

THOSE WHO SERVE

JANUARY 5, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING

SCRIPTURE READING

Hunter Keith

Psalm 119:9-10

SONG LEADER

Jeremy Davis

OPENING PRAYER

JJ Barton

COMMUNION

Phil Smith (bread)

Doug Lewis (cup)

Joe Cushing (offering)

Mike Franklin

PICK UP CARDS

Ashton Harding

Kamden Day

CLOSING PRAYER

David Moore

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wes Ives

SUNDAY EVENING

SONG LEADER

Daniel Warren

OPENING PRAYER

Warner Endsley

CLOSING PRAYER

Michael Warren

WEDNESDAY

January 1st

SONG LEADER: Wes Ives

CLOSING PRAYER: Bob Diehl

January 8th

SONG LEADER: Wesley Ives

CLOSING PRAYER: Chris Bachhofer

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

BIBLE CLASSES: 9:00 A.M.

MORNING ASSEMBLY: 9:50 A.M.

EVENING ASSEMBLY: 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

BIBLE CLASSES: 7:00 P.M.

MISSIONS

Jesùs Amaya

Torreón, Mexico

Sunset International

Ukraine

Foster's Home for Children

Stephenville, Texas

Cherokee Home for Children

Cherokee, Texas

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Sunday Bible Class 102

Morning Assembly 158

Evening Assembly n/a

Wednesday Bible Class 34

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Remember in your prayers...

All our brethren at the **West Freeway Church of Christ** in White Settlement. **Ezekiel** from Home 16 in Foster's Home has gone back to be with his family. **Jeanetta Green** was in the Granbury hospital for a couple of days last week with very low blood pressure. She is home now. She will be having more tests.

Shut-ins: Betty Bickle (Granbury Care Center), Laverne Cardwell (lives in Grace Home, 1106 Holiday Court in Granbury), Mary Kate Carrico (Granbury Care Center, F-hall, room 48), Beth Hobbs (with daughter in Decatur), Faye Hurley (Courtyards) Barbara Hutchinson (Mulberry Manor in Stephenville).

Others to pray for: Cleta Akers, Loyce Barber, Marian Carr, Mary Crane, Toby Cushing, Joan Dudik, Beth Hobbs, Alex Harris, Wendy Huffman, Barbara Holland, Barbara Hutchinson, Doug Johnson, Jim Kelly, Lance Keune, Tyler Jones, Tony Lang, Melissa Medcalf, Debbie Michels, Carole Myer, Erma Reeves, Leslie Sheeley, Phil Smith, Charlotte Swenson. In the military: Robert Bell, T.J. Foster, Ethan Wells. **If you have any prayer requests, announcements or updates, it is essential that you email them to Brad Fry at texasfried@gmail.com.**

News & Notes

R&B Lunch—Thursday, January 9th, 11 am.

On Sunday, January 12, you are invited to a baby shower honoring Jared & Cheryl Ives who are expecting their first baby, Maisie LaRee Ives. The shower will be in the fellowship hall from 2:00-3:00 pm. Selections

are at Buy-Buy Baby and Amazon.com.

All Bible classes will meet in the auditorium again tonight, the 1st.

Please check the dishes in the foyer to see if there is some you need to take home.

Communion Preparation

January—Michael & Melanie Warren

February—Wes & Lisa Ives

This We Seek: To Be Made Pleasing to God

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
Those who seek Him will praise the Lord.

Let your heart live forever!

(Psalm 22:26)

IT IS POSSIBLE FOR OUR HUNGRY SOULS TO BE SATISFIED BY GOD. When we seek Him and find Him, a profound satisfaction is available to us, but it is not what many people expect whose first thought is for what they themselves wish to receive. It is a satisfaction that comes from what David called “praise.” Our hearts were made to enjoy God by giving joy to Him, and this we do by expressing our adoration for what He has done — and can do.

We are to seek God diligently, and having sought and found Him we are to serve Him obediently and faithfully. But the emphasis must be kept on God. Even those scriptural exhortations that urge us to be careful about our obedience do so within the context of God's work rather than our own: “work out

your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure” (Philippians 2:12,13).

Ultimately, we seek God because we long to be persons who please Him. Having been made by Him in His image, we find that this longing has been planted deep within us. But we are creatures broken by our own sin; we cannot make ourselves into what we long to be. So the thing we desire is to be *remade* — by God Himself — into persons who please Him. We understand that the highest holiness to which we may aspire is the yielding of ourselves to Him so that He can do His good pleasure through us. Only we can make this choice (and our actions will be a fair indication of whether we have done so), but our focal point, first and last, must be simply God Himself. The Hebrew writer prayed for his Christian readers: “Now may the God of peace . . . make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen” (Hebrews 13:20,21). For personal beings, the highest and sweetest joy of all is to give joy to the Person from whom our lives have come. This is what we seek.

Sweet are the waters of thy shoreless sea,
Make sweet our waters that make haste to thee;
Pour in thy sweetness, that ourselves may be
Sweetness to thee.
(Christina Georgina Rossetti)

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