

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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SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

Show Some Love

By Phil McIntosh

Dean Martin was better than Frank Sinatra. Perhaps I am in the minority when it comes to this opinion. Sadly, there are possibly some people reading this article who don't know who either of those two people are; but I've digressed. I stand beside my statement. There are many, even more than 25 years after his death, who still love "Ol' Blue Eyes" (that's Frank Sinatra to those who don't know). People likely know more Sinatra songs than they do his counterpart. But there is at least one song that Dean sang that many, including you, likely know- "That's Amore." This song was released in 1953, apparently coming from a movie in which Dean Martin appeared with Jerry Lewis. The song essentially tells of what "love" (amore is Italian for love) looks, sounds, and feels like in Napoli, Italy.

We all experience and express love in different ways. To some people love is the life-long commitment that's made between a man and a woman in marriage. To some love is friends who might have many years between their ages, but who are "thicker than thieves" and can't imagine life without each other. There are both appropriate and inappropriate forms of love in our world, too much of which is regrettably the inappropriate that is seemingly gaining in popularity and normality. Inappropriate love has existed in our world since very nearly the beginning. Unauthorized and ungodly exhibitions of love were expressed amongst pagans and God-believers alike in the ancient world (Gen 6:5). It was for unsanctioned forms of "love" that thousands of God's own people died in one day (Num 25:1-9). The apostle Paul wrote that many had engaged in illicit forms of physical activity to the point that they revolted against nature and that God had simply left them to revel in and reap the consequences of their own corruption (Rom 1:24-32). The Bible even tells us that one man in the Lord's church had engaged in an ungodly form of love (1 Cor 5:1); and that there were others in the church who supported it (v 2). None of these are forms or exhibitions of love that should exist in the life of a Christian (1 Cor 6:18).

The Bible *does* mention love though and speaks of it in praiseworthy ways. In fact, the apostle John wrote that the person who says they love God but doesn't love their brother, doesn't actually love God (1 In 4:20). Jesus said that love is what would separate His disciples from the world in which they lived (In 13:35). Paul wrote to the church in Corinth that love was "the greatest" of multiple virtues when he penned the definition of perfect love:

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. ² And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. ⁴ Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵ does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things... ¹⁸ And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love." -1 Corinthians 13:1-7, 13

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The form of love inscribed here is indicative of the love that comes from God; it is pure, selfless, and endless. That shouldn't be shocking since "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). Since we are supposed to try to be like God (1 Pet 1:15-16) and God is loving (Jn 3:16), then we should love others, right? That's what the Spirit, through John, said we should do (1 Jn 4:11).

Earlier, I mentioned Dean Martin's famous song "That's Amore." There is another song of his I like called titled, "You're Nobody 'Til Somebody Loves You." Let me share with you a couple of lines from that song:

"You may be king, you may possess
the world and it's gold
But gold won't bring you happiness
when you're growing old
The world still is the same, you never change it
As sure as the stars shine above
You're nobody 'til somebody loves you
So find yourself somebody to love"

Likely the song is talking about emptiness that exists in one's life without a partner. The world isn't that way now, but in bygone generations the plan in the life of an individual was to find their "soul mate" and be united, by marriage, in a life-long union of love and fulfillment. That doesn't happen for everybody and not everybody even wants it; and that's ok. The apostle Paul lived his entire life single (1 Cor 7:8-9). This time of year some people feel sadness, anxiety, or even disdain when they reflect on the love that many around them seem to have or at least seem to talk about. However, everybody, regardless of their marital status has someone who loves them and someone on whom they can shower love- at least, if they're Christians they do. God loves every person in this world and wants good for their life; of course their spiritual health and profitability is the priority (1 Tim 2:4). So we all have Someone who loves us, but there's more. Everybody who is a part of the Lord's church has family who loves them and wants happiness, joy, health, and peace for them. If you are a part of Jesus' body then you have people who care for and love you.

On the other side of the coin is the opportunity to show others your love for them. If you are a member of the Church of Christ, you have family who might

need your love right now (1 Cor 12:26). God expects us to "do good" to everybody around us, but there is special care and love that is reserved for the church (Gal 6:10). Take some time to reflect on the love you possess and how you can shower it on your church family. Perhaps your love can be exhibited in the form of planning some kind words, gestures of blessing, cards or notes of care, and prayers you could offer up to God. You have been loved; return that favor and show some love to some people who might greatly need that support and grace right now (Rom 12:10).

VISITOR INVITES: Invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, or anyone to our services with the visitor brochures and postcards located in the foyer!



If any members would like to host a Youth Devotional at their home, please sign up in the foyer.



LADIES BLANKET DRIVE

The ladies are collecting throw blankets for the Scott and White McLane Children's Hospital, in Temple, until March 3rd. Everyone is welcome to bring new blankets & throws and place them in the box in the foyer.



CHURCH COMMUNICATION:

Please check your email for the Monday Morning Message.

Members: If you are not receiving our Flocknote texts or emails, please let us know.

SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR **FEBRUARY**

•Group # 1-WIDOWS

Team Leader: Paul Portley

◆Group #2-DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Team Leader: Roger Deem Group #3-NEW CONVERTS Team Leader: Gaylen Williams

Group #4-VISITORS

Team Leader: Phil McIntosh

*All groups will meet for visits in January after morning worship on February 18th.

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

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

11 - ROGER DEEM

14 - LOIS BROWN 15 - BARBARA HUGHART

16 - JOSSLYN FLORES (11)

21 - MARINA SCOTT

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO REGGIE & JANET BASS ON FEB. 6TH!

February Nursery Schedule

4-Victoria & Josephine 11-Brenda& Gayle 18-Briana & Brittni 25-Natalie & Victoria 3/3-Amanda & Nichole *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!

February Cleaning Calendar

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

4-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Lois

18-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda

3/3-TEAM Jaden Barbara Gaylen

Nichole

Marcella

Ken

11-TEAM LEE Natalie

25-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Rubye

KINGSFORD Kim-Marie

ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

•ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY

•1ST PRAYER: LEE FISHER •SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

SCRIPTURE READING: REGGIE BASS

•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS **SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH**

•INVITATION SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

GAYLEN WILLIAMS

• COMMUNION:

ROGER DEEM & KINGSFORD ASARE

•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•OFFERING: ROGER DEEM & KINGSFORD ASARE

CLOSING SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•CLOSING PRAYER: DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

•AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS

•SECURITY: SCOTT DAVIS & GARY FOSTER

• NURSERY: BRENDA SELLERS & GAYLE WILSON

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "An Unwanted Form of Love" (Proverbs 3:11-12)

"11 My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction:

¹² For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth."

Sunday PM: "An Uneasy Form of Love" (Luke 17:3-4)

"3 Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

 4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him."



SUNDAY OUTLINES: If you would like to take notes, there are outlines in the foyer for the AM & PM sermons.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Roman Polanco is training at Ft. Eustis, Virginia.
- -Tim Matter has returned to Bogota, Columbia.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Lee Fisher's brother, Jessie, is home recovering from a TIA (ministroke).
- -Glenda Boudreaux requested prayers for Becky Strupp who is recovering from hip surgery.
- -Yvonne Hardiman's sister, Michelle, is responding well to her cancer treatments and is down to one per week. She will have to have surgery when her treatments end.
- -Beverly Williams' son-in-law's mother, Jan Moseley, received good results from her biopsy and will meet with an oncologist to start discussing radiation treatments.
- -Michael Rogers had a change in his duty assignment in Colorado and is in a new unit that will deploy to Poland at the end of March or early April for 9 months. Jessica and the children will remain in Wisconsin during this time.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND: Bill Rawlings & his mother; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Beverly Williams, sister (Patsy) & granddaughter (Chloe); Justina Young's grandfather (Terry); Mary Lou Daines' son (Shawn); member in Georgia (Joyce Huff); Donna Hines, husband (Les), stepmother (Darla), & niece (April Miller); Gwen Matthews; Victoria Polanco's nephew (Christopher); Brenda Sellers' neighbor; Eddy Gandy; Barbara Anderson, son (Derrick) & brother (Elijah); Glenda Boudreaux & mother; Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), aunt (Christy); Al Wilson & friend (Linda Ray); Gayle Wilson's friend (Sherry Canes); Jaden Seay; Amy Cole; James Garner, wife (Tammy) & family; Shirley Wooten; Gary & Shirl Foster; Lois Brown; Yolanda Wright; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Opal Jones; Monica McClean's sister & brother-inlaw (Janeth & Neville Grey); Nada Miller; Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmidt); Tanja, Tiffany Arch & their family; Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); Josephine Spear, sisters (Patricia & Rose) brother, cousin, neighbor (Clinton) & friends (Iris & Venatta); 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); former members (Rey & Connie Cruz); Jon-Jon Simmons; Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde); Linda Deem's nephew; Zack & Amanda Petties' granddaughter (Kyemara), sister (Jewel), brother (Rex), nephew (Quincy), 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.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL TONIGHT: There will be a Youth Devotional following evening worship, at the parsonage. Please bring finger foods and drinks.

YOUTH GATHERING: There will be a Youth Gathering at the Williams' on Thursday, at 7:00 pm.

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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CSFEBRUARY CALENDARCS

14, 21, 28-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall

15-Youth Gathering at the Williams', 7:00 pm 17-Family Bowling, 12:00 pm, Hallmark Lanes 19-Office Closed (Presidents Day)

24-Men's Workday, 8:00 am, at the building

CSMARCH CALENDARCS

2-Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall 3-Fellowship Luncheon following morning worship in the fellowship hall (Kitchen Group #2 will have kitchen duty)