



Whispering Hills

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Growing Together

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SUNDAY Gathering Times

Bible Class **09:30 AM**
Morning **10:30 AM**

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Our Religious Conviction

God chose to save the world
by sending His Son,
Jesus to die on the cross
for our sins (Rom 10:17).

Those who choose to listen
and obey the Gospel
message SHALL be saved
(Ac 2:38).

God adds them to the church
of the Bible, which His Son
is coming for because it was
purchased with His Blood
(Ac 20:28; 2 The 1:7-10).

HOW TO BE SAVED

1. Hear (Jn 6:45; Rom 10:17)
2. Believe (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6)
3. Repent (Lk 13:3, 5; Ac 2:38)
4. Confess (Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10)
5. Baptized (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)



Thank you for visiting with us

Our goal is to worship God according to His Will
just as the Christians in the first century did (Ac 2:42).
Please ask us a question about the reason why we worship the way we do (1 Pet 3:15).

GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

observable in nature

Self-Existence Rom. 1:19-20, Acts 17:23-29, Heb. 11:3		KNOWLEDGE Psalm 19:2, Isa. 40:12-26, 55:9
Self-Sufficiency Isa. 66:1-2, Acts 17:24-25	HOLINESS Exo. 15:11 Job 22:12-16, 25:4-6	MAJESTY Psalm 8:1-4, 111:1-4, Psalm 113 Neh. 9:6, Rev. 14:7
Faithfulness Psalm 36:5-6, 85:11, 89:8-12, Psalm 119:90, Lam 3:21-23	Patience Matt 5:45 II Pet. 3:5-9	Sovereignty Psalm 46, 74, 104, 135 Job 38-42, Isa. 55:10-11
Omni- presence science Job 38-42, Psalm 139	Justice Gen. 3:17-19 Job 9, Ps 96	Grace Gen. 9:8-17 Psalm 121 Matt. 6:25-34
RIGHTEOUSNESS Psalm 50:3-6, 85:10-13; Psalm 97, 111	POWER omnipotence Psalm 145:10-13, Hab. 3 Romans 1:19-20	WISDOM Psalm 104, esp. v24 Prov. 3:19-20, ch. 8
Goodness Psalm 65, 67, 85, 103, 104 Acts 14:15-17	TRUTH Psalm 57:9-11, 85:10-13 Psalm 108:4, 2 Pet 3:3-7	ETERNALITY IMMUTABILITY Psalm 90:1-6 Psalm 102:25-27 Prov. 8:22-31
Mercy Psalm 145:8-10 Psalm 113	Glory Psalm 19 Isaiah 6:3	Ruler-Lawgiver Job 38:31-33, Psalm 33:6-9 Psalm 135, 147
Trinity Prov. 8:22-31 Prov. 30:4 Heb. 1:1-3	WRATH Gen. 6-9 II Pet. 3:3-13	Lovingkindness Psalm 33:4-7, 107, 119:64, Psalm 136



Continuous PRAYERS

Walter Simon, Mack Cloud, Patricia Skinner,
Ron Forge, Curtis Ward



*** Homegoing Services for: **Sis Carolyn Cloud** ***

Date/Time: [Tuesday] 31 May 22 / 2:00 PM

Location: Laurel Land Memorial Park
6300 R. L. Thornton Frwy
Dallas, TX 75232

General

Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother) is hospitalized
Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brother)
Bobby Osbourne (Sis Bell's brother)
Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsay's daughter)
Wesley Pollard (Bro/Sis Simon's brother-in-law)
Lee Carpenter (Sis Simon's brother)
Baltimore Hernandez (Bro Spataro's brother-in-law)
Ronnie Sims (Sis Kaye's brother)
Miguel Graves, Jr (friend of Bro Owens, Jr)
Mark Gray (Sis Gray's brother-in-law)
Christopher White (Sis White's son)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES

- [1] Our PRAYERS should echo loud and clear on a daily basis for God's GRACE, MERCY and LOVE by taking nothing for granted continuing to live up to His Expectations and Commands through OBEDIENCE (Mt 7:21-23)
- [2] **B**IBLE **S**TUDY (**S**unday, 29 May 22 @ 09:30 **A**M): Book of **C**olossians 2:1 - 15
- [3] **L**adies **B**ible **C**lass (Every **W**ednesdays in May @ 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM): conducted virtually [Duncanville]
- [4] **F**ederal **H**oliday (**C**elebrated: **M**onday, 30 May 22): **M**emorial **D**ay)
- [5] **S**unday **E**vening **W**orship (resumes on 05 **J**un 22 @ 5:00 PM)
- [6] **N**icole **P**ollard (niece of Judy Pollard [Beaumont]) stable, but critical; 5th aneurysm recently developed Pneumonia



[27] Sheree Miller



**FOOD FOR
THOUGHT**

Wearing The Name: “Christian”

The name Christian(s) is only mentioned in 3 times in the entire Bible (Ac 11:26; 26:28; 1 Pet 4:16) and they are all in the New Testament. All other names worn by people of God were in the Old Testament. Christian is the new name: “For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp *that* burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name (Isa 62:1, 2). By His Life *for* us in heaven and *in* us by His Spirit (Rom 5:10).

It was in Antioch where the disciples were first called “Christians” (Ac 11:26), literally meaning “people of Christ”. Notice how this emphatically occurred only after the Gentiles were allowed to obey the gospel of Christ (Ac 10:44-48). Notice “Christian” contains the word “Christ” [Greek equivalent of its Hebrew word “Messiah”] because both mean “Anointed One” and coming from the anointing with oil [tradition of the leaders in the ancient world]. It is the distinct name of God's People in the Christian era - the new name. It honors Christ. There was much debate whether this is a God-given name or in derision by Christ enemies. The year was about 42 AD. It had been 9 years since Luke last mentioned Saul as he was escaping by way of Caesarea to Tarsus (Ac 9:30). Barnabas sought and found Paul, then brought him to Antioch. They had worked harmoniously together and the Lord BLESSED their work. Many were taught and obeyed the gospel.

People today should be “people of Christ” and nothing else (Mt 28:20; Mk 16:16; 1 Cor 9:16; Col 1:5, 23). Next, King Agrippa reveals to the Apostle Paul, “...Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian” (Ac 26:28).

The word translated **almost** is vague. He did not answer if he believed the prophets because he was indifferent to the message. He understood, but refused to accept it, like so many people of today. Paul intended for him to be a Christian, but not just him (Ac 26:29). Agrippa choose not to be obedient to these deep, religious truths.

Lastly, we have the Apostle Peter, “Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf” (1 Pet 4:16). Suffering is nothing to be ashamed. We are called upon to share our Savior's sufferings, not those of His Substitution, but His Daily self-denial, the hatred of men, the anguish of His soul over the obstinacy and opposition of the world. One should live in such a way their life emulates what glorifies God. Do not be ashamed to be a Christian and called by this name. The salvation of the righteous is a task of enormous difficulty. It requires the dead-lift of Omnipotence. Nothing less will suffice than the infinite Father's Grace, the blood of the Son and the patience of the Holy Spirit. What will be the fate of those who refuse these! Will they appear at the marriage-supper of the Lamb; and if not, *where* (Rom 5:1-11)?

The Hebrew word “Messiah” is used in the Old Testament a total of 39 times: 37 times translated “anointed” and it usually refers to one of the kings of Israel. Have you studied the book of Daniel? It was translated with the English word “Messiah” twice (Dan 9:25, 26). The Jews were expecting God's Messiah, His Anointed One, to arrive. Christ fulfilled all prophecies of the Anointed. Therefore, He was the Messiah.

In the New Testament, the word “Christ” (Greek for “anointed one”) is used exclusively referring to Jesus. As Christians, we are followers of the Anointed One, Jesus and the word “Christ” is a title, not Jesus' being His last name. What an honor it is to share the title “Christ” with Jesus as “Christians” is Peter's specific point (1 Pet 4:16).

JESUS CHRIST
HE LIVED TO DIE, SO THAT WE MIGHT DIE TO LIVE!

