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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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7 THINGS TO THINK ABOUT DURING THE LORD'S SUPPER

1. One Lord - I think it is very interesting that when one studies about the Lord's Supper, and they read passages such as Matthew 26:26-29 or 1 Corinthians 11:23-29, how personal our Lord made this event. The crucifixion of our Lord was not just some unplanned event. We know that the blood of bulls and of goats cannot take away the sins of man (Hebrews 10:4). It was the plan for Christ to come, and that He was to preach and to teach (Luke 19:10) and that He would eventually be that Lamb that was to be sacrificed for the sins of mankind (Isaiah 53). But may we always remember that this sacrifice was not made just by some common man. It was made by the very Son of God, the second person of the God-head (Matthew 3:17; 16:16; John 1:1-3; 14). It was made by our one Lord (Ephesians 4:5; James 2:19). It does not matter what other men may say, it does not matter what creeds or religions have come up with, there is one Lord.

2. Two Thieves - In Luke 23:29, Jesus was reviled by one of the thieves. If you go back to Matthew 27:44, we find that at one time, both of the thieves were persecuting Christ with their words and accusations. But at this point in time in the book of Luke, only one of the thieves was continuing in this. By this time, Christ had probably heard just about every horrible thing that could be hurled in his direction, but think about the circumstances of this moment. Sure, it might be easier to take those comments and accusations when he was walking about with his apostles. But here He is, hanging almost naked on a cross, having been tortured the night before, and now again, being persecuted by one of the thieves hanging with him. On the other hand, we find the second thief having a penitent heart (Luke 23:40-43). There are so many arguments over how this thief could be saved, and we will not go into any of these at the moment, but think about this. If you are looking at the cross of the thief and arguing about how to be saved, my friend you are looking at the wrong cross.

3. Three Crosses - 1). *Rebellion*: As mentioned afore, the first thief is the thief who continued to revile Christ even while they were both hanging on the cross. Perhaps he did it to make himself feel better. Perhaps he did it because that was what everyone else was doing. Perhaps he did it just because that was what felt right to him. Whatever the reason may be, this thief had no respect for Christ, and in doing so, he rebelled against God. 2). *Redemption*: Obviously referring to the cross that stood betwixt the two, the cross of Christ. Ephesians 1:7 sums it up very well for the reader, showing that our redemption is through the shed blood of Christ, and because of that shed blood, we now have the forgiveness of sins (Colossians 1:14). 3). *Repentance*: The second thief being the focus here, for he was the one who showed a penitent heart (Luke 23:40-42). Jesus spoke to him (vs. 43) and He told the thief that he would see him in Paradise. An interesting thought would be to think about those already in Paradise, and how they too would have been able to see Christ after His death. What a marvelous thought that is, and what motivation that is for us to continue to stay faithful upon this earth, so that when our time in this world is over, we too will be able to see Christ on that judgement day (Hebrews 9:27).

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4. Four Parts of His Garment - In John 19:23, the Bible says, *“Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier a part, and also the tunic. Now the tunic was without seam, woven from the top in one piece.”* If one went to Matthew 27:35, they would also find that his clothes were also being gambled on, for the soldiers were casting lots. What is interesting is that this very event was prophesied to happen (Psalm 22:18), and the prophecy was made a few hundred years before this event even occurred.

5. Five Wounds - If one were to read the four Gospel accounts, and they were to read of the crucifixion in Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, and John 19, they would find that all the Bible says about it, was that Christ was crucified. Simple and plain, yet so powerful. Two of these wounds would come from the nail that would go through each of His wrists. Several studies carry several different views. Some say that a nail would go through each of the palms. Others would say that if that happened, the weight of the body would be too much for the hands to bear, and that the hands would have ripped away from the nails. They offer another way that it could have happened, that being that the nail would go through the middle of the wrist, severing the median nerve and causing paralyzation of the hand, no doubt causing horrific pain. Wounds three and four would have come through the nail that was driven into His feet. Again, several studies have come out and several people have different views on how this took place. Many seem to conclude that his legs would have been at a forty-five degree angle and his feet then nailed to the cross. The fifth and final wound that Christ would endure, would have been the spear that was thrust into His side (John 19:34). Though there may be stipulation over how and in what manner some of these wounds were inflicted, one thing is for sure, that Christ suffered immense and indescribable pain, and that He endured it for us and in our stead. May we never forget this.

6. Six Hours of Agony - According to Mark 15:25, the crucifixion began around the third hour of the day. Back during the time of the Jews, their days (speaking in terms of time) began at 6 a.m., which means the third hour would be 9 a.m. If one then looks to the Gospel account of Matthew, they would find in chapter 27:45, that darkness was over the land from the sixth hour until the ninth hour, meaning that the darkness would last from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m. At the end of the ninth hour (3 p.m.), Christ gave up his spirit (Mark 15:34-37).

7. Seven Last Sayings - Recorded for us in the Gospel accounts are seven last sayings of Christ on the cross before He died. 1). *Luke 23:34* - *“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do”* How incredible it was for Christ to go through all of that pain and torture, and then to cry out for God to forgive them. 2). *Luke 23:43* - *“Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”* This was Christ telling the penitent thief that He was forgiven. 3). *John 19:26-27* - *“(26) Woman, behold your son! (27) Behold your mother!”* Some will say that Christ was referring to Himself in the first statement, but more than likely, He was referring to the “disciple whom Jesus loved” (John) because of the second statement. 4). *Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34* - *“Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?... My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”* Many will say that Jesus Christ became actual sin for us and that God could not look at Him, and that is why He felt as if God had forsaken Him. But think about this. Surely Jesus understood the purpose of why this had to happen. What is likely to have happened, is that he spoke these words to call attention to what was really happening that day. His words do not imply a separation from God, because God cannot be God without the Son. Certainly, Jesus Christ was not literally made to be sin, rather He became our sin offering (Hebrews 9:13-20). Also, if Christ was forsaken by God, then why would He call out to Him one more time in *Luke 23:46*? 5). *John 19:28* - *“I thirst!”* The entire process must have dehydrated Christ for it was physically taxing on the body, not to mention all of the beating and torture that He endured. This was also prophesied to happen in *Psalm 69:21*. 6). *John 19:30* - *“It is finished!”* From the beginning of time, God had a plan, and Jesus Christ completed His mission and He successfully crossed the finish line. He endured more than we ever will, and He finished His mission. Know that we can complete ours as well. 7). *Luke 23:46* - *“Father into Your hands I commit My spirit.”* The last words that Jesus Christ breathed before He died on that cruel cross.

~Caleb J. Rutherford

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018

May 28 - John 10:24-42
May 29 - John 11:1-29
May 30 - John 11:30-57
May 31 - John 12:1-26



June 1 - John 12:27-50
June 2 - John 13:1-20
June 3 - John 13:21-38



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to pray for Mary Ellen Dull, DJ Harrison, Nita Kirkland, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins and Claude Pharr.

Nita Kirkland will undergo back surgery on June 7th and cataract surgery on June 21st. Please keep her in your prayers.

D. J. Harrison is having multiple mini-strokes and it is thought to possibly be caused by migraines. She received several injections to her head and neck this past week to try to overcome the problems she is having at this time. Please keep her in your prayers.

Renee Morgan (Madelene Holbrook's niece) will be having more surgery at the Duke Medical Center in the near future. Please remember her in prayer.

Lt. Ray Laird with the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office passed away last Friday after battling cancer. He was 40 years old. Also, please keep Trooper Samuel Bullard's family in your prayers. He was killed in a vehicle pursuit this past Monday.

Debbie Cranfill, Mark Minor's cousin and Sherrill's niece, is home and recovering. Thank you for your prayers.

Also, please pray for our fellow Christian families in Nicaragua. Violence has erupted in most major cities including uncounted deaths. Please pray for a quick resolution.

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



SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker
Kim Matthews

Ernestine Martin
Di-Ann Moser

It was reported that Mildred Barker's health is in decline at this time.

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers

SENTENCE SERMONS

The cross is easier to him who takes it up than to him who drags it.

A dog is loved by old and young; he wags his tail and not his tongue.

Anger is only one letter short of danger.

Welcome

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.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

May 31 - The 50 and Over Class will meet at 11 a.m. in the Annex.

Area Events:

June 17 - 20 - Gospel Meeting at the Capernaum church of Christ. Speaker: Bro. H. Clay Williams of the North Glenn Heights church of Christ

See Bulletin board for further information



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of JUNE is:
Oatmeal/Grits



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Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day. It is traditional to fly the flag of the United States at half staff from dawn until noon. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - May 20, 2018	127
Sunday Worship Service	166
Contribution for May 20, 2018	\$6,603
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	35
Chapters Read:	567
Sunday Evening Worship Service	118
Wed. Evening Bible Study - May 23, 2018	106

Lord's Day Appointments For June, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For June:

Caleb Rutherford

Bill Carothers Steve Martin
Jason Allen
Mary Anne Allen
Roger Allen
John Allen

Preparing Communion for June:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - June 3, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Daryl Cook	Morning - D. C. Mock	A.M. - Charley Belch	A.M. - Bill Carothers
Song Leader - Roger Allen	Evening - Nathan Roy	P.M. - Don Minor	P.M. - Roger Allen
Prayer - Todd Hinson		Wed. - Allen Cooper	

Greeters for June:

Rodney & Teresa Brown

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - June 3	~	Al Lawson
Wednesday: - June 6	~	Al Lawson

Lord's Day Appointments - May 27, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Allen Cooper	Morning - Tommy Rose	A.M. - Clayton Workman	A.M. - Tommy Rose
Song Leader - Tim Allen	Evening - Daryl Cook	P.M. - Youth Lead Service	P.M. - Carl Cooper
Prayer - D. C. Mock		Wed. - Song Req. Service Wayne A. & Roger A.	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - May 27	~	Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - May 30	~	Shawn Thomason

Greeters for May:

Mark and Nancy Minor

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
Joe Everett
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Mike Cooper

Jody Everett
Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury