SHILDH Church of Christ



Why Am I Here?

Have you ever wondered why you ended up being a part of the Shiloh church of Christ? I imagine you can go back through the practical reasons behind the decisions that led you here. Maybe you have been here your whole life or maybe you have recently moved to the area and are new like the Grace family (we are excited to be here by the way!)... But I am really asking about a bigger picture.

1Corinthians 12:18 is an intriguing verse. Using the human body as an analogy for the local congregation, Paul said, "But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired." He says... God has put all parts of our body together in the way that he decided is best. He put ears, eyes, hands and feet in just the place that He wanted them on our bodies. In like manner, He put us, just where He wanted us. Why are we here? Because God wants us to be here.

When we come to grips with this aspect of God's providential care for His church, we learn quite a bit about how we should conduct ourselves in this congregation. We learn this especially in the context of the body analogy in **1**Corinthians **12**.

First, we should be happy to be here. Can you imagine an ear or an eye griping because they are part of the body? Of course not. They fit in the body and have their purpose and, by nature, are happy to fill their role. Just so, we in the congregation should recognize that God's wisdom is behind our presence here. We should be happy to trust him. If He wanted us here, then we ought to be here.

Second, if God wanted us here it is because we have a special role we can fulfill. Each part of the body has its own function. As Paul said, none of them should view themselves as any less a part of the body just because they do not do what some other part does. Just so, in the congregation we should all realize that we have a function to serve. Just because we do not do what another member can do, does not make us less important.

This brings us to our *third* and most important point. If God wanted us here because we could fill a special role, then we need to be doing our duty. What a hindrance to the human body when part of it shuts down. Talk to someone whose eyes have quit working, whose legs have become crippled or whose mind is no longer functioning. We view that as a tragedy in their life.

In the same way, it is a tragedy when a member of the congregation does not function. If we are here because God wants us here to accomplish some role, we need to accomplish it! How do we know what our role is? There is nothing fantastical or mystical about this. Rather, we simply do what we can do and God will use us to His glory.

We must make sure we are all doing what we can do and not hindering what God is trying to do through us. God has us here for a reason. He wants to use us to His glory in the kingdom. We simply have to get to work!

August 6th, 2023

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes Following

Afternoon Worship 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

All services are live streamed on

our Facebook and YouTube pages

Daily Bible Readers 48 Bible Class Lesson 44

<u>Isaiah's Call</u>

Our item for this effort

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Sunday, August 6, 2023 A.M. Lead Singing— Jared Hines Announcements— Teddy Richey Read— Stephen Phillips Opening Prayer— Hunter Jones Closing Prayer— Jonah Danley

Officiating Lord's Supper Ronnie Ray

Ushers and Security Bengie Hines, Steve Murks Brian Jones, JD Hines

PowerPoint for this week: Wes Ayers, Kurtis Aston

Sunday, August 6, 2023 P.M. Lead Singing— Jared Hines Announcements— Teddy Richey Opening Prayer— Danny Jenkins Closing Prayer— Alan Storie

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 Lead Singing— Keeton Hines Announcements— Teddy Richey Read— Bobby Roberson Opening Prayer— Jake Whitehead Extend Invitation— Tyson Behel Closing Prayer— Nicholas Grigsby Sunday, August 13, 2023 A.M. Lead Singing— Keeton Hines Announcements— Bengie Hines Read— Conner Bevis Opening Prayer— Teddy Richey Closing Prayer— Brian Smith

Officiating Lord's Supper R.C. Clemmons

Ushers and Security Doyle Behel, Jimmy Phillips Robbie Trousdale, Jason Bogus

PowerPoint for this week: Kirby Hines, Bobby Roberson

Sunday, August 13, 2023 P.M. Lead Singing— Jared Hines Announcements— Bengie Hines Opening Prayer— Alan Storie Closing Prayer— Stephen Phillips

Wednesday, August 16, 2023 Lead Singing— Keeton Hines Announcements— Bengie Hines Read— Jake Whitehead Opening Prayer— Ronnie Ray Extend Invitation— Ben Siegal Closing Prayer— Hunter Jones

Please Contact Mike DesRuisseaux at (256) 740-2720 if you are unable to fulfill your worship assignments!

SHILOH FAMILY MEMBERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Minerva Allen Ted & Beverly Short Clayburn Hines Derance & Phyllis Smith Jay & Brenda Stejskal Misty Ray Moses E.L. Richardson Leon & Shirley Hines Bill Canerday Janice Ray Janie Coker Copeland Marks Bob Gooch Terry Don Roberson Tim McClusky Danny Abernathy Delton & Carolyn Wallace

FRIENDS & FAMILY IN NEED OF PRAYERS

Billy Putman (friend of Johnnie Ruth Dixon–brain tumor) Lonna Hines Kruz & Paizlee Davenport Margaret Dishowngh (Janie Coker's sister) Megan Klingbell Steve Gist R.T. Farmer (Janice Ray's Father) Vergie McClanahan Evelyn Ray (Ronnie Ray's mother Virginia McDonald Sherry Terry Deb Rutland (cousin of Sheila Quillen) Jerry Coker Dennis Jenkins Charles Storie Ally Bond Venson Freemon Richard Stump (friend of Kathryn Scott) Johnny Thomas Kenneth Rogers Mandy Hemmen **Ricky Johnson** Lonnie Holden Danny Case **Ruby Baskins** Connie Wallace Josh Steele Mark Garner Leon Quillen Mary Ellen Moon (Jason Moon's mom-has cancer) **Tony Pritchett** Trish Coker Helen Davis Mitzie Robinson Bettye Larner Faye Chandler

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