

Eisenhower Church of Christ

3 Reasons Why the World Needs to Know About the Church

The greatest institution of all time is the Kingdom of God or the Church of Christ. The Church is incomparable to all other organizations and institutions and here are some reasons why I feel so strongly.

- The Church is the greatest because of its divine origin. The establishment of the Church is God's sweetest work for humanity and redemption. Christ gave his life so that we might live in Him. The Church is great because Christ Jesus is the builder (Matthew 16:18, Acts 20:28 and Ephesians 1:22).
- The Church is superior to all other institutions because her constitution is perfect and her laws are faultless. Because there is no imperfection in God, there can be no imperfections in the Church. There have been many who have tried to find fault in God and HIS church, because they were either atheists or have over engaged in philosophy, but the Church has been able to stand because of its sound foundation. Sometimes Christians even look for reasons to be indifferent to God's WORD and HIS Church because it poses a threat to their lifestyle, but when they take an honest look at themselves, they realize that the WORD is simple, right to the point and faultless. That is not to say all of its members are faultless. Peter was not perfect, Thomas had his doubts and Matthew once took advantage of people by collecting taxes; but Jesus is still perfect and HIS Church is perfect. (Hebrews 4:15; 5:7-9).
- The Church is the greatest institution because of its destination. The goal of the Church is to go home. Not the street where you reside, but Heaven where all of God's children will rest from toil and trouble of this life. No other institution is fit for Heaven but the Church. (Matthew 5:20-23, Luke 10:18-20 & Revelations 3:12-13). Invite someone to worship with you on the first day of the week as we study God's truth.

—A. D. Winston, Sr.
Church of Christ in Everman, TX

Sympathy

Our condolences go out to Loyce Driver and Joyce Drake in the loss of their sister, **Elsie Bradford**. Elsie passed away Tuesday, December 11th at her home in Colorado City. She had suffered with several health issues for a long time. Her services were held there.

Prayer Request

Bill Brown has been diagnosed with a low grade lymphoma cancer in his spleen and bone marrow. He started chemo treatments Thursday, December 20th. Continue to keep Bill in your prayers that the treatments will be very effective in treating the cancer.

Hector Ramirez (an elder at Cherry Lane Church of Christ) has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and will start either chemo or radiation treatments in 2 to 3 weeks. Keep him in your prayers.

Carolyn Wilkerson was taken to Medical Center Hospital with stomach problems Thursday, December 13th. She was treated and was able to go home the next day.

Cynthia Chappell was treated for Noro Virus about two weeks ago. She is doing a lot better.

Verla Snyder (Devida's aunt) will undergo hip replacement surgery January 20th, 2019. She is requesting for her that the surgery will go well.

Concerns Update

Glenna McCarty was under the weather with a head cold last week but seems to be doing better.

Ora McAfee received a good report from the tests she had done in Lubbock two weeks ago. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

Jackie Rex underwent cataract surgery on December 13th. Her surgery went well. She is home recuperating.

Linda Tate was home with a really bad cold last week.

Prayer List

Brian Basaldua; Dennis Betts; Elsie Bradford; Brad Bundick; Bill Butler; Emma Craig; Dana Erwin; Densell Fambro; Jennie Fuls; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Wayne Gunn; Winford Hambricht; Letha Hooper; Jennifer Jones; Ora McAfee; Glenna McCarty; Juan & Estella Morolez; Hector Ramirez; Janelle Shirley; Charles Simmons; Matthew Simmons; Albert Stegall; Jack Straw; Velma Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; Josh Wells; Lisa Wells; James & Janet Wesson; John Wood;

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Robert Hamil; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley; Marilyn Upshaw and Lester Whisenant.

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

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

To whom were the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts written to?

Last Week's Bible Quiz Answer...

It was the prophet Jeremiah who said, "Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? Neither are you able to do good; you who are accustomed to doing evil. (Jeremiah 13:23)

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

STF—Group #4—Please pickup your assignment cards in the library after the services this morning.

Because They Did Not Repent

"Then He began to denounce the cities in which most of His miracles were done, because they did not repent" (Matthew 11:2-24)

Chorazin (2 miles north of Galilee)

Bethsaida (north shore of Galilee)

Capernaum (north shore of Galilee)

Jesus said it would be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon and Sodom on the Day of Judgment than for these cities. Why? Because God gave them ample reason to ask and seek after the Messiah, and **repentance** is an **absolute for salvation**.

We cannot be saved initially without repentance and we can lose our souls later in our

Christian lives without repentance. Repentance is an attitude of mind wherein we change our thinking through faith to determine to walk away from the world so that we can walk with God.

All the lost of all the earth will have this in common; they did not repent (Acts 26:20; Hebrews 6:6; 2 Peter 3:9, Revelation 2:5).

Rick Laing

Highland Village Church of Christ

December 23, 2018

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer

A.M.

Allen Weakland
Jacob Carson
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Scot Straw
Charles Wood
Clint Titlow

P.M.

Allen Weakland
Craig Wesson
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Cody Wesson
John Wood
Josh Wells

Lord's Supper
(Scripture Reading)
West...

Jeff Wesson
Rudy Ochoa
Jackie Perkins
Cody Wesson
Clint Titlow
Bill Ryan
Craig Wesson

Dex Dennard
Communion
(In Library)

East...

Other Responsibilities: *Elder* : Allen Weakland 254-8209 *Deacon*: Bill Ryan 272-5507 *Pulpit*: Larry May 638-3990 *Table*: Dex Dennard 296-1582 *Song Leaders*: Larry May 638-3990 *Recording Duties*: Richard Siler 556-2151 *Collections*: Richard Siler 556-2151

Sunday AM

"No Room for Jesus"
(Luke 2:1-7)

Sunday PM

"Private Devotions"
(Genesis 24:63)

Our Records

Bible Class... 68
Morning Worship...96
Evening Worship...51
Wednesday...80
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