



# 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*



www.kcofc.org

## VOLUME 31 NUMBER 48

DECEMBER 1, 2024

\*\*\*\*\*

### ***SHEPHERDS***

*Lee Fisher  
Zachary Petties*

\*\*\*\*\*

### ***DEACONS***

*Roger Deem  
Paul Portley  
Gaylen Williams*

\*\*\*\*\*

### ***PREACHER***

*Phil McIntosh*

\*\*\*\*\*

### ***TREASURER***

*Gaylen Williams*

\*\*\*\*\*

### ***MONTHLY SUPPORT:***

*Cherokee Home  
For Children  
Cherokee, TX*

*Christian Homes &  
Family Services  
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 AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

## He Refused Just One Beer



Several years ago I read an article written by Dan Jenkins that impressed me. It had to do with what some who call themselves Christians will do when put to the test, and also what one Christian refused to do, and it cost him his life. Please read the following and ask yourself, "Which of these would I be?"

- Following a recent Friday night football game many high school students were having a "victory party." The air was full of laughter; the victory had been sweet! Some Christians were present, and when offered a beer they did not refuse.
- A bill was before the state legislature. It would allow wine to be sold at a much cheaper price, by the removal of certain taxes upon it. Another bill was also presented that would allow billboard advertising of liquor. Christians, who were members of the legislature, were asked for their support. They did not refuse. In fact, they led the fight to get both passed.
- A Christian helped his neighbor with some yard work in the hot afternoon sun. They had known each other for a long time and had often fished and golfed together. When they went into the neighbor's house to cool off, the neighbor offered the Christian a cold beer. He did not refuse.
- A Christian businessman sat across the table from an important client. All was going well. The client offered him a drink and he knew that if he took it, the sale he had longed for would be clinched. He did not refuse.
- A report from Jim Petty, a preacher in South Africa arrived recently. It said, "One of the former graduates from Umtali Bible School, Douglas Dabangana, was killed by the terrorists where he was preaching in Southwest Rhodesia, the last part of June. A group of terrorists tried to force him to drink beer, but he refused, saying he was a Christian and couldn't. So they shot him right then, killing him."

One day, the Christian high school students, the Christian legislators, the Christian businessman, the Christian neighbor, and Douglas Dabangana will stand before Christ to give account for the deeds done in the body (2 Corinthians 5:10). Which of these would you want to be?

After reading the above, please give consideration to the following. If you were placed in the same or a similar situation, what would you do? Are there not times when we are prone to compromise rather than "offend" someone? Are we always willing to stand up for truth and right and let there be no doubt in anyone's mind where we stand on every issue? In fact, at times truth is not really important to some in the Lord's church. Are we willing to speak out, or do we just remain silent for fear that we will be embarrassed if our associates learn what we really believe and where we at least claim to stand? Please listen and heed these words of our Lord: "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels" (Mark 8:38). Yes, we live in an "adulterous and sinful generation," but can we afford to be ashamed of our Lord? Remember, we must be willing to confess Him before men if we expect Him to confess us before the Father (Matthew 10:32-33). We sing a song in which we say, "I'm not ashamed to own my Lord nor to defend His cause." We must really mean it.

—Virgil L. Hale

Hale, Virgil L., et al. "House to House Heart to Heart." *House to House Heart to Heart*, 30 Oct. 2024, [housetohouse.com/he-refused-just-one-beer/](http://housetohouse.com/he-refused-just-one-beer/).

## CONGRATULATIONS!

We wish to congratulate Kingsford Asare and his family on his recent promotion to 1st Lieutenant.  
Thank you for your service!



## Family Bowling Highlights

G.	4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Tot.
P	8	1	1	0	7	0	7	0	8	0	0	115
G	15	21	29	48	68	72	86	94	107	115		115
A	18	26	35	44	53	73	88	97	106	115		115
PATRICK											378	378
Team 18											10.59	m.p.h.

G.	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Tot.
P	6	0	1	7	0	8	8	8	7	6	8	105
G	6	24	36	46	48	58	74	82	87	105		105
A	16	25	44	53	75	83	126	146	158	166		166
PATRICK											491	491
Team 18											11.43	m.p.h.

G.	2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Tot.
P	18	26	35	54	67	76	78	86	92	101		101
G	1	0	1	6	9	1	6	9	1	6	9	179
A	29	49	60	68	97	117	135	144	164			164
ANDRE											454	454
Team 18											13.38	m.p.h.



## Ladies FELLOWSHIP

Join us for a Ladies Holiday Potluck & Ornament Exchange at the home of Creta Bales on Thursday, December 12th, at 6:00 pm. Please sign up on the ladies information board.

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - JESSIE TURNER
- 8 - NATALIE FISHER
- 10 - JUELZ MCKENZIE
- 12 - MARTHA BELL
- 14 - PAUL PORTLEY
- 17 - BRENDA SELLERS
- 18 - BRITTINI GRIFFITH
- 20 - BEVERLY WILLIAMS
- 20 - JOSEPHINE SPEAR
- 20 - ZACK PETTIES
- 24 - MONICA MCLEAN
- 25 - GAYLE WILSON
- 25 - ALEXIS GAITHER
- 28 - GAYLEN WILLIAMS

4 - VICTORIA & JAMES 32ND ANNIVERSARY

**SCRIPTURE READING****Sunday AM: "Be a Pure Presence"**  
**2 Corinthians 6:17-7:1**

*"<sup>17</sup> Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you."*

*<sup>18</sup> And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.*

*"<sup>1</sup> Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."*

**Sunday PM: "God Is Not Who They Think He Is"**  
**Romans 11:33-36**

*"<sup>33</sup> O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!*

*<sup>34</sup> For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?*

*<sup>35</sup> Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?*

*<sup>36</sup> For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen."*



## Holiday Baskets



Please join us as we prepare & distribute holiday baskets this Saturday, December 7th, at 9:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to donate to this effort, please see Lee or Natalie Fisher.

**December Nursery Schedule**

1-Nichole & Brenda  
8-Amanda & Natalie  
15-Victoria & Josephine  
22-Tracy & Gayle  
29-Briana & Brittini

*\*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!*

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024**

- ♦**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** LEE FISHER
- ♦**1ST PRAYER:** ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦**SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**SCRIPTURE READING:** GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦**SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**SERMON:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦**INVITATION SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:**  
GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**COMMUNION:**  
ROGER DEEM & SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦**SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**OFFERING:**  
ROGER DEEM & SEAN MALDONADO
- ♦**CLOSING SONG:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦**CLOSING PRAYER:** ZACK PETTIES
- ♦**AUDIO/VISUAL:**  
PATRICK SELLERS/JUELZ MCKENZIE
- ♦**SECURITY:**  
BILLY GAITHER & KINGSFORD ASARE
- ♦**NURSERY:**  
NICHOLE WILLIAMS & BRENDA SELLERS

**December Cleaning Calendar**

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

1-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Rubye	15-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Ivette Juelz	29-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda Alexis
8-TEAM KINGSFORD Kim-Marie Jaden Gaylen Nichole	22-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken Adam Nicole	



## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Tim Matter is in Bogota, Columbia.
- Diego Castro is at West Point.
- Zack Petties' son-in-law, Glenn Jr., is in Kuwait for a year.

### PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- One of our visitors, Quincy, tore a hamstring in a recent wrestling match.
- Johnnie Smith is scheduled for surgery to remove his brain tumor on December 17th.
- Carolyn Williams' son, Kenneth, is supposed to be transferred soon to a rehab center in Harker Heights.
- Michelle McIntosh's aunt's husband, Kent, has Stage 3 throat cancer and has not been given long to live. Please continue to pray for him to be open to the truth before it is too late and for his cancer.
- Ashley Dimmerling and family have traveled to Ohio and should return mid-December.

**'CONTINUED PRAYERS' LIST:** Ken Sellers, Diane Holubec; Scott Davis; Johnnie Smith; Jaden Seay's aunt; Nicole Tooley's mother; Barbara Hughart; Beverly Williams' aunt; Brad Jackson; Rubye Portley & sister; Lois Brown; Vicky Polanco's nephew; Adam Zak's friend's son; Martha Bell; Creta Bales' sister; Millie Simcox; Gaylen Williams's friend; Patsy Fisher; Eddy Gandy; Alexis Gaither's uncle; Kim-Marie Seay's sister; Brenda Sellers' coworker; Julie Odum's brother & mother; Carolyn Williams' daughter; Hannah Fane's father & husband; Mary Lou Daines' son, niece, & friend in Georgia; Barbara Anderson's grandson & brother; Glenda Boudreaux's mother & friend; Michelle McIntosh, aunt & husband, & cousin; Linda Ray; Judy Wall's husband; Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law; Nada Miller; the Arch family; Tim Matter's family; Josephine Spear's family & ex coworker's daughter; Cheryl Flores' aunt, father & brother-in-law; Tracy Wilson's mother; Linda Deem's nephew; Zack & Amanda Petties' family; & Jessie Turner.

**CHRISTIAN HOMES & FAMILY SERVICES CHANGE CAN DRIVE:** Our annual change can drive is has ended. Please return your cans as soon as possible.

**PLEASE HELP WITH JIM DUKES TO & FROM SERVICES:** If you can help with transportation, please sign up in the foyer on the week you are able to.

## *Our Speaker 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!*

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**ZACK PETTIES (elder):** zpetties@yahoo.com

**LEE FISHER (elder):** fisherfam79@gmail.com

**PHIL MCINTOSH (pulpit minister):**

kcofcpreacher@gmail.com

**Office:** 254-634-7373 or email us at: kcofc@hotmail.com

## ❧DECEMBER CALENDAR❧

4, 11, 18-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall

7-Holiday Baskets @ 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall

8-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall

12-Ladies Holiday Fellowship @ 6:00 pm, at the home of Creta Bales

19-Teen Gathering @ 7:00 pm, at the Williams'

24, 25-Office Closed for Christmas Eve, & Christmas Day

**YOUTH  
DEVOTIONAL**

Join us for our Youth Devotional Sunday, December 8th, 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring chili, round tortilla chips, and cookies.