

Eisenhower Church of Christ

What is Undenominational Christianity? (Part 1)

Undenominational Christianity is not interdenominational Christianity because it is not the intermingling with all religions. It is nondenominational in its context. Following are several characteristics of undenominational Christianity.

The acceptance of the Bible as God's inspired Word as an all sufficient guide in religion is basic to undenominational Christianity. Feelings cannot be a safe guide in religion because they are based on the whims of men, and the way that seems right to a man ends in death (Proverbs 14:12). Modern revelations are condemned in the Scriptures. We are not to add to nor take from the Scriptures as revealed in the Bible (Rev. 22:18-19; Gal. 1:8; 2 John 9). God speaks of His completed Word as the perfect and told us that when this was done then prophecies, knowledge, and tongues would be done away (I Cor. 13:8-10). The Scriptures furnish the man of God completely to every good work, since they furnish the doctrine he needs to accept, the reproof and correction he needs and the instruction in how to be righteous (2 Timothy 3:16-17). Undenominational Christians accept the Scriptures, obey the Gospel and mold their lives after these divine precepts.

Undenominational Christianity means that the church is patterned after the Bible. Christ is recognized as the builder (Matthew 16:18), as the foundation (I Corinthians 3:11) and as the head (Eph. 1:22-23). Christ's authority is recognized as the one through whom God speaks to us now (Heb. 1:1-3) and they do all things in the name of Christ (Col. 3:17). The worship is with the right attitude and according to the five divine avenues: singing (Eph. 5:19, praying (I Thess. 5:17-18), the apostles' doctrine (Acts 2:42), the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week (I Cor. 16:1-2). The local church when fully organized consists of members, elders and deacons (Phil. 1:1). Elders are the overseers and there is always to be a plurality in each local church (Acts 20:28; 14:23). Their duties are to feed the flock and watch after the souls (I Peter 5:1-3). Evangelists are to be under the elders and to preach the Word (2 Tim. 4:2-3). There is no human organization to tie congregations together and no monthly or yearly conferences to make rules. The only ties of congregations are that of love and common doctrine of the Scriptures.

Undenominational Christianity features the priesthood of believers. Each Christian is on the same plane and level of every other Christian. All have been baptized into Christ and have put on Christ. ***“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise”*** (Galatians 3:27-29). As such, ***“ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God; which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy”*** (I Peter 2:9-10).

Undenominational Christians are Christians only and they became such by hearing the Gospel (Mark 16:15; Rom. 10:17), believing on the Lord (Acts 16:31; 10:43); repenting of sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30) and being baptized to be saved or remitted of sins (Acts 2:38; Mk 16:16). As Christians, they are members of the Lord's church only because of the assurance of the Lord adding them to it when they were saved in obedience to the Gospel (Acts 2:47).

—Clifford Dixon
(Part 2 next week)

Prayer Request

Please keep **Bill Butler** in your daily prayers. He is scheduled for five radiation treatments and then will begin another round of Chemo treatments.

Glenna McCarty is scheduled to have three teeth pulled on Monday, April 8th. She has requested our prayers that all will go well and that she has a speedy recovery.

Eddie Chavez's brain cancer has returned. Ashley is requesting prayers for her dad that the treatments he receives will be effective in fighting the cancer.

Hattie Mae Gilmore is sick and unable to get out.

Betty Branson is also really sick and is confined to her home trying to recuperate.

Sylvia Campos has a macular hole in one eye. She is having it checked out.

Beth Ann Warren is out of the hospital but is still having sick spells. Keep her in your prayers.

Jenny Fuls (Nancy Easlon's sister) had her surgery postponed until her stomach virus is under control. They have rescheduled her surgery for March 21st.

Concerns Update

Carolyn Morrison's (Devida's sister) back surgery was rescheduled for Tuesday, March 19th. Prayers are requested for her that the surgery will go well.

Linda Tate's eye surgery on Thursday went well; she is home recuperating.

Crissy Arroyo (Devida's neighbor) received an up-to-date report on her cancer results from M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston. Her cancer is a stage 2 and has not spread to the lymph nodes or her liver as reported by the doctors here. She is very happy with the good news. Please keep her in your prayers.

Prayer List

Crissy Arroyo; Brian Basaldua; Dennis Betts; Harshad Bhavsar; Bill Brown; Brad Bundick; Bill Butler; LaDonna Chism; Jon Cooper; Dana Erwin; Densell Fambro; Jennie Fuls; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Wayne Gunn; Winford Hambright; Roberta Hamil; Letha Hooper; Jennifer Jones; Paul Ketchell; Ora McAfee; Glenna McCarty; Melissa Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Carolyn Morrison; José Padilla; Doc Phariss; Sharion Price; Bonnie Pursley; Laisha Ramirez; Jackie Rex; Paisleigh Grace Shepherd; Janelle Shirley; Charles Simmons; Velma Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; Robert Vargas; Beth Ann Warren; Lisa Wells; James & Janet Wesson; Sondie Williamson; Charles Wood; John Wood.

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Roberta Hamil; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley; and Lester Whisenant.

Remember to keep all of our sick, shut-ins, the bereaved, our military personnel and the spiritually weak in your daily prayers.

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

Methuselah lived longer than anyone else recorded in the Bible. Who came in second?

Last Week's Bible Quiz Answer...

Eutychus fell asleep due to the long nature of the discourse Paul was giving and fell from a windowsill out of the three-story building.

Events

Watch *"In Search of the Lord's Way"* every Sunday morning at 7:00 am on KWES TV 9, (New West 9)

Also, tune in to hear a message from the Brown Trail Church of Christ on the **"Speaking the Truth in Love"** program every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on ABC.

Singing Seminar

Myron Bruce will be here to conduct a **"Singing Seminar"** on April 6th (6-8 pm) and April 7th (9:30 am.-2:30 pm). Please plan to attend and learn more about how we can improve our singing in our worship unto the Lord.

Baby Shower

There will be a Baby Shower for Lindsey Wells at Bonnie Sorenson's home Saturday, March 30th from 2-4 pm. All ladies are invited.

Office News

The **"New Mexico Children's Home"** will be back the 1st week in June for a food pick up. No food items were given at this time. Monetary donations are also accepted.

Things You Cannot Do

You CANNOT live wrong and die right.

You CANNOT sow to the flesh and reap spiritual things

You CANNOT have fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness and have fellowship with God.

You CANNOT be a friend of the world and a friend of God at the same time.

You CANNOT do the devil's work and draw God's pay.

You CANNOT think wrong and live right.

—Bulletin Digest

March 17th, 2019

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer

A.M.

Allen Weakland
Jaxon Straw
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Tommy Garcia
Jacob Carson
Dan Igo

P.M.

Allen Weakland
Oliver Hernandez
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Larry May
Charles Wood
Doug Guynn

Lord's Supper

(Scripture Reading)
West...

Rudy Ochoa
Bill Ryan
Jackie Perkins
Tom Sorenson

George Warren
Communion
(In Library)

East

Scot Straw
Clint Titlow
David Ryan

Other Responsibilities: *Elder* : Allen Weakland 254-8209 *Deacon*; John Wood 413-7444 *Pulpit*; Bill Tolbert 381-5564 *Table*; George Warren 557-2171— *Song Leaders*: Larry May 638-3990 *Recording Sermons*; Craig Wesson 934-4633 *Collections*: Craig Wesson 934-4633

Sunday AM

“Nails of the Cross”
(John 20:24-29)

Sunday PM

“Advice to the Youth”
(Eccl 11:9-12:7)

Our Records

Bible Class... 62
Morning Worship...95
Evening Worship...62
Wednesday...78
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