

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Being a New Creature

Being a “new creature” in Christ also means new life. Once there was a struggle to hold virtue. Now there is sustaining power by God in the struggle, as Paul said, “I can do all things through (or in) Him who strengthens me”. (Philippians 4:13)

This “new creation” brings great blessings. There is release from past sin. Speaking of Christ, in whom we are made new creatures, Paul said, “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.” (Ephesians 1:7) This is more than turning over a new leaf. Our sins are remembered no more. Old things are passed away; behold, all things have become new. “Therefore, if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature, the old things are passed away; behold, all things have become new.” (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Not only is release from sins enjoyed, but peace of mind is obtained. Human nature can never attain contentment with itself. Our carnal self is opposed to our rational self. One of the most vivid pictures of what goes on with the heart struggling with sin is painted by Paul: “For that which I am doing, I do not understand; for I am not practicing what I would like to do, but I am doing the very thing I hate...Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.” (Romans 7:15-25) Now that he has found new life: “Not that I speak from want; for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know how to get along with humble means and also how to live with prosperity; in any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through (or in) Him who strengthens me.” (Philippians 4:11-13)

It was in this same epistle that Paul wrote, “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:6-7)

In a world that knows no peace, where nations live up swords, where hearts of men yearn for contentment, evidenced by the millions of volumes written concerning peace of mind, the Christian enjoys a peace that neither time nor power can take away. While storms rage without, there is a calm within. This peace once defied fires of persecution, fangs of hungry beasts, the powers of Rome. While this powerful nation saturated the earth with the blood of saints, the Christians were going to their death shouting praises to the One who had given them a power greater than the world. This, because they had received a knowledge of the spiritual.

Someone said, “One creates his own world.” We have seen the truth of this statement. Once a lad was not getting along so well in school. He had few friends. Everyone wanted to be friendly, but he would not allow it. He thought the teacher and all the students were against him—and in every way possible he demonstrated that he was disgusted with them. But something happened during summer vacation. He changed his outlook on life. In the fall, he liked everybody— everybody liked him. The teacher was amazed. He rather amazed

himself. It was necessary for him to grow to manhood before he found the answer. His environment had not changed, but he had moved into a new mind. He created a different world in the same environment. This is true with those who have received the “new life,” and that is why it was possible that even in the very shadow of Nero’s palace, there were saints to receive greetings from Paul.

—Marvin W. Hastings

Prayer Requests

Wilene Wright fell in her kitchen last weekend and hit her head. She was taken to the ER where she received treatment and was able to go home, but she was being scheduled for a CT scan on her head just to make sure everything is okay. Wilene is also dealing with a UTI. David, her son, said that his mom is still very weak and a little disoriented. Please continue to keep Wilene in your daily prayers.

Shona Wood has requested prayers for her uncle, **James Drake**, who fell last Monday and had to be taken to the ER at Medical Center Hospital. Nothing was broken but he sustained some bruising and is very sore. James has COPD which makes it difficult for him to talk much without coughing. Please keep him in your prayers.

Concerns Update

We are very glad that **Maria Anaya** was able to be back with us for services last week. She is doing much better. Please continue to keep Maria in your prayers for good health.

Ronda Lyne was put in Room #416 at MCH. She is not doing well, but at this time, her overall condition is not known. Ronda is in need of prayers.

Prayer List

Mary Anchondo; Maria Baeza; Irene Balerio; Ameer Blumenauer; Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Naomi and Adelynn Bustillos; Glenna Callendar; Arthur Campos; Sylvia Campos; LaDonna Chism; James Drake; Jon Easley; Cathy Eastwood; Daniel Eastwood; Hattie Gilmore; Paul Gunn; Doug Guynn; Lon & Lana Howard; Charles Lewis; Ronda Lyne; Leigh Ann McFarland; Keith Mitchell; Milous Mitchell; Juan & Estella Morolez; Inocencio Munoz, Sr; Julie Munoz; Bruce Plyler; Linda Straw; Marilyn Upshaw; Terresia Weaver; Carolyn Wilkerson; John Wood; Wilene

Eisenhower’s Homebound...

Betty Branson; Glenna Callendar; James & Joyce Drake; Ronda Lyne; 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...

We have received (11 children’s names) from the **New Mexico Christian Children’s Home** in Portales, NM. We would like to have two Eisenhower families assigned for each child in order to make the shopping a lot easier. Please select a name, if you possibly can, and help make a child’s holiday season a happy one. Thanks

Brandon Aguilar, from the Southwest School of Bible Studies in Austin, is our guest speaker this morning. He will be teaching our Bible Class and presenting the AM. Sermon. Welcome Brandon!

“October Attended Nursery”

10/29 Linda & Devida

“The Kind of Weather I Like”

The traveler asked, “What kind of weather are we going to have today?” The old shepherd replied, “The kind of weather I like.” “How do you know if will be the kind of weather you like?” the traveler scoffed. The shepherd answered, “Having found out sir, that I cannot always get what I like, I have learned to like what I get. So, I am quite sure we will have the kind of weather I like.”

We read about another shepherd in the Old Testament, named David, who said, ***“This is the day which the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.”*** (Psalm 118:24).

The Apostle Paul did not allow himself to be discouraged even though he knew he would face imprisonment, and he refused to let it affect the preaching of the Gospel. When he was on his way to Jerusalem he stopped at Miletus and met with the elders from Ephesus. After he had given them instructions, he also told them, ***“I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there...but none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy.”*** (Acts 20:22-24) When Paul came to Caesarea, the prophet, Agabus took the apostle’s belt and bound his own hands and feet and said, “So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this belt.” They pleaded with him not to go. Then Paul answered, ***“What do you mean by weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus”.*** (Acts 21:13)

In this world of wars, conflicts, and heartaches that try the very depth of our souls we can still say with confidence that we do not know what the future holds but we know Him who holds the future!

—Cecil Burch
Amarillo, TX

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though its waters roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with it swelling.” (Psalm 46:1-3) ***“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)***

October 29, 2023

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer

A.M.

Jeff Wesson
Jon Roemisch
Brandon Aguilar
Jeff Wesson
Jr. Munoz
Larry May
Don Easlon

P.M.

Jeff Wesson
Steve Easlon
Allen Weakland
Jeff Wesson
Jackie Perkins
Gary Loving
Jacob Carson

Lord's Supper

Oliver Hernandez

Craig Wesson

Trini Wood

Caleb York

Richard Siler

Communion

(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Jeff Wesson –556-5547 *Deacon:* Bill Ryan 272-5507—*Pulpit:* John Wood 413-7444—*Table:* Richard Siler 556-2151 — *Song Leaders:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 — *Recording Sermons:* Tommy Garcia 312-5332 — *Contributions:* Tommy Garcia

Sunday AM

Brandon Aguilar (Guest Speaker)

(TBA)

Sunday PM

“Cure for the Fever”

(Luke 4:38-39)

Our Records

Bible Class... 80

Morning Worship...93

Evening Worship ... 49

Wednesday...76

Contribution...\$5,597.43

