



What's in a name?

Romans 16

Paul is signing off his letter.

It's a list of people that Paul knew who were part of the early church

We get an insight into the life and times

of the Christians of Paul's day



Romans 16:1-2

The Postman is a woman?

Phoebe is coming to you

She is 1, a Christian sister



3, being recommended by Paul

4, has been a great help to many



Romans 16:3 - 15

"Say hello to ..."



Greetings to individuals and groups known to Paul who are now living in Rome.

Note 1, wide movements of people in the Roman empire

2, the variety of contacts Paul had made

3, the church is primarily about people

Romans 16:3 - 15

An interesting mix 28 people (9 of which are ladies!)

Old friends & co-workers	(v 3 –	6))
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Relatives (husband and wife team?

apostles & fellow prisoners) (v7)

Good friends and solid believers (v8-10)

Home group leaders (10 -11)

Hard working ladies for Jesus (12 - 13)

2 sisters + 1, a "mother"

Several families



Romans 16:16

"Say hello to each other"



And everybody here sends their greetings.

(Paul is encouraging inter-church fellowship)

God loves unity

Romans 16:17 – 18

Warning







Romans 16:19 – 20

and Commendation



Romans 16:21 - 24

Greetings from Paul's team



Who wrote the letter? V.22

What's in a name "number 3"?

Was Gaius rich and generous?

A civil servant and "number 4"



Romans 16:25 - 27

A Closing prayer



Praise God

for the gospel that WORKS to bless all the nations to TRUST and OBEY him

The only wise God "You couldn't make this up"

And it's all through

Jesus the Messiah