SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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"The LORD Will Provide"

It must have been the longest 3 days of Abraham's life. The Bible tell us in Genesis 22 that God tested Abraham. And this was no easy test. God told Abraham take his son Isaac to the mountain and sacrifice him as a burnt offering. The next morning Abraham, Isaac, and two servants began the three day journey.

Along the way Abraham's mind must have wondered to times past. To the time when God called him to leave his family and country to follow God to a land God would show him. To God's promises to Abraham that his descendants would be a great nation, that his descendants would inherit the land of Canaan, and that all the peoples of the world would be blessed through his descendants. He surely remembered how he and Sarah had taken matters into their own hands to provide a descendant, with tragic consequences. He must have thought back to the three visitors that said within a year Sarah would conceive and have a son, even though he was 99 and Sarah was 89 at the time.

And how could he not have thought back on that day when Isaac was born. A literal miracle from God. Abraham could begin to see God fulfilling all the promises He had made to him. But now, when he seemingly had a right to be confused, disappointed and even angry, he simply does as he's told and follows God's instructions.

The answer comes when Isaac asks the question, "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" and Abraham replies, "The LORD will provide". This response comes from a long and sometimes difficult relationship with the LORD. A relationship that at times included doubt, questions and frustrations. But in the end, Abraham had learned to simply trust in God to provide.

There will be times in our lives when we are tested. Some of these test will not be easy. Some will seem impossible to understand. But like Abraham, our experience with God should give us the peace and comfort to know that, "The LORD will provide".

-Tim

PRAYING FOR OUR SICK

Dick Maynard had a heart cath Wednesday. They were not able to do anything. He will have surgery soon to replace his heart valve and do 5 stents. Pray for him. John Traylor has been readmitted to UT Southwest in Dallas. They did some clean up work and he should come home soon. Shane White is home and recovering from recent surgery for cancers on his face. Martin Peterson was dismissed from the hospital and is home. He does have Covid and an infection. His wife, Cindy, is also sick with Covid. Coy Hinton will be going to Windsor Place in Daingerfield for rehab. Little Charlie Mae Niblett did fracture her arm on Wednesday. Lola Guidry, granddaughter of our Pamela Andersen, is still dealing with headaches etc. from a recent fall at a basketball game. She does go back to the doctor this week for a reevaluation. Pray for Kenny Ragsdale who had bypass surgery on Tuesday at Good Shepherd. His surgery went well. He is the husband of Renee Ragsdale (daughter of Harvey Fulks). Continue your prayers for Faye Alford, Bob Allen, Laura Allen, Robert & Cyndi Allen, Arthur Andersen, Bob Arnold, Loyd Banks, Mike Banks, Nelda Banks, Frank Barrett, Bess Anna Bennett, Dois Byrd, Jeanette Click, Desiree Corbello, Colby Cox, Maggie Cox, Sandy Crumbaker, Brinda Currey, James Dailey, Milton Ercanbrack, Jill Fender, Chris Fields, Robert Fisher, Anna Ford, Scarlett Gibbs, <u>Jeanell Gilmore, Betty Grainger, Tommy Huchingson, Angie Helms, David Ingram, Jr., Erin Kenne-</u> dy Janik, Diann Mueller, Nelda Maynard, Will Parks, Will Pendergrass, Nora Phillips, Colleen Prahl, Von Prahl, Brenda Price, Kenny Ragsdale, Locho Rodriguez, Shannon Solis, Jeffery Sweet, Patty Traxler, John Traylor, Jerry Walker, Deborah White, Melba Williams.

DECEMBER

December 17—Men's, Women's & Teens devos; Preacher Appreciation Reception December 24—No Evening Service December 31—Devo worship and snacks/games

MOVING

Our <u>Von & Jane Prahl</u> will be moving to Sulphur Springs to be closer to their family very soon. We will miss them so much and pray for them to adjust to their new home. Their new address is 4874 1-30 Access Rd., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482. We love you!

LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY=SUCCESS!

Ann Brown's Christmas Party was a complete success! So much fun & so much food! Thank you so much Ann for opening your home for us to enjoy! We love you!



MINISTER APPRECIATION

Sunday evening, December 17, immediately following devos, we will honor our ministers with gift baskets in the fellowship hall. If you would like to contribute to the baskets please see Jeannie Williams or Janis Terrell.

Star of Bethlehem: The poinsettia's leaves symbolize the star that guided the Wise Men to the newborn Jesus. Just as the star led them to the Savior, the poinsettia serves as a reminder of Christ's birth and the miraculous events surrounding it.

Blood of Christ: The red leaves of the poinsettia evoke the blood of Christ shed during His crucifixion. This connection highlights the sacrificial nature of Jesus' death for humanity's salvation.

Christ's Purity: The white leaves of the poinsettia represent Christ's purity. They remind us of His sinless nature and the hope He brings to the world.

YOUTH NEWS

There will be a Holiday outing to the Shreveport Mudbugs hockey game, Friday, December 29. Cost is \$18 for ticket and money for supper and snacks at the game. Give <u>Tim</u> your \$18 by Wednesday, December 20.(If money is a problem, let <u>Tim</u> know.

*Youth Winter Retreat is February 23-25 at Camp Akiva near Emory. The cost is \$50(but don't let that keep you from going!) More information will be coming later.

NURSING FACILITIES

We have a few members who are in nursing homes in this area. Please remember them with cards, visits and prayers especially during this holiday season. They are: Betty Grainger is in Arabella in Longview, Jerry Walker is in Southern Wind Manor in Pittsburg, Nelda Maynard is in Parkview on Hollybrook in Longview and Frank Barrett & Milton Ercanbrack are in Windsor Place in Daingerfield.





VISITORS

We had the following visitors on December 10: Amy & Lola Guidry, Daingerfield; Keith & Jamie Russell, Gilmer.