

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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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

From Milk to Maturity

Shepards Notes by Lee Fisher

Church, every believer begins their journey with obeying the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God — for repentance, ---for faith in Christ---for baptism---for forgiveness of Sins--- and the precious hope of eternal life. But the Word of God tells us clearly: we are NOT meant to stay at the start of our journey. We are called to grow, to mature, to grow deeper in faith toward God. (Hebrews 6:1)

Spiritual Maturity is in our love for one another, service, discernment, endurance, and our actions. However, this journey is not something that happens by accident. Hebrews 5:12–13 reminds us, "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles..." True maturity means take personal responsibility for our salvation! Proverbs 4:5: "Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth." Spiritual maturity is visible by readiness to receive challenging teachings and to apply them in our lives. If one hopes to stand before God justified in Judgment, then he or she would be wise to know what the word of God really says (John 12:48). Both regular private and group study are essential. Building from this, Hebrews 5:14 declares, "But solid food belongs to those who are of full age..." Often, issues such as faithfulness, marital struggles, our tongue, division, and pride expose areas where we still need to grow. Our growth is most evident in how we relate to others. Colossians 3:12–14 exhorts us, "Put on tender mercies... forgiving one another... above all these things put on love."

Knowledge alone does not indicate maturity; rather revealed through our actions. Faithfulness is a form of Worship Hebrews 10:25 — "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." Sporadic attendance weakens the body. When we show up, we strengthen others and ourselves. But having a faithful church family will not ensure spiritual growth if you neglect the regular worship assemblies of the body. Paul writes "Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord..." 1 Corinthians 15:58. Spiritual Growth -is not just encouraged, it is commanded, 2 Peter 3:18 instructs, "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." Maturity is not merely knowing Scripture; it is obeying it; for example: choosing to forgive when it is hard to, love when it is inconvenient, get involved, teach others the gospel and show up even when you do not feel like it!

To further illustrate these points, we may examine the life of Peter, a leader whose experiences demonstrate the change that comes with spiritual maturity. Peter's story begins with passion and sometimes impulsiveness. He often spoke without full understanding (Matthew 16:22–23), reacted rashly (John 18:10), and, despite his statement of loyalty, denied Jesus three times when overcome by fear (Luke 22:61–62). These moments of emotional reaction and self-confidence reveal his early immaturity. However, after the resurrection, Peter's journey took a new direction. He began leading with wisdom, humility, and courage, even in the face of persecution (Acts 4:19–20). Peter's Spiritual growth is evident in the way he speaks and lives out his faith: 2 Peter 1:5–8 (NKJV) — "But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control... For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." Peter did not merely advocate for maturity, he lived it, offering his life as an example for any believer seeking to move beyond the basics.

God's desire is for us is not just to remain first principal believers, but to become mature, fruitful disciples. Growth is not automatic, it is intentional, requiring us to move beyond the basics. Like Peter, let us answer God's call: to advance, to mature, and to deepen our faith in God—not just for our own benefit, but for God's glory and the good of all around us.--- Let us go on to maturity!—Brother Lee.

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Save the Dates for Our 2025 Gospel Meeting

Tell Me the Story of

JESUS

With Our Speaker: Carl McCann

November 2nd-5th, 2025

FOSTER'S HOME PANTRY DRIVE

We are collecting the following items for Foster's Home for Children through October 26th:

- Canned Chili
- Vienna Sausages
- Sloppy Joe Mix
- Baked Beans
- Pork and Beans
- Refried Beans
- Ranch Style Beans
- Pinto Beans

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

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 5th, 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

"1 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. ² 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: "Why Heaven?" 1 Corinthians 15:22-24

"22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. ²³ But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming. 24 Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power."

Sunday PM: "Overview of God's Word: Jonah" Jonah 1:1-3

"I Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before Me." 3 But Jonah arose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare, and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord."

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1-CAROLYN WILLIAMS 6-SCOTT DAVIS 9-REGGIE BASS 14-CLAY CULVER 14-KENNETH SELLERS 15-TRACY WILSON 25-DAWN RAMSEY 27-CRETA BALES 28-VICTORIA POLANCO

September Nursery Schedule

8/31-Victoria & Nichole 7-Amanda & Natalie 14-Brenda & Brittni

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 28, 2025

•ANNOUNCEMENTS: JARED STEPP

•1ST PRAYER: DAVID STARK

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

SCRIPTURE READING: ROGER BOYD

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH

•INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

.SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

PAUL PORTLEY

•COMMUNION:

ROGER DEEM & GAVIN ROWELL

•SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•OFFERING: ROGER DEEM & GAVIN ROWELL

•CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY

•CLOSING PRAYER: REGGIE BASS

•AUDIO/VISUAL:

PATRICK SELLERS & KEYSHAWN DAY

•SECURITY: ROGER DEEM, BILLY GAITHER,

& LC RAMSEY

NURSERY:

EVELYN ASARE & JOSEPHINE SPEAR

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 7-TEAM ZACK Beverly Amanda Ivette Diedre Juelz

Paul Ashley Rubye Madison

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 expected to return October 17th from deployment.
- -James Chism will be away in October & November for field exercises.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -The mother of Diane Boyd's nephew, Tim, passed away last Thursday, please keep the family in prayer.
- -Lois Brown was released from the hospital on Wednesday.
- -The Arch family are battling Covid.
- -Josephine Spear requested prayers for a newborn, Elijah Richardson and his mother, Tana. Elijah was born prematurely weighing only 2 pounds.

PLACED MEMBERSHIP: We want to welcome Ron and Serena Dinwiddie & David and Stacey Stark who placed membership with us last Sunday.

CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST: Rubye Portley; Jim Dukes; Adam Zak; 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; Glenda Boudreaux's family; the Arch family; Zack Petties' father & Amanda Petties' family.

YOUTH SINGING AT ROSEWOOD: Join us for a Youth Group Singing today from 3:00 - 3:45 pm, at Rosewood Villas.

LADS2LEADERS: There will be a meeting today at 4:00 pm in the auditorium, following the Youth Singing. For more information, please see Gaylen Williams.

TRANSPORTATION FOR JIM DUKES: We need more members who would be willing to help bring Jim Dukes to worship services. Please sign up in the foyer.

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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CSSEPTEMBER CALENDARCS

28-Youth Singing @ Rosewood Villas @ 3:00 pm 28-Lads2Leaders meeting @ 4:00 in the auditorium

CSOCTOBER CALENDARCS

- 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' 18-Kempner Church of Christ Event @ 10:00 am 26-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas