

**2022**  
**STANDING FIRM IN THE LORD**

**Long for His Appearing**  
1John 2:28-3:3

**Confident at His \_\_\_\_\_! (2:28)**

- Appeared –  
    \*Invisible becoming \_\_\_\_\_  
    \*Something hidden being \_\_\_\_\_
- Coming – King returning to be welcomed and \_\_\_\_\_

**Hope or \_\_\_\_\_? (Matt. 24:36-42)**

- Christians should look forward to the day of the Lord's coming \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ before Him!
- That day is our \_\_\_\_\_ – (3:3)

**Born of \_\_\_\_\_ (2:29; 3:1; Jn. 3:1-6)**

- Born physically into a \_\_\_\_\_ family
- Born of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ into God's family.

**Becoming Like \_\_\_\_\_ (3:2-3; Gal. 5:16-17)**

- If your name is " \_\_\_\_\_," you're striving to be like Christ!
- Unfortunately we still have that old \_\_\_\_\_ with us!

**Our \_\_\_\_\_ (1Peter 3:14-15)**

- The best way to become like Christ is to spend \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ! (1Pet. 3:14-15)
- Spiritual transformation is not a matter of trying harder; it's a matter of \_\_\_\_\_!
- Remember you can teach a Poodle to bark, but he will never be a \_\_\_\_\_ Shepherd!

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**SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**  
Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

**ELDERS AND STAFF**

**Elders**  
Eric Bliss 757-6338 Dale Donaghe 315-4847

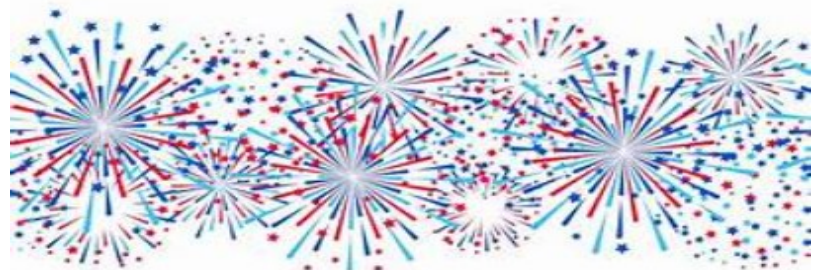
*The Elders meet on Sunday morning before services*

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**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

Bible Hour  
Kim Bower

ELDER for July Eric Bliss  
LADIES COMMITTEE for July Shannon Cottam



**JULY 3RD 2022**

**Order Of Worship**  
Song Leader: Russell Capshaw

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

732 We Praise O God  
663 There Is Sunshine In My Soul

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

622 Tell Me The Story Of Jesus

Lord's Supper.....Ryan Bliss

959 Would You Be Poured Out Like Wine

Offering.....Elias Hernandez

335 Into The Heart Of Jesus

Scripture Reading.....Jerry Hopkins

Morning Service....."Long For His Appearing" .....with Roy Senior

763 Why Keep Jesus Waiting  
702 Trials Dark On Every Hand

Closing Prayer.....Dale Donaghe

Prayer & Song Service.....5 PM

**PRAYER IS IMPORTANT**

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
<b>July 3rd</b>	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Prayer & Song Services @ 5 PM
4th	Independence Day
5th	Cheryl Bliss's birthday
6th	Evening Service @ 6:30 PM Vickie Wadlington's birthday
8th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30



**JULY CALENDARS & THOSE WHO SERVE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BACK TABLE**



**THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

A godly example is the best sermon.

**SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY**

*In all things show yourself to be an example of good deeds, with purity in doctrine, dignified, sound in speech that is beyond reproach. ~ Titus 2:7-8*

**-Shawn B Johnson** asked for prayers on behalf of her grandson **Gabriel**. He will be going to UCLA for some developmental testing. Please keep him in your prayers.

**-Jan Hayes** came through her stress test well this past week. Please keep her in your prayers as she prepares for cataract surgery. She is also dealing with other health challenges. Also, please keep her daughter **Shawna** in your prayers. She went for a biopsy this past week.

-Prayers of thanksgiving for **Buzz & David** as they have received news that they won't have to move after all. In all things, God's timing is perfect!

**-COVID watch list still testing positive: Sharon Donaghe, Carolyn & Milt Baldwin** . Please keep all these in your prayers. With this uptick in numbers, please be vigilant in protecting yourself and others.

-Please continue to keep **Alora Cottam's** son **Rick**, in your prayers.

-Please keep to keep **Kim & David Senior** in your prayers as they continue to seek resolution for **Kim's** ailment.

-Please continue to keep **Shawn Brown** & his family in your prayers. He left for UCLA this past Thursday. Keep his wife **Maria** & son **Derek** in your prayers as they remain here during his treatment. His parents **Dave & Monie** have traveled with him. Their stay will be into August as they wait for **Shawn** to heal from the high Chemo regiment that he will be on. Also, they are looking for a trailer or a place to stay close to UCLA if anyone knows of anything please let them or the Elders know.

-Please keep **Carol Quesnel** in your prayers as she recovers & does her therapy @ CCC & prepares for her next step. She is able to have visitors.

-Please keep **Bill & Dorothy Cunningham** in your prayers as they continue to work out their next steps together.

**ENCOURAGING WORDS**

**What's In It For Him?**

Do you ever wonder why God wants us to obey Him? What exactly does God receive from our faithfulness and obedience? We say that we want to please God and do so by avoiding sin or making a sacrifice in our service to others, but how does our improved morality or increased service to others bring anything to God? He doesn't **need** anything from us nor does our goodness help Him in any way—He's above it all anyways.

I think that the answer to this question might lie in His character of love. John says that the defining element of God's nature is love (1 John 4:16) and reveals the reason He is pleased when we obey. The second clue is found in Genesis where Moses writes that humans have been created in the image of God (Genesis 1:26). The final insight is the fact that disobedience is the cause that now separates man from God and alters His original God-like nature (Genesis 2:15-17).

When we put these three insights together, we realize that when man obeys God it means that He is seeking to become like God as he was first created to be before sinful disobedience marred his likeness of the Divine. This, in turn, pleases God because it means that man is positioning himself (through faithful obedience) for blessings which God, in His love, is eager to provide for those who believe and obey Him. (Ephesians 1:1-14).

So, what's in it for God when we obey Him? The short answer is that our obedience gives Him the opportunity to bless us in love and blessing us pleases Him. Oh, what a wonderful loving God we serve!

R. Senior