

# Qualifications of Shepherds

1 Timothy 3; Titus 1

What is your dream job? Becoming one of God's shepherds may be one of the highest aspirations one may hold. Although there are no perfect Christians or shepherds (except Jesus), God is serious about who may lead his flock.

- I. \_\_\_\_\_
- Overseer. (Bishop) This describes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the work.
  - Elder (Presbyter) This is a description of the individuals and their physical and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Shepherd. This is a description of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the work is accomplished.
- II. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
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  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- III. \_\_\_\_\_
- not \_\_\_\_\_
  - not \_\_\_\_\_ but \_\_\_\_\_
  - not \_\_\_\_\_
  - not \_\_\_\_\_
  - not \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- IV. \_\_\_\_\_
- Rules \_\_\_\_\_ well...
  - Not a \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ from those without.

September 24, 2023

Song Leader-DJ Stucky

Welcome

96-I Stand in Awe  
410-He Leadeth Me  
390-Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Prayer  
Jim Tyler

Scripture Reading  
Psalm 109:26-27  
Alfred Meeks

47-Holy, Holy, Holy  
15-Step By Step  
344-Low in the Grave He Lay

Lord's Supper and  
Contribution  
Rickey Wilson

800-What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Coins for Christ/Bible Times

450-Give Me the Bible

Lesson- Chris Graham  
"Qualifications of Shepherds"

915-Trust and Obey

Announcements  
Shepherd's Prayer  
James Herring

Welcome Guests! We are honored that you have joined us today and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us in worship. The following are some helpful tips on making the most of your visit with us this morning.

**Register-** Our guests, as well as members, are asked to register their attendance as the pads are passed down each pew.

**Attended Nursery** is available for children up to three years of age in the west wing. (Kid Zone)

**Bible Times** is for older twos through fourth grade. Two's-K are in the children's wing, room 4, and 1st-4th are in room 6.

**Quiet Bags** for children are available at the table by the children's wing.

The **Welcome Center** has details about ministries, classes and more. It is in the main entrance outside the auditorium.

To access internet, connect to West Freeway Guest. No password needed.

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**Assemblies:**

**Sunday**

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Evening 4:00 p.m.

Communion will be offered at each Sunday meeting.

**Wednesday**

7:00 p.m.

**Minister**

Chris Graham

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**Associate Minister**

DJ Stucky

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**Elders**

James Herring 817.401.1047

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Ronnie Moore 817.821.4991

John Robertson 817.343.7586

Mike Tinius 817.657.1431

Elder of the month: James Herring



## My Pesky Watch

I thank God and my wife for the gracious gift of a smart watch. My gratitude is real but so is my frustration. Frequently, I must be moving my hand just right because my watch tells me, "I didn't understand that. Could you ask again?" Or it tells me, "Searching the internet for \_\_\_\_\_ (whatever I just said). I have found six websites that mentions \_\_\_\_\_." I'm getting just a little annoyed that it is listening to me so well.

Whether or not you have a smart watch, smart phone, or some other smart device that is hanging on your every word, you certainly have someone watching you and listening to you. Your fellow shoppers are listening. Your neighbors are watching. Your parents, children, grandchildren, spouse, and many others are listening. Even if no one else is listening, God is listening.

I suppose I should just learn what is causing my watch to hear my commands and use it intentionally for my benefit. It might be nice to be able to ask the best route to my destination without thumbing anything into my smartphone.

I might also use the fact that I am under constant surveillance to God's benefit. So long as my friends, coworkers, and family are listening to what I say, why don't I say something about Jesus? If God is hearing every word I say, why not spend more time in intentional prayer? He wants to bless me. He sent His Son to die for me. How very sad is James' rebuke, "You have not because you ask not" (James 4:2). God's listening. Let's ask (Matthew 7:7).

Chris Graham

Remember the first qualification – the \_\_\_\_\_ to serve God and His people.



**October 4**  
First Responders Lunch

**October 7**  
Family Game night

**October 12**  
Silver Saints game day

**October 29**  
Trunk or Treat 4:00-6:00 P.M.

**Men**  
*Men's Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.*

**Men's Breakfast**  
Held each Tuesday morning at 7:00 at Westside Café. Come join in the fellowship.

**Ladies' Bible Class**  
**Tuesdays** in the Fellowship Area 9:30 a.m.

**Mission Work Session**  
Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Area. If you have any questions, please see Ollie Taylor-Brewer.

**Foster's Home for Children Annual Golf Tournament. Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign up sheet on the welcome table. If you would like more details, please see Bob Estep.**

**Bible Questions**

1. What woman made a pair of kid gloves for her son?
2. Who sewed leaves together to make aprons?
3. Where were women praised for their long hair?
4. Who took off his shoe to bind a contract?
5. Whose shoes lasted forty years without wearing out?

**Answers to Questions for 9-3**

1. Elisha. 1 Kings 19:19; 2 Kings 2:12,13
2. Elijah. 2 Kings 1:8
3. Joseph. Gen. 37:3
4. Jesus. John 19:23.
5. Hannah. 1 Sam. 2:19.

**We will be starting a visitation ministry October 1st. If you are interested or have questions, see Victor Jones.**

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**Our heartbeat (9/17/23)**  
Bible Class: 81  
AM Worship: 154  
PM: 52  
Wednesday: 57  
Contribution: \$9,375.00  
Weekly Budget: \$8,145.00  
Difference: \$ +1,230.00  
Average: \$7,790.13

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**Praying without ceasing...**

**Glenda Graham** had surgery on her other wrist done last week.

**Susie Orr** had cataract surgery on Wednesday (9/20) and will have her other eye done this Wednesday.

**Carolyn Morris** is in Ridgmar Medical Lodge for rehab.

**Allen Teel** had his surgery last week. The doctor was pleased. He did find one other spot that was suspicious looking, so he removed it as well. They should be setting up his radiation treatments this week.

**Other Members in need of Prayer:**  
**James Blakley, Tom Cain, Marie Clark, Bob Durko, Margaret Hamilton, John Johnson, Reba Myers, Frank Piksie, Diana Richardson, Jean Sikes, Dolores Thatch, JoAnn Wendt, Donna Williams.**

**Family Members:**  
**Carol Leslie, Jan Rhodes'** daughter, has undergone breast surgery for cancer. She is now doing treatments. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Judy Smith**, an acquaintance of Les Sweeton, requests prayers for her daughter, April Solis. She is having a C- section today.

**Marsha Boyd**, who has been visiting with us, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She is scheduled to have surgery on October 9th.

**Christiana Lamp**, a friend of **Chris Suggs**, has COVID and requests prayers.

**Adult Classes for fall quarter:**

**Sunday Mornings**  
Auditorium-Joe Brown -"Spiritual Warfare"  
Adult classroom #1 - DJ Stucky -"Learning From Relationships".

**Wednesday nights**  
Fellowship Area - DJ Stucky  
"Apologetics/Evidences"

Auditorium Ladies class - Penny Brown -  
"Anxious for Nothing".



**October 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00-5:30 P.M. (We will not be having small groups for this day.) We need LOTS people to do trunks with a game, or just pass out candy! There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table. We also need people to bring candy and/or trinkets to pass out. We would love this to be a great community event. Please come and help in any way that you can.**