



# 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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### **MONTHLY SUPPORT:**

*Cherokee Home  
For Children  
Cherokee, TX*

*Christian Homes &  
Family Services  
Abilene, TX*

*Foster's Home  
For Children  
Stephenville, TX*

*Sunny Glen  
Children's Home  
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

## Oh Be Careful Little Tongue

By Phil McIntosh

Last week's article focused on a word we might have used in life that is connected to another word that Jesus said we should not utter (**Matt 5:22**). If your memory is fuzzy, or if you did not get around to reading last week's article, the word in the English Bible is fool. That word is translated from the Greek word from which our common word *moron* comes. Surely, we should exercise caution when we speak to others.

You might remember from last week's article (or your own life experience) the Vacation Bible School song that we used to make the point that sometimes the elementary portions of life and worship are indeed very powerful. This week we're going to use the same song, and the same verse of the song, to make a similar but altogether different point. The verse goes like this:

O be careful little tongue what you say  
O be careful little tongue what you say  
For the Father up above  
Is looking down in love  
So, be careful little tongue what you say

God's presence and knowledge are inexpressible in human terms. He is capable not only of knowing what is in man's mouth, but in his heart. The psalmist wrote,

*"O LORD, You have searched me and known me. <sup>2</sup>You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. <sup>3</sup>You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. <sup>4</sup>For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether." -Psalm 139:1-4*

Therein, David told us that God knows not just what is said, but what is about to be said. That same David spoke to his son Solomon and told him that God "understands all the intent of the thoughts" (**1 Chron. 1:9**). The Bible agrees with this statement in other places like in **Rev 2:23** where Jesus said He is "He who searches the minds and hearts." Furthermore, Matthew and Luke both wrote that Jesus "knew" the thoughts of men (**Matt 12:25; Lk 5:22**). Why is this important knowledge to understand?

It is important because we're held responsible for what we say. Logically, what we say begins somewhere. While it is true that we can often speak before we think, usually we think before we say something- just not always well. The point is that if God knows our thoughts and our hearts, there is no question that He knows our words. Words are powerful. James wrote that the tongue is an incredibly dangerous little member of the body and can cause great pain. Oftentimes, our tongues create pain for us as well as others. Though it might seem like sometimes our tongues have a mind of their own, that's inaccurate and is really only a deflection of blame. We are in control of what we say and how we use this part of the body God has given us. We are also responsible for what we do with it. Jesus warned us to exercise great care over our speech by telling us that we will be judged by "every idle word" that we might speak (**Matt 12:36**).

Do you use your tongue when you sing? That might seem a silly question. Anybody who speaks audibly uses their tongue. Singing is speaking in long, drawn out syllables that are inflected based on melody. The Bible tells us that when we sing, we are "speaking" to one another (**Eph 5:19**). If you use your tongue when you sing, if you speak when you sing, if words are produced when you sing, then those also are words by which you will be judged in the sight of God and before the Lord Christ (**Matt 12:37**). This means when we sing, we are singing words for which we will be held accountable. If you're singing "Holy, holy, holy" to God Almighty, or praising "Christ the Lamb" that's all well and good. However, if there is content in a song that does not match the Scriptures, then we must not only exercise caution, but steer clear. The apostle Paul said he would pray and sing "with the understanding" (**1 Cor 14:15**). The Psalmist wrote in **Psa 47:7** that "God is the King of all the earth" and one should "sing praises with understanding." Be careful when you sing. Read the words when you sing. Ensure that you aren't agreeing with and spreading false doctrine when you sing. Be careful little tongue what you say (**Eph 4:15**).

**REJOICE!**  
 We are rejoicing for our new brother in Christ, Jared Stepp, who obeyed the gospel Monday! Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.



We are collecting the following items for Foster's Home for Children through October 29th:

- ⇒ Cans of Beans (Pinto, Refried Beans, Black Beans, Ranch Style, Baked Beans, etc...) (No Green Beans please!)
  - ⇒ Cake Mixes, Frosting, and other Dessert type baking items. (Flour is not needed)
  - ⇒ Ranch Dressing bottles and packet mix
    - ⇒ Seasoning and Spices
- Please purchase regular sized cans. These items may be placed in the foyer.



**CHRISTIAN HOMES & FAMILY SERVICES CHANGE CAN DRIVE**

Our annual change can drive is underway. The change cans are located in the foyer and the date to have the cans returned is October 15th.

**SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR OCTOBER**

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

The elders will meet with each team in front of the auditorium following Sunday morning worship service. (For visits conducted in October)

- Group#1 Paul Portley - Nov. 5
- Group#2 Roger Deem - Nov. 12
- Group#3 Gaylen Williams - Nov. 19
- Group#4 Phil McIntosh - Nov. 26

Note: if team members are unavailable, leave your information with your group leader.

Join Us for Our  
 2023 Ladies Day  
 October 14th, 2023



# Bountiful Blessings

"A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps." -Proverbs 16:9

With Our Guest Speaker: Lori Hanson

9:00 am ~ 1:30 pm  
*Registration begins at 8:00 am*

*.Enjoy a light breakfast during registration until 8:45.  
 .Lunch will be served following the lessons.  
 .Childcare will be provided for ages one to five during the lessons.*



Please call or email us for a headcount by Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>



## SAY HELLO TO BABY CHLOE!

JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER HONORING

# ROBIN MOSELEY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22ND  
 3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
 IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

ROBIN IS REQUESTING  
 SIZE 2 DIAPERS, WIPES,  
 & SIMILAC ADVANCE




**OFFICE CLOSED:** *The office will be closed on Monday, October 9th, for the Columbus Day federal holiday.*

# YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Join us October 15th, following evening worship, for a Youth Devotional at the parsonage. Please bring snacks & finger food.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1-CHERYL FLORES

3-HANNAH FANE

12-HEATHER HEILMAN

18-MERAIHAH JOHNSON

20-KIM-MARIE SEAY

23-KENNITH RICHARDS

24-ASHER WILLIAMS (4)

26-MILLIE SIMCOX

## October Nursery Schedule

1-Nichole & Brittni  
8-Natalie & Josephine  
15-Amanda & Victoria  
22-Briana & Brenda  
29-Victoria & Carolyn W.

*\*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!*

## October Cleaning Calendar

•May be done any time before the next Sunday.

•Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

9/24-TEAM LEE  
Natalie  
Ken

1-TEAM ROGER  
Patrick  
Brenda  
Linda

8-TEAM ZACK  
Amanda  
Diedre  
Paul  
Ruby

15-TEAM JAMES  
Kim-Marie  
Xavier  
Jaden  
Kingsford  
Barbara

22-TEAM PHIL  
Michelle  
Beverly  
Josephine  
Lois  
Marcella

29-TEAM LEE  
Natalie  
Ken

## ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023:

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: LEE FISHER
- ♦1ST PRAYER: BILL RAWLINGS
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: LEX MCINTOSH
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:  
PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦COMMUNION:  
ANDRÉ PETTAWAY & JONATHAN SMITH
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦OFFERING:  
ANDRÉ PETTAWAY & JONATHAN SMITH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: GRAYSON BOWLES
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: SCOTT DAVIS
- ♦NURSERY:  
NICHOLE WILLIAMS & BRITTONI GRIFFITH

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Sunday AM: "Gatekeepers of Sin"**  
2 Peter 1:5-7

- <sup>5</sup> *And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;*  
<sup>6</sup> *And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;*  
<sup>7</sup> *And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."*

**Sunday PM: "Try to be Humiliated"**  
Psalm 25:8-10

- <sup>8</sup> *Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.*  
<sup>9</sup> *The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.*  
<sup>10</sup> *All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies."*

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Roman Polanco is at Fort Moore, GA, for basic training.
- Tim Matter is contracting in Bogota, Columbia.

### PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Judy Wall has a severe case of Covid, but she's able to be home.
- Cheryl Flores' husband David, is in the hospital.
- Creta Bales is recovering from eye surgery.
- Millie Simcox is recovering from diverticulosis.
- Lesa Crockett is requesting prayers that her new orthopedic doctor can relieve her pain, swelling, and limited mobility.
- Diane Holubec's brother, Donnie Sehlke, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- Visiting member, Sheila Silvers, will have foot surgery soon.
- Josephine Spear traveled to help her sister, Rose, who has heart problems.
- Tim Matter's aunt remains in the hospital with an infection and he is requesting prayers for her.

### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME

**BOUND:** Shirley Wooten; Tom Holubec; Gary & Shirly Foster; James Garner & his wife (Tammy); Lois Brown; Donna Hines; Adam Zak; Yolanda Wright & her mother; Al Wilson; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Opal Jones; Eddie Gandy; Alfreda Pettaway; Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law (Janeth & Neville Grey); Bill Rawlings & mother; Nada Miller; Martha Bell; Julie Odum & mother (Sharon Schmidt); Katelyn Bowles' cousin (Brittany); Tanja Arch & her family; Jim Dukes & family; Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); Zack Petties' brother's son (Darius); Michelle McIntosh's aunt (Christy Noey), & cousin (Nikki); Ken Sellers; Josephine Spear, cousin, sister (Patricia), neighbor (Clinton) & friend (Iris); the McIntosh's family friend (Bryan Christmas); Alexis Gaither's father, aunt, & friends (John & Marion Slaughter); Creta Bales' cousin (Terry Jackson); Cheryl Flores' aunt (Joy); Donna Hines' stepmother (Darla), & niece (April Miller); 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); Billye Hughes; Jessie Turner; & Linda Walts.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Congratulations to Zack & Amanda Petties on the birth of their new granddaughter, Kyemara Janae Petties, born to Kyendon & Michelle Petties, on September 21st, weighing 7lbs 6oz, and 22 inches long.

**SHEEP KEEPERS MEETING:** Today, following the morning worship, there will be a meeting with all participants, and anybody interested in the Sheep Keepers Program, at the front of the auditorium.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON:** Join us for a fellowship luncheon on October 8th, following morning worship. Please bring meats, casseroles, side dishes, & desserts (Kitchen Group #3 will have kitchen duty: Carla Heginbotham, Janet Bass, Joyce Brown, Natalie Fisher, Toni Mendez, Beverly Williams, and Marcella Williams).

## 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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### ☞OCTOBER CALENDAR☞

- 4,11,18,25-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the building
- 4-Singing Night
- 7-Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall
- 7-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the building
- 8-Fellowship Luncheon
- 9-Office will be closed for the Columbus Day holiday
- 14-Ladies Day (see inside bulletin)
- 15-Youth Devotional following evening worship at the parsonage
- 15-Change Can Drive ends
- 18-Singing Practice at 6:00 pm
- 22-Baby Shower honoring Beverly Williams' daughter, Robin Mosley
- 29-Guest speaker, Tavaris Armstrong will preach
- 29-Foster's Home for Children drive ends