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Children's Home
San Benito, TX*

**TEMPORARY
SCHEDULE OF
SERVICE
SUNDAY**

WORSHIP _____ 10:30 A.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*

If I Run From God, Where Could I Go?



Some motives of why we run are often to hide things such as: feelings, conflicts, dysfunctions, and even to hide from other people. These motives may even make us think we can try to run away from God. We have tried to run away from God due to pride, rebellion, hurts, and belief that there is no truth in God. Self-preservation seems to be the normal motive when people

try to keep a distance from God. However, the best direction is not run away from God, but to run to Him! Psalm 119:32 says, *"I will run in the way of your commandments when you enlarge my heart."* No matter what we do or where we go, we can never hide from the presence of God!

For example, the reluctant prophet Jonah was given a mission from God that Jonah found distasteful. Jonah 1:2 says, *"Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city; for their wickedness is come before me."* God told Jonah to preach to Nineveh, the most important city in Assyria during that time. Not much is mentioned of Nineveh's wickedness from the book of Jonah; however more is described in the book of Nahum. The prophet Nahum gives an insight of Nineveh's guilty and evil plots against God, such as, exploitation of the helpless, cruelty in war, idolatries, prostitution, and witchcraft. Nineveh's location was about 500 miles northeast of Israel. Jonah was sent by God to proclaim to the people of Nineveh that they could receive mercy and forgiveness if they repented. Instead, Jonah deliberately traveled in the opposite direction to try to run away from God!

When God gives us directions through His word, we sometimes try to run away due to stubbornness, dislike, or hatred. Note that dislike or hatred toward a person's outward appearance doesn't reveal what a person is really like or what his true values really are. *"For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."* 1 Samuel 16:7b. God wants us to be concerned for all people, lost and saved. When he ran, Jonah endangered the lives of the ship's crew in Jonah 1:4-15. Thankfully, God is slow to anger (Nahum 1:3, Psalms 145:8) and gives His true followers time to share His love and truth with evildoers. We need to stop running from God, and start running to Him! *"Where shall I go from Your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me."* (Psalms 139: 7-10)

We can lose our sense of purpose. Ephesians 2:10 tells us that God has a plan for our lives, but when we run from God, we step away from the very thing we were created to do. Psalm 16:11 says, *"You will make known to me the path of life, in your presence is fullness of joy; in your right hand there are pleasures forever."* There is no place to run other than to Christ. We have an obligation to be consumed with spreading the Good News of salvation (Romans 1: 14).

In Love,
Brother Petties

From the Desk of Dan Carter

LOOKING BACK

We remember that the apostle, Paul, told us that he had forgotten those things in the past. He pressed on to that which lay ahead. There are things that we need to forget and move on. There are vital things, we need to always remember.



Paul often called to mind things that had happened in his life that caused him to draw closer to God and his brethren. So, we can look back to the good things and forget those things that were a hindrance to our spiritual growth.

I well recall when Jeannie and I accepted the work here. We were both excited to be a part of this congregation. I well remember that brother Boyce Edwards was working with the congregation and he greeted us with great warmth. Boyce and I have been close for over 22 years now. We have prayed together; wept together; and, rejoiced together. We have gone through many times when much strength and faith had to be our greatest help. Always, relying upon the Lord to see us through.

Sunday, brother Boyce announced to the congregation his retirement. Now, that does not mean that He is stopping; oh, no! My brother will aid any congregation with which he worships. Boyce will never quit, but he can now slow down a little. I will miss my brother, of whom, I have been working with for so many years. He is more than a brother, he is my dear friend, and I will greatly miss him.

Boyce announced that he will be now worshipping with the church in Hamilton, Texas. This is near his home in Evant. His son, Boyce Lee, serves as an elder in the Hamilton church.

We will miss Boyce and Kathy. They will always be loved and remembered.

My prayers will always be with you my dear brother.

UPDATES:

Be sure to be a part of our Bible Studies each Wednesday as we will continue to stream them out online to everyone.

Also, we continue to have Sunday Services at 10:30 a.m. These will also be streamed on Zoom & Facebook for those unable to attend. They will then be uploaded to our website.

Pray for our elders, brother Lee and brother Zack. These are trying times. The devil is doing all that he can to keep us apart, but we will overcome through our Lord Jesus Christ. Keep the faith. Never give in. Pray for us, as we pray for each of you.

I ask for your continued support and prayers. Pray for me as I teach and proclaim Christ, our Lord. Pray for Vicky as she continues her work here. Pray for brother Paul as he takes care of our audio/visual work. Pray for all who assist in any way.

Pray for this congregation that we may continue to grow and move forward in Christ's work.

SAVE THE DATES!

FOR OUR



**PERSONAL EVANGELISM
SEMINAR**

SEPTEMBER 10-12, 2020

*Hosted by the Killeen
church of Christ*

CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN FOOD DRIVE: We are collecting the following food items through July 19: Mac and cheese, Spaghetti, Elbow noodles, Egg noodles, Pasta sauce, Spaghetti sauce, and Canned tomato products. Please place the items in the foyer next to the pantry box.

SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S DRIVE: We are collecting the following items through July 26: Hand Soap, Soap Refills, and children’s snacks.

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.

LADIES DAY CANCELLATION: Due to the pandemic, we will not be able to hold this year’s Ladies Day in October.

ORDER OF

WORSHIP SERVICE:



ANNOUNCEMENTS: TREVOR HEILMAN

1ST PRAYER : ZACK PETTIES

SCRIPTURE READING: JOHN LLEWELLYN

TWO SONGS: REGGIE BASS

SERMON: DAN CARTER

SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: REGGIE BASS

COMMUNION/OFFERING:

ROGER DEEM & ANDRE PETTAWAY

CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS

CLOSING PRAYER: LEE FISHER

AUDIO/VISUAL: PAUL PORTLEY



SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 6:9,10

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

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

WELCOME HOME! We wish to welcome home Alyssa Halcomb and Cameron Reeves from their deployments!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

SYMPATHY: We wish to extend our sympathy to Tay Hightower and his unit on the loss of his friend, Vanessa Guillen. Please keep them and her family in your prayers.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & THEIR LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS: Al Wilson is recovering from facial surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Josephine Spear's niece, her niece's husband, and Julie Odum's son & daughter-in law, and former member, Bethany Vera are battling COVID-19. Please keep them in your prayers.

-Donna Hines had a biopsy on her nose. Please keep her in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Scott Davis, Kent Richards, Carolyn Young's daughter (Jennifer Bell), Julia Jones' son (Richard Jouett), Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmitt), John Llewellyn's wife (Aspasia), Barbara Robinson's daughter (Laura Skarba), Millie Simcox, Rick Byrne, Tom & Diane Holubec, Lois Brown, Esther Cox, 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) (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 & Jessie 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.

WELCOME!

**Our speaker for this morning is
Dan Carter.*

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!*

LET'S ASSEMBLE SAFELY

- ⇒ Upon entering to building, we will have hand sanitizer stations available for everyone to sanitize their hands as you enter the building.
- ⇒ We recommend everyone wear a face mask. We will be happy to provide you with one per person and gloves upon request.
- ⇒ We will have individual communion sets inside zip lock bags to pick up prior to entering the auditorium.
- ⇒ Following the communion. Please place your empty communion containers in the zip lock bag and seal it. There will be a trash receptacle as you leave the auditorium.
- ⇒ PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING (6 FEET) AND PLEASE DO NOT SIT IN THE MARKED PEWS. THANK YOU!

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