

### Those to Serve

(B) Jorge Garza  
(FV) Mike Mallett  
(O) Doug Pruett  
(A) Judd Wall  
1st prayer Keith Stifflemire  
2nd prayer Calvin Burks  
Announcements: Jack Wall  
Singing: Kevin Grant

**November 26th**  
*Thanksgiving Day*  
**December 1st**  
*Mission Sunday*  
**December 7th**  
*Pearl Harbor Day*  
**December 21st**  
*Winter Begins*  
**December 25th**  
*Christmas*

**Happy Birthday**

Jorge Garza Nov 12th  
Theresa Pruett Nov 14th  
Calvin Burks Nov 26th  
Linda Houts Nov 28th  
Lynette Vann Dec 14th  
Virginia Lovell Dec 19th  
Letha Sheldon Dec 25th

### Prayer List:

David Jones  
Virginia Lovell  
Janell Houts Hall  
Odell Mallett  
Dora Martinez  
Mona Lancaster  
Willis Hughes  
Letha Sheldon  
Ruby Jones  
Pray for our Nation  
Our Troops  
Law Enforcement  
Rescue Personnel

### Quotes & Sayings

- *You may be deceived if you trust too much, but you will live in torment if you don't trust enough. Frank Crane*
- *Trust is letting go of needing to know all the details before you open your heart. unknown Author*
- *If you think your bundle of clothes too heavy, try picking up your neighbor's.*
- *As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. John F. Kennedy*

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## Evant church of Christ

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*Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."*

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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## ***Morals***

"Religion I hold to be essential to morals" (John Adams to Benjamin Rush, 18 April 1808).

Where do morals come from? Atheists would have you believe that people got together and came up with a code of moral behavior over time. Bear with me. Suppose atheists are right and evolution is the answer to life. Evolution proclaims the survival of the fittest or strongest.

God given morals benefit the weak and helpless. If evolution were the basis of life, morals would benefit the strong. The strong would never surrender their rights to the weak. We know for a long time in human history kings did not allow their subjects to challenge anything they did.

Therefore, morality must come from outside human thought. Morals have to have been given from the beginning of humanity. When God confronted Cain, Cain knew that murder was wrong. Moral behavior is not evolved. It is God-given. The reason I can say that is because the morals that we have are seen in God's character. We were created in His image to have like character. We are to behave like our Creator.

God cares for the weak and helpless. He deals fairly and expects us to deal fairly with others. God is dependable, trustworthy, and honest. As we read the Scriptures, we need to look at them in order to see our Father's character. Our morals need to be patterned after our Father's characteristics.

Jesus summed up our morals, our behavior, when He said, "In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets" (Matthew 7:12).

By Ed Wittlif

## ***Those In High Places***

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high places, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. (2 Timothy 2:1-2 ESV)

I recently attended a meeting in which a local law enforcement official was the guest speaker. The few minutes of formal sharing of information, as well as in answering of questions were valuable and seemed to me to be time well-spent. I would like to share some observations gleaned from that time together.

Most law enforcement officers seem to be sincere and hard-working men and women. They care about our community and want to do all they can to help us. They also care about moral principles and desire to stick to them in this community. The request for prayer, uttered in our meeting, impressed me and encouraged me to think more and more about the verse printed at the beginning of this article.

Beverage alcohol is a menace. Though many people were concerned about increase in DUI arrests when our county went "wet," that particular thing has not increased as much as another problem. Domestic violence incidents and arrests have increased dramatically, according to our local official. Vital relationships are harmed, not enhanced by the presence of alcohol. Are revenues raised through alcohol sales worth the dissolution of relationships and infliction of physical harm? The poignant truth of Proverbs 20:1 still rings in our ears: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise."

Law enforcement officers cannot "do it all." In order for law enforcement to be effective, the vast majority of the citizenship must be cooperative. Christians should be the best citizens of a county, city, state and country. When we obey the laws and support the punishment of law-breakers, we keep the law of God (Romans 13:1-4).

In times of chaos throughout our country, the corruption of some law enforcement officers and higher officials, let us praise and support the good ones. Let us pray for all of them. Let us be the best citizens we can be.

By Lance Cordle