



MARCH 10, 2019

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 850 MINTER AVE., SHAFTER, CA 93263

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday Morning
9:30

Classes in English & Spanish

10:45

Worship in English & Spanish

Sunday Evening
6:00

Classes in English & Spanish

Wednesday Evening
6:00

Class in Spanish - Lerdo building
Children's Class - fellowship hall

Elders

Eddie Fisher	746-6090
Steve Mann	746-6446
Garry Nelson	746-3074
Mike Westbrook	746-1237

Deacons

Mark Keeley	758-0132
Ron Nunlist	746-6531
Chon Rodriguez	910-1788
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Ministers

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A big Shafter welcome to Jim Young and his wife, Deborah.

Jim began his ministry with our congregation on Tuesday and will be in the church office on Tuesday through Thursday from 8 am to 1 pm. Welcome to our family.



Thursday Supper: This week Barbara will be cooking and Barbara, Linda and Mary will be bringing desserts. Next week, March 21st Sandy and Linda are cooking, Sandy, Linda and Joyce will be making the desserts.

Ed Coleman is still working on the landscape.

Sunday Morning everyone please make an effort to come at 9:30 for these wonderful videos! Join renowned teacher and historian, Ray Vander Laan, as he guides you through the land of the Bible. We only have a few left to watch.

Sunday Nights at 6:00 We have started a teaching and participation class seeking guidance from our Lord for His church in Shafter. It is a time to humbly seek His will. Please come and support this endeavor.

Elders meetings are on the first and third Mondays of the month at the Tin Cup Coffee Shop across the street, please let them know if there is something you would like them to discuss



Our Sympathy and Prayers for the family of Greg Hayes who passed away from leukemia. He was a good friend of Buddy's and many probably know Greg's mother, Ann Hayes, a longtime Shafter resident.

Our deepest sympathy also goes out to the Barton family. Earl's 27 year old nephew passed away on February 21. The funeral was Friday, March 1st.

Syble and Jan are doing the bulletin. Please contact them with any information you would like to have in it. Please also remember to update the prayer list, we always love to see those on the praise list, answered prayer and God in our lives.

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If you need prayer please let the Elders know, put a note in the box in back of the auditorium or call **Vivian Fisher (889-4075)** to start the prayer chain.

***New**

- *Joyce Vontz** will be having back surgery on March 13 in Valencia. She will stay there for approximately 5 days afterward
- *Kevin Compton** graduated from the discipleship program on Friday.
- *Mike Westbrook** will have a follow-up with the doctor about his back this week and will continue with physical therapy.
- Craig and Jesse** are in Los Angeles area training for truck driving
- Gaye Scism**, Mary's friend had surgery on Monday
- Julie Armstrong**
- Gale Perkins**, Mary's daughter-in-law had knee replacement and is in rehab
- Joseph Trevino**, friend of the Mann's is in need of prayer
- Buddy Hooper** is still having knee pain
- Krista and Kali Keeley** are in Greece for a semester through Harding University
- Judy Zimmerman**, friend of Nina is home now and will be fitted for a prothesis

Praise

It was great to see **Barbara and LeRoy Pflugh** at church last Sunday

Prayer for Those with Cancer

- Jimmy Carroll**, hospice
- Ron Cribbs**, friend of Jan's, stem cell transplant
- Wayne Granger**, Darlene's brother, stage 4 liver cancer
- Greg Hayes**, friend of Buddy, leukemia, hospice
- Jeremiah McCoy**, 19-year-old friend of Francisco
- Karen Preston**, Mary's friend, cancer in stage 2
- Sarah Reddick**, Julie's cousin, metastatic breast cancer
- Rebecca Salyards**, Jason's mom
- Earl Stanifer**, Jan's brother
- Charles Waldrum**, Tanks nephew, cancer has returned
- Gary Westbrook**, Mike's brother, myeloma

Traveling

- Nina Keeley** will be leaving with Ben and Jeannie to spend a couple of weeks with them.
- Jerry and Susan Keeley** left on Thursday for Greece to see their daughters.
- Garry and Jan Nelson** are at the coast with friends from high school to hear another classmate perform.

GETTING A GRIP

Giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control.

2 Peter 1:5

Most of us would agree that when it comes to the battle for the right kind of living, the biggest enemy is not out there. The biggest enemy is right here – ourselves. That's why the principle of self-control is so very vital. It is that quality which makes it possible to achieve the goals God has set before us.

In the Greek, the word "temperance" is *kratain*. It means "to grab hold of, to grasp." I believe it's the concept from which we get the idiom, "get hold of yourself," which we use when we're talking to someone who is getting too emotional. The word is used only seven times in the New Testament. In almost every situation, it is used to describe the importance of gaining control and reigning over our passions and desires.

The matter of self-control is a battle fought in the mind. The mind controls the passions. The battle is fought in the thought life. There is no conflict so severe as the conflict one goes through to subdue oneself.

I'd like to suggest that the best way to deal with the struggle for control over your thoughts and passions is focusing your mind upon Jesus Christ.

- Taken from *Sanctuary Devotional* by David Jeremiah



LORD, you shed your light of truth within our hearts and minds. You bring understanding where there is confusion. You bring certainty where there is doubt. You fill our hearts with hope where there was once despair. Thank you for the ability to perceive your light and to walk in the freedom of truth. Help us not only to embrace you as the light of our lives, but also to proclaim you as the light of the world.

Amen

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