

Eisenhower Church of Christ

The Oldest church in the World

Our Lord said, ***“Upon this rock I will build my church”*** (Mt. 16:18). Jesus promised to build a church—it was to be His church. In Mark 9:1, Christ said this kingdom (church) would come with power. After His resurrection, Jesus told his apostles to wait in Jerusalem for the power (Acts 1:4-8). The power came on the first Pentecost day following the resurrection of Christ and His church was established on that day, according to Acts 2. Jesus is both the founder and the foundation of the church one reads about in the New Testament. ***“Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ”*** (1 Corinthians 3:11). Any church established by any person other than Christ, in any place other than Jerusalem, at any time other than the first Pentecost after the Lord’s resurrection, is not the New Testament church. The church of Christ is over 1900 years old!

The church Jesus built exists in the world today. It exists anywhere people abandon human opinions about religion and submit entirely and completely to the teaching of the New Testament. You can identify Christ’s church in the world today! Read what the Bible says on the name we are to wear, the worship we are to offer God, the work of Christians, the organization and government of the church, and compare Scriptural teaching to what men are doing in the religious world. Where you find people who are “Christians only,” worshipping and working in exact conformity to the Word of God, without human creeds or catechisms, without additions, subtractions or substitutions to the teachings taught in the Scripture, you will have found the Lord’s church. It is in the world today!

We encourage all people to come back to the Bible, back to Christ, back to His teachings as revealed in the New Testament, and back to Christ’s church. (Revelations 22:17).

—Mike Riley

Why Some Christians Are Unhappy

“Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the Lord”
(Ps. 144:15)

The Bible teaches that Christians are to be a happy, joyful people (Ps. 128:1-2; 1 Thess. 5:16). It is a joy that comes from inner peace with God and assurance of His blessings (Matthew 5:1-12). Why are some still unhappy? Some are miserable because they want to be! Some people are not happy unless they have something to complain about. We need to be careful about that (Phil. 2:14) Jonah was a successful preacher but was upset because God had mercy on his enemies (Jonah 4:2).

Some are miserable because they are excuse makers rather than responsibility takers. Usually, the most miserable people in the church are those who do the least in the Lord’s work. Even Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden were given work to do (Gen. 3:12-13).

Some Christians are miserable because they place more emphasis on material things than on the spiritual. If our goal in life is amassing wealth to the point that we leave God out, we will be unhappy (1 Timothy 6:10). King Solomon had all anyone could ever ask for, but was he happy with it? (Eccl. 2:11). Christians cannot find fulfillment in the physical world (Matthew 6:21).

Some Christians are miserable because they feel animosity and resentment towards others (Matthew 5:22-24). Animosity, toward others destroys the bond of fellowship that Christians are supposed to have and to maintain (Eph. 4:1-3; 2 Timothy 2:16-17).

Some Christians are unhappy because they depend too much on other brothers and sisters in Christ. If we totally depend on others, they will let us down because they are human beings like us (Romans 3:23). We need to help each other but we must always lean upon our Lord (1 Cor. 1:12; 3:5). Some are unhappy because their lives are not right with God (Pro. 13:15). Only living a Christian life will fulfill our true happiness (Matt. 5:16, Phil. 2:15-16).

Most who are unhappy are there because they bring it upon themselves. Let us put our minds on God's things (Phil. 4:4).

Travis Sweet

Prayer Requests

Carolyn Craig (a member at Parkview Church of Christ) who suffered a stroke on or before Tuesday, July 11th at her home, has been moved to Encompass in Midland for therapy. Carolyn will be re-learning some skills. She was able to walk a little with the help of a walker last Monday morning. Carolyn is in Room #204-B. Please keep her in your prayers.

Terresia Weaver had another chemo treatment last Monday. Please continue to keep her in your prayers that she feels better and better with each treatment until she completely returns to good health.

David Baldwin's mother has COPD and prayers are requested for her.

Concerns Update

Doug Guynn's report from the MRI that he had on July 14th came back good. Please continue to keep Doug in your prayers that he wins his battle with cancer.

Jefferson Wood's surgery on July 13th went well. They were able to save part of his toe. Keep Jefferson in your prayers that he has a speedy recovery.

Bill Tate (Linda's husband) is home from Encompass and will continue his therapy at home. Keep Bill in your prayers for a speedy recovery from his hip surgery.

Sylvia Campos was able to be with us last Sunday evening for worship service. She is still in need of prayers.

Prayer List

Maria Baeza; Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Naomi and Adelynn Bustillos; Glenna Callendar; Arthur Campos; Sylvia Campos; Charlie Carson; LaDonna Chism; James Drake; Glenda Driver; Cathy Eastwood; Daniel Eastwood; Aisha Garcia; Becky Gillespie; Hattie Gilmore; Paul Gunn; Doug Guynn; Cheri Hodges; Lon & Lana Howard; Connie Jimenez; Shane Lester; Charles Lewis; Leigh Ann McFarland; Juan & Estella Morolez; Joe Morrison; Emma Ochoa; Bruce & Trina Plyler; Linda Straw; Bill Tate; Atasi Titlow; Marilyn Upshaw; Jurlean Warren; Terresia Weaver; Josh Wells; Carolyn Wilkerson; Ron Williams; Jefferson Wood; John Wood; Natalynn Wood.

Eisenhower's Homebound...

Glenna Callendar; James & Joyce Drake; Ronda Lyne; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley & Marilyn Upshaw.

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

Events

Watch "***In Search of the Lord's Way***" Sunday mornings at 7:30 am on KWES TV 9.

Office News

Our “**Vacation Bible School**” starts tomorrow evening. The time is 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. The theme is: “The Flood”.

Next Sunday, July 30th we will have our “**Potluck Luncheon**” following our morning service followed by our P.M. service. We would like to encourage all our visitors to join us for some good food and fellowship.

NOTE: We are missing an Annex Key that is on a green dowel rod. If you have this key in your possession, please turn it in to the office. We need to keep track as to where all the keys to the annex are. Thank you.

Food for Thought

Don't let yesterday use up too much of today.

Don't be concerned about what you get from a relationship; instead concern yourself with what you can bring to it.

Start your day by asking God to take control.

CHRISTIAN HANDS

- ◆ Pass out Bible tracts and other evangelistic material.
- ◆ Teach adult, youth, ladies and Vacation Bible School classes.
- ◆ Setup, instruct, and participate in personal Bible studies.
- ◆ Carry Bibles and hold song books for worship.
- ◆ Reach out to the depressed and discouraged.
- ◆ Prepare, cook and cleanup for congregation gatherings.
- ◆ Provide hugs at nursing homes and hospitals.
- ◆ Discipline and correct disorderly and disobedient youth.
- ◆ Come eagerly to congregational work days and efforts.
- ◆ Give abundantly on the first day of the week.
- ◆ Welcome visitors and invite them back.
- ◆ Go often and fervently to the Father in prayer.
- ◆ Reach out to apologize for forgiveness when needed.
- ◆ Pick up others that need a ride to service.
- ◆ Share the gospel with joy whenever there is an opportunity.
- ◆ Support the elders and the work of the church.
- ◆ Strive heartedly to restore fallen brethren.
- ◆ Are compassionate, kind, thoughtful and loving.

- Selected

July 23, 2023

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer

A.M.

Don Easlon
Craig Wesson
Allen Weakland
Don Easlon

P.M.

Don Easlon
Oliver Hernandez
Allen Weakland
Don Easlon

Scripture Reading	Travis Ruckman	Jackie Perkins
Second Prayer	Scot Straw	Craig Wesson
Closing Prayer	Jr. Munoz	Trini Wood
Lords Supper	<u>Cody Wesson</u>	Jon Roemisch
	Steve Easlon	Communion
	Jr. Munoz	(In Library)
	Caleb York	

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Don Easlon 288-5834 *Deacon:* Jacob Carson 940-3775 — *Pulpit:* John Wood 413-7444 — *Table:* Jon Roemisch 202-7725 — *Song Leaders:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 — *Recording Sermons:* Cody Wesson — Contributions: Jon Roemisch

Sunday AM

“The Inheritance” (Joshua 13:1)

Sunday PM

“Principles of Faithfulness” (Hebrews 12:1-2)

Our Records

Bible Class... 71

Morning Worship...122

Evening Worship ... 83

Wednesday...95

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