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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*

UNCERTAINTY

Shepherds Notes By Zack Petties

Everyone feels unsure of what they will do every now and then. This also includes the difficulty to cope with the adulation of spiritual and physical conditions. One thing that remains true, even in the midst of our uncertainty, is that in God we can be sure and secure. Hebrews 10:35 says, "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which has great recompense of reward." His words and promises never fail, and He never ever changes. We cannot throw away our confidence in God despite the appearances in life situations!

Gideon doubted that God could use him to defeat the Midianites. He tested God twice (challenging God to provide proof of His reliability through a series of miracles) before he would believe. God humored him, and through Gideon God led the Israelites to victory. Satan could have us thinking that what is wrong is right and not be concerned with the consequences! For example, in 1 Samuel chapter 15, Saul was commanded to completely destroy the entire Amalekite nation (men, women, children, cattle, sheep, goats, camels, and donkeys). Saul and his men however, did not destroy all that God commanded, but kept the best of everything and furthermore, spared the life of king Agag. That which appealed to them they kept for themselves, and what was worthless or of poor quality they destroyed. Additionally, Saul built a monument in honor of himself. His heart no longer belonged to God, but to his own interests. Saul thought he was victorious and that what he did was not wrong!

When we are dishonest, we can soon begin to believe the lies we have constructed and lose our ability to discern the differences between truth and lies. Proverbs 14:12 says, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Certain things in life could have us to be uncertain and choosing the wrong. God's word is settled in Heaven (Ps 119: 89)! His word is the truth (John 17:17), and His word comes with much assurance (1 Thess. 1:5).

When we have an important decision to make, we sometimes feel that we can't trust anyone-even God! We may already acknowledge God in many areas of our lives, but the areas where we attempt to impede, ignore, or even have uncertainty is why we need God's help! Don't allow uncertainty or doubt to cause you to drift, turn away, or even give up! Ephesians 3:17 says, "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love."

In love,
Brother Petties

Healing the Hearts of Children
In the Heart of Texas



CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN FOOD DRIVE

We are collecting the following food items through April 19:

- ◊ Mac and cheese
- ◊ Spaghetti
- ◊ Elbow noodles
- ◊ Egg noodles
- ◊ Pasta sauce
- ◊ Spaghetti sauce
- ◊ Canned tomato products

Please place the items in the foyer next to the pantry box. Thank You!

From the Desk of Dan Carter

THE TONGUE

James, the Lord's brother (Matthews 13:55), to whom the Lord appeared after His resurrection (1 Cor.15:7), and, who also served as an elder, really brings out many and needed thoughts in his book. I draw your attention to what he said in James 3:7, 8: *"For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and has been tamed of mankind: but the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."*

I have always been fascinated by man's ability to tame the wild animals, fishes and birdlife. We are fascinated when we go to Marine World and watch the great Fishes and Mammals as they perform for their dinner. James tells us that man is able to train these creatures but, the tongue is the most untamable of all things. Thus, if we can control the tongue, we can control the entire body!

Now, you know how difficult it is to control, or try to control, that tongue. Why every time I think of something good to say there is always the temptation to make a ruin of it, with the tongue. I have noticed that it is just one of those things, as James said, almost impossible to get under control.

To show you how powerful the tongue is--just try holding it with your fingers for a while. See how it will fight to be released as soon as it can! It doesn't like being controlled! Therefore the warning given by James!

He continues to say that the tongue is the major problem among the members of the body of Christ. More harm has been done down through the years by the tongue than any other thing.

Notice how easy it is to get mad by the use of the tongue? How often we apologize for things we have said in haste. The tongue is at the bottom of most the troubles that we experience in the church. We allow our tongue, that little member, to rule our thoughts and actions. Before we know it we are in over our heads with it; and there is seemingly no place to turn!

Before we say something that we will soon regret, just try and hold that word. Many families have been torn apart by the wrong use of the tongue...and, the church, has been hurt so often by tongues not under control.

Instead of harshness, let us love one another. Let us try and see good instead of bad. Now, if one needs to be encouraged, do it in love--not, in anger. Win the soul--don't push them farther away.



BABY SHOWER

Join us as we hold a baby shower honoring Kingsford Asare's wife, Evelyn on Sunday, March 29, at 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. (Evelyn will be having a boy.)



OLD TESTAMENT Chapter Study

Old Testament

- Mar 8 - Joshua 14-17
- Mar 9 - Joshua 18-20
- Mar 10 - Joshua 21-22
- Mar 11 - Joshua 23-24
- Mar 12 - Judges 1-3
- Mar 13 - Judges 4-5
- Mar 14 - Judges 6-8
- Mar 15 - Judges 9-10
- Mar 16 - Judges 11-13
- Mar 17 - Judges 14-16
- Mar 18 - Judges 17-19
- Mar 19 - Judges 20-21
- Mar 20 - Ruth 1-4
- Mar 21 - 1 Samuel 1-3

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

WHO IS GOD?

AM Sermon - Dan Carter

HEBREWS 11:6

•UNIVERSAL QUEST

*All Men Seek Him: Acts 17:22-31.

1.Moses: Ex.33:17-20; Ex.5:2 (Pharaoh).

2.Job: 23:3-5; 38:1-3.

3.Philip: John 14:8,9; John 10:30.

•WHO IS GOD; WHAT IS HE LIKE?

*Some Questions Have No Answers! There Is A Natural World; There Is A Spiritual—

Note: Psa.50:21; John 4:24; Luke 24:39.

*The Flesh Cannot Fully Comprehend The Spirit World: Eccl.12:7; Lk.23:43.

*Isaiah 55:9—How High are the heavens; Wide/Long? Psa.104:2; 2 Pet.3:10; Hebrews 1:10-12.

•ETERNAL LIFE

*No Beginning; No End: Psalm 90:2.

*I Warned You That We Could Not Understand!

Note: Life Comes From Life. Lay Two Rocks On The Table: How Long Will It Take Them To Re-Produce?

God Is Eternal Life: John 3:16.

**WHO IS GOD?
(PART TWO)**

ACTS 17:24-28

•THE MIND OF GOD

•Romans 11:33-34; Isaiah 55:8-9.

•*Our View Is Physical. The Spiritual World Is Different -I Cor. 2:9; 13:12; 15:53-57.

•HIS FEELINGS

•Love: John 3:16; 15:9; I John 4:7,8.

•Hate: Hosea 9:15; Zechariah 8:16,17.

•Anger/Wrath: Job 14:13; Rev.16:19; Rev.6:17; Hebrews 10:17.

•Patience: Luke 18:7; I Cor.13:4.

•Grief/Sorrow: Gen.6:5,6; John 11:33-36; Luke 19:41,42; Psa.116:15.

•Pity: Psalm 103:13; Jonah 3:10-4:1.

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
MARCH 15, 2020:****PARKING LOT DUTY:** BRUCE BROWN**HALL MONITOR:** MARVIN FLETCHER**AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR MARCH:**
PATRICK SELLERS**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** LEE FISHER**SONG DIRECTOR:** REGGIE BASS**COMMUNION:**(NORTH) DENNIS MARLER, ROGER DEEM
RUFAS BROWN, JIM DUKES(SOUTH) PAUL PORTLEY, TREVOR HEILMAN
CLAY CULVER, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM**SCRIPTURE READING:** ANDRE PETTAWAY**PICK UP CARDS:**

ANDREW FORKEY & RANGER SANDERS

PRAYERS:

(A.M.) BOYCE EDWARDS, ROGER DEEM

(P.M.) ZACK PETTIES, DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):

CHERYL FLORES & BRENDA SELLERS

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR:

GAYLEN WILLIAMS

EVENING COMMUNION:

BOYCE EDWARDS, DENNIS MARLER

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER:

ZACK PETTIES

WEDNESDAY CLOSING PRAYER:

REGGIE BASS

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR MARCH:

AMANDA PETTIES

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:

-Rick Byrne has asked our prayers for his neighbor, Jeanette, who had a massive stroke. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Tanja Arch's daughter, Tasha, is recovering from viral meningitis. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Ollie Jones is recovering at a rehabilitation facility in Waco. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Mary Ann Culp is recovering at the Killeen Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, room 410. Please keep her in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Julia Jones' son (Richard Jouett), Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmitt), James Seay, John Llewellyn's wife (Aspasia), Yvonne Hardiman, Barbara Robinson's daughter (Laura Skarba), Janet Bass, Millie Simcox, 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 (Penny Fogle) (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, Gail Mende & her son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brenda Sellers' mother & Brenda's sister (Jessie Gilcrest), Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, Archie & Jessi Turner, 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 express our prayers and sympathy to Arthur Spear (Josephine Spear's husband), on the loss of his best friend in Alabama.

-We wish to extend our sympathy to former member, Cathy Young and her family on the passing of her step-father, Donald Clayton. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 14, at 10 am, at the Salado church of Christ.

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.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH SURVEY: The elders have compiled a list of questions regarding every member's spiritual growth. Members, please participate and fill out the survey, fold it, and place it in the box located in the foyer. This survey is anonymous.

MEN'S CLEANUP AT THE CAMPGROUND: There will be a men's cleanup at the Nolanville Campgrounds on Saturday, March 21, at 9:30 am. Please bring your gloves, weed eaters, and equipment that will help clear brush. If it is raining that day, the make-up date will be March 28. Please see Roger Deem for more details.

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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☞MARCH CALENDAR☞

18,25-Ladies Bible class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall.

21-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall.

21-Men's clean-up at the Nolanville Encampment.

22-Ladies Bible Class, 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

27-Ladies Fellowship, hosted by Creta Bales.

29-Baby Shower honoring Evelyn Asare, 3:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.