



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 WORSHIP 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM

Have It Your Way: Part 1

By Phil McIntosh

There has been a mentality seemingly crafted within us, perhaps unbeknownst to us, which manifests as a rallying cry of the modern American. This cry is a vociferous bellow that says, in essence, "I want what I want, when I want it, and how I want it." It is almost as if we feel *entitled* to such a feeling, as if we *deserve* such preferential treatment. The American obsession with individuality and personal autonomy has morphed into almost a cultic form of religion, marked by an absolute, dissoluble devotion to the freedom to make one's wishes dominate their current surroundings, allowing nothing to exist in their immediate consciousness or presence which they did not personally pick, place, or allow. God has delivered to mankind the ability and freedom to dictate personal direction in life; He has also warned us against chasing what we assume is important, especially at the expense of others around us or spiritual consequences (***Jer. 10:23; Eccl. 7:29; Pro. 14:12***). And yet, far too often, we still want what we want and think we know what's best. After all, we're free and intelligent beings, right?

One need not think too deeply about the spark that ignited the flame, for it could easily be stated that the "great dragon" (***Rev. 12:9***) who wants to deceive the world took advantage of our freedom to choose and slayed us. But, to what could we point as the tinder accelerating this fire of humanistic individualism? We could spread the blame around as far as the eye can see I suppose; from philosophy, the Renaissance, worldviews which became prominent during Rationalism, to perhaps even arrogance and elitism which rears its head as civilizations evolve intellectually and technologically. One recent impetus though that deserves at least some attention is popular culture. We hear about *subliminal advertising* but when does it actually work? More often than you'd assume. For a couple of examples, think about some American celebrities who thrust this idea into our consciousness (or sub consciousness): Frank Sinatra did it "my way" and Billy Joel said it was "my life" so stay out and leave me alone. Of all the modern examples (a relative term in light of how long ago Rationalism entered the world stage) which might invite us to think of how powerful and important we are as masters of our own universe, the old slogan from Burger King stands at the top of the heap. Oh, you probably know the first line, "Have it your way"; but did you know there was more to it than that? Read this full advertisement from Burger King, announced in 1974:

"Have it your way. You have the right to have what you want, exactly when you want it. Because on the menu of life, you are "Today's Special." And tomorrow's. And the day after that. And...well, you get the drift. Yes, that's right. We may be the King, but you my friend, are the almighty ruler."

Yes, I know it's just a burger advertisement. I realize it was a seemingly innocuous, effective marketing technique. And how was it effective- it is still recited and referred to even today, almost 40 years later. It's not that the freedom to make your burger how you want is in any way a negative; however, the mentality which undergirds the statement, the very idea that we are the "ruler" in our life can be such a potential danger. Such an attitude possesses the power to pervade our spiritual mentality, and has. What about the idea that you should "attend the church of your choice" and how pervasive that campaign has been? It has done precisely what the great deceiver intends for this world; it has created and advanced blindness. The apostle Paul as he wrote to the church of Corinth, said:

"But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, ⁴whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them."² **Corinthians 4:3-4**

If this mentality of humanistic individualism and self-determination is allowed to germinate and grow within the heart of man it will eventually produce rotten fruit which will only serve to create spiritual illness.

2022
Sweetheart
Banquet
February 13, 2022



THANK YOU! Thank you to those who prepared food for our recent banquet, thank you to the young men who waited tables, thank you to the men who helped set up or clean up, thank you to the couples who agreed to play in the game, and thank you to all of those who attended and came out to share in love and fun!



YOUTH ALL AGES ARE WELCOME **DEVOTIONAL**

Join us at the Youth Devotional tonight, at 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods. If you would like to host the Youth Devotional at your home, please see Phil McIntosh or Gaylen Williams.

FEBRUARY CLEANING CALENDAR

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

THANK YOU!

6-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Donna Josephine Yvonne	20-TEAM ZACK Zack Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby
13-TEAM LEE Lee Natalie Rufus Derek Ken Tim	27-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Roger Linda
	March 6-TEAM JAMES S. Kim-Marie Xavier Jaden Kingsford

- ORDER OF SERVICE**
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022:
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 - ◆ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** LEE FISHER
 - ◆ **SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **1ST PRAYER:** ROGER DEEM
 - ◆ **SCRIPTURE READING:** TIM MATTER
 - ◆ **SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **SERMON:** PHIL MCINTOSH
 - ◆ **INVITATION SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:**
GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **COMMUNION:**
REGGIE BASS & IVAN MCINTOSH
 - ◆ **SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **OFFERING:**
REGGIE BASS & IVAN MCINTOSH
 - ◆ **CLOSING SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
 - ◆ **CLOSING PRAYER:** ZACK PETTIES
 - ◆ **AUDIO/VISUAL:** PATRICK SELLERS
 - ◆ **SECURITY:** BRUCE BROWN & ROGER DEEM

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Scripture Reading
“Waiting for the Promise”
Revelation 21:1-4

“¹And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. ²And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. ⁴And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS: Michael Rogers is in ALC school in Georgia and his wife, Jessica, is in Kuwait.

-Tracy Wilson's son, Zane Wilson, is in Warrant Officer Cadet School in Ft. Rucker, Alabama.

-Derek Cole is training soldiers in Ohio until February 24th.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS AND LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS: Donna Hines' niece, April, has tested positive for Covid.

-Martha Chafin was able to return home last Monday and will receive home health care. She will likely be ready to welcome visitors in a couple weeks and thanks everyone again for their many prayers and support.

-Tracy Wilson is having a procedure on February 23rd and requests our prayers for a safe surgery and good results from the test.

-Meraiah Johnson's sister, Hannah, is scheduled for gallstone surgery on March 2nd.

-Josephine Spear is requesting prayers for her sister, Rose, as she is having many health difficulties.

-James Garner's stepson's wife was diagnosed with Stage 1 Lupus. James' wife, Tammy, may also need to have neck surgery.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND:

Amelia Lara, Scott Davis, Rodney Carter, Ollie Jones, Beverly Williams' aunt (Dorothy Sauls), Ken Sellers, Tim Matter's brother (Michael), Jim Dukes, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Josephine Spear's sister (Rose) & friend (Iris), Linda Deem's nephew, Tanja & Tiffany Arch, Julia Jones' cousin (Larry Sanford), Amanda Petties' brother (Anthony Allen) & sister (Jewel), Rufus Brown, Marcella Williams' brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford), Shirl Foster, Martha Bell's sister, Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmidt), Garnie & Nada Miller, Lois Brown, Cheryl Flores' brother-in-law (Raymond Flores), Charles Culver, Billye Hughes, Mary McAnally's son, & sister (Ann Ahrens), Esther Cox, Gladys Driver, Willard Dunn, Archie & Jessie Turner, and Linda Walts. Please keep these members & loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

SYMPATHY: Jean Basco's visitation and service will be February 23rd, starting at 8:00 am for the visitation, then 9:00 am for the service at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home, in Killeen. We are needing singers for congregational singing. Please keep her family in your prayers.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL: Join us at the Youth Devotional tonight, at 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods. If you would like to host the Youth Devotional at your home, please see Phil McIntosh or Gaylen Williams.

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed on Monday, February 21st, for Presidents' Day.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY: There will be a Men's breakfast and quarterly Bible study on Saturday, March 5th, beginning at 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall. Please make plans to attend, bring your Bibles, and sign up in the foyer with what you would like to bring.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: Join us for our next Fellowship Luncheon on Sunday, March 6th, following the morning service. Please bring casseroles, meat dishes, vegetables, and desserts. Kitchen group #2 will have kitchen duty (Judy Wall, Creta Bales, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Yvonne Hardiman, & Josephine Spear).

BLANKET DRIVE: We are collecting new blankets for the children in the McLane Children's Hospital through March 26th. If you would like to donate, please place them in the box in the foyer.

*Our Speaker Today Is
Phil McIntosh.*

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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 leave it in the pew 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—Thanks for being with us today, and please come again!

☞ FEBRUARY CALENDAR ☞

21-Presidents' Day: The office will be closed.

23-Jean Basco's visitation & service at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home, starting at 8:00 am.

23-Ladies' Bible Study at 10:30 am.

26-Ladies' Day at Youngsport Church of Christ, beginning at 9:30 am.

☞ MARCH CALENDAR ☞

2,9,16,23,30-Ladies' Bible study at 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall.

5-Men's breakfast & Bible study at 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall.

6-Fellowship luncheon following morning service.

26-Ladies' breakfast & workday at 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall.

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