

I heard a word today that was new to me but very accurate and, in today's environment, appropriate. As we all know, the former—four times indicted, now criminal defendant—president of the United States, Donald Trump, has made a nasty habit of referring to any Republican who does not kowtow to him and sufficiently “fawn”: a RINO—a Republican In Name Only. The few responsible and honest Republicans that still exist have nearly all received this designation.

One of our family members has recently coined a new word that we find both appropriate and descriptive. Tim Seguin has begun using the term CHINO. The people in this category are Christians In Name Only. And that leads to the logic behind the appellation.

I don't consider myself a Christian. But, I have read enough of the Bible and other religious literature in addition to years of Sunday School, long time association with devout Christians, and a lifetime reading habit that has included all kinds of books and articles to have a pretty good idea of what a Christian is. As in all religions, following the teachings of Christ involves something we have come to call The Golden Rule.

And, one thing is abundantly clear. Christians who follow and/or support the criminal insurrectionist, self-serving narcissist, sociopathic and perhaps, even psychopathic Donald Trump are CHINOS. Tim has it right.