



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

"...Troubles and Trials Are O'er"

By Phil McIntosh



Music is amazing. The emotions that are conveyed or sparked by music range from happiness to love to sadness and any emotional waypoint in between on that wide spectrum of human feeling. Sometimes music can make us laugh and sometimes music can make us cry. That is especially true when the content of a song expertly matches the tone that is expressed by the musical instruments being played in the background. Maybe you can't get enough of the violin in a country song, the saxophone in a jazz song, or some other instrument that really *strikes a chord* with you (yes, pun intended, and I offer no apology for it). Music often allows us a way to express something that a mere conversation cannot.

Some of the best music is sans mechanics. It is acapella singing that is not accompanied by, and does not need to be accompanied by, instruments of any kind, save the human vocal cords God gave us. These songs, though lacking the sad guitar, the emotive piano, and the expressive drum, convey emotion like no other. Surely you have cried more than a few times during an acapella hymn. I cannot express what these songs mean, or the power with which they move you. It could be a hymn sung in a church service to praise the Lord, a song sung by a thousands of screaming sports fans, or some other type of acapella lyric. The sound of *only* human voices singing in unison and in company together is amazing. God's created musical instrument is unsurpassed. It is this type of song, in the realm of spiritual music, where more than a handful of tears have flowed in my lifetime. The song lyrics I'm about to list for you come from my mother's favorite song, so it will always hold a special place for me and always possess the power to pry open the tear ducts. The song is "Never Grow Old" and here are the lyrics I'd like to mention to you today, forming the basis of our article's focus:

"When our work here is done
And the life's crown is won
And our troubles and trials are o'er
All our sorrow will end
And our voices will blend
With the loved ones who've gone on before"

At some point in this life, our bodies will begin to break down. They weren't designed to live eternally. The oldest living person before the Great Flood lived to near-as-makes-no-difference a thousand years old. Following the Flood, the lifespan of man dramatically and quickly receded toward one hundred years instead. Today the average lifespan is under one hundred years old, and the deterioration of the body begins many years before that. Through the pen of Solomon, God instructed us about the future of the physical body. This tent (*2 Cor. 5:1-4*) houses our beings for a few number of years and then we move on to another place. In the Psalms we read of a lifespan being categorized as being seventy to eighty years (*Ps. 90:10*). The aforementioned text describing the process of the body's aging is eloquently and beautifully expressed in the last chapter of Ecclesiastes (*12:1-7*). If we are blessed to live long enough, inevitably

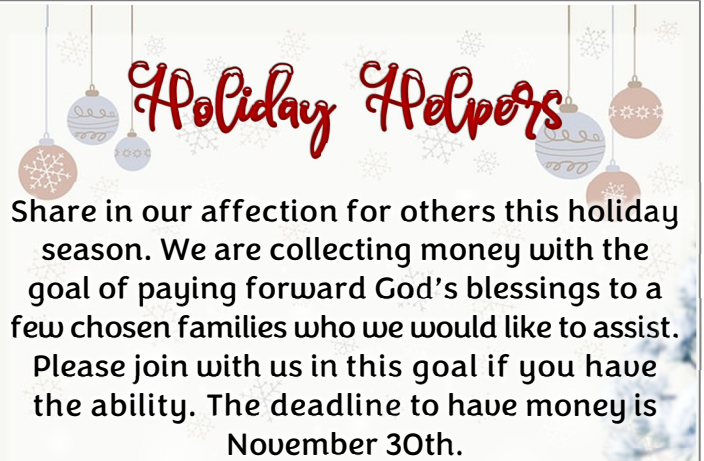
our bodies will fail us.

The failure of our bodies is evident when we see someone in pain. Recently I saw a man who is wearing the devastating effects of Parkinson's on his earthly frame. He has deteriorated to a point where walking is difficult, and the capabilities of once sure hands have all but vanished. My sons asked what happened to this gentleman and my wife and I told them about his disease. It is at such times we can take opportunities to teach our children about the brevity of life, the inevitable failure of our bodies, and the importance of living godly lives during this short time we have on this planet (*Jms. 4:14*). I was thinking, as I saw this old, bent Christian how that one day, because of the soul and heart he gave to the Lord, he will be given a body that won't fail him. He will be given a body that won't fight with him and cause him pain or frustration. He will be given a body that *is* designed to last for eternity.

"Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." -1 John 3:2

"Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed-⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." -1 Corinthians 15:51-53

So let us hope in the God of Heaven, the Lord Jesus, and the Holy Spirit who has delivered to us these promises, that, though our earthly bodies will fail us repeatedly, and one day permanently, we have a future waiting in the presence of God where pain and deterioration simply won't be allowed to even exist (*Rev. 21:4*). As the chorus of the song lyrics listed above says, we're going to a place where we *never grow old*.



Holiday Helpers

Share in our affection for others this holiday season. We are collecting money with the goal of paying forward God's blessings to a few chosen families who we would like to assist. Please join with us in this goal if you have the ability. The deadline to have money is November 30th.

If you have any questions, see Phil or Michelle McIntosh.



JOIN US!

P.E.P. NIGHT

(Personal Evangelism & Pizza)

Join us for our next P.E.P. Night, Friday, Nov. 18th, at 6:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.

Church Bowling

There will be a Church Bowling on Saturday, November 19th, 12:00 pm, at Hallmark Lanes Bowling Alley. (Everyone's invited)



Holiday Baskets

Please join us as we prepare holiday baskets on Saturday, December 10th, at 9:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to donate to this effort, please see Lee or Natalie Fisher.

Youth Devo
 Hosted by
Beverly Williams



Join us for fellowship & fun at our Youth Devotional today at 5:00 pm, at the home of Beverly Williams. More details & a sign up sheet are in the foyer. Our guest speaker will be Jonathan Moseley, from the Gabriel Oaks church of Christ, in Georgetown.

November Nursery Schedule

Oct. 30-Natalie & Amanda	*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!
6-Beverly & Josephine	
13- Victoria & Brenda	
20-Gayle & Amanda	
27-Nichole & Victoria	

November Cleaning Calendar

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

Oct. 30-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda	13-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Yvonne Lois Marcella	27-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby
6-TEAM JAMES Kim-Marie Xavier Jaden Kingsford Barbara	20-TEAM LEE Natalie Derek Ken Tim	

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



9-AMANDA PETTIES
 10-NICHOLE WILLIAMS
 22-SHIRL FOSTER
 22-JESSICA ROGERS
 25-JUDY WALL
 29-XAVIER SEAY
 30-GREG CULP

ORDER OF SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022:

- ANNOUNCEMENTS: GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- 1ST PRAYER: LEE FISHER
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SCRIPTURE READING: TIM MATTER
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- INVITATION SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: REGGIE BASS
- COMMUNION:
 KINGSFORD ASARE & ROGER DEEM
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- OFFERING:
 KINGSFORD ASARE & ROGER DEEM
- CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS
- CLOSING PRAYER: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- SECURITY: BRUCE BROWN & ROGER DEEM
- NURSERY:
 BRENDA SELLERS & VICTORIA POLANCO



SCRIPTURE READING

**“Lessons to Learn Now”
 Ecclesiastes 9:11-12**

*“¹¹ I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.
¹² For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.”*

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & D.O.D. CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS: Jessica Rogers is due to return from Kuwait soon.

-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 December 12th.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS: Lesa Crockett is recovering from knee replacement surgery last Monday.

-Michelle McIntosh had a biopsy on her thyroid last Monday.
-Adam Zak had blood tests last Monday and was informed he needed some dietary adjustments.

-Barbara Hughart has been experiencing pain in her neck that is also in her arm and was referred to physical therapy.

-Ken Sellers has an appointment with the gastroenterologist on Monday, and is scheduled to meet with a doctor on December 9th for his gallbladder problems and for a possible malignancy.

-Please remember three coworkers' families of Gaylen Williams. One of them recently lost their grandmother and father due to a fire, one has a brother who recently had an aneurism, and the other's husband is recovering from a heart valve replacement.

-Copperas Cove church of Christ minister, Tom Allen, fell and suffered a fractured hip. He is currently bedridden.

-Rodney Carter's aunt, Mary Segler, fell and suffered a fractured hip and had to have surgery.

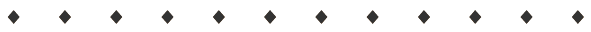
-Donna Hines' stepmother has macular degeneration and it has worsened.

-Josephine Spear's brother-in-law, Kent, is schedule for a bone marrow transplant.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND: James Garner's wife, (Tammy), Martha Bell's sister, Donna Hines' sister (Rhonda Miller) & niece (April Miller), Bill Rawlings' & his mother, Beverly Williams' sister-in-law (Cindy Fisher), Jim Dukes & his family, former members (Connie Cruz) (Bobbie Knight), Judy Wall's husband (James), Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), Gary & Shirly Foster, Joyce Brown's sister (Janet Simmons) & nephew (Jon -Jon Simmons), Willard Jack Dunn, Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde), Martha Chafin, Tim Matter's wife (Elda) & brother (Michael), Josephine Spear & her sisters (Rose & Patricia) & friend (Iris), Linda Deem's nephew, Tanja & Tiffany Arch & Tanja's aunt, Amanda Petties' sister (Jewel) & her nieces (Carrington & Moneisha Williams) & sister-in-law. Rufus Brown, Marcella Williams & her brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford), Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmidt), Nada Miller, Cheryl Flores' brother-in-law (Raymond Flores), Billye Hughes, Mary McAnally's sister (Ann Ahrens), Gladys Driver, Jessie Turner, and Linda Walts.

SYMPATHY: We wish to extend our sympathy to Yvonne Hardiman's husband, Ray, on the loss of his mother Wednesday. Please keep them in your prayers.

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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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 16, 30-Ladies' Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall. Please note there will not be a class on the 23rd.
- 13-Youth Devotional, 5:00 pm, at the home of Beverly Williams.
- 18-P.E.P. Night, 6:00 pm, in the fellowship hall.
- 19-Church Bowling, 12:00 pm, at Hallmark Lanes.
- 22-Midweek Singing Night (No Wednesday service).
- 20-26 Secretary will be on vacation.
- 23-25 Office will be closed for thanksgiving.
- *There will not be a singing class for the month of November.