



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

The Bible's Potential

By Phil McIntosh



The holy text you carry around with you, be it a digital or paper copy, is one of the best gifts the world has ever been given. It is a travesty that more people don't read it; the solutions to the problems that plague the world are recorded there for anyone to read and apply, if only they would. This holy text is *inspired* by God (**2 Tim. 3:16**), which means it was "God breathed." God literally transferred His communication to a variety of men who then penned, disseminated, and protected these holy words (**2 Pet. 1:20-21**). Therein is truth located. Therein is grace revealed. Therein is wisdom contained. Have you let it show you those things?

When one thinks about their Bible, perhaps many words might pass through their mind to describe it. Think of a few for a moment. Go ahead -literally- stop reading this and think about a few words you would use to describe the Bible...

Now, was *potential* one of them? Maybe. Maybe not. But the Bible is full of potential. It is replete with examples of potential ancient servants for God, potential victories, potential failures, potential Christians, potential wars, and potential rewards. I once heard someone say that potential meant you hadn't done it yet. Has anybody ever told you that "one day you'll make a good..." fill in the blank? It means you possess the desire and aptitude, but you have not yet realized the fullest iteration of that greater version of yourself. Merriam-Webster defines *potential* as "existing in possibility." How could the Bible, God's holy, perfect, complete, inspired communication with the world, ever be spoken of in terms of possibilities?

The lack of fulfillment of realized potential is not reliant on the Bible. If it was, everybody would be what God wants us to be. If we were to determine the actual responsibility for realization, the true force of the potential resulting in an effective and faithful Christian rests upon the individual. You choose whether you love God. You choose whether you are willing to "count the cost" (**Lk. 14:28**) and keep your hand on the plow (**Lk. 9:62**). But *potential* is still written about in the Bible, and about the Bible. One verse where such potential is discussed I've already listed for you in this article. After Paul told the young evangelist Timothy that the Bible was inspired by God, he then followed that with what the Bible was useful for, that it "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (**2 Tim. 3:16b-17**). Also, if you'd note in the verse just prior, Paul said that the "Holy Scriptures" were "able" to accomplish something. Go read what that is (**2 Tim. 3:15**). What did he mean? Is he not speaking of the *potential* of the Bible? God's word does not force you to listen to or obey it. God's word does not manipulate your mind and place itself in your heart. However, that takes nothing away from its ability. It forever retains the *potential* to change your life for eternity.

Now that we're all on the same page, metaphorically speaking, let me introduce to you the key to assisting the Bible achieve its potential in your life. Jesus made it

plain that there were two types of people who would listen to Him- those who listen and do, and those who listen and don't (*Matt. 7:24-27*). Jesus' words were just as *potent* to both groups. Jesus' words had the power (i.e., potential) to forever change the lives of those who heard them. However, on some the potential was wasted and fell to the floor short of their desire to effect change because the recipient did nothing with them. This is the picture that one of the Lord's brothers painted for us later in the New Testament. James (*1:21*) said that the "implanted word" "is able to save your souls." Watch how he follows that up:

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; ²⁴ for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. ²⁵ But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does."

James 1:22-25

Did you notice how verse 22 began? Remember, there are important words in the Bible that are large, and there are important words in the Bible that are small. This is one of those places where a little word has a hurricane's force of impact. James says, "but" *do* the word of God. Why does he write those words? Because the Holy Scriptures have the *potential* to save your soul, but it means nothing if you don't handle it, digest it, and live it. The word of God is powerful and effective for creating and educating Christians. Likewise, it has the potential to strengthen and challenge Christians of all levels of experience and urge them to hold themselves to the standard God revealed. The Bible has potential; will you let it change your life, or will you leave it unrealized and with outstretched arms?

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Join us today for our Youth Devotional at 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall. There will be a devotional and nachos!



Men's Bowling Fellowship

There will be a Men's Bowling Fellowship on Saturday, August 20th, at 12:00 pm, at the Hallmark Lanes Bowling Alley.

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS BIRTHDAY!

2-DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

5-JANET BASS

5-CARLA GAITHER

8-KINGSFORD ASARE

8-CHASE CULVER (10)

10-JIM DUKES

15-RUBY PORTLEY

18-LEX MCINTOSH

25-KEYSHAWN DAY (11)

29-JAMES GARNER

30-JULIE ODUM

HAPPY 18TH ANNIVERSARY
TO PHIL & MICHELLE MCINTOSH
ON AUGUST 7TH!

YOUTH LOCK - IN

Join the fun at our Youth Lock-In on Friday, October 7th, from 7:00 pm-7:00 am, in the fellowship hall. There will be lessons, singing, games, & junk food. Invite your friends! If any members would like to help chaperone, please see Gaylen or Phil for details.

August Nursery Schedule

7-Gayle & Josephine
14-Beverly & Victoria
21-Brenda & Nichole
28-Natalie & Amanda

Ladies-If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office. Thank you!

August Cleaning Calendar

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

31-TEAM PHIL
Michelle
Beverly
Josephine
Yvonne
Lois
Marcella
Suncha

14-TEAM ZACK
Zack
Amanda
Diedre
Paul
Ruby

Aug. 7-TEAM LEE
Lee
Natalie
Rufus
Derek
Ken
Tim

21-TEAM ROGER
Patrick
Brenda
Roger
Linda

28-TEAM JAMES S.
Kim-Marie
Xavier
Jaden
Kingsford



PICTURES: If you do not see your picture on the picture board, please see Zack Petties or Victoria Polanco to have one taken.

RECORD OF AUGUST 7, 2022

BIBLE CLASS _____ 47

ATTENDANCE: _____ 78

CONTRIBUTION: _____ \$4,551.93

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022

ATTENDANCE: _____ 35

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022:

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: REGGIE BASS
- ♦1ST PRAYER: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦SONG: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: KINGSFORD ASARE
- ♦SONG: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦COMMUNION:
GAYLEN WILLIAMS & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦SONG: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦OFFERING:
GAYLEN WILLIAMS & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: BILL RAWLINGS
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: BRUCE BROWN & ROGER DEEM
- ♦NURSERY:
BEVERLY WILLIAMS & VICTORIA POLANCO

SCRIPTURE READING

“The Last Mile”

Hebrews 3:14-19

- “¹⁴ For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;
- ¹⁵ While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.
- ¹⁶ For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses.
- ¹⁷ But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness?
- ¹⁸ And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?
- ¹⁹ So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.”

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & D.O.D. CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Jessica Rogers is currently deployed to Kuwait.
- Tracy Wilson's son, Zane is in the class portion of flight school.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Amanda Petties' niece, Moneisha Williams, was involved in car accident and has a broken pelvis, shoulder, and lower back. Her other niece, Carington, who is 10 years old, has been diagnosed with a tumor on her lungs.

-James Garner requested prayers for a man named Ken Oder and his son, who are dealing with the death of the young boy's mother.

-Jim Dukes is recovering in Encompass Health Rehab Hospital in Round Rock. He has improved some and may be released Monday.

-Former member, Connie Cruz, has stage 1 uterine cancer.

-Donna Hines' niece, April, finished her radiation treatments. She is in pain and will have to heal before her next surgery.

-Kevin Rhodes' wife, Tracy, is scheduled for open-heart surgery on September 2nd.

-Josephine Spear's sister in Detroit had a pacemaker put in and that sister's husband has cancer.

-James Wall had a monitor installed for A fib. Most of his speech and motor paralysis issues have resolved.

-Les & Donna Hines, Jim Dukes, and Josephine Spear's daughter have been dealing with Covid.

-Tanja Arch's aunt has end-stage lung cancer.

SYMPATHY: We wish to extend our sympathy and prayers to Paul and Rubye Portley on the loss of Rubye's mother, Jessie Beatrice Ragland Pipkins on Aug. 9th. Her Service was held on Saturday, in Marshall, Texas.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME-

BOUND: Tim Matter, Donna Hines, Bill Rawlings, Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), Gary & Shirl Foster, Rodney Carter's mother-in-law (Betty Martin), Joyce Brown's sister (Janet Simmons) & nephew (Jon-Jon Simmons), Willard Jack Dunn, David Hamrick, Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde), Temesha Lawal's mother (Cassandra Watson) & step-mother (Stephanie), Jim Dukes & his niece's husband, Martha Chafin, Tim Matter's brother (Michael), James Garner, Josephine Spear & her sister (Rose) & friend (Iris), Linda Deem's nephew, Tanja & Tiffany Arch, Julia Jones' cousin (Larry Sanford) & daughter (Judy Seales), Amanda Petties' brother (Anthony Allen) & sister (Jewel), Rufus Brown, Marcella Williams & her brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford), Martha Bell's sister, Julie Odum & her mother (Sharon Schmidt), Nada Miller, Lois Brown, Cheryl Flores' brother-in-law (Raymond Flores), Billye Hughes, Mary McAnally's sister (Ann Ahrens), Gladys Driver, Archie & Jessie Turner, and Linda Walts. Please keep these members & loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS: The workbooks for Quarter 3 are available in the foyer.

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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☞AUGUST CALENDAR☞

- 14-Youth Devotional, 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.
- 17-Singing Night
- 10, 17, 24, 31-Ladies' Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall.

☞SEPTEMBER CALENDAR☞

- 3-Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall.
- 4-Fellowship Luncheon following the morning service (Kitchen Group #3 will have kitchen duty: Carla Heginbotham, Janet Bass, Joyce Brown, Natalie Fisher, Beverly Williams, and Marcella Williams).
- 5-Office closed (Labor Day).
- 7, 14, 21, 28-Ladies' Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall.
- 10-Ladies' Breakfast & Workday at 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall.
- 11-Youth Devotional, 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.