



# 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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San Benito, TX*

### **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

## **If Jesus Came to Town**

By Phil McIntosh



I'm writing this week's article in the hotel that is attached to the Sevierville Convention Center. We've had a wonderful time in Tennessee, both in our family outings and the learning and fellowship at Polishing the Pulpit. Last night, while driving through town, multiple occupants of our vehicle noticed Jeeps- a lot of Jeeps. Granted, we have seen many Jeeps while we've been here, but I assumed most of them were being used to traverse the mountainous roads into and through the Great Smoky Mountain National Park (which is absolutely gorgeous by the way). I had assumed people wanted to take the top off their Jeep as to see the creation of God more easily. Perhaps that is true, but we found out there is more to it than that. Last night we saw Jeep after Jeep after Jeep and some of the people that were riding in them were taking folding camping chairs and sitting on the sidewalk by the side of the road. Some of these Jeeps had bright lights, some of them had body lifts, some of them had upgraded sound systems, and so on. Apparently, there is a national Jeep convention taking place here where they will, for all intents and purposes, invade and occupy the Pigeon Forge area. There are likely thousands of people who will make their way into town in the coming days. They will spend a great deal of money to travel here, stay here, eat here, and then, return home just as quickly as they came. There are some events that people will go to great lengths and expenditures of money to participate and experience.

Think about the insanity which ensues when a national political figure, a celebrity, or someone else of grand importance and popularity arrives in some town. Imagine the pomp and circumstance and the traffic when, for instance, the President of the United States flies into Dallas or Austin for an event. When President Barack Obama accepted the Democratic nomination for President in 2008, he did so at Mile High Stadium in Denver, Colorado in front of approximately 80,000 people. When he was inaugurated, there were an estimated 1.8 million people present at the National Mall! Perhaps you think people were divided as to how to react to President Obama; imagine the reception the most well-known figure in the history of mankind, Jesus, received. Jesus was loved by many- especially the poor, the lame, the maimed, and the sinful who knew they were sinful. Jesus was also hated. He was plotted against, blasphemed, received many slurs, and, ultimately, was assassinated by His detractors (though we knew He willingly laid down His life, allowing mankind to take His life from Him- *Jn. 10:17-18*).

When Jesus was present, He always had attention. Jesus had so much attention that one gospel account records He "could no longer openly enter the city" and that "they came to Him from every direction" (*Mk. 1:45*). There was times Jesus was overwhelmed by the sheer size of the crowds gathered to witness something He did or receive supernatural assistance from Him. One of those times so many people gathered around Him that He got into a boat and taught the crowd from the water (*Mk. 4:1*). The Bible does not tell us everything that Jesus did. John exclaimed that the world couldn't hold the books that could be written if they were to tally and articulate all that our Lord did while in human form (*Jn. 21:25*). We do know that Jesus had crowds around Him numbering *at least* 5,000 and 4,000 (*Mt. 14:21; Mk. 8:9*). Would you have been one of them? Would you have traveled across Galilee to see Jesus? Would you have followed Him for three days (*Mt. 15:32*)? How sad it is that people once traveled a great distance to see Jesus and today people won't drive across town to see Him.

The primary text for today's article speaks of a man who wanted to see Jesus. This

man was a Jew, so he had the oracles of God throughout his life (**Rom. 3:2**) but doesn't seem to be living them out (**Lk. 19:8**). This man had a desire to see Jesus, but he was prevented from doing so; not because of a lack of want, but for a lack of inches. You see, the man was named Zacchaeus and the Bible tells us this man was short. We don't know his exact height, but the text does tell us he was diminutive in stature (**Lk. 19:3**). Before we see the length to which he went to see Jesus, note what he did for a living. The Bible said Zacchaeus was a "chief tax collector" (**Lk. 19:2**). You might expect someone in his office to command respect; after all, he has authority to mandate people to part with their money as he demanded. He might not be liked, but he must be respected. The way the Bible illustrates this event was that this *wealthy* "chief tax collector" finds a tree and climbs it- like an adventurous and playful child! Who would act in such an almost inappropriate and embarrassing fashion? Somebody who wanted to see Jesus badly enough!

This past week at PTP I saw multiple people sitting on the floor to listen to certain lectures because the rooms were full, and the chairs were occupied. My wife was one of them. She sat on the floor in a lecture about Nero and put her phone on speaker so I could also listen to the lecture. The room was so full that many people peeked in and then had to turn around and go elsewhere. Why were multiple adults willing to be uncomfortable and "lower" themselves to sitting on the floor like childing in kindergarten? Because they were learning lessons from (or about or related to) the word of God. Look around you the next time you walk into the auditorium. How many open seats are there? How many people who should be sitting there aren't there? How many open places do we have for the starving and dying souls to sit in that are empty today and will be empty next Sunday too? Far too many (**Mt. 7:13**).

If Jesus came to Killeen would there be a parade? Would you lay down branches and clothing for Him? Would you make sure you got there early to get a seat? Would you clear your calendar and forsake literally everything else on your calendar that was happening to catch a glimpse of Him? Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus and guess what- he did. Jesus called him by name and even went to his house with him (**Lk. 19:5**). Jesus wants to live with everyone in

their dwelling (their heart and soul). How far are willing to go and what are we willing to give to see Jesus? If our answer isn't, "*All of it*" then we don't want Him badly enough. You don't to have to climb a tree to see Jesus today. You don't to chase Him down or travel with Him for multiple days to the point of exhaustion; you have merely to open the door of your heart that He knocks on whenever His word is preached, read, or opened. What will you do with Jesus?

## YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Join us for our Youth Devotional on Sunday, Sept. 11th, at 5:00 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods! If you would like to host a devotional, please contact Gaylen or Phil.

## 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.



Join us for our next P.E.P. Night on Friday, Sept. 16th, at 6:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.

**P.E.P. NIGHT**  
(Personal Evangelism & Pizza)

## Men's Bowling Fellowship

There will be a Men's Bowling Fellowship on Saturday, September 17th, at 12:00 pm, at the Hallmark Lanes Bowling Alley.

## Aug./Sept. Nursery Schedule

28-Natalie & Amanda      \*We need more ladies to  
 Sept. 4- Brenda & Victoria      help. If you would like  
 11-Gayle & Josephine      to be on the nursery list,  
 18-Beverly & Victoria      please contact the office.  
 25-Brenda & Nichole      Thank you!

### September Cleaning Calendar

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

Sep. 4-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Yvonne Lois Marcella	18-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby
11-TEAM LEE Natalie Derek Ken Tim	25-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda
	Oct. 2-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.

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY

6-SCOTT DAVIS  
 9-REGGIE BASS  
 14-CLAY CULVER  
 27-CRETA BALES  
 28-VICTORIA POLANCO

BIRTHDAY!

## ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022:

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦1ST PRAYER: DERREL HEGINBOTHAM
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: TIM MATTER
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦COMMUNION: ROGER DEEM & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦OFFERING: ROGER DEEM & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: KINGSFORD ASARE
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: BRUCE BROWN & ROGER DEEM
- ♦NURSERY: NATALIE FISHER & AMANDA PETTIES

### SCRIPTURE READING

“Ancient Words”  
 Isaiah 45:1-7

“45 Thus saith the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; <sup>2</sup> I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: <sup>3</sup> And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the Lord, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel. <sup>4</sup> For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me. <sup>5</sup> I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: <sup>6</sup> That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else. <sup>7</sup> I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the Lord do all these things.”

## 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.  
-Sara Rummel's son, Bryan Johns, is leaving for marine boot camp in mid-September.

**PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Amanda Petties' niece, Carrington, is 10 years old and has been diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma-stage 3. She will begin chemo immediately.

-Tim Matter's wife, Elda, may need a hysterectomy due to ovarian cysts. The doctors are monitoring her over the next few months.

-James Garner's wife, Tammy, will have surgery soon.

-Former member, Connie Cruz, was diagnosed with uterine cancer, and is recovering from surgery. She will know soon what treatment she will need.

-Phil McIntosh's mother, Cheryl McIntosh, has tested positive for Covid.

-The preacher from Colleyville church of Christ, Ross Haffner, has tested positive for Covid.

-Kevin Rhodes' wife, Tracy, is scheduled for open heart surgery on September 2nd. (Kevin Rhodes is the author of "How to Study the Bible," that we are studying for our Wednesday night Bible study.)

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND:**

Jim Dukes, Ken Sellers, Judy Wall's husband (James), 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' niece's husband, Martha Chafin, Tim Matter's brother (Michael), James Garner, Josephine Spear & her sisters (Rose & Patricia) & friend (Iris), Linda Deem's nephew, Tanja & Tiffany Arch & Tanja's aunt, Julia Jones' cousin (Larry Sanford) & daughter (Judy Seales), Amanda Petties' brother (Anthony Allen) & sister (Jewel) & her niece (Moneisha Williams), Rufus Brown, Marcella Williams & her brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford), Martha Bell's sister, Julie Odum's 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.

**SYMPATHY:** We wish to extend our sympathy and prayers to Billye Hughes and family on the loss of her brother, Charles Willis, who passed away on Aug. 3, at the age of 97.

**CHRISTIAN HOMES & FAMILY SERVICES CHANGE CAN DRIVE:** Our annual change can drive benefiting Christian Homes & Family Services is underway. The change cans are located in the foyer and the date to have all the cans returned by will be October 23rd.

**TEACHERS' QUARTERLY SIGN-UP SHEET:** The Bible class teachers' quarterly sign-up sheet is posted by the information board.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** There will be a men's breakfast on Saturday, September 3rd, at 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall. Please sign up in the foyer with what you would like to bring.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON:** Join us on Sunday, September 4th, following the morning service, for our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in the fellowship hall. Please bring meats, casseroles, side dishes, & desserts (Kitchen Group #3 will have kitchen duty: Carla Heginbotham, Janet Bass, Joyce Brown, Natalie Fisher, Beverly Williams, and Marcella Williams).

## *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☞**

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-Teachers' Meeting following the morning service.

4-Fellowship Luncheon following the morning service.

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.

11-Foster's Children's Home Drive will begin.

16-P.E.P. Night, 6:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.

17-Men's Bowling, 12:00 pm, at Hallmark Bowling Lanes.

21-Singing Practice, 6:00 pm, in the auditorium.