

## Schedule Of Services

### Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 A. M.  
Worship 10:30 A. M.  
Worship 4:00 P. M.  
2nd Sunday Potluck following the morning service. At 1:15 we will have a singing service.

### Tuesday:

Ladies Class -- 10 A. M. (Sept. – June)

### Wednesday

Midweek Services: 7:30 P. M.

### Our Preacher:

Toney L. Smith – (817) 483-1240

How to access our sermon outlines.  
Google:  
[rendonchurchofchrist.com](http://rendonchurchofchrist.com)  
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## Live Broadcasts

We are broadcasting our worship services over the Internet.

### Our website address:

<https://rendonchurchofchrist.com/>

Also find us at [OABS.org](http://OABS.org) - Go to Congregation>Rendon>Website

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You can find us on both  
**YouTube** and **Facebook**

### Check out this web site:

**BIBLEWAYMEDIA.ORG**  
(We help support this work.)

## Works Rendon Supports:

Chuck Northrop: OABS Director.  
Online Academy of Biblical Studies.  
Oologah, OK Internet Radio.  
Cherokee Children's Home.

## God's Plan For Salvation

Hear: Rom. 10:17.  
Believe: Mark 16:16.  
Repent: Luke 13:3, 5.  
Confess: Rom. 10:9-10.  
Baptism: Acts 2:38.  
Be Faithful: 1 Cor. 15:58.

**There is no other way!**



### Rendon's Prayer List:

Darlene Scott, Barbara Archey, Sherra Reeves, Sophia Kersten, Delpha Pearce, Edith Smith, Larry Lallance, Johnny Graham, Geneice and Derral, Robbie and Edwina, Tip and Phillis, Scott and Amy.

### Family and Friends:

Leanna Shafer, Robert Smith, Ashleigh Martinez, Rocky Craig, Peggy Emerson, Toney 2, Doris Hughes (Melissa Cole's grandmother is in Hospice), Mitchell Cash. Bill Bridges is having some raspatory problems.



### In the Military:

Keith Pilgrim and Justin Cormier.

### Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. Please fill out a visitor card. We would like to have a record of your attendance with us. If traveling, we pray for your safe journey

### Today's Sermons.

AM: Walk Like Paul (Phil. 3:14-21).  
PM: Lo, I Am With You Alway (Matt. 28:18-20).

**Heb. 13:5** "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

## ***What Does The Bible Say About Religious Titles?***

Jack Williams

It is not uncommon in the religious world to hear the use of titles to distinguish or exalt one person from another. Reverend, Pastor, Bishop, Father, Rabbi, and more are used as titles in order to establish a class who are exalted above others. Though the practice may be common, that is not the standard. The real question we must ask is if it is in accord with God's Word (1 Peter 4:11). Let's see if we can find an answer in the Bible.

The use of terms such as mentioned above is never found in an acceptable fashion in the Bible as unless they were simple descriptive terms. For example:

- We find men who were elders (as Peter spoke of in 1 Peter 5:1), but not a title such as "Elder Peter."
- We find all Christians described as saints (1 Corinthians 1:2), but never a reference to one having a title such as "Saint Paul."
- We find men who were called deacons or bishops (Philippians 1:1), but never a reference to a title such as "Deacon Stephen" or "Bishop John."
- We find men who were evangelists (Acts 21:8), but never one with a title such as "Evangelist Philip."

Changing descriptive terms such as these into religious titles is clearly without Biblical authority and thus stands condemned (Luke 6:46; Colossians 3:17). The use of such titles is of man and is thus condemned by our Lord (Matthew 15:9). The use of such titles was developed in an effort to set forth a class of "clergy" which was exalted over others. The closest parallel we can find to such an unholy practice is clearly condemned by our Lord in Matthew 23:2-11 where the Lord condemned those who sought to be "seen of men" (5). They sought their ungodly exaltation by demanding titles such as "Rabbi" or "Father" (7-9).

The next time you are approached by one who desires to be exalted to a position over others by wearing a title such as Reverend, Pastor, Bishop, Father, Deacon and the like, why not take the time to discuss with them their Biblical authority for such a practice. No doubt you will soon be told about tradition or even told "it doesn't matter." But one thing you will not be told is Biblical authority for their practice.

(Matthew 23:9 "And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven." --- Giving the designation of "Father" to a pope or priest is out of harmony with what Jesus here says. However, He should not be understood to be condemning the title to one's real earthly father. tjs)

## ***"Listen To The Old Rugged Cross!"***

Toney L. Smith

The death of Christ is the single most important event in human history. God promised to send the Savior (Genesis 3:15). The Bible records many events that pointed to the fulfillment of that promise. These events ultimately lead us to the redemption of mankind on the "OLD RUGGED CROSS". We would do well to listen to the lessons it teaches. It is a message of supreme importance!

What then does the Old Rugged Cross say to us? It declares...

1. WE CANNOT SAY THAT WE ARE NEVER INVOLVED WITH SIN! No one can say that he has not sinned, or that he will not commit iniquity (1 John 1:8 10; Romans 3:23). The Scriptures clearly tell us that the "wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). If one is not careful, he will become enslaved to sin (Romans 6:17 18). Having once been servants of sin, the obedient are then set free from the consequences of those sins. The devices of men cannot remove transgressions.

2. MAN CANNOT SAVE HIMSELF. In Titus 2:14 we observe the phrase; "... gave himself for us, that he might redeem us..." We cannot save ourselves from the consequences of sin (Titus 3:5). Salvation comes from the mind of God (Ephesians 2:1 10). Without the blood of Christ, there can be no salvation. (Romans 5:10; Hebrews 9:13 14; 10:1 4). Although men try to dream up plans to save themselves, they cannot provide for their own atonement.

3. THE CROSS TELLS US OF GOD'S LOVE (Titus 3:3 7). Sin is so horrible and so overwhelming that men often just give up. We must never forget that God's love is so wonderful. He said, "I'll pay the price." The cross of Christ demonstrates the proof of God's love for our souls (2 Peter 3:9).

4. THE OLD RUGGED CROSS ALSO TELLS OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SALVATION (Titus 2:14). Sin separates men from God (Isaiah 59:1-2). In that condition, we are lost. But the cross of Jesus makes reconciliation and salvation possible. There is power in His blood to redeem every man from every sin (1 Peter 1:18 19); to justify those who have gone into sin (Romans 5:10); and to bring about forgiveness so that our guilt is taken away (Ephesians 1:7).

Today all men need the message of the "old rugged cross." Christ died for everyone. However, it is man's responsibility to obey the gospel (2 Thess. 1:7 9). God has given us the means by which we can save ourselves (Acts 2:40-41). We must obey His will. Obedience requires hearing and believing the gospel (Mark 16:15-16).