

# Eisenhower Church of Christ

## ”Denominationalism or Christianity?”

The Christian’s allegiance is first to God (Matthew 6:33). Neither church of man nor creed of man shall prevail. Any who say otherwise lie and lead men to everlasting punishment. That they may be happy in their disobedience makes no difference in eternity. That they have found “a church” in which they feel comfortable has no bearing on its being right or wrong.

Having left the bonds of denominationalism many years ago, I have no desire to return, nor do I have doubt. Denominationalism is from Satan. Those who continue in the sin of denominationalism shall be lost. Of that, there is no question. That point may be debated, but not refuted. Only those who faithfully follow the Savior are, by God’s grace and their obedient faith, saved; thus, added to His church (Acts 2:47). None else! ...Were I to waiver on this point, I should neither be the servant of Christ (Galatians 1:6-10), nor a friend of man (Galatians 4:16).

Foolish brethren, false in their teaching and weak in their faith have begun to try to fashion the Lord’s precious body into “just another denomination.” They charge those who resist as being “hung up on tradition” and a “1940’s theology.” They speak of “transition” and “cultural changes” and echo the error of denominational theologians as though they were inspired and the Bible not! It matters not how “educated” a man may be if he is ignorant of God’s Word or if he handles it dishonestly.

Why fear what men may say about us and concern ourselves with pleasing them? Christ shall be our Judge and His Word the standard (John 12:48). If those who discard the gold of truth for the tin foil of error oppose, castigate and bear false witness against us, then let us glorify God (I Peter 4:16). Let them say what they will, but let God be true.

Our appeal is for men to come to Christ and to become Christians and Christians only! If we are successful and they so do, the Lord adds them to the right church, His church, and there is no other approved of God (Ephesians 4:4-6). We are not interested in making Baptists, Methodists, Catholics, Jews, etc. encouraging them in their damnable error, nor in becoming such ourselves.

If, by accepting denominational members as saved by their following denominational teaching, we pretend there is no difference in salvation according to man and according to Christ, we sin and we and they shall be lost. Again, if, by accepting denominational practices into our worship, we pretend there is no God-given pattern, we sin and are lost.

Those of us, who with an open heart and an open Bible, cast off the shackles of man-made creeds, weep to see brethren going into the same error from which we escaped. Woe be to them! Woe be to those who lead them there! Woe be to those who sit idly by and fear to lift their voice in protest. Woe be to those who do not care enough about the blood-bought body to fight the encroaching enemy of God and good who would defile, debase and destroy the hope of man.

Denominationalism has not one thing to offer of eternal worth. Denomination creeds: if they contain more than the Word, contain too much; if they contain less, do not contain enough; or, if they are the same are not needed. Where denominational practices differ from that authorized by God, they err. Why lose our souls to follow after such folly? Are we so blind and ignorant we cannot see that which is so plain?

Friend, if you are not a member of the Lord’s church, you should be. You must be if you want to be saved.

Brethren, if as a member of the body of Christ, you detect departures into denominationalism, defeat them with a “thus saith the Lord” Fear not to oppose error regardless of who may champion it.

Christ built one church. Of it, He is the head. In it, are all the saved. By it, the world hears the Gospel. It is not a denomination! The church we read about in the Bible, the one church established by Jesus Christ was not, is not, and never will be a denomination.

—Bobby Liddell

## Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to Eva Wells and her family in the loss of her grandfather, **Louis Whitney**. Louis passed from this life Wednesday, July 1st at Medical Center Hospital. He would have turned 93 years old this month. Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. at Acres West Funeral Home Monday, July 6th.

## Prayer Requests

**Caleista Millican** was taken to Medical Center Hospital Thursday, July 2nd. She is being treated again for pneumonia and a bladder infection. Keep Caleista in your daily prayers.

**Jonathan Montgomery**, Devida’s great nephew, will undergo back surgery on Tuesday, July 14th in Ohio. Jonathan is 16 years old and needs prayers.

Nick & Brittany Sellers have requested our prayers for their two month old baby girl, **Christa Bella**. The baby is prone to blood clots and is on blood thinners. Christa Bella is given two shots each day. Please pray that she receives a good report on the 13th when they see the doctor.

## Concerns Update

**Connie Lowe** will be going back to Houston soon for a checkup, treatments and more tests.

**Rudy Ochoa** underwent surgery Monday, June 29th in Lubbock. His surgery went well and he is home recuperating.

**Toya Zambelli** was in surgery for nine hours Monday, July 6th. It was reported that the surgery went well. She will be in the hospital for seven days. Keep Toya in your prayers.

## Prayer List

Lee Roy Bell; Susan Bosse; Mack Bradford; Charles Browning; Neva Carrigan; Steve Chavez; LaDonna Chism; Ruby Davis; Dayton Dennard; Jewell Bettles-Dennard; James Drake; John Ford; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Winford Hambright; Linda Horton; Lon & Lana Howard; Bobby Hunt; Susan Lee; Tracy Leeth; Katie Limer; Connie Lowe; Elder & Glenna McCarty; Flossie Montgomery; Patsy Montgomery; Juan & Estella Morolez; Avery Ojado; Judy Phillips; Evan Rector; Elvia Ruckman; Blair Saldana; Carmen Settle; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; Nancy Slife; James Stevens; Johna Straw; Marilyn Upshaw; Bré elle Watts; Lisa Wells; Tee Wood; T.J. Wright; Toya Zambelli

## Eisenhower’s Shut-ins

Mildred Bell; Neva Carrigan; Roberta Hamil; Winford Hambright; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall, Elder and Glenna McCarty; Caleista Millican; Janelle Shirley, Wilma Squire and Lester Whisenant.

## Youth

### Bible Quiz Question...

Who said, “Am I a dog that you come to me with sticks?”

## Last Week's Bible Quiz answer...

Moses, when he came down from the mountain (after receiving the 10 Commandments from God) and saw the people sinning, asked, "Who is on the Lord's side?"

## 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.

## Thank You

Thank you for the donation of \$136.00 to "Meals on Wheels". We appreciate your support to our mission of meal for the elderly.

Margaret Burton,  
Meals on Wheels"

## Events

A "**Ladies Night Devotional**" is scheduled for Friday, July 31st in the Annex. There will be several speakers from our congregation. Also, an "overnight lock in" is planned after for all those who want to brave the floor. More details and the time will follow.

### *FOR THE RECORD*

- Men say that there are "many churches," **but for the record**, the Bible teaches there is one: (Matthew 16:18, Ephesians 1:22,23 and Ephesians 4:4)
- Men say that "salvation is through God's Grace alone" and that human response has nothing to do with it, **but for the record**, the Bible teaches the importance of human response: (Matthew 7:21-17; Titus 2:11-12; Acts 2:37-38; 10:34-35; James 1:22-25; I Corinthians 15:58)
- Men say that "salvation is by faith only" and nothing else is required, **but for the record**, the Bible teaches that Christ saves those who obey (Hebrews 5:9, and I Peter 1:22), and His wrath will come upon those who do not obey (Romans 2:8, and 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9).

### **July 12, 2015**

Announcements  
Song Leader  
Sermon  
Opening Prayer  
Scripture  
Second Prayer  
Closing Prayer

### **A.M.**

Larry May  
Rudy Ochoa  
Allen Weakland  
Larry May  
Richard Siler  
Charles Wood  
Jacob Carson

### **P.M.**

Larry May  
Clint Titlow  
Allen Weakland  
Larry May  
Cody Wesson  
Rudy Ochoa  
John Wood

## Lord's Supper

West...	Jeff Wesson John Wood Jr. Munoz	Scot Straw Communion (In Library)
East...	Cody Wesson Trinidad Wood Dylan Straw	

**Other Responsibilities:** *Elder* Larry May 638-3990 *Deacon:* Bill Ryan 272-5507 *Pulpit:* Chris Butler 362-7486  
*Table:* Scot Straw 368-7852 *Song Leaders:* Denny Wilson 325-340-2291 *Recording Duties:* Craig Wesson 561-5302  
*Contributions:* Craig Wesson 561-5302

### **Sunday AM”**

*“True Repentance”*  
*(II Corinthians 7:9-11)*

### **Sunday PM**

*“Healing of the Deaf Mute”*  
*(Mark 9:14-29)*

### **Our Records**

*Bible Class...59*  
*Morning Worship...95*  
*Evening Worship...68*  
*Wednesday...86*  
*Contribution...\$2,974.00*

