

"The churches of Christ salute you" Rom. 16:16

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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#### A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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# A Lesson Learned From A Pair Of Shoes

By Rod Rutherford

Several years ago, I bought a pair of shoes at a shopping mall. The second pair was free. The free pair were the most uncomfortable shoes I have ever had on. They never fit right. I gave them to my youngest son thinking they might fit him. He didn't like them either and gave them back to me. I put them back in the box in the back of my closet and forgot about them.

Some months later, I bought a pair of comfortable shoes to wear on a mission trip to Africa. They fit just right. I took the uncomfortable ones out of my closet and took them with me to Africa thinking that one of the poor folks there would be glad to have them. I met an African preacher who had no home. He traveled widely preaching the Gospel with no support, but depended upon the hospitality of the brethren for food and lodging. His shoes were old and tattered. He had them tied together with an odd assortment of strings and leather. When I offered the uncomfortable pair of shoes to him, his face lit up with a big smile and he quickly tore off his old shoes to put the new ones on. Try as he might, they did not fit. As a look of disappointment replaced his smile, I knew there was only one solution to his dilemma. I took off my good, comfortable shoes and offered them to him. He tried them on and they fit perfectly! I gave them to him and wore the uncomfortable ones for the rest of my trip.

My feet hurt every night. I hated those shoes. I threw them in the trash when I got home. But I will always remember those shoes as one of the best pairs I have ever had. The joy that filled the preacher's eyes when my good shoes fit him and he learned that they were now his was worth all the pain I suffered. I've forgotten what the pain of wearing the uncomfortable shoes was like, but I still remember the joy created by giving away my good shoes. I learned the meaning of Acts 20:35: "And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive." I now take a pair of comfortable shoes with me to Africa every year to give them to someone who needs them.

#### "Bless the LORD, O My Soul!"

When we talk about worshipping God, we could use the words "praise," or "bless." The word "bless" is frequently used in the Psalms as a way of referring to man's worship to God. The Hebrew word refers to the idea of kneeling before God in a humble and reverential act of worship. The Psalms encourage us to "bless the Lord" over and over again. In those Psalms we can learn how we should bless the LORD, why we should bless the LORD, and who should bless the LORD?

#### How should we bless (praise, worship) the LORD?

- 1. With a genuine and sincere heart (Psalm 103:1; 111:1)
- 2. With singing (Psalm 104:33-34; 105:3-4)

## Why should we bless the LORD?

- 1. Because of His mercy (Psalm 103; 106:1; 107:1)
- 2. Because He is great (Psalm 104; 111:1-10)

#### Who should bless the LORD?

- 1. The righteous (Psalm 103:1; 107:1-9)
- 2. All nations (Psalm 100 & 117)
- 3. Angels (Psalm 103:20-22)

Do you "bless" the LORD from the heart, and with joy because of His mercy, and because He is great!

~Kevin V. Rutherford

# **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018**

August 20 - 1 Corinthians 3 August 21 - 1 Corinthians 4

August 22 - 1 Corinthians 5

August 23 - 1 Corinthians 6



August 24 - 1 Corinthians 7:1-19 August 25 - 1 Corinthians 7:20-40

August 26 - 1 Corinthians 8



# OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Kim Sheets** is out of the ICU at the Forsyth Hospital. The doctors are trying to determine the next course for him. Keep him in your prayers please.

**Madelene Holbrook** I has been reported to be feeling a little stronger this past week. She is still quite weak and it will take some time for her recovery.

**Richard Clemmons** was taken to the emergency room last weekend for abdominal pain. He was diagnosed with a kidney infection and kidney stones. He is at home and reported to be feeling better.

Charles Parker was reported to be ill with a virus this past Wednesday.

**Nita Kirkland** was reported ill this past Wednesday. Please pray for her as she will be having eye surgery in the next coming weeks.

Lois Peden, daughter of the late Herbert and Betty Harper, and related to several here, suffered a severe stroke on Friday, Aug. 10th. Please pray for her and her family. She is in Centennial Hospital in Nashville, TN.

Please pray for **Conner McClean**, a young father of two, who is facing brain surgery. He is a friend of the Santiago family.

Please pray for Bill Knost's brother, **Earl Knost**, who was reported to be in the hospital in Florida. Also, pray for the family.

Please continue to pray for **Sara Koontz and family**, as she has been put on a ventilator.

Please remember **Imogene Elam**, who recently had a mild stroke, has contracted pancreatitis. She is in Room 124 Intermediate Care at the Forsyth Hospital. She is slowly improving.

### ~In Sympathy~

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Bobby Doby**, who passed away Friday, August 10th. He was Tim Allen's cousin. The service was held at Boyer's on Sunday, August 12th.

#### **SHUT-INS**

Mildred Barker Kim Matthews Ernestine Martin Di-Ann Moser Carolyn Minor

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers.

THE PRAYER LIST IS AVAILABLE ON THE CREDENZA IN THE FOYER.





WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING. WE INVITE YOU TO RETURN THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. FOR THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE AND AT 7:00 P.M. EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A COVERED DISH CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP MEAL TODAY IN THE ANNEX NEXT DOOR FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. YOU WILL BE OUR HONORED GUEST!

#### **WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:**

<u>Aug. 19</u> - Congregational Fellowship Meal following this morning worship service. Everyone is invited.

Sept. 8 - Warners Chapel Youth Conference

#### **Area Events:**

<u>Aug. 1-29</u> - Summer Series "The Apostle of Paul - Great Soldier of the Cross" at the Cary church of Christ on Wednesdays in August, at 7:30 PM.

<u>Sept. 29</u> - Annual Youth Day at the Highland Acres church of Christ. RSVP - Sept. 15th.

See Bulletin board for further information

#### SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of **August:**:

#### "SCHOOL SUPPLIES"

A list of School Supplies needed for the Pantry are available on the credenza in the foyer.

#### **Please Note:**

Tommy Rose is preparing a new Greeter's List—If you are interested please see Tommy.

Also, the new **House to House** is in on the desk in the foyer. Please take one for yourself and several to give to friends and neighbors.

#### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - August 12, 2018	120
Sunday Worship Service	162
Contribution for August 12, 2018	\$7,487
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	36
Chapters Read:	611
Sunday Evening Worship Service	121
Wed. Evening Bible Study - August 15, 2018	97

# Lord's Day Appointments For August, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For August:

Charley Belch

Nathan Roy Gene Ruark Tommy Ridings

Nancy Minor Tim Allen Jim Harrison

**Preparing Communion for August:** Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

# Lord's Day Appointments - August 26, 2018

**DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER:** SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Allen Cooper Morning -A.M. Clayton Workman A.M. - Jacob Woodbury Andy Santiago Evening -Youth Lead Service P.M. - Mark Clemmons Song Leader- Tim Allen Randy Warner **P.M**.

Wed. Song Req. Service Prayer D.C. Mock Wayne A. & Walter C

> **Greeters for August:** Randy and Linda Warner

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: August 26 Shawn Thomason Wednesday: -August 29 Shawn Thomason

# Lord's Day Appointments - August 19, 2018

**DEVOTIONS:** OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Morning - Mark Roy Evening - Shawn Thomason A.M. - Dwight Barringer Scripture Jason Allen A.M. - Wayne Allen P.M. - Tommy Rose Song Leader Wayne Allen P.M. - Gene Southern Wed. - Tim Allen

Prayer Carl Cooper

**Opening and Closing Building Sunday:** - Aug. 19 John Allen **Greeters for August:** Wednesday: - Aug. 22 John Allen Randy and Linda Warner

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES - Nursery open for small children during all services.

#### **SUNDAY:**

Bible Classes 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:50 AM **Evening Worship** 6:00 PM WEDNESDAY: Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM

"GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE" at 10:30 p.m. each week night on Cable 8 SEARCH PROGRAM - Sunday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. on Cable 68

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**ELDERS DEACONS** 

Tim Allen **Randy Warner Gene Southern** Keith Warner **Shawn Thomason** Joe Everett Mark Roy Adam Warner **Todd Hinson Mark Minor** Jason Allen Steve Tesh **Andy Santiago Jody Everett** Jacob Woodbury