

# Eisenhower Church of Christ

## The Lessons of History

Leighton Pullen, with reference to the church in the second century, makes this observation: “As soon as men and women belonged to the Christian Church because their parents and grandparents had been Christians, and not because they had themselves to make the first break with heathen life, some enfeeblement of the Christian life almost inevitably displayed itself in certain quarters of the church” (The Church of the Fathers, P. 57.)

Almost with unerring accuracy it comes to pass. One generation goes through the battle for the truth, the next takes the truth that has been won for granted and by the third generation the truth is no longer prized. That enfeeblement by the third or fourth generation may be expected, but it should also be guarded against.

During the first half of the 19th century the call for a religious reformation was heard far and wide in this land. The greatly divided protestant churches were asked along with the Roman and Eastern Catholic bodies to return to the church as it is set forth in the New Testament. The rapid growth of this plea to go back to “the old paths” and walk therein met with hostility in many quarters. However, even many within clergy gave up their denominational names and offices and doctrines in favor of Bible truth. On the part of both clergy and the common people this required agonizing choices preceded by intensive Bible study. The price they paid to walk with God knows no computation by man.

A few generations removed from these pioneers of the faith, we are losing the zeal to retain the ground they so valiantly won. Although the defense of the faith against enemy attacks will always be necessary, the faith is simply its propagation, the constant preaching of the gospel to the lost. Every soul-winner is a defender of the faith, for every soul that is won to Christ becomes a token that the apostolic faith lives on!

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*“But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.” (2 Timothy 3:14-15).*

—Hershel Dyer

## Time Has No Resurrection

Considered from the viewpoint of flesh, life is time and time is life. As Benjamin Franklin once said, “Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.”

What is life in the flesh but so much time? Is not life composed, comprised of increments of time?

Enough wasted time amounts to a wasted life. Someone has written, “Time and opportunities go hand in hand. Lost wealth may be replaced by industry, lost knowledge by study, lost health by temperance, but lost time is gone forever. Don’t kill time...it has no resurrection.”

What really counts is not the number of hours we put in, but rather what we put into those hours! Many a slothful soul has worked twice as long to do one-half the work a more diligent worker will accomplish in short order.

That said, our concern should not be with the wasted hours and neglected opportunities of the past, we should rather focus our attention upon the here and now, upon what we should be doing and could be doing today.

Scripture places a hefty premium on the present. *“Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.” (2 Corinthians 6:2)* *“But exhort one another daily, while it is called today, lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.” (Hebrews 3:13)* *“Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time.” (Colossians 4:5)*

We must resolve to begin living each day to the fullest, as our days of flesh are by no means unlimited. *“So teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom.” (Psalm 90:12)* We must do all we can, with all we have, for as long as we are able.

*“Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as men who do not know the meaning and purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time, despite all the difficulties of these days.” (Ephesians 5:15-16)*

--Dalton Key

### **Prayer Requests**

**Mary Brown's** injection in the back of her neck was rescheduled for Wednesday, November 30th. The injection is to help with the pain she has and also the movement of her head. Please pray that Mary will get some relief soon.

**Joyce Drake** had a growth removed from her face on Tuesday, November 22nd. A biopsy was taken and sent away for testing. Please pray that she will get good results from her tests.

**James Drake** was able to get shots in his knees to control the pain. He is not a good candidate to have knee replacement surgery at this time, but hopefully will be able to in the near future.

### **Concerns Update**

**Melida Frazier's** cancer surgery on November 16th went well. She was scheduled for bloodwork to see if her WBC was back to normal. Melida lives in Columbus, OH. Keep her in your prayers.

**Shane Ford** was moved to CCU—bed #8 at MCH. Please keep him in your prayers.

### **Prayer List**

David Alaniz; Lee Roy Bell, Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Bill Bundick; Mitchell Bundick; Sissy Bundick; Betty Burns; Glynn Chandler; Barbara Crowder; Ruby Davis; Dayton Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; John Ford; Shane Ford; Melida Frazier; Jane Gibbons; Hattie Gilmore; Maria Guzman; Anna Groves; Lon Howard; Charles Jones; Janis Laminack; Connie Lowe; Elder & Glenna McCarty; Juan & Estella Morolez; Rudy Ochoa; Trina Plyler; Lester Savoy; Cynthia Schulze; Andrew Schwarz; Janelle Shirley; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; Jim Simmons; John Tessoroff; Marilyn Upshaw; James Weaver; Judy Wells; Lisa Wells; Ann Wilson; John Wood; Jack Wright; Toya Zambelli.

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

Ruby Davis; Roberta Hamil; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Maxine Newton; Janelle Shirley; and Lester Whisenant.

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

### **Youth**

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

“These words spake Jesus and lifted his eyes to Heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy son, that thy son may also glorify thee.” These words introduce a prayer of Jesus. Is this the (1) Gethsemane prayer; (2) the High Priestly prayer; (3) a prayer on the cross?

#### **Last Week’s Bible Quiz answer...**

Absalom (son of King David) only cut his hair once a year when it got too heavy.

### **Events**

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

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.

### **Office News**

The **“New Mexico Children’s Home”** will be here on Wednesday, December 7th, 2016. They are requesting **Tea Bags** and **Koolaid**. Monetary donations also accepted.

### **Food for Thought...**

Christianity is like an airplane—when you stop you drop.

If God is your co-pilot, swap seats.

We don’t change the message, the message changes us.

The Will of God never takes you to where the Grace of God will not protect you.

#### WHAT DO YOU CALL IT?

What do you call it when a guilty man is found guilty? Justice. What do you call it when an innocent man is found guilty? Injustice. What do you call it when a guilty man is found guilty and is sentenced to die, then another person vehemently says, “Let him alone. I’ll take his place. I will give myself for him. I am willing to die that he might live!” You call it **“GOD’S AMAZING LOVE!!!”**

*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16, 3:17; 15:13; I John 3:16)*

—Hawn Freeway Church of Christ  
Dallas, TX

### **December 4, 2016**

	<b>A.M.</b>	<b>P.M.</b>
Announcements	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Song Leader	Rudy Ochoa	John Wood
Sermon	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Scripture	Bill Ryan	Dex Dennard
Second Prayer	George Warren	Don Easlon
Closing Prayer	Tom Sorenson	Trinidad Wood

Lord's Supper

West...

Bill Ryan

Tony Marrs

Sonny Coggins

East...

Charles Wood

Isaiah Armendarez

Philip Halbert

Scot Straw

Communion

(In Library)

**Other Responsibilities:** *Elder;* Jeff Wesson 556-5547 *Deacon;* John Wood 413-7444 *Pulpit;* John Wood 413-7444 *Table;* Tony Marrs 553-7349 *Song Leaders;* Denny Wilson 325-340-2291 *Recording Duties;* Chris Butler 362-7486 *Collections;* Chris Butler 362-7486

### **Sunday AM**

*"Christ & the Holy Writ"*

*(Romans 15:4)*

### **Sunday PM**

*Are You On The Right Path?"*

*(Matthew 7:13-14)*

### **Our Records**

*Bible Class...* 58

*Morning Worship...*116

*Evening Worship...*76

*Wednesday...*61

*Contribution...*\$3,479.75