Prayer List

Our Church Family

Sue Bradley
Lisa Calvert
Brandon Chrysler
Charles Dodson
Tami Frost
Debbie Gilbert
Katherine Herring
Mark Hiatt
Beth Makibbin
Richard Nichols
Everett Prevett
Mary Romero
Earl Rose
Ivey Siau
Van Sperry
Dortha Threet
Pat Vaughn
Beth Wallace
Charles Wells
Dink West

Nursing Home & Shut-ins

Kathy Barrett
Rhonda Chrysler
Jim Lee
Mary Rolston
Dorothy Thompson

Friends & Relatives

Milton Banta
Angela Berryhill
Randy Bishop
Ginger Breeding
Tina Ewell
Jackie Fowler
Beverly Gaither
Cody Hardesty
Mark Hiatt's Father
Jimmy Harjo
Ed Hodges
Jennifer Jenson
Danny Jones
Steve Kelley
Gary LaValley
Leland (Becky Randall's friend)
Robyn Long
Frank McManus
Jim Melton
Helen Nigard's husband
Carol Ogilvie
Danny Rose
Jack Rose
Billy Russell
Andy Schick
William Smith
Glendell Threatt

News

Asking for Prayers

Debbie Gilbert is suffering from back pain due to a possible herniated disc resulting in sciatic pain.

Mark Hiatt had a horse accident and is at home recovering from broken ribs, a fractured scapula, and a separation in his shoulder.

Brandon Chrysler wishes for birthday cards while he is spending his birthday in rehab. If you would like to send a birthday card, the address is:
Brandon Chrysler

Weekly Attendance
March 7th, 2021

Sunday Bible Class	42
Sunday Worship	81
Sunday Evening	34
Wednesday Evening (3/10)	26

March 28th		
Grant Jenson	**Song Leader**	Jordan Madison
April 4th		
Carson LaValley	**Song Leader**	Jim Broadbent

Church Wifi:
henryettaCofCGUEST
Password: revelation1

Henryetta Church of Christ

March 21, 2021

Church attendance is as vital to a disciple as a transfusion of rich, healthy blood to a sick man.

Dwight L. Moody

Weekly Bible Scriptures

Sunday, 3/21	Wednesday, 3/24
Lesson 315	Lesson 316
Mark 7:31-9:1	Matthew 17

Elders

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Gary Lovell (918) 694-4167
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Minister

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Terminology

One of the primary tenants of the movement that spawned the Church of Christ as we know it today was to call bible things by bible names. It became attached to a creed of the movement spoken in a sermon by Alexander Campbell, *"Where the Scriptures speak, we speak; and where the Scriptures are silent, we are silent."* As the movement spread, titles were dropped such as "reverend" and "pastor." The place where we worship became "the building" and not "the church." Signs on the buildings stated, "Church of Christ meets here" rather than "Church of Christ."

Why is this important? It is important because it represents a fundamental shift in an attitude toward religion that had existed for centuries. The Roman Catholic Church, and even the Church of England, wanted authority to be placed in "The Church" as an institution not as an assembly. King James was very adamant about wanting the word "ecclesia" translated as "church" instead of "assembly" because he wanted it to represent the Church of England instead of the body of saved individuals. It was a shift toward recognizing the Church as a spiritual house instead of a man-made institution.

If the church is presented as a spiritual house, and we are members of that spiritual house through obedience to God's will, what does that make us? Campbell preferred the word "Christian" and Stone preferred the term "disciple." Oftentimes, people ask me what I am religiously, they are asking for my affiliation...Baptist, Catholic, etc. I respond, "I am just a Christian." We should just be Christians or Disciples, our affiliation is with Jesus alone.

If the church is a spiritual house, it should have spiritual leadership. God placed this in order when the church was established. Man looked toward earthly leadership. The Pope comes to mind, but also many titles such as reverend and pastor. If members are just Christians, leaders should be called by scriptural names also. The word "pastor" is a transliterated word from the Greek word "poimen" which just means "shepherd." We have shepherds, or as we generally call them, elders, who lead our assembly. Unless the minister or preacher has met the qualification and been installed an elder, he is not a pastor. He should be referred to as minister, preacher, or evangelist.

As you can see in many ways, our terminology reflects our doctrine. We should strive to call bible things by bible names.

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Birthdays

7 - Everett Prevett
8 - Josh Slane
11 - Roger Wilson
13 - Kathy Barrett
15 - Brandon Chrysler
19 - Delores Lassiter
22 - Carson LaValley
26 - Easton Sills
27 - Karla Rose
27 - Jackie Harjo
30 - Joseph Rivera
31 - Elizabeth Smith
31 - Bennie Parks
31 - Harbor Stidman

Anniversaries

14 - Jeff & Donna McFerran
22 - Steve & Beth Makibbin