

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Bare Season Is Here Again

The people of the world are known for wearing as little clothing as possible during bare season. Women and girls go into public places wearing shorts, the briefest of tops. Some assemble with the saints wearing short skirts and low cut blouses. Men and boys work in their yards or go to softball fields or the fitness center in brief shorts without even a shirt. Both genders go to beaches in attire that is only appropriate in the bedroom. There seems to be little thought given to modesty and the effect our dress can have on others, or on our positive Christian example.

Lust is a problem men must avoid, as Jesus taught. ***“But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”*** (Matthew 5:28) Women can help their brothers by being chaste, or pure, and dressing in a way that does not call attention to themselves, especially in gatherings of the saints (Titus 2:3-5; I Timothy 2:8-9).

Women also struggle with lust, now comprising the fastest growing group viewing porn on the internet. God instructed priests in his service to be sure to be properly clothed. He had Moses write, ***“Nor shall you go up by steps to My altar, that your nakedness may not be exposed”*** (Exodus 20:26). The covering of Aaron’s sons was to “reach from the waist to the thighs” and that was beneath robes that went from neck to toe (Exodus 28:42).

All Christians should strive to avoid causing their brothers and sisters to stumble (I Corinthians 8:9). None of us wants to cause a little one in Christ to be led astray (Matthew 18:6). The way we dress is a good indicator of our love for God and our fellow Christians. We need to be good examples in the way we live, like Timothy (I Timothy 4:12).

God’s children must dress at all times to be pleasing to their Father, even in bare season. Put on something that would not cause you to be embarrassed when you meet the Lord.

—Gary C. Hampton

Do Christians Ever Retire?

Retired or retreaded...Growing older has its benefits as well as its own special temptations. We look forward to retirement to do those special things, such as travel and enjoyable activities, which a job has kept from us.

There is a temptation to bring the same mindset into our service for our Lord. We become like the man in Luke 12:16-21 who had done well and decided to retire, take it easy and passively walk through the rest of life. Jesus called the man a “fool”. Many older Christians, it seems, have retired when actually perhaps, their need is really to be retreaded! They have said, “We’ve given our years in teaching and have served in different ways, now it’s time to let the younger ones serve.” It’s a noble gesture, but where does the Bible say we’ve reached our “quota” of service or our tenure of teaching?

Is there a retirement age in Christianity or does God just call us home? Did He not give us gifts to be used in His service and a life which we have consecrated to Him? Then we shall never retire! We shall never stop serving, nor stop teaching for God has placed us in His body where He wants us and we will be used in the act of His work 'until in death we do part!'

If we become tired, let us be retreaded. Let's put on new shoes, perhaps serving a new ministry or with a new spirit in an old familiar service.

Everyone is essential in the building up of the body in love.

—Mike Schroder
Tipton church of Christ

Placed Membership

We want to welcome Becky Jones into our assembly of the Lord's people who meet here. She placed her membership with us last Sunday evening, April 3rd. Becky comes to us from the Parkview Church of Christ. Again, welcome Becky.

Prayer Request

Maria Anaya has requested prayers for her brother, **Lorenzo Porras**, who is very sick at this time. Please keep him in your daily prayers.

Connie Phelps (a friend to Juli Marshall) has been placed under Hospice Care. She suffers from incurable cancer. Her husband, David, has just been diagnosed with liver failure and may not live to the end of the year. It's a probability that their daughters, Lexus (20) and Lacie (18) will lose both parents this year. Keep this family in your daily prayers.

Concerns Update

Linda Horton will be going to M.D. Anderson in Houston, April 25th for a consultation.

Harold Carrigan was able to go home from the hospital. He has been diagnosed with diabetes.

Sydni Sprecher (Wilene Wright's great niece) gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Nyah June (8 lbs. 3 oz.) by C-Section. The Sprecher's live in Lubbock, TX. Congratulations Sydni & Kenny.

Prayer List

Lee Roy Bell; Susan Bosse; Mack Bradford; Betty Branson; Bobbie Braun; Neva Carrigan; Steve Chavez; Dayton Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; Todd Drake; John Ford; Bill Gibbons; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Linda Horton; Bobby Hunt; Bryan Jernigan; Charles & Helen Jones; Susan Lee; Tracy Leeth; Connie Lowe; Jill McAfee; Elder McCarty; Anna McGlothlin; Patty Montgomery; Russ Montgomery; Juan & Estella Morolez; Julie Munoz; Laura Olivas; Connie Phelps; Earlene Poses; Elvia Ruckman; Montrella Ruffner; Andrew Schwarz; Christa Bella Sellers; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; James Singleterry; Bob Spurlin; Lisa Wells; Ann Wilson; Toya Zambelli

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Neva Carrigan; Roberta Hamil; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Maxine Newton; Janelle Shirley; Wilma Squire 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.

Events

Jean Grenier (**Missionary from Canada**) will be here Wednesday evening, April 13th, to present an update on the work there.

Rudy and Emma Ochoa are hosting a **“Family Devotional”** Friday, April 29th at 6:30 at their home.

“Strengthening the Family” Group #2 will meet for their luncheon today following our morning service. All visitors are invited.

Group #1 of “Strengthening the Family” will have their meeting following our services this evening.

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Bible Quiz Question...

What food did the ravens bring to feed Elijah?

Last Week’s Bible Quiz answer...

John wrote that “the world...could not contain the books written on Jesus’s other deeds”.

FYI

Watch **“In Search of the Lord’s Way”** every Sunday morning at 6:30 am on KOSA, channel 7.

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.

Graduation Shower...

Natalynn Wood will be graduating from Permian High School this year. A graduation party/shower is planned for her on Sunday, April 24th 2:00-4:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Office News

There will be a monthly **“Nursery Duty”** list posted on the bulletin board each month. Check it to see if you have been assigned to help in the nursery (Sunday mornings only). Also check the church’s Facebook page. Reminder cards will still be going out. Please check it regularly to see when it’s your turn.

The **“New Mexico Children’s Home”** will be back in Odessa Tuesday, May 31st, 2016 for a food pick up. They are requesting **Real Mayonnaise**. Also, coin cans are on the table in the east foyer to use for money donations.

April 10, 2016

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer
Lord's Supper
West...

A.M.

Larry May
John Carroll
Allen Weakland
Larry May
Tony Marrs
Bill Brown
Tom Sorenson

Craig Wesson
Jr. Munoz
Don Easlon

P.M.

Larry May
Cody Wesson
Allen Weakland
Larry May
Richard Siler
Scot Straw
Jr. Munoz

John Wood
Communion
(In Library)

East... George Warren
Dylan Straw
Jacob Carson

Other Responsibilities: *Elder* : Larry May 638-3990; *Deacon*: Josh Wells 770-6753; *Pulpit*: Tom Sorenson 631-2518;
Table: John Wood 415-7444; *Song Leaders*: Denny Wilson 325-340-2291; *Recording Duties*: Chris Butler 362-7486;
Collections: Chris Butler 362-7486

Sunday AM

"A Form of Religion"
(1 Samuel 4:1-11)

Sunday PM

"When Our Net Worth is Worthless"
(James 5:1-6)

Our Records

Bible Class... 73
Morning Worship...131
Evening Worship...67
Wednesday...88
Contribution...\$4,066.12

