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THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

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VACUUMING SCHEDULE

June 8: Branyon & Alana May

June 15: Keith & Phyllis Siebert

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

June 8: David & Jerry Hopkins

WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes

WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR 5.28.2023

BIBLE CLASS: 134
AM ASSEMBLY: 175
PM ASSEMBLY: 138
WEDNESDAY: 119
CONTRIBUTION: 8,118

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt

David Hopkins

Mark Speir

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John Garza



Steven Lloyd, Director
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RECREATION OR RE-CREATION?

John Garza

In a world that is filled with entertainment and recreation, what room is left for Christ? Robert Taylor rightly wrote, “We live in an age where people prefer fun over faith, the lake over the Lord, things over the truth, sports over the Savior, gadgets over God, gimmicks over the gospel, laughter over the Lord, recreation over redemption, and entertainment over edification...the bottom line of it all is...where are our hearts at?” How can a Christian balance recreation and holiness?

First of all, we must remember our need for re-creation over recreation. In Scripture we learn that God created mankind in a state of faultlessness (Gen. 1:26-31). Man stood before God without sin but chose to separate himself from God (Isa. 59:1-2; Rom. 3:23), and consequently, was unable to remove the punishment of sin (Rom. 6:23) and stood in need of re-creation that is only found in Jesus Christ (Rom. 6:2-4; 2 Cor. 5:17). Since it was sin that brought about the need for our re-creation, we ought to consider sin to make good decisions in our recreation.

To do this, we must ask ourselves, “where does recreation take us?” There are times in our busy lives

that we just desire to get away, and so, we plan the perfect vacation, detailing where to stay, what to wear, and the must-see places. Yet, during this time, do we forget the Father by failing to make plans for worship? Additionally, consider that our recreation may take us closer to sin. If holiness is to be our character, then we ought to consider Psalm 1:1-2, and ask ourselves; where do we like to spend our time? Is it a place filled with temptation? Remember God commands us to “abstain from every appearance of evil” (1 Thess. 5:22).

Finally, as stewards of God’s time, will we be found redeeming the time or wasting it? (Eph. 5:15-17). Often, many Christians are overcome by the inability to prioritize God’s time. The numerous extracurricular activities take the lead over assembling with the saints to worship God. Where are our hearts? Why are there so many who will not come to back to worship Sunday evening, nor study God’s word with the saints on Wednesday? Brethren, it is important to know that many of the things which distract us from God are not wrong, in and of themselves. But if these things dominate and steal the time that belongs to God, they become sinful.

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June 4, 2023

“And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.”
- REVELATION 14:13

WORSHIP	MORNING	AFTERNOON
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dan Cook	Dan Cook
PRAYER	Dan Cook	
SONG DIRECTOR	Austin Cauley	Alex Simmons
PRAYER	Ty McClellan	Declan McCarn
SCRIPTURE	Brandon Aguilar	
POWERPOINT	Seth Gibson	Seth Gibson
SERMON	THE STORY OF THE BIBLE: DYING IN CHRIST REVELATION 14:13-14 Cody Westbrook	A HEAVENLY SIGHT I PETER 1:6-9 John Garza
LORD’S SUPPER	Josh Pesina David Nuckels Ken Pate Jack Tisdale Carson Siebert Keith Siebert Jerrold Johnson Tom Genduso Robert Wright Rafael Rodriguez	Josh Pesina Keith Siebert
CLOSING PRAYER	Adolphus Wells	Brett Gerhardt

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Ola Brown, Maria Del Donno, Edith Farris,
Rosemary Garrett, Victor Gonzalez, Tom Hanks
Jean Jackson, Nell McCown, Clarence Whetstone

A complete prayer list is available on the credenza, our website, and on the *Lightpost* app.
Please contact the church office to make requests

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY:

9:30 AM
10:30 AM

Bible Class (New Quarter Begins)
Morning Worship

12:00 PM
1:00 PM

1st Sunday Fellowship Meal
Afternoon Worship

MONDAY:

6:30 PM

CWS Chapel & Bible Class

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM

Bible Class & Devotional
Songs: Tim Gibson
Devotional: Chris Willcut
Prayer: Jonathan Tabora
PowerPoint: Seth Gibson

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE:

- 1st Sunday Worship & Fellowship Meal (4th)
- Southwest Summer Series (7th, 14th, 21st, 28th)
- Camp Hensel (11th-16th)
- Servants’ Academy (25th-30th)

JULY:

- Hopkins Annual 4th of July Party (4th)
- Southwest Summer Series (5th, 12th, 19th, 26th)
- SWSBS Graduation Banquet (7th)
- SWSBS Commencement Cermony (10th)