



# Welcome To The Killeen Church of Christ!

*"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."*-Ecclesiastes 12:13



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San Benito, TX*

### **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

## Don't Lose Sight of Him

By Phil McIntosh



When is the last time you looked to the heavens and thought of God? The psalmist said, *"My voice You shall hear in the morning, O Lord; In the morning I will direct it to You, and I will look up"* (**Psa 5:3**). Have you ever looked up when you prayed or talked with Him, knowing in your innermost heart that He is out there somewhere, looking at you and listening to you (**Psa 14:2**)? The apostle Paul, in his letter to the Colossian Christians, exhorted them to mold their mindset in such a way that their focus was trained on Jesus (**Col 3:5-10**). Such has always been and will always be the recipe for success.

Sometimes in life our eyes fall. Sometimes we become distracted by the troubles and stresses of life. Sometimes the adversary afflicts us mightily and we allow the darkness of negativity and depression to cloud our outlook. Sometimes we subconsciously remove God from His premier position of priority in our lives, and we invite the adversary to spring into action. Sometimes we become overwhelmed by a valley that seems to only deepen and lengthen before we see the road leading out and up. These are the times when we must especially be "sober and vigilant" because the energy of the adversary exists in abundance and his desire is for us to stumble to the point of falling on that long road toward Heaven.

If someone begins to feel as if things are "off" and just not right in their spiritual life it could be because they have not set their eyes and mind firmly on the Lord Jesus and are not following Him on that pathway out of the valley (**Matt 7:13-14; Psa 23:1-3**). It might be though, that a weakness has been exploited by that dragon of **Revelation 12** and they're going to have to take back control of the direction before they go so far off course they fail to remember how to get back. There is a text in the Psalms that might help any who feel such a way. This text is not a license to walk away from God or to feel "ok" when not following faithfully; rather it is evidence that such a person would not be the first person to feel that way and it is a guide for how to solve it. In **Psalms 73** you see two sides of a man named Asaph- a discontent man and a grateful man. The psalm indicates that he began to look at the lives of those who weren't living as God prescribed and was, at least in some part, jealous of them (**Psa 73:3**). Look at a few of the verses:

"But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled; My steps had nearly slipped. <sup>3</sup>For I was envious of the boastful, When I saw the prosperity of the wicked. <sup>4</sup>For there are no pangs in their death, But their strength is firm. <sup>5</sup>They are not in trouble as other men, Nor are they plagued like other men. <sup>6</sup>Therefore pride serves as their necklace; Violence covers them like a garment. <sup>7</sup>Their eyes bulge with abundance; They have more than heart could wish. <sup>8</sup>They scoff and speak wickedly concerning oppression; They speak loftily. <sup>9</sup>They set their mouth against the heavens, And their tongue walks through the earth. <sup>10</sup>Therefore his people return here, And waters of a full cup are drained by them. <sup>11</sup>And they say, "How does God know? And is there knowledge in the Most High?" <sup>12</sup>Behold, these are the ungodly Who

are always at ease; They increase in riches. <sup>18</sup> Surely I have cleansed my heart in vain, And washed my hands in innocence. <sup>14</sup> For all day long I have been plagued, And chastened every morning.”  
-Psalm 73:2-14

It seemed to this man that the wicked had life going pretty good for them. Sometimes in life today it can seem as if many do not want God in their life seem to have an overflow of money and things and economic security. He even knew that his community (generation, church, family, etc.) would disagree with him; he knew he shouldn't actually say that out loud.

How did he resolve his problem? He went to God. When he went to God, he reevaluated life based not on the temporal physical and material goods of others, but on the regrettable spiritual end they would inevitably face. God's truth gave him an attitude adjustment:

“Thus my heart was grieved, And I was vexed in my mind. <sup>22</sup> I was so foolish and ignorant; I was like a beast before You. <sup>28</sup> Nevertheless I am continually with You; You hold me by my right hand. <sup>24</sup> You will guide me with Your counsel, And afterward receive me to glory. <sup>25</sup> Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You. <sup>26</sup> My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”  
-Psalm 73:21-26

When he realized that he'd been looking at life through the wrong glasses he reestablished his commitment to God and praised Him for His goodness and power. When the road before you looks crooked and you feel as if you're in a dark valley, falling behind the Shepherd, make sure you point your eyes at Him and He will be there, leading you to His house (*Heb 12:2*).

## THE ELDERS WANT TO THANK YOU!

This year's VBS was another success given by the grace of God, and we give thanks to Him first and foremost.

It takes a lot to make VBS or any church event successful. It takes prayers, elders' & deacons' support, teachers, assistants, food & kitchen volunteers, donations, and many hours from servants seen and unseen. Please pray for our youth to continue growing in God's Word. Please pray for our next VBS, that it will reach even more children and families. We thank you all for your support!

In Christian love, the elders.

## YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Join us Sunday, August 13th, following evening worship, in the fellowship hall. Gaylen Williams will be giving the devotional. Please bring finger foods.

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2-DERREL HEGINBOTHAM  
5-JANET BASS  
8-KINGSFORD ASARE  
8-CHASE CULVER (11)  
10-JIM DUKES  
15-RUBY PORTLEY  
18-LEX MCINTOSH  
20-MICHELLE PETTIES  
25-KEYSHAWN DAY (12)  
29-JAMES GARNER  
30-JULIE ODUM

HAPPY 19TH ANNIVERSARY  
TO PHIL & MICHELLE MCINTOSH  
ON AUGUST 7TH!

We are rejoicing for Xavier Estavillo, who obeyed the gospel last Sunday! Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.



### August Nursery Schedule

- 2-Natalie & Nichole
- 9-Amanda & Carolyn W.
- 23-Victoria & Brenda
- 30-Briana & Brittni

\*We are in need of more ladies to help in the nursery. If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office.  
Thank you!

### August Cleaning Calendar

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

7/30-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby	13-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Yvonne Lois Marcella	27-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda
6-TEAM JAMES Kim-Marie Xavier Jaden Kingsford Barbara	20-TEAM LEE Natalie Derek Ken	

### SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR JULY

- ♦Group # 1-**DELINQUENT MEMBERS**  
Team Leader Paul Portley
- ♦Group #2-**VISITORS**  
Team Leader Roger Deem
- ♦Group #3-**NEW CONVERTS**  
Team Leader Gaylen Williams
- ♦Group #4-**WIDOWS**  
Team Leader Phil McIntosh

ELDERS will meet with the following teams down front after worship service. (For visits conducted in July)

- Group#1 Paul Portley - (Sun.) July 23rd
- Group#2 Roger Deem - (Sun.) July 30th
- Group#3 Gaylen Williams - (Wed.) Aug. 2nd
- Group#4 Phil McIntosh - (Wed.) Aug. 9th

Note: if team members are unavailable, leave your information with your Group Leader.

## ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023:

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦1ST PRAYER: ZACK PETTIES
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: XAVIER ESTAVILLO
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:  
SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦COMMUNION:  
PAUL PORTLEY & ROGER DEEM
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦OFFERING: PAUL PORTLEY & ROGER DEEM
- ♦CLOSING SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: ADAM ZAK
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: ROGER DEEM & SCOTT DAVIS
- ♦NURSERY: BRIANA & BRITTONI GRIFFITH

### SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "A Two-Sided Coin"  
1 Corinthians 4:2-5

<sup>2</sup> Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

<sup>3</sup> But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

<sup>4</sup> For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God."

Sunday PM: "Are You Stressed"  
Romans 6:16-18

<sup>16</sup> Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

<sup>17</sup> But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

<sup>18</sup> Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness."

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Kingsford Asare is training at Fort Sam Houston until October.

-Tim Matter is contracting in Bogota, Columbia.

**PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Jim Dukes' sister is in hospice and her health is deteriorating more rapidly.

-James Garner's wife, Tammy, received news that she has a spot on her kidney.

-Alexis Gaither's aunt, Katie, is recovering from a car accident.

-Michelle McIntosh is scheduled for thyroid surgery on Tuesday.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND:** Martha Bell; Hannah Fane; Visiting member, Opal Jones; Julie Odum & mother (Sharon Schmidt); Adam Zak; Bill Rawlings & his mother; Katelyn Bowles' cousin (Brittany); Tanja Arch & her family; Jim Dukes & family; Gladys Driver & daughter (Vicky); Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); Zack Petties' brother's son (Darius); James Garner, wife (Tammy), sister, & his mother; Michelle McIntosh, aunt (Christy Noey), & cousin (Nikki); Gary & Shirl Foster, Gary's mother; Toni Mendez's son (Brad Deshoutel), & children; Ken Sellers; Josephine Spear, cousin, sisters (Rose & Patricia), neighbor (Clinton) & friend (Iris); The McIntosh's family friend (Bryan Christmas); Alexis Gaither's father & friends (John & Marion Slaughter); Creta Bales' cousin (Terry Jackson); Cheryl Flores' aunt (Joy); Donna Hines' stepmother (Darla), & niece (April Miller); Beverly Williams' sister (Patsy Fisher), & sister-in-law (Cindy Fisher); former members (Connie Cruz), and (Bobbie Knight); Jon-Jon Simmons, Willard Jack Dunn; Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde); Linda Deem's nephew; Amanda Petties' brother (Rex), sister (Jewel), & nieces (Carrington & Moneisha), & sister-in-law; Rufus Brown; Marcella Williams & brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford); Nada Miller; Billye Hughes; Jessie Turner; & Linda Walts.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** We wish to congratulate Beverly Williams on the birth of her new granddaughter, Chloe Anelaine Moseley, born to Robin and Jonathan Mosely, on July 27th, weighing in at 7.875 lbs. Please keep them in your prayers.

**FAREWELL:** We wish to say farewell to Martha Chafin, who has moved to Houston to be near her daughter. Please keep her in your prayers.

**MEN'S SERVICE NEEDED:** André Pettaway has been studying with Eddy Gandy, a paralyzed Rosewood patient, who wishes to obey the Gospel and be baptized this Saturday, August 5th @ 3pm. We need help from the men to be here at the building during that time to assist. We invite everyone to come and support him.

**BACK TO SCHOOL FUN DAY:** Join us this Friday for a fellowship at the Campground in Nolanville with hamburgers, hotdogs, and games from 6pm-8pm. Please sign up in the foyer for food and make plans to attend.

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE:** We are collecting school supplies through August 6th. These items can be placed in the foyer.

## Our Speaker Today Is Phil McIntosh



*We want to especially welcome our visitors!*

*If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!*

### BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

⇒ Bible Studies With Our Preacher Or Elders

⇒ Free Bible Correspondence

⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

*To our visitors—Thank you for being with us today, and please come again!*

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### ☞ AUGUST CALENDAR ☞

2-Singing Night

4-Back-to-School Fun Day at the campground, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

6-School Supply Drive ends

12-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall

13-Youth Devotional following evening worship, in the fellowship hall

19-Church Bowling, 12:00 pm, at Hallmark Lanes

30-Ladies Bible Class resumes, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall