:24; Luke 13:3; Matt. 10:32; Mk.16:15, 16; Rev. 2:10; John 14:15; Joshua 24:15.

THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 17, 2019:

PARKING LOT DUTY: ROGER DEEM

HALL MONITOR: MARVIN FLETCHER

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR NOVEMBER:
PATRICK SELLERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS: LEE FISHER

SONG DIRECTOR: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

COMMUNION:

(NORTH) DENNIS MARLER, PAUL PORTLEY
RUFAS BROWN, SHAWN FORKEY

(SOUTH) ZACK PETTIES, TREVOR HEILMAN
CLAY CULVER, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

SCRIPTURE READING: MICHAEL ROCKHOLD

PICK UP CARDS:

RANGER SANDERS & ANDREW FORKEY

PRAYERS:

(A.M.) ANDRE PETTAWAY, TREVOR HEILMAN

(P.M.) DERREL HEGINBOTHAM, DENNIS MARLER

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):

VICTORIA POLANCO & JOSEPHINE SPEAR

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: REGGIE BASS

EVENING COMMUNION:

ZACK PETTIES, ROGER DEEM

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER:

ZACK PETTIES

WEDNESDAY CLOSING PRAYER:

MARVIN FLETCHER

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR NOVEMBER:

ANNETTE STREETER

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

MILITARY & CIVILIANS OVERSEAS: Alyssa Halcomb & Cameron Reeves have deployed to Poland, Kingsford Asare has deployed to Iraq, Tay Hightower is training in California, and Tim Matter is contracting in Kuwait. *Please keep these members & their families in your prayers in your prayers.*

OUR SICK: Gayle Wilson is recovering from diverticulitis and may have to have surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Esther Cox has been moved to Cornerstone Specialty Hospitals in Round Rock. She is in ICU bed #8 and is open to visitors anytime. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Julia Jones is recovering from a kidney infection. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Please keep Billie Hughes in your prayers. She has not been able to get adequate sleep lately.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Scott Davis, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Lois Brown, Esther Cox, Donna Hines' mother (Clara Frost), Shawn Forkey, Jim Dukes, Natalie Fisher's mother (Odessa Dawkins), Linda Moore's mother (Alta Britton), Mary McAnally's son, Tyler Cutts, former members (Rey & Connie Cruz) (Janet & John John Simmons) (Zack Knight), Diane Holubec, Martha Bell's sister, Tina Pallo's son (Jeremy) and sisters (Cheryle & Jeanette), Willard Dunn, Jodi Culp & sister (Catrina), Gail Mende & her son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brenda Sellers' mother, Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), Doris Edwards, Skip & Tina Pallo, Tanja & Natasha Arch, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, Heather Heilman's co-worker's son (Jordan Davis), Archie & Jessi Turner, Mary Ann Culp, William Odum's father & uncle, David Shilling, Judy Wall's brother (Don Scott), Alice Allison, Garnie & Nada Miller, Linda Walts, John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), and Shirl Foster. Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

REJOICE!!! We rejoice for our new brother in Christ, Kenneth (Ken) Richards, who was baptized on November 14. Please encourage him and keep him in your prayers.

VISITATION TEAMS: Visitation Team #4 will meet with their leader, Derrel Heginbotham, today, to get their visitation assignments. Derrel & Carla Heginbotham, Lee & Natalie Fisher, Roger & Linda Deem, Dan Carter, Angela Thomas, and Martha Bell.

CHANGE CAN DRIVE: Our change can drive for Christian Homes & Family Services in Abilene has ended. If you would like to turn your can in, please see any of the elders or deacons as soon as possible.

FOSTERS HOME FOR CHILDREN FOOD DRIVE: We are collecting macaroni and cheese until the week of December 8th. These items can be placed in the foyer.

HOLIDAY BASKETS: Please join us as we prepare holiday baskets for our bereaved on Saturday, December 7, at 9:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to donate to this effort, please see Lee Fisher.

LADIES HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP: Ladies join us for our annual holiday fellowship hosted by Janet Bass on December 9th, at 6:00 pm. Please bring your favorite potluck dish, a wrapped ornament, and a picture of yourself as a child.

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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NOVEMBER

25-29 The secretary will be on vacation.

27-Singing Night

27-29 Office closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.

DECEMBER

7-Holiday Basket Project

9-Ladies Holiday Fellowship hosted by Janet Bass.