



# 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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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

## **Are You Hard-Headed?**

By Phil McIntosh

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Words are fascinating. Certain word and phrases can change their meanings based on context, method of delivery, tone of voice, location of usage, and the era in which they are implemented. Certain phrases can even change based on dialectic vernacular as it relates to the differences throughout a nation (e.g. the word *pop* in Texas definitely does not mean the same as the carbonated soda that is intended when someone from the Midwest says it). Knowing the *context* then is integral to a proper experience of how language is intended to be received and understood. That being said, being "hard headed" is probably something many of us have been called, but for probably not a good reason. Some of us might have struggled in the past with wanting "our way" or being "stubborn"; we might have even been likened to a donkey. Being "hard headed" in common vernacular means (using Google's AI Overview): "to be unyielding and unwilling to change your ideas or opinions." Words like "obstinate" are often viewed as being synonymous with "hard headed."

Allow me to encourage you to be hard headed. That is, in the right way and for the right reason. There is a biblical hard-headedness that is invited and encouraged by the Bible. One cannot be "steadfast and immovable" (*1 Cor 15:58*) without being hard-headed. One cannot say "I shall not be moved" (*Psa 16:8; 62:6*) without embodying some element of hard-headedness. The Hebrew word used in *Psalms 62:6* literally means "totter, shake, slip." Imagine what we are saying when we claim that because God is our rock, we will not and cannot be made to totter or shake; we will stand firm in and for Him. The reason why we would not be shaken from our standing is that there is nowhere else possible to go to receive what God provides (*Jn 6:68*). No matter what comes (as the hymn "Anywhere is Home" says, "come what may") we are God's, and nobody can separate us from Him (*Rom 8:38-39*).

Did you know there is a section of Scripture where God actually said it was a good thing to be hard-headed? In this text, it is not actually the person who has made themselves such, but God has prepared and provided it for them, fitting them for the task at hand. One of God's ancient prophets, Ezekiel, was commissioned by God to be a mouthpiece for Him (that's essentially what a *prophet* is) to His rebellious people (*Ezek 2:3-4*). In chapter two God says that these people are "impudent and stubborn." To fulfill his call, Ezekiel likewise will need to be stubborn; he's going to need to be unyielding while wielding the words of God. Read with me:

"Then He said to me: 'Son of man, go to the house of Israel and speak with My words to them. <sup>5</sup>For you *are* not sent to a people of unfamiliar speech and of hard language, *but* to the house of Israel, <sup>6</sup>not to many people of unfamiliar speech and of hard language, whose words you cannot understand. Surely, had I sent you to

them, they would have listened to you. <sup>7</sup> But the house of Israel will not listen to you, because they will not listen to Me; for all the house of Israel *are* impudent and hard-hearted. <sup>8</sup> Behold, I have made your face strong against their faces, and your forehead strong against their foreheads. <sup>9</sup> Like adamant stone, harder than flint, I have made your forehead; do not be afraid of them, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they *are* a rebellious house.' ” **-Ezekiel 3:4-9**

Can you be as hard-headed as Ezekiel? The task of standing on the words of God and unflinchingly being faithful to them will not always be received well by our community. There are times when we might deliver a hard message to our brothers and sisters, to our families, to our neighbors, or to the general population of lost with whom we might be allowed by God to come into contact. There likely will be many an occasion in life where your strength to speak up and share the truth from God's word is tested. When that moment comes, will your forehead be “adamant stone” like Ezekiel's, or will you let the pressure of the world's judgment, insult, fear, and condescension erode your resolve and influence you to compromise or even opt to be silent? Be hard-headed (**Acts 4:20**).

## Ladies Drive for Children's Coats

**September 7th - October 14th**



We are collecting new or gently used children's coats of all sizes.

The items can be placed in the foyer. Thank you!



## FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY★

Invite your friends, families, co-workers, neighbors, and join us for our Friends & Family Day at the campground on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, following morning worship. Please bring meat dishes, casseroles, vegetables, and desserts.

- Fellowship Meal @ the Campground
- 2nd Worship Service After
- Games & Activities Following

 **Sunday**  
**5 October 2025**

 **12:30 PM to**  
**5:00 PM**

 **Nolanville**  
**Campground**



## Join Us For Our 2025 Ladies Day!

### "A Transformed Mind"

**With Our Guest Speaker: Carole Moore**

*"<sup>1</sup> Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. <sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." -Romans 12:1-2*

**Saturday, October 11, 2025**

**9:00 am - 1:30 pm**

**Registration begins at 8:00 am**

- Enjoy a light breakfast during registration until 8:45
- Lunch will be served following the lessons
- Childcare will be provided for ages one to five during the lessons
- Please call or email us for a headcount by Thursday, October 9th

**SCRIPTURE READING****Sunday AM: "How to Be a Successful Christian"****Psalm 119:9-11**

<sup>9</sup> *How can a young man cleanse his way?  
By taking heed according to Your word.*

<sup>10</sup> *With my whole heart I have sought You;  
Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments!*

<sup>11</sup> *Your word I have hidden in my heart,  
That I might not sin against You."*

**Sunday PM: "Overview of God's Word: Amos"****Amos 3:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> *If a trumpet is blown in a city, will not the  
people be afraid?*

*If there is calamity in a city, will not the Lord have  
done it?*

<sup>7</sup> *Surely the Lord God does nothing,  
Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the  
prophets.*

<sup>8</sup> *A lion has roared!  
Who will not fear?*

*The Lord God has spoken!  
Who can but prophesy?*

*I will pour out My Spirit in those days."*

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

1-CAROLYN WILLIAMS  
6-SCOTT DAVIS  
9-REGGIE BASS  
14-CLAY CULVER  
14-KENNETH SELLERS  
25-DAWN RAMSEY  
27-CRETA BALES  
28-VICTORIA POLANCO

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY  
TO BILLY & ALEXIS GAITHER ON  
SEPTEMBER 17TH!**

**September Nursery Schedule**

8/31-Victoria & Nichole  
7-Amanda & Natalie  
14-Brenda & Brittini  
21-Gayle & Tracy  
28-Evelyn & Josephine

**\*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, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025****•ANNOUNCEMENTS: JARED STEPP****•1ST PRAYER: LEE FISHER****•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS****•SCRIPTURE READING: AQUARIUS WILLIAMS****•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS****•SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH****•INVITATION SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS****•SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:**

GAYLEN WILLIAMS

**•COMMUNION:**

SEAN MALDONADO &amp; KEYSHAWN DAY

**•SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS****•OFFERING:**

SEAN MALDONADO &amp; KEYSHAWN DAY

**•CLOSING SONG: GAYLEN WILLIAMS****•CLOSING PRAYER: ZACK PETTIES****•AUDIO/VISUAL:**

PATRICK SELLERS &amp; KEYSHAWN DAY

**•SECURITY: ROGER DEEM & LC RAMSEY****•NURSERY:**

BRENDA SELLERS &amp; BRITTNI GRIFFITH

**September Cleaning Calendar**

•May be done any time before the next Sunday.

•Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

8/31-TEAM

ROGER  
Patrick  
Brenda  
Linda  
Alexis  
Sid

14-TEAM

KINGSFORD  
Kim-Marie  
Gaylen  
Nichole

28-TEAM LEE

Natalie  
Ken  
Adam  
Nicole  
LC

21-TEAM PHIL

Michelle  
Beverly  
Ivette  
Juelz  
Ashley  
Madison

7-TEAM ZACK

Amanda  
Diedre  
Paul  
Ruby

## 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 and now is expected to return in January.

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

- Jim Dukes has not been feeling well.
- Lois Brown was released from Rosewood last Friday and is now home.
- Amanda Petties' nephew, Climon Williams, is recovering and rehabilitating from additional surgery on his foot.
- Donna Hines is scheduled on September 24th for shots to help her back trouble.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST:** Adam Zak; Diane Boyd's friend; Lee Fisher's aunt and nephew; LC Ramsey's brother; Ivette Saria's father; Tiffany Verna; Shirl Foster; Scott Davis; Julie Odum & mother; Dawn Ramsey; Eddie Gandy; Yvonne Hardiman's twin brother & sister; Rufus Brown; Judy Wall's husband; Quincy Daniels' mother; Rubye Portley; Glenda Boudreaux's family; the Arch family; Zack Petties' father & Amanda Petties' family.

**LADIES SIGN-UP SHEETS:** Ladies, please check the Ladies Information Board for sign-up sheets for the Ladies Day on October 11th.

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

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

**YOUTH SINGING AT ROSEWOOD:** Join us for a Youth Group Singing on Sunday, September 28th, from 3:00 - 3:45 pm, at Rosewood Villas.

**LADS2 LEADERS:** L2L is underway! If you would like to participate in this great work, please see Gaylen Williams.

## *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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## ☞SEPTEMBER CALENDAR☞

- 14-Youth Devo @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall
- 17, 24-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am in the fellowship hall
- 21-Foster's Home for Children Pantry Drive begins
- 18-Youth Gathering @ 7:00 pm at the Williams'
- 28-Youth Singing @ Rosewood Villas @ 3:00 pm

## ☞OCTOBER CALENDAR☞

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am in the fellowship hall
- 1-Monthly Singing Night @ 6:30 pm
- 4-Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 am in the fellowship hall
- 5-Friends & Family Day @ 12:30 pm at the campground
- 11-Ladies Day @ 9:00 am
- 12-Youth Devo @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall
- 16-Youth Gathering @ 7:00 pm at the Williams'
- 26-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas