



# 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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*Christian Homes &  
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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 WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

## WHY? The Need for the Sheep Keepers Program

Shepherds Notes by Lee Fisher



*"As we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith"*

*-Galatians 6:10.*

Sometimes in our walk with the Lord we struggle simply because we do not understand the adversity that comes into our lives. It is not that we are about to lose our faith or leave the Lord. It is because we are troubled about what is happening in our lives at that time. It is uncommon how at times like this, even the smallest troubles can cause so much stress. In Ecclesiastes 4:12 it says that *"Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. And a threefold cord is not quickly broken"*. If you live long enough, we all will experience such times of doubt or fear in our lives.

The need for Sheep Keepers is to remind us that God knows! God sees! God cares! When we become depressed and turn inward, instead of pulling back and magnifying our problems. Trust in the Lord and become active it is the best cure for our frustrations, in the book of Galatians we read *"As we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith"* (Gal. 6:10). Frustration comes from thinking that true happiness comes from living a life without stress. Remember the story in Luke Ch 12, when a man came to Jesus and was so troubled. Evidently his father had died, and his own brother refused to share the inheritance. Think about these words of Jesus: *"One's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses"* (Luke 12:15). Yet, when we think that "things" are so important, we lose sight of the spiritual treasures and joy found in the Lord. That's why connecting and spending time with our brothers and sisters in Christ is so important and not just on Sundays!

Sheep Keepers are also needed to help those who are overtaken in a fault. Paul wrote *"Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. For each one shall bear his own load"* (Galatians 6:1-5). We are to bear the burdens of the one who is overtaken in transgression, not only by correcting them but also by patiently encouraging them (1 Thess. 5:11, 14). Doing so requires much love for the one caught in transgression and for our brethren and fellow man in general, in the book of 1 John we read *"For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another"* (3:11). The one who limits their interaction with a brother or sister caught in transgression to nothing more than just providing correction or gossip, does not bring glory to God!!

*“And let us watch out for one another to provoke love and good works”* -Hebrews 10:24.

During the Holidays Sheep Keepers are in demand, sometimes getting together with members of the church seem to be a thing of the past and in some cases, it is the only enter action some members have with others. For those who have lost loved ones in years past both during and around the holiday season, this can most certainly be the most terrible time of the year, as memories of better times return to flood, haunt, and wreak havoc on the hearts and minds of those left behind. For all of those, whom, due to either lack of health, lack of finances, or lack of ability or opportunity, simply cannot return home for the holidays but desperately want and feel the need to, once again, it can be to them, the most lonely and miserable time of the year. We are, by far, the most significantly and infinitely blessed people on the planet. As such, we should not only be continually counting our blessings every other day and time of the year, but as God’s people we should also be making a special effort to seek to recognize, identify, and share our God-given blessings with our brothers and sisters and the family of God which takes care of its own as it says in the book of Hebrews *“And let us watch out for one another to provoke love and good works”* (10:24). We need to be looking for opportunities to lovingly give them the gift of our time, a listening ear, and a supportive spirit, as well as an encouraging and compassionate shoulder to cry on when called for – all in addition to trying to take care of whatever legitimate physical needs we possibly can. All this being said we cannot do this alone we need all members to make the Sheep Keepers program a success, please sign up!

In Christian Love Lee

## A Lesson From A Honey Bee!

By Mike Riley

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A man once set out a honeycomb to feed some bees that had a hive a short distance away. To start the process he captured one bee in a cup, placed it over the honeycomb, and waited until the bee discovered the treasure. When it was filled and satisfied, it flew directly to the hive. After a moment the bee returned with a dozen others. These in turn brought many more, until finally a swarm of bees covered the comb and soon had carried all the honey into the hive.

What a lesson for us as Christians! Are we telling others about the One we have found? Christ has committed to us the proclamation of the “good news” (Matthew 28:19-20; cf. 1 Thessalonians 2:4; Titus 1:3). Shall we who have found honey in the Rock — Christ Jesus — be less considerate of others than the bees are?

The four lepers who sat just outside the gate of Samaria, after they had found food in the tents of the Syrians who had fled in the night, passed on the good news. They said one to another, “We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news, and we remain silent .... Let us go and tell the king’s household” (2 Kings 7:9).

The child of God who knows the good tidings of the gospel, does not do right if he or she fails to pass it on to others (James 4:17).

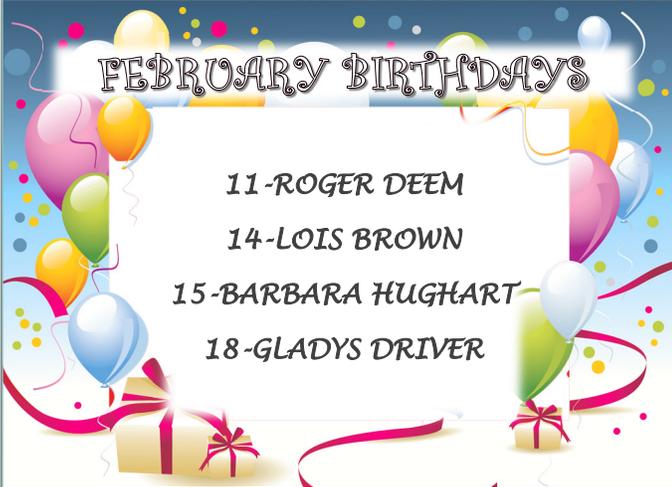
Let’s tell a hungry soul about about our Savior today!

**Souls that are precious,  
souls that are dying,  
While we rejoice our sins are forgiv’n;  
Did He not also die for these lost ones?  
Then let us point the way unto heav’n.  
Into our hands the gospel is given,  
Into our hands is given the light,  
Haste, let us carry God’s precious message,  
Guiding the erring back to the right. -T.S. Teddlie**

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# YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Join us today at 5 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods.



**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

11-ROGER DEEM  
 14-LOIS BROWN  
 15-BARBARA HUGHART  
 18-GLADYS DRIVER

## February Nursery Schedule

5-Victoria Polanco  
 12-Josephine Spear  
 19-Nichole Williams  
 26-Gayle Wilson  
 \*Substitute or Assist:  
 Victoria Polanco

\*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!

## February Cleaning Calendar

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

Jan. 29-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda	12-TEAM JAMES Kim-Marie Xavier Jaden Kingsford Barbara	26-TEAM LEE Natalie Derek Ken Tim
5-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Ruby	19-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Yvonne Lois Marcella	

## ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023:

- ANNOUNCEMENTS: LEE FISHER
- 1ST PRAYER: JAMES SEAY
- SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- SCRIPTURE READING: GRAYSON BOWLES
- SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: PAUL PORTLEY
- COMMUNION:  
 KINGSFORD ASARE & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- OFFERING:  
 KINGSFORD ASARE & GIANNI GRIFFITH
- CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- CLOSING PRAYER: ROGER DEEM
- AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- SECURITY: TIM MATTER & ROGER DEEM
- NURSERY: JOSEPHINE SPEAR

## SCRIPTURE READING

“Pillars of Calvinism”  
 Romans 8:28-30

*“<sup>28</sup> And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

*<sup>29</sup> For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.*

*<sup>30</sup> Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.”*

