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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Pew Packers	5:30 PM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM

MID-WEEK

Tuesday Ladies Class	10:00 AM
(September—May)	
Wednesday Bible Class	7:00 PM

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WHAT HAVE THEY SEEN IN THY HOUSE

From *Christ in the Home* by Robert R. Taylor, Jr.

Hezekiah was not compelled to show his visitors all that was in his house but he volunteered to do so (2 Kings 20; Isaiah 39:1-8).

The prophet later asked, "What have they seen in thy house?" Hezekiah was foolish to show his treasures for it later led to the Babylonians returning to take them away.

Still it is a good question. What is there to be seen in our homes? If there is evil in our homes, we cannot always conceal it from our guests. If there is good, it likewise cannot be hidden. The all-seeing eye of heaven is aware of everything that happens in our homes (Hebrews 4:13).

Friend, let us ask ourselves, "What have they seen in our houses?"

- Love or hatred, concern or indifference, gratitude or ingratitude, unselfishness or selfishness in the home relationships? Does each member think others exist only to meet his every whim and fancy? (cf. Philippians 2:1-5).
- What type of reading material is allowed in our home? Is it material built upon worldly things or erected upon the excellencies of the Bible? Are there true confessions in the home or the confessions of truth as found in the Bible and sound reading material? (Philippians 4:8).
- What about the television programs we watch? Certain movies are R-rated. Instead of such fare, families need to Restrict those shows designed to appeal to our lower and baser elements. Many shows not rated so extreme are also unfit for consumption—especially young, impressionable minds (Psalm 101:3; Ephesians 4:22-24).
- Would they witness the long face of pouting, the quick flare of a temper tantrum, or uncontrollable bursts of anger when something fails to please you? (Colossians 3:8).
- What type of spiritual atmosphere have they seen in our homes? Can they leave and say we are a spiritually minded and Bible-centered family? Paul wrote, "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" (Romans 8:6).
- Would they have observed us giving thanks for every meal? (1 Timothy 4:3-4). Would it be so common and frequent a habit that our children would automatically wait for an expression of thanks

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“**WHAT HAVE THEY** first dish of food to the
SEEN IN THY HOUSE” guests?

- How long would a guest have to remain in our home before he saw the family head read the Bible and heard him pray with the family gathered around him? (Matthew 5:6).
- What do guests see the family do if it is Sunday morning, Sunday evening, or Wednesday night? Do they witness every member making preparation to attend the services of the church? Are they invited to attend? If they refuse, do the guests see the family set aside their plans to go and remain home to entertain the current visitors (Hebrews 10:25)? Or do they hear the family say, “If you will not go with us, just make yourselves comfortable. We will be back as soon as worship is concluded” (Matthew 6:33).
- Ancient Hebrews believed if they failed to teach their children a trade, they taught them to steal. Have they seen children who are required to earn their allowance and perform their part of the household and yard duties? (Proverbs 22:6).
- Have they seen the home as a workshop for winning the lost to Christ? (Mark 16:15–16)

CARVE OUT COUPLE TIME

Does your relationship with your spouse fall to the bottom of your to-do list?

Consider:

Schedule special rituals. Devote a certain time of the day to just the two of you. Mark it on your calendar if necessary.

Write love letters. Send a romantic e-mail. Tuck a card in her purse or his pocket.

Shake up your lunchtime routine. Set up a card table for two in your office and order take-out. Share a blanket picnic on the floor.

Turn downtime into dates. If both are heading off, leave a few minutes early and detour for a quick cup of coffee.

Pour passion into the mundane. Cooking can be soothing and sensual. Folding laundry together can give you a chance to catch up. Once you start devoting ordinary moments to each other, every day can be a honeymoon. —Source: MSN.com (10/18/05)

“Redeeming the time”—Ephesians 5:16

LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP

THE FIRST STEP OF LEADERSHIP What does a leader look like? What are those qualities which are *most important* for one to have in order for him to develop so as to lead others to greater service to our Creator? Think about the difference in how the world looks at potential leaders and the way God sees them.

What would the world have ever seen in a man who was a failure at age forty and guilty of murder? What would the world have ever seen in that man who fled to a foreign country, took a meaningless job and dropped out of sight for decades? Who would have ever thought that lying dormant within him was the ability to lead a group which numbered in the millions? The world would never have seen Moses as a leader, *but God did!*

Who would have ever thought that a man who was described as “ignorant, uneducated, common, unlettered, untrained, ordinary, illiterate, and an ignoramus and unlearned” (various translations of Acts 4:13) would ever have any future? Yet when Jesus called James, this is the way the world viewed the lowly fisherman. James, along with Peter and John, became part of the “inner circle” of the apostles! Who would have seen that!

Would the world have ever looked on a young man as having any potential when his own family did not see that in him? When God sent His prophet to Bethlehem to sanctify a particular family in which the next king of Israel was to be found, the youngest son was not there when the time came to anoint the new king! His own family had left him at home to tend the sheep. It appears they thought he might be a good shepherd, but that was about all! God said of him, “I took you from the sheepfold, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people Israel” (2 Sam. 7:8).

God looks at men far differently from the way the world does when it comes to great leaders. Paul was slow of speech; Peter crumbled and denied Jesus at the most critical time; Amos was a fruit gatherer; Levi was a tax collector. Yet God saw in them far more than the world saw in them.

Now think about yourself... Let me urge you to stop seeing yourself through the eyes of the world and see in yourself what God can create there. The beginning step for a great leader for God is a willing heart, dedicated to Him. That kind of heart is up to you. The rest, being molded and shaped into a great leader, is up to Him. Think about this!

- Dan Jenkins, *Adapted*

May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Work Day 
3 Teacher's Meeting 	4	5	6	7	8	9 VBS Workshop 
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Crowder Gospel Meeting	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Work Night 	28	29	30
31						
 BIRTHDAYS						
Pat Lee	05/05	Caleb Hensley	05/17	Howard Goodale	05/27	
Jimmie Hollister	05/07	Steve Tucker	05/17			
Aubry Buller	05/11	Troy Singleton	05/19			
Sharon Brock	05/12	Trish Goodale	05/23			
Dayton McKinney	05/12	Jennifer Barthelemy	05/24			
 ANNIVERSARY						
		Jeff & Michelle LaCaze	05/01			
		Randy & Melissa Lepine	05/04			
		Don & Margaret Robinson	05/11			
		Mack & Chris Meek	05/25			
		Bill & Barbara Burchett	05/28			

WPRK NIGHT: April 29th.

WORK DAY: Will be May 2nd @9:00 A.M. Lunch will be served.

GENERAL TEACHER'S MEETING: Will be May 3rd @ 4:30 P.M.

VBS WORKSHOP: Will be May 9th from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M.

GOSPEL MEETING: At Crowder Blvd. will be the 17th— 20th. See board for details.

WORK NIGHT Will be May 27th