

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 - 6:30 PM

Ask God

By Phil McIntosh

What does God want from me? How can a worm (*Isa 41:14*) please the majestic Creator? Rather than soliciting answers from temples, mosques, churches, cathedrals, or synagogues- why not just ask God? After all, Jesus said the truth was obtainable (*Jn*

8:32) and that His teachings would judge the world (Jn 12:48-50). Since the truth comes from God, and Jesus' message comes from the Father, He is the obvious and only real source (In 17:17)

only real source (*Jn 17:17*).

God has spoken to mankind throughout the entirety of humanity existence (*Heb 1:1-2*). Sometimes He spoke directly, sometimes through messengers, sometimes through prophets or kings, sometimes through apostles, and sometimes through His Son. However, those who spoke on behalf of God were authorized to do so by God (*2 Pet 1:20-21*). God's expectations are not impossible to find or understand. What God wants from you is not going to slip through your hands like sand from a beach unless you allow it to. Sometimes God has been incredibly explicit as to what He wants and expects. There is a text in the OT where God mimics the people's questions they might have for God, then He answers it:

"With what shall I come before the LORD, And bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, With calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, Ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?" -Micah 6:6-8

Though God has revealed His will to mankind, too many of us still act as if knowledge is unobtainable or too difficult to understand. Perhaps that's why there are so many people who own a Bible but are surprised when they're told something either is or is not really in there- because they don't open it! The Holy Spirit gave us the words of God to prepare and equip us for whatever life might bring (2 Tim 3:17; 2 Pet 1:3). God's word is powerful, but there's not much it can do for you if you don't ever engage with it. Trying to live life without the word of God is like going into battle without armor or a sword- you're naked, exposed, and vulnerable. God knew that life would be hard, and that sin would surround us; He knew the adversary would be gunning for us, so He gave us His word to "light the way" (Psa 119:105).

There is a Scripture that tells us it is both possible and expected to "ask God" for what's necessary in life. The apostle Paul wrote many letters to different churches of Christ in the First Century. One of those with whom he was close was the church in Ephesus (close enough that the elders cried when Paul had his final meeting with them). It was to this church he wrote the following:

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"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), ¹⁰ finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. ¹¹ And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them." -Ephesians 5:8-10

Paul intimated a responsibility to live right, and he said the way to live right was to "find out" what was acceptable to God. The Greek word for "finding out" in verse ten means to "test to show something is acceptable." It can also mean "examine." Do you know what God wants from you? Examine His word. That's where you'll find out (*Rom 10:17*).



REJOICE!
We rejoice for
Christian Rivera
who was baptized
on April 5th.
Please welcome
him and keep him
in your prayers.



PROM ALTERNATIVE 2024

Thank you for your support of our youth in making this a night to remember!



"One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple." -Psalm 27:4



Ladies, please make plans to attend the annual Ladies Retreat at the Nolanville Campground on Saturday, April 20th, beginning at 9:30 am. Bring your favorite picnic dish! Sign-up sheets & more information are on the Ladies Bulletin Board.

Our speakers are Nichole Williams and Creta Bales.

Ladies Drive for Families in Crisis

April 13 - June 3

The ladies are collecting items for the Families in Crisis Women's' Shelter until May 3rd. Please bring new socks for women and children & toiletries.

These items can be placed below. Thank you!







CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN DRIVE:

We are collecting canned soup items for the Cherokee Home for Children through April 28th: cream of mushroom, cream of chicken, cream of celery, cheddar cheese & tomato soups. These items may be placed in the foyer.

SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL

◆Group # 1-NEW CONVERTS

Team Leader: Paul Portley

◆Group #2-VISITORS

Team Leader: Roger Deem

◆Group #3-WIDOWS

Team Leader: Gaylen Williams

◆Group #4-DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Team Leader: Phil McIntosh

*All groups will meet for visits in February/March after morning worship on April 14th.

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



April Nursery Schedule

3/31-Nichole & Victoria

7-Amanda & Natalie 14-Victoria & Josephine

21-Brenda & Gayle

28-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.

28-TEAM ROGER

Patrick

Brenda

Linda

April Cleaning Calendar

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

3/31-TEAM ZACK Amanda

Diedre Paul Rubye

> 7-TEAM KINGSFORD Kim-Marie

Jaden Barbara Gaylen Nichole 14-TEAM PHIL Michelle

Michelle Beverly Josephine Lois Marcella

21-TEAM LEE Natalie

Natalie Ken Adam

ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

•ANNOUNCEMENTS: PAUL PORTLEY

•1ST PRAYER: KINGSFORD ASARE

•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

SCRIPTURE READING: DIEGO CASTRO

•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS
•SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH

•INVITATION SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

• SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•COMMUNION:

LEX MCINTOSH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO

•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•OFFERING:

LEX MCINTOSH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO

•CLOSING SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•CLOSING PRAYER: DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

•AUDIO/VISUAL:

PATRICK SELLERS & JUELZ MCKENZIE

•SECURITY: BILLY GAITHER

• NURSERY: VICKY POLANCO & JOSEPHINE SPEAR

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "Be Still and Know" Psalm 46:8-10

"8 Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations he hath made in the earth. 9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire. 10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth."

Sunday PM: "Why There Will Be No Rapture" Acts 1:9-11

"9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Justina Young's husband, Terry, is deployed to Korea.
- -Michael Rogers has deployed to Poland.
- -Roman Polanco is training at Ft. Eustis, Virginia.
- -Tim Matter has returned to Bogota, Columbia.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Barbara Anderson's grandson, Derrick, will be having surgery this week.
- -Roger Deem is home recovering from a stroke.
- -Scott Davis was released from the hospital last Tuesday afternoon.
- -Hannah Fane says her uncle Mark is doing better, but she does ask prayers for her husband Perlandis who is currently suffering with a dislocation in his back.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND: Jim Dukes; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Yolanda Wright; Opal Jones; Beverly Williams' sister (Patsy); Michael Rogers' father (Michael Sr.); Lois Brown; Yvonne Hardiman's husband (Ray); Lee Fisher's brother (Jessie); Bill Rawlings & his mother; Justina Young's grandfather (Terry); Mary Lou Daines' son (Shawn); member in Georgia (Joyce Huff); Donna Hines, husband (Les), & stepmother (Darla), Vicky Polanco's nephew (Christopher); Eddy Gandy; Barbara Anderson, grandson (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; Shirl Foster; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law (Janeth & Neville Grey); Nada Miller; Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmidt); the Arch family; Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); Josephine Spear, sisters (Rose & Patricia), brother, & brother-in-law (Levorn); Alexis Gaither, 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; Amanda Petties' 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); & Jessie Turner.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL TODAY!

Join us for a Youth Devotional at the home of Donna Hines, following evening worship. They are providing burgers and buns. Please bring picnic sides, chips, drinks, and your lawn chairs.

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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CSAPRIL CALENDARCS

14-Families in Crisis Drive begins 17, 24-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the building 20-Ladies Retreat, 9:30 am, at the campground 27-Men's Workday, 8:30 am, at the building 28-Cherokee Home for Children Pantry Drive ends

SHEEP KEEPERS: All groups are asked to meet in front of the auditorium to discuss the visits made in February & March after morning worship today.

CLEAN-UP AT THE CAMPGROUND: We need volunteers to meet up front with Paul Portley to plan a clean-up at the campground before this Saturday's Ladies Retreat.