



# 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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*Gaylen Williams*

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## ***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**

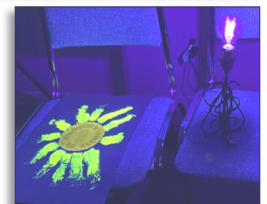
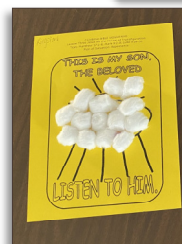
SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

## 2025 VBS - Climbing Bible Mountains





## THE STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN, PART 3, VIRTUE

By André Pettaway

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Jesus said in Matthew 28:20 (New King James Version), after we are baptized, we are to be taught to, "...observe all things..." that Jesus has commanded. Our teachings after baptism are from our elders, deacons, preacher, Bible class teachers, and the other mature brothers and sisters that are faithful members of the Church of Christ, Acts 2:42-47, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-42, 1 Timothy 5, 2 Peter 3:14-18, Hebrews 5:12-6:8.

It is still our individual responsibility to develop and grow in our relationship with Christ by reading and studying the Bible. As we read and study the bible, we must actively live those principles that the Bible teaches in our current Christian Age, 2 Timothy 2:15, 2 Timothy 3:12-17, Acts 17:10-12, Hebrews 10:19-39.

In 2 Peter 1:5-11, describes the next series of steps on the stairway to heaven. Looking at verse 5, we are to add to our faith after baptism, **virtue**. From the Stong's King James Version, this step of virtue is listed G703, comes from the Greek language with the transliteration: **arete**. Pronounced: **ar-et'-ay**. Arete' definition is properly *manliness (valor)* that is **excellence**. The word **virtue** is synonymous with the word **excellence**. Our lives in Christ must include **virtue/excellence**.

We should use the life of Joseph as an example of **virtue** in Genesis 37, 39-50. Although his older brothers were jealous haters who lied to deceive their father Jacob in believing that he was attacked by an animal and dead. After being sold and trafficked into slavery, falsely accused of assaulting a master's wife, and spending time in prison, God still made a way through these struggles for Joseph to flourish with **virtue/excellence**. With emphasis on Genesis 39:1-6, if we are faithful to God, through Christ He will protect us spiritually even when the haters attack us.

If we are faithful members of the Church of Christ which is defined as faithful Christians, Acts 11:25-26, the Lord will help us keep moving forward as the haters are hating. The Lord will still make a way for faithful Christians as unfaithful Christians, and the world around us lie, cheat, steal, use and abuse, Genesis 39:21-22.

God made a way for Joseph to be the only one around with the ability to interpret the dreams of the Pharaoh, king of Egypt. With the ability to accurately interpret Pharaoh's dreams, Joseph was

released from prison and become what would be equal to our current Vice-President. Due to his **virtue/excellence** in what today would be a good employee/servant for Captain Potiphar, refusing to commit sin with his wife, living as a model prisoner, and the accurate interpretation of the Pharaoh's dreams, God protected him through all the years of trauma in his life.

Joseph is described as having performed his duties responsibly for Captain Potiphar, declining involvement with Potiphar's wife, conducting himself as a model prisoner, and providing accurate interpretations of Pharaoh's dreams. According to the Bible, these actions contributed to his protection throughout periods of hardship in his life.

Through the difficulties, trauma, and evil, let us be examples of excellence/virtue in our homes, with our family, in our places of work, and especially with the missions of the Church of Christ according to the scriptures.

**We are committed to achieving the highest standards in evangelism, edification, and charitable service.**

**Virtue** with God's help will get us through the difficulties of life on this side of eternity. With this we will shine our lights before everyone that they may see our good works and glorify the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Virtue** is a higher step on the stairway to heaven after baptism and being added to the church by the Lord himself, Acts 2:47, 1 Peter 1:5.

With agape love, your brother in Christ, Andre' Pettaway

### SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We are collecting school supplies through

August 10th.

Please place the items in the foyer.

### August Nursery Schedule

3-Brenda & Natalie

10-Amanda & Brittnei

17-Gayle & Tracy

24-Evelyn & Josephine

31-Victoria & Nichole

\*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!

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Sunday AM: "God Can Use You Where You Are"**  
**1 Corinthians 7:21-24**

*"<sup>21</sup> Were you called while a slave? Do not be concerned about it; but if you can be made free, rather use it. <sup>22</sup> For he who is called in the Lord while a slave is the Lord's freedman. Likewise he who is called while free is Christ's slave. <sup>23</sup> You were bought at a price; do not become slaves of men. <sup>24</sup> Brethren, let each one remain with God in that state in which he was called."*

**Sunday PM: "Overview of God's Word: Ezekiel"**  
**Ezekiel 37:4-6**

*"<sup>4</sup> Again He said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!' <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord God to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the Lord." ' ' "*

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

5-JANET BASS  
 6-CARLA GAITHER  
 8-KINGSFORD ASARE  
 8-CHASE CULVER (12)  
 10-JIM DUKES  
 15-RUBY PORTLEY  
 15 - MELANIE MCCONAGHY  
 18-LEX MCINTOSH  
 20-MICHELLE PETTIES  
 21 - DIEGO CASTRO  
 23 - NOAH DIMMERLING (3)  
 25-KEYSHAWN DAY (14)  
 30-JULIE ODUM

**HAPPY 21ST ANNIVERSARY  
 TO PHIL & MICHELLE MCINTOSH  
 ON AUGUST 7TH!**

**HAPPY 38TH ANNIVERSARY  
 TO BRUCE & JOYCE BROWN  
 ON AUGUST 16TH!**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2025**

- ♦**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦**1ST PRAYER:** KINGSFORD ASARE
- ♦**SONG:** PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**SCRIPTURE READING:** AQUARIUS WILLIAMS
- ♦**SONG:** PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**SERMON:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦**INVITATION SONG:** PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:**  
PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**COMMUNION:**  
GAVIN ROWELL & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦**SONG:** PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**OFFERING:**  
GAVIN ROWELL & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦**CLOSING SONG:** PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦**CLOSING PRAYER:** ZACK PETTIES
- ♦**AUDIO/VISUAL:**  
PATRICK SELLERS & DEREK COLE
- ♦**SECURITY:** ROGER DEEM, BRUCE BROWN,  
& SCOTT DAVIS
- ♦**NURSERY:**  
BRENDA SELLERS & NATALIE FISHER

**August Cleaning Calendar**

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

3-TEAM ZACK  
 Amanda  
 Diedre  
 Paul  
 Ruby

10-TEAM  
 KINGSFORD  
 Kim-Marie  
 Gaylen  
 Nichole

17-TEAM PHIL  
 Michelle  
 Beverly  
 Ivette  
 Juelz  
 Ashley  
 Madison

24-TEAM LEE  
 Natalie  
 Ken  
 Adam  
 Nicole  
 LC

31-TEAM ROGER  
 Patrick  
 Brenda  
 Linda  
 Alexis  
 Sid

## 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:

- Scott Davis is recovering from wounds on his foot and leg and may be home for another four to six weeks.
- Shirl Foster received an injection last week.
- Josephine Spear's neighbor, Clinton Griffin who's 87, is recovering from a fall.
- Roger Boyd had a heart appointment last week to determine if he needs a medical procedure.
- Briana Griffith is on a mission trip to Wales.
- Gianni Griffith requested prayers for a trip to Wyoming with his fiancé and family.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST:** Julie Odum & mother; Ivette Saria's father; Dawn Ramsey; 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.

**YOUTH DEVOTIONAL:** Join us for a Youth Devotional Sunday, August 10th at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring food and drinks.

**YOUTH GATHERING:** There will be a youth gathering at the Williams' on Thursday, August 21st, at 7:00 pm. Please bring snacks & drinks.

**YOUTH SINGING AT ROSEWOOD:** Join us for a Youth Group Singing on Sunday, August 24th, from 3:00 - 3:45 pm, at Rosewood Villas.



**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** Join us for our monthly fellowship lunch today following morning worship. (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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## **✻AUGUST CALENDAR✻**

3-Fellowship Lunch following morning worship in the fellowship hall

9-Ladies Breakfast & Workday @ 9:30 am in the fellowship hall

10-Sheep Keepers leaders meeting following morning worship in the front of the auditorium  
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