

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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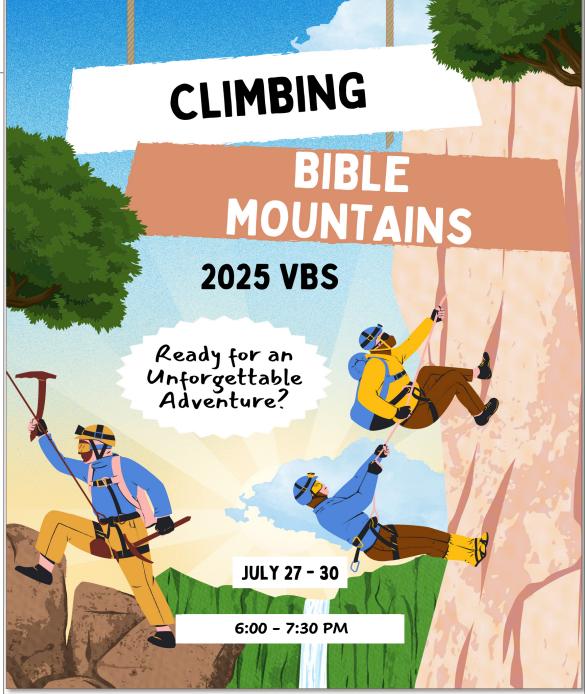
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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM



◆Sunday: Moses on Mount Sinai (Exodus 3-4; 19-20)

•Monday: Elijah on Mount Carmel (1 Kings 18)

◆Tuesday: Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36) ◆Wednesday: Jesus on Mount Calvary (Luke 23:33-47); Jesus on

the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:9-12)

Daily Schedule:

•6:00 - 6:15 pm: SINGING

•6:15 – 7:15 pm: LESSON & CRAFT •7:15 – 7:30 pm: REFRESHMENTS PAGE 2 VOLUME 32 NUMBER 29

Boundaries of God: Why They Matter

Shepherds Notes by Lee Fisher

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When people read the Old Testament, they see that God gave His people many specific rules. Some of these rules might seem strange, unnecessary, or too strict. For example, God told the Israelites not to plant different kinds of seeds in the same field and not to plow with an ox and a donkey together (Deuteronomy 22:9-11). The main idea behind these rules was separation— God wanted His people to be different from others and to follow His instructions exactly. In the Old Testament times, farming was a normal part of life. God's rules about seeds and animals were not just about farming; they were reminders for His people to stay separate and apart. The rules showed that they needed to obey Him in everything, even if they thought a rule did not apply to them or if they thought they could "handle it."

If some thought, "I know what I'm doing—this is not a big deal," they were missing the point. The real issue was obedience to God, not whether the person thought they could manage on their own. This idea of separation did not stop in the Old Testament. In the New Testament, Paul tells Christians, "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial (lawlessness, or utter wickedness)? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever?" (2 Corinthians 6:14-16). This is like the Old Testament rule about not yoking an ox and a donkey together. The answer to Paul's question is always: nothing! They don't fit together. Paul means that Christians should not form close bonds with people who do not share their faith.

People today might think, "This warning is not for me. I can handle it." But the Bible warns us not to fool ourselves. God made these boundaries out of love, to keep us safe and to help us stay close to Him.

Other New Testament verses teach the same lesson:

- •Being friends with the world makes you an enemy of God (James 4:4).
- •Bad company can ruin good habits (1 Corinthians 15:33).
- •Do not love the world or what is in it (1 John 2:15).

These verses remind us that, as God's people, we need to avoid things and relationships that pull us away from Him. The Bible often says, "Do not be deceived," which means do not let yourself be fooled. It is easy to think we are strong enough to ignore God's rules, but that usually leads to us getting in trouble. God's commands protect us and help us live as He wants.

Clearly, we cannot avoid everyone or live apart from the world. Scripture teaches that we should not live in isolation from others, but rather show kindness and build relationships, as reflected in passages such as Matthew 22:39, which instructs us to love our neighbors as ourselves. By these actions, we fulfill the calling to share the Gospel. However, we should not let close relationships change our values or beliefs. When a family member, friend, partner, or our marriage would pull us away from God or our faith, that is where we must draw the line.

God's rules about separation are there to help us, not to make life harder. When we make choices about our relationships, we should pick people who will help us stay faithful to God, not pull us away from Him. Even if the world thinks God's rules are strict, Christians should know they are there for a reason. Every boundary God sets helps us stay close to Him and live the best life possible. As the Bible says, "Come out from among them and be separate" (2 Corinthians 6:17). Brethren honor His boundaries so we can enjoy His blessings.

Bro. Lee Fisher

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "An Encounter With God" Exodus 3:1-3

" ¹ Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. ³ Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

not burn."

We are collecting school supplies through August 10th. Please place the items in the foyer.

1 - LETTY BURGOS
4 - LINDA DEEM
11 - LC RAMSEY
13 - DARLINE BRYANT
21 - SEAN MALDONADO
23 - MARCELLA WILLIAMS
24 - LEE FISHER

July Nursery Schedule

6/29-Evelyn & Victoria 6-Amanda & Natalie 13-Gayle & Tracy 20-Nichole & Josephine 27-Victoria & Brittni *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, JULY 27, 2025

• ANNOUNCEMENTS: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

•1ST PRAYER: KINGSFORD ASARE

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•SCRIPTURE READING: BILLY GAITHER

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH

•INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

PAUL PORTLEY

COMMUNION:

SEAN MALDONADO & QUINCY DANIELS

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•OFFERING:

SEAN MALDONADO & QUINCY DANIELS

• CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•CLOSING PRAYER: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY

•AUDIO/VISUAL:

PATRICK SELLERS & DEREK COLE

•SECURITY: ROGER DEEM, BRUCE BROWN,

& SCOTT DAVIS

•NURSERY:

Gavlen

Nichole

VICTORIA POLANCO & BRITTNI GRIFFITH

July Cleaning Calendar

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

27-TEAM ROGER

Patrick Brenda

Linda

Alexis

Sid

6/29-TEAM ZACK 13-TEAM PHIL
Amanda Michelle
Diedre Beverly
Paul Ivette
Rubye Juelz
Ashley
6-TEAM Madison
KINGSFORD
Kim-Marie 20-TEAM LEE

20-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken Adam Nicole

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NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Tim Matter is contracting in Saudi Arabia.
- -Zack Petties' son-in-law, Glenn Jr., is in Kuwait.
- -Tracy Wilson's son, Zane, is in the Middle East.
- -Madison Walter's husband, Lakeith, is deployed to the border.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Shirl Foster is scheduled to have an injection this Wednesday.
- -Dawn Ramsey had heart catheterization last week.
- -Ivette Saria's father is in the hospital with diabetes complications.
- -Adam Zak's eye procedure results showed no cancer.
- -Julie Odum's mother is recovering from surgery, and Julie is dealing with another MRSA infection.
- -Josephine Spear is recovering from Covid and is feeling better. She requests prayers for her nephew, Levorn Harbin in Tennessee who is having heart problems.
- -Briana Griffith left yesterday for her mission trip to Wales.
- -Yolanda Wright and Barbara Anderson are traveling.
- -Gianni Griffith requested prayers for a trip to Wyoming with his fiancé and family.

CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST: Eddie Gandy; Yvonne Hardiman's twin brother & sister; Lois & Rufus Brown; Judy Wall's husband; Quincy Daniels' mother; Rubye Portley; Jim Dukes; Glenda Boudreaux's mother; the Arch family; Zack Petties' father & Amanda Petties' family.



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH: Join us for our monthly fellowship lunch next Sunday, August 3rd, following morning worship. Please bring meats, casseroles, side dishes, & desserts (Kitchen Group #4 will have kitchen duties: Michelle McIntosh, Alexis Gaither, and the teen class).

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!

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CSJULY CALENDARCS

27-30 Vacation Bible School @ 6:00 pm

CSAUGUST CALENDARCS

- 2-Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 am in the fellowship hall 3-Fellowship Luncheon following morning worship in the fellowship hall
- 10-Sheep Keepers Leader meeting following morning worship in the front of the auditorium 9-Ladies Breakfast & Workday @ 9:30 am in the fellowship hall
- 10-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall
- 21-Youth Gathering @ 7:00 pm at the Williams' 24-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas 27-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am in the fellowship hall