



# 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  
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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

## Prepare Your House

By Phil McIntosh



This past Sunday we began our lesson with a reading from the book of Ecclesiastes. The book is, in my estimation, a treatise about delusions in life with which most are obsessed and how those are contrasted against the reality of life's true meaning and value in God. I believe Ecclesiastes is written from the perspective of an old man who had experienced and pursued both pathways during his time on this earth and eventually settled on the conclusion that a materialistic and carnal life is a fleeting fancy, a mirage as it were to mask one's heart from seeing true virtue. In chapter three, Solomon writes that there are "seasons" to life. One such season is when one's life comes to an end. The preacher (*Ecc 1:1*) describes for us a natural death in the last chapter of the book (*Ecc 12:1-7*); therein the body fails us and begins to deteriorate to a point at which it is simply incapable of sustaining our existence any longer.

The specific eventuality to which I'm alluding, death, is littered throughout the pages of God's Scriptures; spoken about in warnings and narratives and predictions and cautionary tales. While one's assumed natural life might reach into old age (*Psa 90:10*), not everyone is blessed to see so many years on this planet. Adam lived to the age of 930, Moses lived to 120 and his strength and vigor was not abated, Jesus only lived into His early 30's, and the child who was born from the adulterous union of David and Bathsheba lived only a short while. Our own death, or the Lord's return which would signal the end of life for all humanity, could come at any moment.

In the course of our lives in this world we generally progress to important milestones and "seasons" which are often marked by unique, albeit universal, decisions and activities. Some of these might be getting a driver's license, voting for the first time, buying your first home, having a child, signing up for life insurance, and writing a will. Not all of our adult decisions are fun, and some of them might be downright depressing. Humans don't typically enjoy thinking about or talking about death, much less making a legal and formal document intended to litigate the event after our demise. Why do we have a lawyer write out a will? The answer might be to keep the government from taking those things for which we've worked or to prevent unsavory arguments amongst family after our passing. A more appropriate answer would be *to put our house in order*. We are ensuring that our things and our family are prepared to handle our passing and execute our wishes when we are no longer present to speak for ourselves.

The phrase to "put our house in order" is found in the Bible. This was the statement that the prophet Isaiah made to an ancient righteous king over God's people. Read the text here:

"In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, "Thus says the LORD: "Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live." ' Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the LORD, and said, 'Remember now, O LORD, I pray, how I

have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what is good in Your sight.' And Hezekiah wept bitterly."

**-Isaiah 38:1-3**

King Hezekiah was informed his life was nearing an end. The text here (the contents of which is also mentioned and expanded upon in **2 Kings 20**) actually displays for us a miraculous event; God makes the shadow of the sun move backward to assure Hezekiah that his life will be extended. King Hezekiah heard the message from God and immediately was moved to pray. What was the message? He is told (in the NKJV) to "set your house in order." The Hebrew text uses a word that implies Hezekiah give a charge to his house. We use this phrase to maybe say "get your life right" but that's not the entirety of what was being told the king. He was told, in essence, to prepare his house for his departure. Upon his genuine prayer however, God informed him that he would experience an extra fifteen years of life.

You and I will not be warned by God when our life might end. We don't know if we have another fifteen years; we don't know if we have another fifteen seconds. That being the case, we should hear the words of God through Isaiah echoed into our hearts today. Take the steps to ensure that your house is ready for your departure. While this conceivably includes financial, medical, legal, and various other form of preparations, the most important by far is spiritual. Live your life in such a way that you are the best example of a child of God as you can be. Inspire your family to model their perspective in life and appreciation of God by your actions. Charge your house (which is what Hezekiah was literally told) to find their answers to life in God's words, to put their hope in God, to be grateful to God, to honor Jesus and live like He is their Teacher, and give them ample spiritual guidance so that when you are gone your impact for Christ in their life will be enough to prepare them and support them for whatever length of future God might allow (**Jms 1:13-15**).



## LADIES CRAFT FELLOWSHIP

Creta Bales is hosting a craft fellowship at her home this Friday, June 7th, from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. We are making wreaths with deco mesh & wire ribbon.

Please sign up on the Ladies Bulletin Board so she will know how much food to prepare.

**Please have your materials pre-cut.**

There are take-home supply sheets available next to the sign-up sheet.

## YOUTH DEVO + STREET TACOS

Join us June 9th, following evening worship, for a Youth Devotional & street tacos at the parsonage.

Please donate if you are able for the food.



## SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN'S HOME DRIVE



We are collecting the following items for Sunny Glen Children's Home through July 7th:  
Canned Soup, Breakfast Cereal, Sunny D, Apple, & Grape Juice, & cookies (Chocolate Chip, & Shortbread, etc.).  
These items may be placed in the foyer.

## June BIRTHDAYS

16 - JOYCE BROWN  
16 - GAIL MENDE  
19 - DELPHINE HOPKINS  
27 - PHIL MCINTOSH  
30 - DONNA HINES



## CHURCH COMMUNICATION:

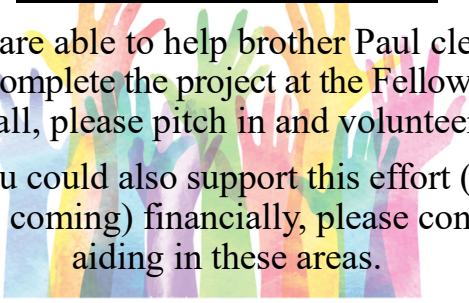
Please check your email for the Monday Morning Message.

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

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

If you are able to help brother Paul clean up and complete the project at the Fellowship Hall, please pitch in and volunteer.

If you could also support this effort (and others coming) financially, please consider aiding in these areas.



**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Sunday AM: “Take a Soil Sample”**

**Matthew 13:10-13**

*“<sup>10</sup> And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? <sup>11</sup> He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. <sup>12</sup> For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath. <sup>13</sup> Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.”*

**Sunday PM: “Uneducated Boldness”**

**Acts 4:8-12**

*“<sup>8</sup> Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, <sup>9</sup> If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; <sup>10</sup> Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. <sup>11</sup> This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. <sup>12</sup> Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”*

***ORDER OF SERVICE***

***SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024***

- ♦ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦ **1ST PRAYER:** ZACK PETTIES
- ♦ **SONG:** SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **SCRIPTURE READING:** BILLY GAITHER
- ♦ **SONG:** SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **SERMON:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **INVITATION SONG:** SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:**  
SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **COMMUNION:**  
JONATHAN SMITH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO
- ♦ **SONG:** SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **OFFERING:**  
JONATHAN SMITH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO
- ♦ **CLOSING SONG:** SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦ **CLOSING PRAYER:** LEE FISHER
- ♦ **AUDIO/VISUAL:**  
PATRICK SELLERS & JUELZ MCKENZIE
- ♦ **SECURITY:** ROGER DEEM, GARY FOSTER , & DIEGO CASTRO
- ♦ **NURSERY:** BRIANA & BRITTONI GRIFFITH

***June Nursery Schedule***

- 2-Briana & Brittini
- 5-Nichole & Victoria
- 16-Amanda & Natalie
- 23- Brenda & Josephine
- 30-Victoria & 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!*

***June Cleaning Calendar***

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
  - Please consult with your team leader for further questions.
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| 2-TEAM ROGER<br>Patrick<br>Brenda<br>Linda<br>Alexis | 16-TEAM<br>KINGSFORD<br>Kim-Marie<br>Jaden<br>Barbara<br>Gaylen<br>Nichole | 23-TEAM PHIL<br>Michelle<br>Beverly<br>Josephine<br>Lois<br>Marcella |
| 9-TEAM ZACK<br>Amanda<br>Diedre<br>Paul<br>Rubye     |  | 30-TEAM LEE<br>Natalie<br>Ken<br>Adam                                |

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

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

- Tim Matter is in Bogota, Columbia.
- Justina Young's husband, Terry, is deployed to Korea.

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

- Gaylen Williams' parents are recovering from a car accident last Thursday.
- Zack Petties' brother is recovering from neck surgery.
- Lex McIntosh is recovering from extensive jar surgery.
- Lois Brown is having cataract surgery sometime soon.
- Derrel Heginbotham is recovering in Room 108 of Rosewood.
- James Garner's diabetes has been causing him difficulty and his wife, Tammy, has a calcifying disk in her neck. James requests prayers for his wife to open her heart to the gospel.
- Millie Simcox has experienced difficulties after her recent TIA.
- Shirley Wooten is recovering from recent back surgery.
- Katelyn Bowles was having heart issues but is feeling better.

**SYMPATHY:** We wish to extend our sympathy and prayers to Amanda Petties and her family for the loss of her nephew, Lawrence Kelly White, on May 28th.

-Gaylen Williams requests prayers for a child named Zander and his brother (7 and 5 years old), who lost their mother in a car accident on May 28th.

-We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of former member, Jo Ann Kelly, who passed away last May 25th.

### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME

**BOUND:** Scott Davis; Julie Odum' brother & mother; Jonathan Smith's brother; Carolyn Williams' daughter (Kedrin Johnson); Emmanuel Pinewood's baby daughter (Daniella); Lee Fisher's brother (Jessie); Shirley Wooten's daughter (Amber); Gary & Shirl Foster; Hannah Fane's husband (Perlandis); Roger Deem; Jim Dukes; Ralph & Barbara Hughart; Yolanda Wright; Opal Jones; Beverly Williams' sister (Patsy); Yvonne Hardiman's husband (Ray); Justina Young's grandfather (Terry); Mary Lou Daines' son (Shawn), & niece (Deaniel); member in Georgia (Joyce Huff); Donna Hines' stepmother (Darla); Vicky Polanco's nephew (Christopher); Eddy Gandy; Barbara Anderson's grandson (Derrick), & brother (Elijah); Glenda Boudreaux, mother, & friend (Brenda Estrada); Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), aunt (Christy); Al Wilson & friend (Linda Ray); Gayle Wilson's friend (Sherry Canes); Jaden Seay; Amy Cole; James Garner & family; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law (Janeth & Neville Grey); Nada Miller; 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); 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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### ☪ JUNE CALENDAR ☪

- 2-Sunny Glen Children's Home Drive begins
- 7-Ladies Craft Fellowship at the home of Creta Bales, 6:00 - 9:00 pm
- 8-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, in the building
- 9-David Hamrick from World Bible Institute will give an update
- 9-Youth Devotional following evening worship, at the parsonage
- 19-Office Closed for Juneteenth
- 22-Family Bowling, 12:00 pm, at Hallmark Lanes
- 29-Men's Workday, 8:30 am, at the building