

# What does the Bible say about Peter?

**Introduction.** Simon was the original name of Peter, the son of Jonas, and brother of Andrew (Matt. 4: 18, 16: 17). Simon was a commercial fisherman by trade (Matt. 4: 18). Jesus changed Simon's name to Cephas (Aramaic), Peter being the Greek synonym (John 1: 42, Matt. 16: 18). The name Peter (petros, meaning stone) was doubtless suggestive of the important role that Peter would have in the early church.

**Peter, the apostle.** Peter was called to be an apostle (one sent, Matt. 10: 2-4). "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men," Jesus told Peter (Matt. 4: 19). Peter heads the list of the apostles, which probably suggests that Peter was the older and the leader (Matt. 10: 2). To Peter was given the "keys of the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 16: 19). Peter used these keys (means of entry) when he was allowed to introduce the gospel to the Jews and the Gentiles (Acts 2 & 10). Peter's apostleship primarily involved the Jews (Gal. 2: 8). Peter was important in the first thirty years of the history of the church. This importance is seen in the fact that Acts 2 through 12 mainly concern the endeavors of Peter. Peter wrote two letters, First and Second Peter.

**Peter, the man.** Peter was immediate in his actions, sometimes too immediate (Matt. 26: 33, 34). Peter denied the Lord, an event that caused him great pain (Matt. 26: 34, 69 ff.). Peter also had great difficulty giving up Jewish prejudices. In fact, Paul had to publicly rebuke Peter because of his sin of racism (Gal. 2: 11-14). As to the papacy assigned to Peter, there is **NOT EVEN A HINT** of biblical evidence. Peter was a married man who sometimes took his wife along in his preaching efforts (Matt. 8: 14, 1 Cor. 9: 5).

**Conclusion.** As Peter matured, he lived up to the name Jesus provided him, a stone (solid). Peter appears to have died a violent death, as prophesied (John 21: 18).

Eric Cimuchowski grew up in Tacoma, Washington.

He attended the Southside Church of Christ and loved going to Delano Bay Christian Camp. He pursued some Bible and missions training at Adventures In Missions (AIM) in Lubbock, TX, and then worked with the Albany Church of Christ in Albany, NY as a missionary intern.

Kim Cimuchowski grew up as a missionary kid in South Africa, South Korea, and then later in Albany, New York. She attended the Albany Church of Christ and loved attending Christian camp at Camp Hunt in upstate NY.

Eric and Kim met when Eric was an intern with the church in Albany in 1995. They began dating while in Albany, and then after his internship, Eric went back to school in Lubbock, TX to attend the Sunset International Bible Institute, where he got his degrees in Missions and Biblical studies. Meanwhile, Kim attended the AIM program, receiving her Bible and missionary training. She did her internship program in San Diego, CA. After they both graduated, they were married in 1998 in Albany, NY.

They did missionary work with Kim's parents in Tartu, Estonia (Northern Europe) between 2000 and 2004. It was during this time that Hannah, their daughter, was born. Later, Eric worked as a youth minister in San Diego, CA, for about 2.5 years, and during this time, Joshua was born.

In 2007, the family moved to Endwell, New York, where Eric worked as the pulpit minister for nine years.

And most recently, in 2016, the Cimuchowski family moved to Victorville, CA. Eric has been working as the Involvement Minister for the Victor Valley Church of Christ for 9.5 years.

## ***Eric & Kim Cimuchowski***



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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Qualifications for Overseers***

The following qualifications can be found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7  
The men **MUST** have the following qualifications:

- Be above reproach
- The husband of one wife
- Sober-minded
- Self Controlled
- Respectable
- Hospitable
- Able to Teach
- Not a drunkard
- Not violent, but gentle
- Not quarrelsome
- Not a lover of money
- Manage his household well, and with dignity.
- Keeping his children submissive
- May not be a new convert
- Must be well thought of by outsiders.

Survey for **Eric Cimuchowski** to be considered as an Elder.

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Yes, I believe **Eric Cimuchowski** meets the qualifications to serve as an elder.

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No, I do **not** feel **Eric Cimuchowski** meets the qualifications to serve as an elder.

**Comments:**

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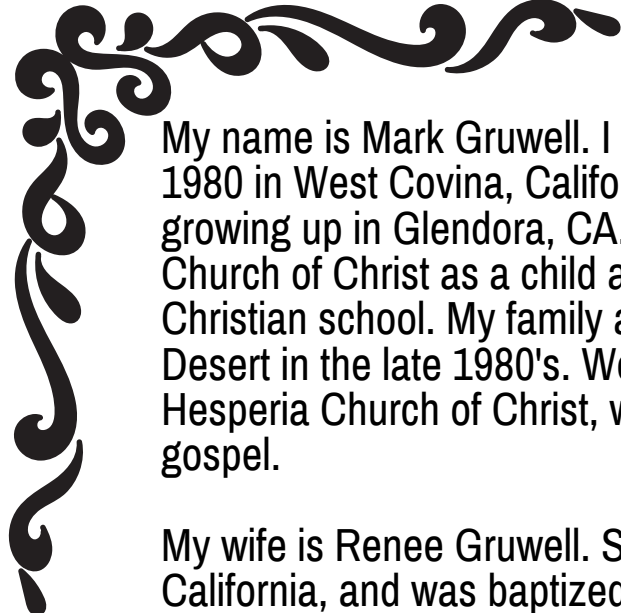
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My name is Mark Gruwell. I was born February 12, 1980 in West Covina, California. I spent my early years growing up in Glendora, CA. I attended Baldwin Park Church of Christ as a child and went to Sonrise Christian school. My family and I moved to the High Desert in the late 1980's. We then attended the Hesperia Church of Christ, where I first obeyed the gospel.

My wife is Renee Gruwell. She grew up in Southern California, and was baptized at the Hesperia Church of Christ in 2003. We first met in Junior High, she immediately caught my eye. We briefly dated in high school before she moved to San Diego to be with family and attend college. We reunited some years later (long story, ask me about it). We dated for a few years (I know, I know), and we married on February 3, 2007.

I had some growing up to do.

Renee and I have two children, Reagan and Scarlet.

We have been members of the Victor Valley Church of Christ for over 10 years. I have served as a deacon teaching the teens along with my wife. I have served in this role for roughly 10 years.

Thank you for your consideration.



*Mark & Renee Gruwell*





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Survey for **Mark Gurwell** to be considered as an Elder.

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Yes, I believe **Mark Gurwell** meets the qualifications to serve as an elder.

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No, I do **not** feel **Mark Gruwell** meets the qualifications to serve as an elder.

**Comments:**

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# Order of Worship

**Songleader**  
**Jeremiah Darden**

Welcome & Announcements  
Opening Prayer

Song # 957 -  
This World Is Not my Home

Song # 453 -  
Love Lifted Me

Lord's Supper  
Contribution

Kids 4 Kids  
Bible Hour

Prayer Requests

Song # 324 -  
Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?

Scripture Reading -  
Matthew 14:22-33

**Sermon by:**  
**Darryl Darden**

**"Peter Principles"**

Song of Invitation:  
Song # 909 -  
There's a Fountain Free

Song # 959 -  
Just a Little Talk with Jesus

Closing Prayer

## This Week's Schedule of Events



**\*\* (In person & Zoom)**  
**Building Lock Up: Jake Tess**

**\*\*9:00 a.m. - Bible Class**  
***Study of Galatians!***  
**\*\*10:00 a.m.**  
**Sunday Worship**

**\*\*10:00 a.m. - En Linea Servicio de Adoracion (via Facebook Live)**  
**3:30 p.m. AVAC Worship**  
**with Johnny Latham.**

**Mon., Nov. 10th**

**7 p.m. - Spanish Night of Prayer (Zoom)**  
**7 p.m. - En Linea Noche de Oración**

**Tues., Nov. 11th**

**The office is closed in observance of Veterans Day.**

**10 a.m. Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study**

**"Trust in God in the Midst of Adversity"**  
**presented by Carolyn Steward**



**6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Young Adult Class**  
**presented by**  
**Jeremiah & Jessica Baker**  
**Childcare provided.**



**Wed., Nov. 12th**

**7 p.m. Bible Study on Zoom.**



## MISSIONS

Brethren, we need your help.  
We contribute to and support various missions. During the month of November if you're able to make an additional contribution towards our "Mission Fund" we would be very appreciative.  
Please make sure to mark your envelope "Mission Fund".

## *November* This Week's

### Birthday's

9th - Ga'Brielle Darden  
9th - Cheryl Mitchell  
11th - Dwayne Jonson  
13th - Bernadett Gramling  
13th - Eva Wityczak



## *Thanksgiving Boxes*

We will only prepare boxes for our members who need them this holiday season. If your family is in need of one, please let one of our Elders know by **November 19th.**

Members are asked to help fill our boxes. Donated items can be dropped off in the kitchen.

Please choose at least three (3) items from the following list:

### **Boxed:**

Pie Crust Mix, Stove Top Stuffing, and Instant Potatoes.

### **Canned:**

Pumpkin Pie Mix, Cream of Mushroom Soup, French Fried Onions, Evaporated Milk, Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans, Gravy, and Yams.

The boxes will be distributed on **November 23rd** following morning service.

## **MILITARY HOLIDAY BOXES**

Help us send our Military Members some holiday cheer. As you sign up the member, please update their address, phone number, and relationship. We are collecting items to put in their Holiday Boxes.

The last date to collect items will be **Nov. 30th** packages will be mailed out on **Dec. 15th**

Here is a list of the items we would like to collect: deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, chapstick, books, cards, games, snacks, Tylenol, Motrin, socks for men & women, candy, gum, hot cocoa, drink mix, and hand & foot warmers.

Any questions, please contact Leisa Pond or Pauletta Hobson.

Donated items can be dropped off in the kitchen.



Please pray for our church leaders; our congregation; the homeless, and the veterans. Also for our country's leaders, our troops; and the future of our country.

### **Shut-Ins**

Barbara Tidwell; Mattie McCarthy; and Sandy Wooten.

### **Continual Prayers**

The Ahumada family; Anthony Avalos; Antonia Bell; Charlie & LaVonne Powell; David Bohm; Dondi Bell; Gennie Lorenz; Hosia Ford; Ida Crawford; Kathy Najera; Marie Guess; Melanie Gammage; Vicki Brown; and Yolanda Perez.

### **General**

Anthony Avalos; Barbra Holliday; Barbara Tidwell; Christina Wityczak; Eric Lemoine, & his team; the Gainer's; the Gramling's; Teddy Jordan; and Orvella Stallings.

### **Health**

John Tynan; Kelly Tynan; Levi (3-month-old); Mary; Mattie McCarthy; Pauletta Hobson; Rick Jordan; Rose Bliss; and Sharon Gainer.

### **Thanksgiving**

Eva Wityczak

### **Travels**

The Greene's; Kim; and Michael.

### **For Their Losses**

The Gainer's, with the loss of Norm's brother.

### **Donations Needed**

**Capri Sun or Kool Aid Packs.**

Saviors Kids & the Youth's are asking you if you can donate for their Holiday Parties.

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# Victor Valley Church of Christ

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Eric Cimuchowski - Involvement Minister

Darryl Darden - Pulpit Minister

Carlos Orrala - Spanish Minister

## Deacons

**Benjamin Lopez** - Spanish Ministry

**Craig Beck** - Security

**TBA** - Benevolence

**TBA** - Greeters & Ushers

**Chris Schow** - Interior Bldg. Maint.

**TBA** - Men's Ministry, Disaster Relief

**Mark Gruwell** - Teens

## Ministries & Coordinators

### Audio Visual/Zoom

Jake Tess & Tim Gramling

### AVPAC/Lucerne Valley

Johnny Latham

### Building Décor

Tonja Patton

### Calling Ministry

Eva Wityczak

### Call Out Ministry

M. Basnight; T. Rose;  
& S. Suba

### Song Leading, Singing

Jeremiah Darden

### Children's Bible Hour

Claudia Beck &  
Ga' Brielle Darden

### Grief Support

Strech Suba

### Historian

Kasie Schow

### Kitchen

Pauletta Hobson

### Ladies' Ministry

Kim Cimuchowski

### Military

Pauletta Hobson &  
Leisa Brewster

### Bulletin Mailouts

Darlene Yingling

### Worship Coordinator

Jeff Najera

### Savior's Kids

Jake & Danelle Tess

### Teacher's Workroom

Nina Sutton

### Youth Group

Mark & Renee Gruwell

Bernadett Gramling - Office Manager

Erica Lee - Bookkeeper

## Staff

Andrea Gómez - Janitorial

Billy Caldwell - Auditorium Seating

## Last Week's Statistics

### Financial

Contribution 11/2/25	\$	23,083.14	Teen Fund	\$	5,147.00
Contribution 10/26/25	\$	2,618.61	Mission Fund	\$	2,236.00
Special Contributions	\$	420.00	Scholarship Fund	\$	1,180.00
Y.T.D. Contribution	\$	35,251.43	Kids 4 Kids	\$	135.00

### Attendance

A.M. Worship

In Person

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Via Zoom 20