

# 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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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

### Where Is Your Spot?

By Phil McIntosh

Raise your hand if you always sit in the same spot during Sunday morning worship? One can usually see who is here and who is not here simply by looking in specific spots because nearly all of us have "our spot." We might even have multiple spots- one for Sunday morning, one for Sunday night, and one for Wednesday night. Everybody knows this is our spot, we might as well have our name on it, right? What would you do if you walked to "your" pew and someone else was in that spot? Likely

(hopefully) you would pick another spot without a word. Some people sit up front, some people are like the cool kids in high school and sit in the back, and some might try different spots. It doesn't really matter where you sit, so long as you're here to sit (*Heb 10:25; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor 16:2*). The saddest pews are not the ones we jokingly

argue over, but the empty ones nobody argues over.

A sound argument could be made that it is a positive thing you have "your spot" in the church building's auditorium. It indicates that you're in the worship service often enough to have a spot you frequent. The sad reality realized in the Lord's church universally is that not all the grounds which take in the seed of the Lord's word will produce fruit. As Jesus taught in the parable of the soils (or sower depending on your preferred nomenclature), three out of the four soils would ultimately reject that seed; three out of four either never had a spot or forfeited it (*Matt 13:3-8*). So you take your spot, fill it every time you have the opportunity; sit in that spot so often that everybody knows who normally occupies it.

There is another spot which you should choose. A spot where the church needs you to choose. This is a spot not in the directory or in the auditorium, but on the wall of servants who are attending to the various works of the church. God has organized the church in such a way that she has a head in Christ and shepherds in the elders (if a congregation has qualified men; *Titus 1:5-9*). Under those elders there are usually deacons who receive instructions from the elders as to how to utilize their talents and they are entrusted with various responsibilities (*1 Tim 3:8-13*). However, even in such a case, there is still work that can be spread out to the members of a local congregation.

Let me illustrate with an Old Testament example. The sons of Levi were chosen by God to attend to His service for the children of Israel (*Num 3:44-51*). Aaron and his descendants were specifically called by God to be priests, but the other generations of Levites also had jobs. Moses wrote that Levi had three sons: Gershon, Kohath, Merari (*Exod 6:16*). Aaron descended from a son of Kohath and the priestly lineage continued through him, as he was hand-picked by God (*Exod 28:1; Num 3:10*). There was, however, more service work to do than just the work of the sanctuary and sacrifice. In fact, God designated that each of the sons of Levi were to have specific work allotted to them:

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"The duties of the children of Gershon in the tabernacle of meeting included the tabernacle. the tent with its covering, the screen for the door of the tabernacle of meeting, 26 the screen for the door of the court, the hangings of the court which are around the tabernacle and the altar, and their cords, according to all the work relating to them." -Numbers 3:25-26

"The families of the children of Kohath were to camp on the south side of the tabernacle. <sup>80</sup> And the leader of the fathers' house of the families of the Kohathites was Elizaphan the son of Uzziel. 81 Their duty included the ark, the table, the lampstand, the altars, the utensils of the sanctuary with which they ministered, the screen, and all the work relating to them." -Numbers 3:29-31

"And the appointed duty of the children of Merari included the boards of the tabernacle, its bars, its pillars, its sockets, its utensils, all the work relating to them, <sup>87</sup> and the pillars of the court all around, with their sockets, their pegs, and their cords." -Numbers 3:36-37

So Moses' writing explains to us that, along with the spiritual work of the sacrifices for the people and ministering to and for God, there was external, physical work to which the rest of the Levites needed to attend.

Some work of the church is spiritual, some is emotional, some is personal in prayer, some is mental in study and preparation, some is external in evangelism, and some is physical in attending to various material assistance. You know where your spot is when the clock hit 10:30am on Sunday, but do you have a spot at other times? Take time to consider your talents and willingness to lend a hand in the myriad of works and activities of the Lord's church here at Killeen, and "find your spot" (1 Cor 15:58; 1 Pet 4:11).





Everyone is invited to attend this year's Senior Banquet on Saturday, May 18th, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Big Hoss BBQ, in Killeen. Let's celebrate and encourage these young Christian men as they end their High School days and begin new endeavors. Caleb Griffith will be our guest speaker.

This year's seniors are Diego Castro, Xavier Estavillo, Gianni Griffith, Lex McIntosh and Jonathan Smith.

The cost per person is \$17. \*Seniors are paid for.

Please sign up in the foyer by May 5th if you plan to attend and have your money to Lee Fisher by May 12th (You may write a check to the church and earmark it for the senior banquet).

# **Ladies Drive for Families in Crisis**

### April 13 - June 3

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

These items can be placed in the foyer. Thank you!











### **REJOICE!**

We rejoice for Iverson Michel, who was baptized last Sunday. Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.



### Softball Game



Join us for a softball game after evening worship on Sunday, May 5th, in the field behind the fellowship hall. Invite everyone who wants to play or come watch and bring your lawn chairs.



### Youth Devo Hosted by Beverly Williams



Join us for a Youth Devotional at the home of Beverly Williams, Sunday, May 19th, following evening worship. Please sign up in the foyer to bring diced tomatoes, diced onions, sour cream, lettuce. refried beans. drinks. desserts. and bring your lawn chairs.



## May BIRTHDAYS

2 - PATRICK SELLERS 11 - JARED STEPP 18-BRIANA GRIFFITH 23 - GWEN SHARPE 24 - ROYAL WILLIAMS (9)



# April/May Nursery Schedule

28-Briana & Brittni 5/5-Nichole & Victoria 12-Amanda & Natalie 19-Victoria & Josephine 26-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.

### **April/May Cleaning Calendar**

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

4/28-TEAM ROGER 12-TEAM Patrick Brenda Linda

**KINGSFORD** Kim-Marie Jaden

26-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken

Adam

5/5-TEAM ZACK Amanda

Diedre Paul

Rubye

Barbara Gavlen Nichole

19-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Lois Marcella

### ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

• ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY

•1ST PRAYER: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•SONG: SEAN MALDONADO

**SCRIPTURE READING: DIEGO CASTRO** 

•SONG: SEAN MALDONADO •SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH

•INVITATION SONG: SEAN MALDONADO

• SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

SEAN MALDONADO

**•**COMMUNION:

GIANNI GRIFFITH & LEX MCINTOSH

•SONG: SEAN MALDONADO

•OFFERING:

GIANNI GRIFFITH & LEX MCINTOSH

**CLOSING SONG: SEAN MALDONADO** 

**CLOSING PRAYER: PAUL PORTLEY** 

• AUDIO/VISUAL:

PATRICK SELLERS & JUELZ MCKENZIE

•SECURITY: GARY FOSTER

• NURSERY: BRIANA & BRITTNI GRIFFITH

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

### Sunday AM: "Are We the Last Generation?" 1 Thessalonians 5:4-8

"4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. <sup>6</sup> Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. <sup>7</sup> For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation."

### Sunday PM: "You Can Walk Away" James 1:19-20

"19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: <sup>20</sup> For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God."

### NEWS FROM THE PEWS

# PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Michael Rogers has deployed to Poland.
- -Roman Polanco finished his training and will be leaving for Wiesbaden Air Base, Germany, in May.
- -Tim Matter has returned to Bogota, Columbia.

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

- -Roger Deem is recovering from recent ear surgery.
- -Martha Bell is recovering from diverticulitis and dehydration.
- -Lois Brown is having difficulties from arthritis.
- -Alexis Gaither is still having difficulties with health issues.
- -Former member, Emmanuel Pinewood's wife, Naomi, went into premature labor and delivered their baby girl, weighing one pound. Their baby is currently in NICU.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** We wish to congratulate Justina & Terry Young on the birth of their baby girl, Avaiah Elora Serenity Young, weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces, and is 20 inches long, Wednesday morning.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & **HOME BOUND:** Gary & Shirl Foster; Hannah Fane's husband (Perlandis); Roger Deem; Scott Davis; Jim Dukes; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Yolanda Wright; Opal Jones; Beverly Williams' sister (Patsy); Yvonne Hardiman's husband (Ray); Lee Fisher's brother (Jessie); 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, & 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; 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-inlaw (Levorn); 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; 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.

### 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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### **C3MAY CALENDARC3**

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29-Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 am, in the building
- 5-Softball Game, following evening worship, behind the building
- 18-Senior Banquet, 5:00 8:00 pm, at Big Hoss BBQ, in Killeen
- 19-Youth Devotional following evening worship, at Beverly Williams' home
- 23-Teen Gathering, 7:00 pm, at Gaylen & Nichole Williams' home
- 27-Memorial Day (Office Closed)