

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

PRAYER TIME

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

*At this time no Sunday morning
adult classes or Wednesday
evening classes*

There is a Youth Class

Debra and Vivian teaching
9:45 AM

WORSHIP TIME

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Elders

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Monday - Off

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Thursday 11 am to 4:30 pm

Friday 8 am to 12 pm

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website**

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www.shafterchurchofchrist.com

Bible on your phone
MySpectrumWiFi8-2G
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password: purplelemon096

We will continue to serve Thursday Meals as
delivery and pick up only,

**Thursday Meals for Feb & Mar will be
soups -**

Feb 25th - Cookies: Debra & Connie

Mar 4th - Cookies: Roni Sue & Sandy

Mar 11th - Cookies: Joyce & Barbara

Mar 18th - Cookies: Darlene & Jan

Mar 25th - Cookies: Vivian & April

We have freezer space so if you want to
bake and wrap, we can freeze them.

**Next Sunday, February 28th
there will be a business
meeting right after services.**



Saturday, March 6th

8:00 Men's in the kitchen

**9:30 Women will meet at the
Nelson's home**

Your Sin Is Never Private

by Rick Warren

"None of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone."

- Romans 14:7 (NIV)

Sin may be secret, but it's never private. It will either come out now, here on earth, or at Judgment Day, but it's going to be known.

Numbers 32:23 is one of the scariest verses in the Bible: "You may be sure that your sin will find you out" (NIV).

Another reason why sin is never private is because everything you do, good or bad, affects other people—even if they don't know what's going on.

If someone close to you stayed up all night doing some really immoral things and then saw you in the morning, you would notice something was off. You might not know what happened, but the result of their sin would be obvious in the way they behaved. Very few people could act as if nothing happened.

It doesn't even have to be some big sin you commit. It could be the sin of omission. If you have a regular quiet time with God and then go a few days without spending time in God's presence, there's probably going to be a difference in how you react to people and circumstances. That's because when you're not plugged in, you don't have spiritual power to fight sin.

The Bible says in Romans 14:7, "None of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone" (NIV).

A lot of people will say, "What I do with my life is no one else's business. As long as I'm not hurting anybody, why should anyone else care?" But you are hurting other people. God made us to be connected people, and what we do and say always has an effect on others.

Sin affects you in ways you don't even realize, and then your actions affect others. When you sin, it cuts you off from God's power and keeps you from your potential. It limits the good you can do and the impact you could have.

Isn't it sad to think of what you and others are missing when you're not at your God-given best? There is only one way to move past the sin that holds you back and hurts others: Confess it.



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.

*Praise

***Caroline's** rotator cuff surgery went well

*New

***The weather that has hit hard in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas** appears that are getting a little thawed out but power still off in many places water damages.

Janice McCormick, April's friend, passed away last

***Kali Keeley**, Nina's granddaughter, MRI results were normal. Appointment with neurologist was postponed because of weather

***Eddie Fisher** had skin cancer surgery on Thursday

***Janese**, Nina's daughter, is having migraines again

***Syble's** second Covid test came back positive. She is feeling somewhat better now after several weeks

***Charla Morgan** is home from the hospital but is on oxygen

***Ed** went home from the hospital Friday the 12th Ed sends thanks for prayer for him and Rose. Says his mouth sores makes it too difficult to talk right now but hopes it will clear quickly. It will be about a month or so before he thinks he will be able to return to us. Praises for his improvements!

* **Debra's nephew, Jason**, is home from the hospital but has serious liver issues.

***Jim & Kim Patterson** lost their son to cancer

***Jake Greer**, Mary's friend, is in a convalescent home with deteriorating health condition. Please pray that they find out what is wrong and can correct it.

Earl's sister, Elsie, has a heart condition and the heart is working at 15%

Joyce will be seeing surgeon for a torn rotator cuff
Debra's friend, **Cecilia** lost 3 family members recently
Jim's friend, **Borjas** has a heart condition

Susan Keeley goes to Dr for liver checkup

Christopher in Uganda church

Unspoken Prayers . . . we know their names, and, above all, God knows them

For those that have upcoming COVID tests this week or test results. Those that are getting the vaccine

Our Prayers be lifted often for the direction of the Nation and the world, as a whole, to put Christ back into everything and we have more Respect, Love and Patience for one another.



Pastors' corner: IS God in Control???

What do you know about the prophecies regarding the Christ/Son of Man in the Old Testament? Did you know that there are around 70 such prophecies? Ask yourself something – how possible is it, or even likely is it, that **by happenstance** some 70 prophecies regarding the Messiah are fulfilled by the man who called himself Jesus? Is it even remotely possible that Jesus' fulfillment of these 70 prophecies happened **without the hand of God** working to bring about their fulfillment?

Now, ask yourself – why did God set out and bring about the "prophesy fulfilling" life of Jesus? Why did God set into motion and bring the right people at the right time to cause HIS SON to end up on the cross and die there? Look at just the few prophecies: 2 Samuel 7:12–13 / Hosea 11:1 / Micah 5:2 / Ps 78:1,2 / Isaiah 7:14; 9:1,2; 40:3,4; 53:3 / Zech 9:9; 11:12,13

Consider **who** was involved in bringing the story of Jesus, as we know it, into being? ANSWER: God, Himself!

Next, ask yourself if you are being Spirit led and playing out some part in God's plan for the neighborhood, city, state and country in which you live? For us to be Spirit led we have to be Spirit filled. Therefore, ask yourself how well are you fulfilling the First Great Commandment? Does the Father hear from you daily – hourly? How often are your conversations one-sided and superficial with Him? How often do you set time aside to commune with Him – just you TWO???. How often do you read the love letter (which we call the "Word of God") and spend time figuring out the message He has for you on that day, in that moment? How much of your conversation with Him is ABOUT HIM and His Glory and His Love? How much rejoicing is there in your life that reflects your appreciation of His blessings - as commanded in Philippians?

What **characteristic's** in your life illustrate that God is first in your life? If accused of being a Christian - what actions in your daily life would show that you're guilty of living for Christ? How much of your time, resources and giving show that the Holy Spirit is active in your life? James 2:14 declares "I will show you my faith by my works." I John 3:18 tells us to LOVE in deeds and truth. Truth is Scripture. How much of our time is devoted to studying and teaching the Word of God? How many people know the love of God within us because we love **them** – with grace, compassion and salvation???? Let us repent if our lives are largely oriented on this day and this world instead of being focused on being the living servants of God!!! Let us allow God to work His plan through us so that "His will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS



Cancer ~ Chemotherapy ~ Radiation ~ Remission

Wendy, Debra's relative, has had her brain cancer return

Ed Coleman, *back at home*,

Gary Westbrook having chemo treatments

Jack Currier friend of Lynn's liver cancer

Karen Preston, Mary's friend, cancer

Lisa Wilson, started new series of chemo (Joyce's niece)

Ronnie Phillips Lynn's brother, Chemo

Wayne Grainger, Darlene's brother, liver cancer

Danielle Gray- she is in the hospital with a Mass in her Stomach. (Debra)

Maegan Campeau- Liver is failing and needs a Transplant. Pray they find a liver for her. (Debra)

Patricia Smith Parks cancer, *you can follow Patties journal on CARINGBRIDGE.ORG*

Clark (April's cousin) leukemia,

Chronic Illness ~ Confined or Care Home

Angela Rumbo,

Beth Rumbo, Ron's daughter, health issues

Beverly Mitchell ~ Assisted Living

Desiree Diaz, Health issues

Earl Cotton, close friend of the Self's is in hospice

Gail Jones ~ Rehab Center of Bakersfield

Jane Akman multiple health issues ~ Home

Jane Herniak, MS, bed-fast (Nina's niece)

Jerry Akman blood issues ~ Home

Larry Westbrook ~ Assisted Living

Ron Treddenbarger ~ Nina's son-law COPD

Tank Waldrum ~ Home

Lynda Rosales – multiple issue; in Brookdale

Tom & Ruth Watson ~ Ruth is bedfast and Tom is having some health issues. Family is there to help with their care.

Military ~ First Responders, Medical Field

Amanda Self ~ is working as a case manager at Red Rock Behavioral Health Services

Eric Mann ~ great-grandson of Nina's Air Force

Janifer Self ~ CNA Haskell County Nursing Center

Jeremiah Hooper ~ Shafter Fire Department

Katrina Holliman RN, daughters **Brittany** DR., **Breonna** nurse

Tim Eaton ~ Mike's nephew CHP

William ~ April's son Hall ambulance Tehachapi

Our Thursday & Mission Extended Family

Alice health issues.

Estella, Andy's mother health issues

Craig Watkins pain management for arthritis and a torn meniscus.

Earl Cotton on hospice care and strength for his wife Cleona as she cares for him

Jesse Lugo as he continues to travel cross country

Big John had been on oxygen at home, strength not always easy at home alone

Kevin Compton Dr has recommended with his health issues that he stays in, so he will be away for a while. Also, to keep his son **Kamron** in prayer to make better choices and for his x-wife **Karyn** as she starts her chemo treatments

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27

Fruit of the Spirit

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-control

Galatians 5:22,23