

# Eisenhower Church of Christ

## Stand in Awe of Him

The inspired writer expressed a sense of awe when he wrote, “When I consider the heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained...O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Who has set thy glories above the heavens” (Ps. 8:1-3). Again he observed, “By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth...Let all the earth fear the Lord: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spake and it was done; he commanded and it stood fast” (Ps. 33:6-9). And again, “The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard” (Ps. 19:1-3). The writer of Hebrews reflects upon the awesomeness of the God of Creation who must be served in “reverence” (Hebrews 12:28 KJV).

Paul viewed the heathen as without excuse for their shameful behavior, affirming that God’s eternal power and divinity could be clearly perceived “by the things that are made” (Romans 1:20). There can be no doubt about it, man’s history stands as a monument to the truth that shameless behavior is the result of a lack of reverence for Almighty God. Such are gone out of the way, become unprofitable, doing no good, their throats are open sepulchers, their tongues speak deceit, their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness, they shed innocent blood; destruction and misery are in their way, because there is no fear of God before their eyes (Ps. 36:1-4). The moral, social, domestic and religious norms of the Bible mean little to the man or woman who has no reverence for the God of the Bible.

While wisdom demands we stand in awe of Him who made heaven and earth, there are many who demonstrate pompous views of the creature, relegating to the background the obvious demands of a Creator. “Professing themselves to be wise, they become fools...who changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen” (Romans 1:22-25). All efforts to persuade men to bring every thought into captivity to the Christ are futile while they entertain an exaggerated opinion of the wisdom of men and especially men of science (1 Corinthians 1:18-26; I Timothy 6:20).

In an intercessory prayer for post-exilic Israel, Nehemiah besought Jehovah as “The great and terrible God” (Neh. 1:5). To discourage stiffneckness and to encourage a circumcision of the heart, Moses proclaimed to migrating Israel, “For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, as great God and mighty, and a terrible...” (Deut. 10:16-17) In the midst of the awesome display of power and glory on Mt. Sinai, Moses and all Israel were exceedingly fearful.” (Hebrews 12:18-21). Enthralled with the transcending scene of God’s throne Isaiah cried, “Woe is me, for I am undone...” (Isaiah 6:1-5).

Both upon the pages of inspiration and in the display of mighty power that created, sustains, and upholds the universe, God has sought to instill in man a sense of awe or Godly fear. Therefore He has promised to look with favor upon the man who is of poor and contrite spirit and trembleth at His word (Isaiah 66:2b). Disobedient souls have been adequately forewarned that it is a “fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God” (Hebrews 10:31). Lack of reverence for Jehovah and His name is the root of our problem of entering as we might into a spiritual atmosphere in periods of divine worship. Neither the ho-hum attitude often witnessed, nor the “good-buddy, Man upstairs” approach to prayer will be seen in those who acquire a proper reverence for the God who made us. The singing of psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, the assembly around the Lord’s Table, the contribution of our gifts and the hearing of His Word, take on a radically different dimension for those who stand in awe of God.

The influence of humanism upon our world has had a telling effect upon man's evaluation of God. Man thinks he has captured, and has therefore diminished and cheapened, the very God in who we live and move and have our being. But those who know the God who is there realize that He has brought to nothing the understanding of the "wise and prudent" (1 Corinthians 1:19-20). Before a doubting world they proclaim, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory." God would challenge us to be still and know He is God and to understand that as we stand in awe of Him He becomes our refuge and strength and present help in time of trouble.

—R. W. Gray

### **Sympathy**

Our sympathy goes out to Robbie Butler and her family in the loss of **Bill**. Bill passed away at Medical Center Hospital around 4:20 pm on Tuesday, November 12th. His service was held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, November 16th at the Eisenhower Church of Christ.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Patricia Sibley**. Patricia passed from this life on Friday, November 8th at her home. She was a member at Sherwood church of Christ. Services were held at 1:00 pm Wednesday, November 13th at the Sunset Memorial Gardens Chapel.

Condolences also go out to the **Elvia Ruckman** family. Elvia passed away on Sunday afternoon, November 10th. She had been sick for a long time. Funeral services were held at 2:00 pm Wednesday, November 13th at the Tanglewood church of Christ.

### **Concerns Update**

**Vertie Howard** (Devida's aunt) was taken to Bristol Village Rehab Center for physical therapy to help her to be able to walk. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

### **Prayer List**

Brian Basaldua; Don Blackwell; Betty Brooks; Bill Brown; Sharon Brown; Cindy Campbell; Sylvia Campos; Steve Chavez; Emma Craig; Ronald Dement; Bessie Diaz; Loyce Driver; Jazmine Duron; Paulie Ann Easlon; Dana Erwin; Thomas Garcia; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Winford Hambright; Irene Hernandez; Leo Holloway; Letha Hooper; Vertie Howard; Betty Leeth; Miguel Lozano; Jed Martin; Ora McAfee; Jason Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Juanita Orosco; Caydon Parker; Trina Plyler; Laisha Ramirez; Jackie Rex; Bill Ryan; Debra Shipley; Janelle Shirley; Charles & Susan Simmons; Mark Thompson; Velma Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; Robert Vargas; Lisa Wells; James & Janet Wesson; Jay Wesson; Tom Wilcox; Carolyn Wilkerson; Sondie Williamson; John Wood.

### **Eisenhower's Shut-ins**

Robertta Hamil; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley

### **Youth**

#### **Bible Quiz Question...**

How many Mary's were at the cross? Can you name them? (John 19:25; Mark 15:40)

#### **Last Week's Bible Quiz Answer ...**

God named Solomon, Jedidiah when he was born.(2 Samuel 12:25)

### **Events**

Watch "***In Search of the Lord's Way***" every Sunday morning at 7:00 am on KWES TV 9, (New West 9)

The elders at the **Brown Trail church of Christ** decided to take their program "**Speaking the Truth in Love**" off the air. It was televised on ABC at 8:00 am Sunday mornings.

## Office News

### **NOVEMBER ATTENDED NURSERY**

11/17/19 Hannah & Gabriella

11/24/19 Kamilla & Julie D.

The “**NMCCH Home**” will be here December 3rd for a food pickup. They have requested cold cereals and brown sugar. They will also be picking up the gifts for the children at that time.

### **Ladies Gift Exchange**

There will be a “**Gift Exchange**” at Bonnie Sorenson’s home, Friday, December 6th at 6:30 p.m. Ladies, please bring a gift to exchange and finger food.

## Congress Gives Away Bibles

In 1777, our Continental Congress voted an expenditure of \$300,000 (think how much that would be now!!!) to buy and distribute Bibles throughout the country. By contrast, a few years ago the Supreme Court ruled that the Gideons could not even give away Bibles on public school property. In this country a rape, murder, or assault is committed every 2.5 minutes. More than 15 million copies of porn magazines are sold every month. Three billion copies of salacious literature are sold annually—enough to fill five buildings the size of the Empire State Building. Much of this ends up in the hands and minds of our youth. Too many marriages end in divorce. The annual profit to bookmakers and others on the receiving end of gambling is more than the combined profits of the U.S. Steel, General Motors and ninety-seven other large corporations. There are five million alcoholics in America. A leading group of educators in Alabama colleges (the conservative Bible-belt south) estimated that 83 percent of their students had been sexually promiscuous.

Think of how things have changed since 1777! Maybe Congress ought to think about giving out some more Bibles.

Eastside church of Christ  
Muskogee, OK

<b>November 17, 2019</b>	<b>A.M.</b>	<b>P.M.</b>
Announcements	Larry May	Larry May
Song Leader	Jaxon Straw	Cody Wesson
Sermon	David Easlon	David Easlon
Opening Prayer	Larry May	Larry May
Scripture	Bill Ryan	John Wood
Second Prayer	Scot Straw	Joshua Weakland
Closing Prayer	Jackie Perkins	Richard Siler
Lord’s Supper		
(Scripture Reading)	<u>Tommy Garcia</u>	
West...	David Ryan	Don Easlon
	Josh Wells	Communion
	Tom Sorenson	(In Library)
East	Jeff Wesson	
	Cody Wesson	
	Kevin Wilcox	

**Other Responsibilities:** *Elder* : Larry May 638-3990—*Deacon*: Don Easlon 288-5834 —*Pulpit*: Rudy Ochoa 214-0398—*Table*: Don Easlon 288-5834 — *Song Leaders*: Larry May 638-3990—*Recording Sermons*; Craig Wesson 934-4646 *Collections*: Craig Wesson 934-4646

**Sunday AM**

*"It Didn't Rain"*  
*(1 Kings 17:1)*

**Sunday PM**

*"Arise & Eat" (for the journey is too great for you)*  
*(1 Kings 19:7)*

**Our Records**

*Bible Class... 57*  
*Morning Worship...104*  
*Evening Worship...54*  
*Wednesday...72*  
*Contribution...\$3,744.00*