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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*

REPENT AMERICA: THE TIME IS NOW!

By Keith Parker

Recently I returned from a mission trip to India. The hearts of the people are hungry for the Gospel. They were open, receptive, and appreciative of God's Word. I met some of the most loving people that I've ever met in my life. The Gospel was preached and souls were saved; it was a very successful journey. However, being in India reminded me of the abundant blessings of America. Compared to the poverty of India, most of us Americans are rich; we're blessed beyond words. We're living in the greatest country in the world. As Lee Greenwood sang, "I am proud to be an American."

But morally and spiritually America needs to be healed. Take a look at what is going on in our country. Divorce is no longer frowned upon. Homosexual marriages are being applauded. Abortion is an option considered by many. One can hardly turn on the television without hearing God's name used in vain. The filth that Hollywood and the movie industry are spewing is sinful and sickening. The violence, greed, lusts, sexual immorality, nudity, and rotten language that are seen and heard on the screen are a reflection of the depravity in the hearts and homes of the American people.

What's the answer? Let's not be a problem-conscious people without being a solution-conscious people. As always, God gives us the answer: *"If My people, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land"* (2 Chronicles 7:14). First, notice the people of this passage: *"If My people, who are called by My name...."* In Old Testament times the people of God were called "Israelites" or "Jews." What about today? What are God's people called today? We're Christians (Acts 11:26). Followers of Jesus. The salt and light of the world. Christians can support clean and wholesome entertainment. Christians can refuse to spend money on the filth of HBO, Cinemax, and Showtime. Christians can object to ungodly movies. Christians can refuse to let Satan babysit their kids. Christians can make a positive difference in this negative world.

Second, notice the plan of this passage: *"...will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways."* God's plan starts with humility. Be humble enough to admit wrong. Be humble enough to change. Be humble enough to seek help. *"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up"* (James 4:10). Humility leads to prayer. Pray about anything and everything. Pray for wisdom in choosing the right movie to attend. *"You do not have, because you do not ask God"* (James 4:2). Prayer leads to seeking God's face and turning from wicked ways. Quit going to movies that bring you down spiritually. Stop renting movies that you would be ashamed to watch with Jesus. Make up your mind that you will not watch a movie that you could not show at church or show to children. *"Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you"* (James 4:7).

Third, notice the promises of this passage: *"Then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."* God promises to open His ears to our prayers: *"The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil"* (1 Peter 3:12). God's promises to forgive our sins: *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness"* (1 John 1:9). God promises to heal our land: *"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He chose for His inheritance"* (Psalm 33:12). These are precious promises. If we'll just follow God's plan, they can be ours today.

It's time for Christians to think. It's time for America to repent. As always, we hope you will think on these things.

Parker, Keith. "Repent America: The Time Is Now!" *Focus Press*, Focus Press, 23 Feb. 2018, <https://www.focuspress.org/2018/02/23/repent-america-time-now/>.

From the Desk of Dan Carter

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I am sure that Christmas, and New Year's celebration, was the same with you as with me, growing up.

We just couldn't wait till this time of the year. It wasn't just the gifts, it was the excitement. Grandma and Grandpa came to see us and that was so happy a time. We kids just couldn't wait. We kept saying: 'How Much Longer Is it?'

Well, many years have come and gone but the excitement is still there. We look forward now to seeing out grandchildren open their gifts. It is hard to believe that William, Macy, Sky and Zane, have grown up. They are all fine young people in the Lord. I am very blessed.

Now, as we think of the New Year, let us prepare to have a greater year for the Lord in 2020 than in 2019. God greatly blessed our work in the past year and I believe we will have even a greater work this year.

Let me thank each of you for your generous gifts given in love. We are so very fortunate to be together at this place and time. I am greatly blessed. I thank God each day for you and your family. As the family of God at W.S. Young, our history is a great one. This church family is known far and wide for its help and care. By your good generous giving, many souls are led to Christ all around the world. Souls are saved, Children are cared for, the Poor are supplied and, the Name of Christ is honored.

Let us pledge ourselves to greater involvement this year. Set yourself to be present at all the gatherings of the Saints and to use the abilities that God has given each one to glorify His Name.

Thank you for your many kindnesses to me and my family through the years. I pray that we will have many more together.

Be sure to remember those who are in the hospitals, rehabilitation centers, and rest homes, and the shut-ins.

Your love and kindness will never be forgotten. Your generosity helps so many. Your willingness to spend, and to be spent, for Christ will never be forgotten by the Lord.

❧ JANUARY CALENDAR ❧

12-Fellowship Luncheon after morning service (Group #2 will have Kitchen duties: Judy Wall, Creta Bales, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Yvonne Hardiman, Dennis & Sandra Marler, & Josephine Spear).

15-Ladies Weekly Bible Study, 10:00 am, at the church building.

18-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall.

20-Office will be closed in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

22-Ladies Weekly Bible Study, 10:00 am, at the church building.

26-Baby sprinkle in honor of Gaylen & Nichole Williams' newborn son, Asher.

29-Ladies Weekly Bible Study, 10:00 am, at the church building.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

LIGHT BABY SHOWER

HONORING

GAYLEN & NICHOLE WILLIAMS'
NEWBORN SON, ASHER

HOSTED BY

JOYCE BROWN AMANDA PETTIES
BRENDA SELLERS NATALIE FISHER

*We will be lightly showering baby Asher with
diapers & baby wipes on January 26th,
3:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall.*

FREE PRINTABLE BABY SHOWER INVITATION - BEESHOWER.COM

**IS MY NAME WRITTEN THERE?
AM SERMON - DAN CARTER**

Malachi 3:16,17

OBSERVE THE SCRIPTURES

• Malachi 3:16; Luke 10:20; Philippians 4:3; 2 Timothy 2:19; Revelation 20:12-15; Revelation 21:27.

*Each of us writes his own book—but, we will all be judged by the book of God.

*'We're Writing A Book – A Chapter Each Day;
By What We Think And What We Say—
God Judges What We Write
Whether Faithless, Or True;
Say, What Is The Gospel According To You?'*

HOW DO I GET MY NAME WRITTEN?

A. By Good Morals? Acts 10:1-2; Acts 11:14.

B. By Believing In Jesus? John 3:16; John 8:24; James 2:19-24; John 6:29.

C. By Calling On His Name? Matt. 7:21,22; Luke 6:46.

*Obedient Faith: Mk. 16:15,16; Acts 6:7; Rom. 6:17,18; Acts 2:36-47.

Warning: Revelation 3:1-4.

CONCLUSION:

Note: Revelation 2:10; Hebrews 10:25-27; Matthew 25: 14,15 (Verse 19).

Conclusion: Hebrews 9:27; John 5:28,29; Revelation 20:12-15.

**THE WAY
PM SERMON - DAN CARTER**

Isaiah 35:8; John 14:6

SOME OBSERVATIONS

1. Taking Trips: Consult A Map; Get Clear Directions, etc.

2. Going To Heaven Is A Strait Way-Matthew 7:13,14.
Note: 7:21,22.

Note: All spirits return to God; but, there are two places that spirit can go: Lk.16:19-31; John 5:28,29.

OUR CHOICE

1. Believe In God: Psa.14:1.

2. Jesus, Son of God: John 8:24; Acts 8:37; Matt. 26:62-67; John 3:16.

3. Obey Him: Lk. 13:3; Ro. 10:9,10; Mk. 16:15,16.
Note: Rev.2:10, Heb. 10:25; James 4:17.

4. Grow: 2 Pet. 1:5-10; 2 Pet. 3:18; I Pet. 2:21,22.

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
JANUARY 5, 2020:**

PARKING LOT DUTY: ROGER DEEM

HALL MONITOR: BRUCE BROWN

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR JANUARY:
PATRICK SELLERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS: LEE FISHER

SONG DIRECTOR: REGGIE BASS

COMMUNION:

(NORTH) BOYCE EDWARDS, GAYLEN WILLIAMS
RUFAS BROWN, TYLER CUTTS

(SOUTH) DENNIS MARLER, MARVIN FLETCHER
CHARLES CULVER, TAY HIGHTOWER

SCRIPTURE READING: MICHAEL ROCKHOLD

PICK UP CARDS:

COREY & CHASE CULVER

PRAYERS:

(A.M.) ZACK PETTIES, PAUL PORTLEY

(P.M.) DERREL HEGINBOTHAM, MARVIN FLETCHER

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):

AMANDA PETTIES & NATALIE FISHER

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: PAUL PORTLEY

EVENING COMMUNION:

TREVOR HEILMAN, GAYLEN WILLIAMS

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER:

ZACK PETTIES

WEDNESDAY CLOSING PRAYER:

DENNIS MARLER

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR JANUARY:

NATALIE FISHER

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

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

OUR SICK: Gladys Driver is recovering from a fractured pelvic bone and right clavicle. She is currently at AdventHealth Hospital, in room #522. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Jim Dukes had surgery on December 24 and is now home rehabilitating. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Gayle Wilson is scheduled to have surgery on January 22 or 23. Please keep her in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Lois Brown, Gayle Wilson, Esther Cox, Scott Davis, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Shawn Forkey, Natalie Fisher's mother (Odessa Dawkins), Linda Moore's mother (Alta Britton), Mary McAnally's son, former members (Rey & Connie Cruz) (Janet & John John Simmons) (Zack Knight) (Jack Bigham) (Carl Nicholson), Diane Holubec, Martha Bell's sister, Skip & Tina Pallo and her son (Jeremy) and sisters (Cheryle & Jeanette), Willard Dunn, Jodi Culp & her sister (Catrina), Gail Mende & her son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brenda Sellers' mother & sister (Jessie Gilcrest), Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), 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 & his father & uncle, David Shilling, Alice Allison, Garnie & Nada Miller, Linda Walts, 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 Judy Wall and her family on the loss of her brother, Don Scott, who passed away on December 26. Please keep Judy and her family in your prayers.

-We wish to extend our sympathy to Donna Hines' and her family on the loss of her mother, Clara Frost, who passed away the morning of December 29. Her memorial service will be Tuesday, January 7, at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home, in Killeen. Please keep Donna and her family in your prayers.

-We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Doris Edwards, who passed away on January 2. Services are pending at this time. Please keep this family in your prayers.

WELCOME! We wish to welcome Patrick & Amanda Floyd, along with their daughter Charlee to the congregation!

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.

ELDERS, DEACONS, & MEN'S BUSINESS MEETING: There will be an Elders, Deacons, & Men's Business Meeting on Sunday, January 5, at 3:30 pm, in the annex. This will be a meeting to review our security procedures.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: Please join us monthly Fellowship Luncheon on Sunday, January 12, following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring casseroles, meat dishes, vegetables, and desserts. Kitchen Group #2 will have kitchen duties: (Judy Wall, Creta Bales, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Yvonne Hardiman, Dennis & Sandra Marler, & Josephine Spear).

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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