



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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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

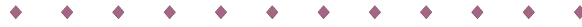
SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

Go To The Ant

By Phil McIntosh



Another year is drawing to a close. Again. Already. Has this year flown by for anybody else? I have heard that time flies by the older we get, but until I experienced it, it didn't fully make sense. We know time doesn't actually move any quicker, but our perception of time seems to morph. The busier someone is, the more they seem to perceive the acceleration of the passage of time. Maybe there's something to this whole "stop and smell the roses" thing people say. If all you do is 'go' you miss a lot.

The wise man said there was a time for every purpose under heaven (*Eccl 3:1*). One of those purposes could be the recharging of batteries when overburdened. Even our Lord Jesus spent time away from the hectic schedule of daily life, praying by Himself often (*Lk 5:16*). The Lord also realized that a crazy schedule could have an impact on those engaged in work; thus He invited His disciples to "come...to a deserted place and rest a while" (*Mk 6:31*). The text mentions they had been so busy they didn't even have time to eat. Surely you've had times like that. You know what exhaustion means. You know what being "dog tired" is like.

One cure to exhaustion (or rather treatment because the only cure for retiring from labor is death) is rest. The Israelites were not only encouraged to rest but commanded to (*Exod 20:10-11*). The Jews did not even move around much on Sabbath, walking distances of less than a mile. Maybe you relax some on Sunday and maybe you make time to rest during the evenings after work during the week. Perhaps one great blessing of the "holiday season" is the inherent rest built into most people's calendars. Many will take a little of time away from the hustle and bustle of their normal lives to visit with friends or family and kick their feet up for a little bit. There can be small "pauses" to a busy schedule during the holiday season. Those little pauses can be healthy and beneficial. Pauses, however, are not stops. We pause a movie to take a snack or bathroom break, but it is only designed to be momentary and then we get back to the action. So it should be with our lives. The Bible warns against idleness and encourages us to find good works in which to engage as Christians. While we might be tempted to allow our "pause" to extend from Thanksgiving to Christmas, let's not allow that button to remain pressed for that long. Look at the encouragement and lesson given by God in the Old Testament wisdom literature:

"Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise, ⁷ Which, having no captain, Overseer or ruler, ⁸ Provides her supplies in the summer, And gathers her food in the harvest. ⁹ How long will you slumber, O sluggard? When will you rise from your sleep? ¹⁰ A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep- ¹¹ So shall your poverty come on you like a prowler, And your need like an armed man." **Proverbs 6:6-11**

The ant knows how to take care of business. She doesn't pause life for long at all. What can we learn from the ant that we can put into practice? Well, 2024 is near. Maybe you start making plans for areas in your life where you might improve in the next year. Seeking improvement and maturation in your mind, heart, soul, and knowledge is commendable and well within the framework of God's expectations for your life.

But it's not 2024 yet. There is still a whole other month to go before January, 2024 comes. We aren't guaranteed to see January, 2024. We have only for sure each day we wake up, and even then, all twenty-four hours aren't guaranteed. Knowing then that time is not promised and there is still time to go before the New Year, think of ways you can improve during this month. Be like the ant and get to work. There are worship services, Bible classes, church activities, benevolence opportunities, and visits to make this month. Hopefully we all enjoyed our "pause" during Thanksgiving week, but now let's see what our "play" button can do before we hit pause again toward the end of this year (*Eph 2:10*).

SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR NOVEMBER

• **Group # 1-DELINQUENT MEMBERS**

Team Leader: Paul Portley

• **Group #2-WIDOWS**

Team Leader: Roger Deem

• **Group #3-NEW CONVERTS**

Team Leader: Gaylen Williams

• **Group #4-VISITORS**

Team Leader: Phil McIntosh

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 (completed)
 Group#2 Roger Deem - Nov. 12 (completed)
 Group#3 Gaylen Williams - Nov. 19
 Group#4 Phil McIntosh - Nov. 26

(For visits conducted in **November)**

Group#1 Paul Portley - Dec. 3
 Group#2 Roger Deem - Dec. 10
 Group#3 Gaylen Williams - Dec. 17
 Group#4 Phil McIntosh - Dec. 31

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



Holiday Baskets



Please join us as we prepare & distribute holiday baskets on Saturday, December 9th, at 9:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to donate to this effort, please see Lee or Natalie Fisher.



Ladies

FELLOWSHIP

Join us for a Ladies Holiday Potluck & Ornament Exchange at the home of Creta Bales, on December 14th, at 6:00 pm.

Please sign upon the ladies information board.



NOVEMBER/DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

29 - XAVIER SEAY
 30 - GREG CULP
 2 - JESSIE TURNER
 8 - NATALIE FISHER
 10-JUELZ GAITHER
 12 - MARTHA BELL
 12 - JAMES SEAY
 14 - PAUL PORTLEY
 17 - BRENDA SELLERS
 18 - BRITTINI GRIFFITH
 20 - BEVERLY WILLIAMS
 20 - JOSIPHINE SPEAR
 20 - ZACK PETTIES
 24 - MONICA MCLEAN
 25 - GAYLE WILSON
 28 - GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 4-VICTORIA & JAMES
 ANNIVERSARY

ORDER OF SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANDRE PETTAWAY
- ♦1ST PRAYER: ROGER DEEM
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: JONATHAN SMITH
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: SEAN MALDONADO
- COMMUNION: IVAN MCINTOSH & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦OFFERING: IVAN MCINTOSH & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: DERREL HEGINBOTHAM
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: SCOTT DAVIS & BILLY GAITHER
- ♦NURSERY: AMANDA & BRIANA

November Nursery Schedule

5-Brenda & Gayle	*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!
12-Nichole & Brittini	
19-Natalie & Victoria	
26-Amanda & Briana	

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: How Can I Impact My Family?
Colossians 3:18-21

“Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.²⁰ Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.²¹ Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged”

November Cleaning Calendar

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

5-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda	19-TEAM JAMES Kim-Marie Xavier Jaden Kingsford Barbara	26-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Lois Marcella
12-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby		12/3-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken

Sunday PM: What Is Your Bible Animal?
Proverbs 30:24-28

“There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise:²⁵ The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer;²⁶ The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;²⁷ The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands;²⁸ The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.”

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:

- Donna Hines is recovering from her right shoulder replacement.
- James Garner's wife, Tammy, had a biopsy on her kidney last Monday, they are waiting on the results.
 - Zack & Amanda Petties' granddaughter, Kyemara, has been on medication to help with her hearing loss, but had to pause for a week due to her low blood count.
 - Former member, Bobbie Knight is recovering from a stroke.

NEW MEMBER: We wish to welcome sister Barbara Anderson, who has placed membership here. Please welcome her to our congregation and she requests prayers for her grandson who has health concerns.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND:

Glenda Boudreaux & mother; Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), aunt (Christy); Adam Zak; Martha Bell; Jim Dukes & family; Al Wilson & friend (Linda Ray); Gayle Wilson's friend (Sherry Canes); James & Jaden Seay; Amy Cole; James Garner & wife (Tammy); Shirley Wooten; Tom Holubec; Gary & Shirl Foster; Lois Brown; Yolanda Wright & her mother; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Opal Jones; Eddie Gandy; Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law (Janeth & Neville Grey); Bill Rawlings & mother; Nada Miller; Julie Odum & mother (Sharon Schmidt); Katelyn Bowles' cousin (Brittany), and sister-in-law; Tanja Arch & her family; Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); 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) & brother-in-law (Raymond Flores); Donna Hines' stepmother (Darla), & niece (April Miller); former members (Rey & Connie Cruz); Jon -Jon Simmons; Willard Jack Dunn; Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde); Linda Deem's nephew; Zack & Amanda Petties' granddaughter (Kyemara), Amanda's brother (Rex), sister (Jewel), nieces (Carrington & Moneisha), sister-in-law, & Zack's brother's son (Darius); Rufus Brown; Marcella Williams & brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford); Billye Hughes; Jessie Turner; & Linda Walts.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & MEETING: We want to encourage all men to attend the Men's Breakfast on Saturday, at 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall with a Men's Meeting following.

FOUNDATIONS BIBLE STUDY: Starting January, there will be a new Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class taught by Lee Fisher, in the south hallway classroom. Please sign up in the foyer if you plan to attend.

NEW YEARS EVE FELLOWSHIP: After Worship on Sunday Morning December 31st, we will have a Fellowship Meal followed by a Singing Devotional.

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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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

29-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall
(no class on November 22nd)

DECEMBER CALENDAR

2-Men's Breakfast and Meeting, 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall

6, 13-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall
(the ladies will resume class on January 10th)

6-Monthly Singing Night, 7:00 pm

9-Holiday Baskets made in the fellowship hall, 9:30 am

14-Ladies Holiday Potluck & Ornament Exchange at the home of Creta Bales, 6:00 pm

25-Office closed for Christmas Day

31-Noon Meal Followed by a Singing Devotional