

# Eisenhower Church of Christ

## Thanks Mom!

“The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world.” So goes the well-known proverb. It is a truth that is so powerful that it has become self-evident. The influence of mothers cannot be overstated, it is so important. Conversely, the neglect of that influence is so powerful that it cannot go unchallenged.

We live in a world where certain basic values have been eroded by the influence of sceptics whose godless ways have made a mockery of motherhood and all it was intended by God to be. Very often today the “hand that rocks the cradle” is a stranger, the paid hireling at the day care center. Many children spend more time with these care givers than they do with their parents. This ought not to be so.

Children are a gift from the Lord. They are a sacred trust. They are precious souls who are entrusted to parents for spiritual as well as physical nurturing. When we bring a child into the world we begin a life that will exist throughout eternity. The eternal destiny of that soul is largely the responsibility of the parents. The wise man said, “*Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it.*” (Proverbs 22:6). It is our God-given duty to bring up our children in the “*discipline and instruction of the Lord*” (Ephesians 6:4).

No one is better at this than Mothers. This does not excuse fathers from their required participation in this responsibility, but it is the mother who has special power to accomplish God’s purpose in this regard. The scriptures are full of the examples of godly mothers who molded their offspring for God’s use. From Jochebed, the mother Moses, to Hannah, the mother of Samuel, to Eunice, the mother of Timothy we see the influence of the hand that rocks the cradle. We see this influence even in those cases in which the father was not as involved in the process as he should have been.

There are many in the family of God who are there in large measure because of the influence of their mothers. I am one. My mother made certain that I learned to love the Lord. She did so even though my father was not a Christian until I was in my teens. She taught me the importance of being in the assembly on the Lord’s Day. She taught me that obedience to the Lord was the most important choice I would ever make. She formed in me the basic attitudes toward God and his word that have sustained me to this point in my life. She did this in spite of her own struggles as a Christian. She was not perfect, but she was (and is still today) a child of God.

It is not enough to give life to a child. Our society is overrun with children who have been abandoned by their mothers. It is not enough to nurture a child physically. All around us are well-fed children who are morally bankrupt, or well on the way to it. We need mothers who will do whatever it takes to nurture the soul as well as the body. We need mothers who have more concern for their children’s souls than for

material possessions. Those who act on this concern will receive a great reward. It is a challenge to be a godly mother. To all those mothers who are meeting this challenge we honor you today. “Thanks Mom!”

—Fred Dominguez

### **Prayer Requests**

**Glenna McCarty** was able to have her knee replacement surgery at Medical Center Hospital Wednesday morning, May 6th.

**Hattie Mae Gilmore** underwent ear surgery Tuesday, May 5th at the Wheatley Building. The doctors removed a small tumor from her ear. The surgery went well.

**Loy Mitchell** is in a hospital in Lubbock, TX and has been put under Hospice Care. Please keep him in your prayers.

Bill and Vickie Ryan’s daughter, **Andrea Berry**, was diagnosed as having an infection in her intestines. They are checking for E-Coli. Andrea was put on high powered medicine and has improved slightly. She was scheduled to see a gastroenterologist on Thursday, May 7th.

The family of **Patty Montgomery** is requesting prayers for her. Patty did not receive a good report from her last tests regarding her cancer. Patty lives in Bainbridge, OH and was Devida’s sister-in-law.

### **Concerns Update**

**LaDonna Chism** underwent a lot of tests in Colorado regarding her breathing problems. She was diagnosed with severe asthma, a dysfunctional vocal cord along with other complications. LaDonna is home now. Please keep her in your prayers.

### **Prayer List**

Elaine Armentrout; Cody & Kala Ausbrook; Petra Baca; Paxton Basaldua; Lee Roy Bell; Susan Bosse; Charles Browning; Jane Burroughs; Neva Carrigan; Don & Hazel Cavanaugh; LaDonna Chism; Amber Couch; Iola Cunningham; Ruby Davis; Dayton Dennard; Jewell Bettes-Dennard; Doug Dowell; Brian Drake; James Drake; Jake & Summer Finley; John Ford; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Linda Horton; Bobby Hunt; Lon Howard; Susan Lee; Connie Lowe; Juli Marshall; Shannon McAfee; Elder & Glenna McCarty; Loy Mitchell; Yamile Moreno; Juan & Estella Morolez; Judy Phillips; Evan Rector; Elvia Ruckman; Carmen Settle; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; Nancy Slife; Marilyn Upshaw; Teresa Vires; Bré elle Watts; Lisa Wells; Timmy Joe Wright; Wilene Wright; Toya Zambelli

### **Shut-Ins & Nursing Homes**

Mildred Bell; Roberta Hamil; Jean Hambright; Janice Laminack; Kathy Marshall, Caleista Millican; Janelle Shirley, Wilma Squire; 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...**

Which disciple did Jesus ask to look after his mother when he died?

#### **Last Week’s Bible Quiz answer...**

Haman (in the story of Esther) built gallows “50 cubits high” and ended up being put to death on it.

## FYI

Denny Wilson is hosting a weekly radio program called “**Christian Take Aim**” at 6:30 pm Tuesdays; [www.thegospelradionetwork.org](http://www.thegospelradionetwork.org). Feel free to please pick up a business card on the youth table in the foyer.

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

### Upcoming Wednesday Night

#### Devotional Speakers

May 13th—Rudy Ochoa  
May 20th—Jacob Carson  
May 27th

#### Song Leaders

Dex Dennard  
Trinidad Wood  
Congregational “Night of Praise”

## Office News

### *Wedding Announcement...*

Craig Wesson and Kallie Culp will be united in Holy Matrimony Saturday, May 16th at 6:30 p.m. at “The Willows”.

“**Strengthening the Family**” Group #2 will pick up their card assignments in the church library today (Sunday, May 10th) following the service.

Our “**2015 Summer Series**” is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3rd – August 26th – Time is 7:00 p.m. The theme for this year is entitled “Abundance in Christ”. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors.

### Thought to Remember...

What if the Lord made us as poor as our giving shows?

### *On the Lighter Side*

*A small boy is sent to bed by his father.*

*Five minutes later... “Da-ad...”*

*“What?”*

*“I’m thirsty. Can you bring a drink of water?”*

*“No, you had your chance; lights out.”*

*Five minutes later: “Da-aaaad...”*

*“WHAT?”*

*“I’m THIRSTY. Can I have a drink of water?”*

*“I told you NO!” If you ask again, I ‘ll have to spank you!”*

*Five minutes later.... “Daaa-aaad...”*

*“WHAT?”*

*“When you come in to spank me, can you bring a drink of water?”*

#### **May 10th, 2015**

Announcements  
Song Leader  
Sermon  
Opening Prayer  
Scripture  
Second Prayer  
Closing Prayer

#### **A.M.**

Allen Weakland  
Denny Wilson  
Allen Weakland  
Allen Weakland  
Dex Dennard  
Charles Wood  
Bill Tolbert

#### **P.M.**

Allen Weakland  
Craig Wesson  
Allen Weakland  
Allen Weakland  
Josh Weakland  
Clint Titlow  
Ed Fisher

## Lord's Supper

West...	Bill Ryan Larry May Josh Weakland	Richard Siler Communion (In Library)
East...	Craig Wesson Ed Fisher Clint Titlow	

**Other Responsibilities:** *Elder* Allen Weakland 362-1403 *Deacon:* Jr. Munoz 363-1309 *Pulpit:* Chris Butler 362-7486 *Table:* Richard Siler 362-1392 *Song Leaders:* Denny Wilson 325-340-2291 *Recording Duties:* Josh Wells 770-6753 *Contributions:* Josh Wells 770-6753

### **Sunday AM”**

“A Great Woman”  
(II Kings 4:8)

### **Sunday PM**

“Source of True Defilement”  
(Mark 7:14-23)

### **Our Records**

*Bible Class...*72  
*Morning Worship...*125  
*Evening Worship...*NA  
*Wednesday...*86  
*Contribution...*\$4,277.00

