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*Cherokee Home
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Abilene, TX*

*Foster's Home
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*

WE HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO FIGHT

Shepherds Notes by Lee Fisher

Historians say some of the great Wars fought in history could have been prevented, but one thing is certain the War for our soul is inevitable, either we fight or die!

"And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matt 10:28).

The battle for our soul will come in many different forms. One of the most frequent and destructive is discouragement. There seems to be no individual "cause" of discouragement. Discouragement can come from many pressures, stresses, and the unpredictability of life. Sometimes discouragement is not the result of one thing, but the combination of many things. The Apostle Paul wrote to the Ephesians, *"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places"* (Eph 6:12). This scripture tells us that our battle is a "spiritual" one, not physical, and it is against ruling devil spirits in high authority or governmental rule in the world. The more we strive to be Christ like, be assured a conflict with Satan's spirits and his schemes cannot be avoided. Remember that old idiom "take ONE step forward and get pushed TWO steps back." Sometimes it feels like every step we take seems to be contested. But if our hearts desire is to please God, who hath called us to be a soldier for Christ, then we have NO alternative but to fight on!

The Christian soldier puts on the full armor of God to wage a good warfare. The more strenuous the struggle, the more glorious the achievement. If we allow our discouragement to stop us from doing the work that God has set before us to do, then we have allowed fear to take control of our actions. However, if we say to ourselves, "Yes, I feel miserable right now, but I am going to do God's work anyway," then we will be able to conquer that fear. We must encourage each other to continue faithfully in God's work as we press toward the goal of heaven.

If you want to get rid of discouragement, then get busy doing something productive in the kingdom of God! Visit the sick; go to a nursing home; teach a personal bible study; help some orphans; maybe go on a mission campaign; get on the list to vacuum out the church building; anything that you can do for the Lord, do it! *"For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ"* (2 Cor 10:3-5 NIV).

So fight for God, fight for your Marriage, fight for your Family, fight for your Children, and fight for your Soul! *"My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus"* (Philippians 4:19). Our God can furnish us with all that we need to wage a good warfare. "Blessed is the man who trusts in Him."

In Christian love -Lee.

From the Desk of Dan Carter

INFLUENCE

Often we have had someone tell us what an impact we have had in their life. That is a statement most of us have received from another. It should trigger a feeling of humility to think that we could so influence another by our manner of life that we would determine that whatever we do from then on would be for good and no harm. Someone coined the phrase: "Actions Speak Louder Than Words." I believe that statement.

Let me tell you of an Uncle and Aunt whom I loved and respected so deeply. My Uncle Paul and Aunt Ruby came to see us every year at about the same time during the summer months. I shall never forget them. As a child Uncle Paul and Aunt Ruby made a lasting impression on me. Dad had three brothers. Dad was the eldest, then Harley, Paul, and Alvin. I loved them all. They were the kind of people whom one could never forget. All of my Uncles meant the world to me. Now, they are all gone, including Dad. I miss them. I remember how I felt when they would come visit.

I chose Uncle Paul to talk about because he drove a Buick automobile. It was long, black, and shiny. Dad had old cars but they were mostly worn out by the time he got any of them. Uncle Paul had this nice Buick! He would take me for rides. I was so impressed! Uncle Paul and Aunt Ruby lived near Lubbock, Texas. I had never been there and figured it must have been far, far, away!

One time a horse pawed me. It almost cut off my left arm. Uncle Paul happened to be at our home visiting, so he rushed me, mama, and dad, to the doctor in that Buick! I will never forget him.

I am sure that you have had similar experiences. You know what I mean. Especially, little children are greatly influenced by those older. We should do all we can to ensure that our influence is the type that will be remembered for the good. Children need many things in life, but the most important need is DIRECTION. They need to see Christ living in us. They need to know that discipline is needed and that true love will bring them up in the

way of the Lord. Let us all so live that our influence will be remembered as good, not bad.

We usually do not even realize that others are watching us, or even listening to us as we talk. We influence more people than we imagine. And, as I said before, little children look up to the older folks for direction. Mamas & Dads have a great opportunity to teach by word and example. Neighbors are also affected by what they see in us.

The Apostle Peter said: "Christ left us an example, that we should follow in His steps." That statement says it all. Remember this statement about the Lord: "...He went about doing good..."-Acts 10:38? There it is! Let us determine to 'go about doing good.'



OLD TESTAMENT Chapter Study

Old Testament

Feb 9 - Numbers 5-6

Feb 10 - Numbers 7

Feb 11 - Numbers 8-10

Feb 12 - Numbers 11-13

Feb 13 - Numbers 14-15

Feb 14 - Numbers 16-18

Feb 15 - Numbers 19-21

Feb 16- Numbers 22-24

Feb 17 - Numbers 25-26

Feb 18 - Numbers 27-29

Feb 19 - Numbers 30-32

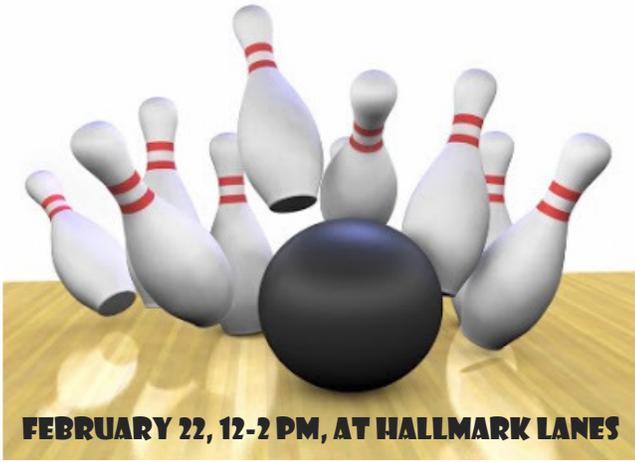
Feb 20 - Numbers 33-36

Feb 21 - Deuteronomy 1-2

Feb 22 - Deuteronomy 3-4

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

MEN'S BOWLING FELLOWSHIP



FEBRUARY 22, 12-2 PM, AT HALLMARK LANES

GAME NIGHT FELLOWSHIP



On February 28, we will have a Game Night Fellowship from 6-9 pm in the fellowship hall. Bring your board games and favorite finger foods and join the fellowship and fun!

THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16, 2020:

PARKING LOT DUTY: ROGER DEEM

HALL MONITOR: BRUCE BROWN

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR FEBRUARY:
PATRICK SELLERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS: DENNIS MARLER

SONG DIRECTOR: PAUL PORTLEY

COMMUNION:
(NORTH) GAYLEN WILLIAMS, JAMES SEAY
CHARLES CULVER, RUFUS BROWN

(SOUTH) LEE FISHER, DERREL GEGINBOTHAM
TAY HIGHTOWER, XAVIER SEAY

SCRIPTURE READING: MICHAEL ROCKHOLD

PICK UP CARDS:
ANDREW FORKEY & RANGER SANDERS

PRAYERS:
(A.M.) ZACK PETTIES, TREVER HEILMAN
(P.M.) BOYCE EDWARDS, JIM DUKES

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):
CHERYL FLORES & BRENDA SELLERS

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

EVENING COMMUNION:
PAUL PORTLEY, LEE FISHER

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER:
MARVIN FLETCHER

WEDNESDAY CLOSING PRAYER:
JAMES SEAY

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR FEBRUARY:
BARBARA HUGHART

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

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

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & THEIR LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS: Janet Bass is recovering from knee surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Barbara Robinson's daughter, Laura Skarba, has a life threatening illness. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Natalie Fisher is recovering from a sinus infection. Please keep her in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Millie Simcox, Gayle Wilson, Michael Rockhold, Rick Byrne, Tom & Diane Holubec, Lois Brown, 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 (Jack Bigham) (Rey & Connie Cruz) (Janet & John John Simmons) (Carl Nicholson), Martha Bell's sister, Skip & Tina Pallo and Tina's son (Jeremy) and Tina's sisters (Cheryle & Jeanette), Willard Dunn, Jodi Culp & her sister (Catrina), Gail Mende & her son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brenda Sellers' mother & Brenda's sister (Jessie Gilcrest), Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), 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.

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

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Today at 3:30 pm, there will a Ladies Bible Study in the fellowship hall.

SECURITY MEETING: Today at 4:30 pm, there will be congregational meeting for all members. We will be briefed on the church's security plan.

SAVE THE DATES: On February 22, there will be a Ladies Day at the Youngsport church of Christ. More details are posted on the Ladies Bulletin board.

-On February 22, there will be a Men's Bowling Fellowship, from 12-2 pm, at Hallmark Lanes.

-On February 28, we will have a Game Night Fellowship from 6-9 pm in the fellowship hall. Bring your board games and favorite finger foods and join the fellowship and fun.

OFFICE CLOSURE: The office will be closed on Monday, February 17, in observance of President's Day.

WELCOME!

**Our speaker for this morning 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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☞FEBRUARY CALENDAR☞

19,26-Ladies Bible class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall.

16-Ladies Bible class, 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

17-Presidents' Day (closed)

22-Ladies Day at Youngsport church of Christ.

22-Men's Bowling, 12-2 pm, Hallmark Lanes.

28-Game Night, 6-9 pm, in the fellowship hall.

☞MARCH CALENDAR☞

1-Fellowship Luncheon following the morning service. Kitchen Group # 3 will have kitchen duties: (Carla Heginbotham, Joyce Brown, Natalie Fisher, Donna Hines, Beverly Williams, & Marcella Williams).