

# Eisenhower Church of Christ

## Anything in a Name?

Driving down the streets in Lubbock and in other cities, you will see Baptist Churches where the members are called Baptists, you will see Catholic Churches where members are called Catholics; you will see Methodist Churches where the members are called Methodists; you will see Presbyterian Churches where the members are called Presbyterians; and the list goes on and on. However, in the Bible, you will not find the church established by Jesus Christ called by any such names and you will not find any such names for the members of His church, the church purchased by His precious blood. When this matter is brought to someone's attention, frequently their response is: "This doesn't make any difference. After all, there's nothing in a name."

If a person has the mistaken idea that there is "nothing in a name," he got that idea from some source other than God's Word, the Bible. Proverbs 22:1 declares: "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." Ecclesiastes 7:1 expresses "A good name is better than precious ointment."

Time-wise, going all the way back to the creation, we see that the Bible has always given recognition to the importance and significance of names. For example, Genesis 3:20 says: "Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living."

Due to the fact that there is something in a name, God has even changed the names of some. Changing Abram's name, God told him: "Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee" (Genesis 17:5).

Think of this, too—After Jacob had received the birthright and the blessing that should have gone to his brother Esau, Esau's response was: "Is not he rightly named Jacob? For he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing" (Genesis 27:36). Jacob's name meant; a supplanter. Jacob was told; "Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed" (Genesis 32:28).

Consider the Lord's name. The Bible proves to us that the Lord's name is very important and should be vitally significant to us. Isaiah 7:14 says: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." (Matthew 1:23 tells us that the name "Immanuel" means, "God with us." Prior to Christ's birth, God instructed his mother, Mary, to name the child, "Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). The name "Jesus" means, "Savior." Oh, and by the way, the word "Christ" is translated from the Greek word *Christos* to mean "strictly one who has been anointed, symbolizing appointment to a task." Thus, "Jesus Christ" identifies Him as the anointed Savior."

To become our Savior, Jesus had to die on the cross, shedding His blood in order that we might be forgiven and our sins be washed away. Because He did this, God has "given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:9-11).

Thus, according to what the bible tells us about Christ's name, there most certainly is something to His name. And, no one could possibly make this point any clearer than did the apostle Peter when he said: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). How much is there in this name? Concerning the saved, it includes every saved person, the persons who have been saved in the past and every saved person who will be saved yet in the future. Salvation is to be had only in the name of

our Lord Jesus Christ. When one is baptized, he is to be baptized “in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Matthew 28:19 ASV). According to Luke 24:47 and Acts 2:38, it is “in the name of Jesus Christ,” that one has the remission of his sins.

—Tommy J. Hicks

### *Place Membership*

**Jon & Courtney Roemisch** has placed their membership and expressed a desire to work with us here at Eisenhower under the guidance of our elders in the work for the Lord. Welcome Jon and Courtney!

### *Sympathy*

**Leta Weaver** passed away from a heart attack on Friday, November 12th at a hospital in Amarillo, TX. Her funeral service and burial took place in Childress, TX on the 15th. Our condolences go out to the Weaver family.

**William Mitchell** (Loy Mitchell’s youngest son) passed away on November 3rd in Irving, TX. His funeral service was held last Sunday at the Preston Crest Church of Christ in Dallas.

### *Prayer Request*

LaDonna Chism has requested prayers for **Hugo Grijalva**, her co-worker’s son, who had open heart surgery on November 8th. He needs prayers.

Lindsey Wells has requested prayers for her 5 years old cousin, **Cain Pilgrim**. Cain is waiting to be scheduled for open heart surgery in Dallas when he is well enough. Needs prayers.

### *Concerns Update*

**Terresia Weaver** had a PET scan done on November 18th to get a clearer picture of the lymph node in question. Prayers are requested

**Ora McAfee** was taken to the Encompass Health Rehab in Midland for therapy on her body core to help build up her strength.

### *Prayer List*

Wayne Anderson; Betty Branson; LaDonna Chism; Dana Erwin; Hattie Gilmore; Doug Guynn; Rosanna Herrera; Tiffany Horton; Alex Martinez; Ora McAfee; Glenna McCarty; Melissa Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Julie Munoz; Bruce & Trina Plyler; Chasidy Rayos; Jackie Rex; Daniel Reyes; Lisa Salas; Marilyn Upshaw; Terresia Weaver; Janet Wesson; John Wood.

### *Youth*

Bible Quiz Question ... (Finish the Beatitude)

“Blessed are those who mourn...” (?)

Last Week’s Quiz Answer...

“Blessed are the poor in spirit ... for theirs is the kingdom of heaven”.

### *Thank You*

**Julie Munoz** says “Thank You” for all the prayers offered on her behalf during her illness.

### *Events*

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

## What Kind of Preacher Are You?

The question proposed in the title of this article is not aimed primarily at the gospel preacher but at

every member! Have you ever considered how many times you “preach” a message? Let me offer a few examples. You preach a message of good cheer every time you speak to a stranger who is attending our services and make that person feel welcome. When you sing praises to God with your voice and honor him with the “fruit of your lips,” you are preaching a sermon to all those around you. Like most everybody else, I can hear the voices of those good Christians who sit near me during our song service. They may not know it, but their voices bring encouragement and joy to my heart. When a man offers a public prayer to God, a strong message is being proclaimed through his lips. I listen attentively to the words of the one leading us in public prayer every time we enter into the special time of praying together.

When you attend Bible class and do nothing more than sit and listen, you are nevertheless preaching a powerful message. I appreciate so much every person who comes to a class and offers their support to the one who has taken the time to prepare a lesson. Such people also show their love and respect for God’s Word by their attendance. And, of course, the one presenting the lesson preaches a great “sermon” to those who sit in class and listen. Teachers always have been and always will be an important part of the growth of any congregation. And when you give of your means, your actions “speak” loud and clear, your message is a message of love for God’s Kingdom.

You preach a message of hope every time you reverently partake of the Lord’s Supper. You are being watched by other members as well as your children and grandchildren. You demonstrate your faith in the Lord’s death and also in His promise to return (I Corinthians 11:26). You preach a message of love every time you smile, say hello, introduce yourself to guests, and invite them to return. Many important messages are preached before and after the preacher stands in the pulpit. When this happens, the preacher’s message will be much better received. Preach a good message at the next assembly!

— Milton Smith  
Hooker church of Christ  
Hooker, OK

<b>November 21, 2021</b>	<b>A.M.</b>	<b>P.M.</b>
Announcements	Larry May	Larry May
Song Leader	Oliver Hernandez	Craig Wesson
Sermon	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Larry May	Larry May
Scripture	John Wood	Jackie Perkins
Second Prayer	Cody Wesson	Alex Rubalcado
Closing Prayer	Richard Siler	Jr. Munoz
Lords Supper		Richard Siler
<u>Scripture Reading:</u>	<u>Jeff Wesson</u>	Communion
	Bill Ryan	(In Library)
	Scot Straw	
	Jacob Carson	

**Other Responsibilities:** *Elder:* Larry May 638-3990 —*Deacon:* Jr. Munoz 212-2231 —*Pulpit:* Scot Straw 288-4533—*Table:* Richard Siler 556-2151 —*Song Leaders:* Larry May 638-3990—*Recording Sermons:* Craig Wesson 934-4646 — *Collections:* Richard Siler 556-2151

### Sunday AM

“Heart Failure”  
(I Thessalonians 3:7-11)

### Sunday PM

“Church Discipline”  
(II Thessalonians 3:6-15)