

"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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## **WAIT**

Perhaps filling our minds with endless hours of news programming can make the world seem to be worse than it really is. But still, we must admit there is much evil that occurs in this world. Have you ever wondered why God does not put an end to all of the wickedness, violence, and injustice? Does it seem as though the LORD is standing far away and hiding during times of trouble caused by wicked people? Psalm ten addresses this very issue.

The Psalmist says the wicked, in pride, persecute the poor. The wicked renounce the LORD, And God is in none of their thoughts. The wicked prosper and boast of their success even as their mouths are full of lies, cursing, trouble, and sin, The wicked murder the innocent in secret and look for opportunities to hurt the helpless. The wicked renounce God and say in their hearts, God will not hold them accountable. Does that sound like what we see in our world today? It does. The world of today does not seem much different from the world as it was many centuries ago when Psalm ten was written.

The Psalmist sees the wicked prosper and so asks God, why do you stand afar off, why do you hide? The writer of this Psalm asks God to arise, lift up His hand, help the humble and bring the wicked to justice. In all of this the Psalmist may well be expressing some of the same frustrations we have had in watching the wicked succeed as they hurt so many people. But the Psalm does not end there.

Psalm ten ends with a statement of confidence in the fact that God will bring true justice. It will be in His time and it will be at the right time. God sees all of this wickedness. God knows all of the evil that people commit against other people and God is keeping account of it all. The writer of this Psalm says, "But You have seen, for You observe trouble and grief, to repay it by Your hand. The helpless commits himself to You; You are the helper of the fatherless." We are told "the LORD is King forever and ever," and He has "heard the desire of the humble." The LORD will see justice is served for the fatherless and the oppressed.

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God sees the wicked oppressions and injustice of the world, and God will bring justice to the wicked at some point. We may not see it now. We may not see it as quickly as we would like. But we can have confidence knowing that in time, all of the wicked oppressors who refuse to repent will be brought to justice. If not here on the earth, most assuredly before the throne of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on the day of Judgment (Acts 17:30-32).

What about more personal problems? Perhaps our situation is not as desperate as we may think it to be. We have a tendency to exaggerate our difficulties. And yet, there are times when we, or others, suffer immense, difficult, painful and complex problems in life. We cry out to the Lord for help. Often we do not see an immediate response. Just as we do not see God immediately stepping in when the wicked are oppressing the humble, so we do not see God immediately stepping in when we beg Him for help (in many cases). Consider Psalm thirteen. This is a psalm of David as he cries out to God for help in a time of trouble.

David asks God, how long will you forget me, how long will you hide your face from me, how long shall I have sorrow in my heart, and how long will my enemy be exalted over me? David begs God to hear him and help him. But David knows the help comes when God is ready and the time is right. So David ends the psalm by saying, "I have trusted in Your mercy, my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully with me."

From Psalms ten and thirteen we learn the lesson that God will act in justice to help those in need when He determines the time is right. Just because He does not act immediately in answer to our prayers, does not mean He doesn't hear. It does not mean He will not help. It does not mean He will not act. We must pray we must trust, and we must wait. David said, "wait on the LORD; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the LORD" (Psalm 27:14)!

~Kevin V. Rutherford



## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2021**

April 12 - Luke 11:29-54

April 13 - Luke 12:1-31 April 14 - Luke 11:32-59

April 15 - Luke 13:1-22



April 16 - Luke 13:23-35

**April 17 - Luke 14:1-24** 

April 18 - Luke 14:25-35

### **OUR SICK**

#### **Please Remember in Your Prayers**

**Roger Allen** underwent shoulder surgery a few weeks ago He is at home recuperating and has been experiencing a lot of pain. He will not be able to go back to work for about 4 months. Continue to pray for him.

Al Lawson is still experiencing heart palpitations and has seen a doctor again. He is will be wearing a heart monitor for the next 30 days to find out what his heart is doing. Continue to pray for Al.

**Jack Piper** has been having considerable back pain recently. Please pray his pain will get better.

Linda and Elwood Flinchum were able to return to last Sunday morning's church service at Warners. They have both had the Covid virus vaccine and Elwood is still taking chemo therapy. Please pray for them.

Please pray for **Wayne and Cathy Hutchins.** They both have been having health problems for a number of years and Wayne is now having to increase his oxygen level. Cathy's brother-in-law was diagnosed with cancer recently, please pray for him; and Cathy's mother is who is 96 and has been in the hospital recently but is back home now and she also is in need of prayers.

**Dwight Barringer** has been sheltering at home due to his wife has pre-existing health issues. He misses being at services and is hoping that he can be back in the very near future.

**Kim Matthews** fell recently and broke her arm. She was moved some time ago to the Universal Health Care, North Raleigh, 5201 Clark's Fork Drive, Raleigh, NC 27616.

Betty Hoots' cousin, Mandy Bailey and Mandy's son, Parker, They are both taking chemo treatments. So far, they are doing well with the treatments. Please keep them both in your prayers as they go through their treatments. If you wish to send them cards, the address is 121 Bentbrook Drive, Advance, NC 27006.

The young brother of a former co-worker of Nancy Minor, **Nathan**, was released from the hospital recently. It is not known if the doctors have an answer to what was causing his health problem. Please continue to pray for him.

A co-worker of Betty Hoots, **Jeff Chrysson**, was diagnosed with gallbladder cancer this past week. At this point things do not look good and his family is asking for your prayers for his healing and comfort. Here is his address if you would like to send him a card: Jeff Chrysson, 5930 La Sierra Drive, Pfafftown, N.C., 27040. Already the family has been receiving cards from Warners Chapel and they are so appreciative.



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 MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY.

#### **SEND CARDS**

A number of members here at Warners Chapel have been sick and/or in pain and we feel they would enjoy receiving a card from their brothers and sisters in Christ to help uplift them at this time.

Roger Allen, Kim Matthews, Al Lawson, Jack Piper, Elwood Flinchum, Wayne and Cathy Hutchins, Dwight Barringer & Wife, D. J. Harrison, Don Jackson & Sandy Smith.

Also, it was announced last Lord's Day that a card would be appreciated by HM Latchmenarine. HM is the director of Georgetown School of Preaching In Guyana, South America. He has Covid 19. His address is:

Latchmenarine 55 Gordon St. Guyana, South America

(You will need to mail his card in the Post Office)

## Call Someone and strengthen the church:

This week, make a list and call 5 people you don't normally call. Just touch base, ask after their welfare, tell them you care about them, see if they have a need with which we can help.

## **Covid Vaccine Information:**

If anyone would like a COVID-19 Vaccine and are having difficulty getting an appointment in the county you reside in, we have plenty in Yadkin County. If you would like an appointment please go to Yadkin County website <a href="www.yadkincountync.gov">www.yadkincountync.gov</a> and register you will be called on the number that you register with for an appointment. - Lorie Rose

# SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS **APRIL**, 2021

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: CARL COOPER

COMMUNION FOR APRIL: JOHNNY SPILLMAN

#### **OPENING PRAYERS FOR MARCH:**

WEDNESDAY

SUNDAY - a.m.	SUNDAY - p.m.	WEDNESDAY
April 4 - D.C. Mock	April 4 - Brad Hoots	April 7 - Jim Harrison
April 11 - Charley Belch	April 11 - Don Minor	April 14 - Gene Southern
April 18 - Bob Tesh	April 18 - David Queen	April 21 - Wayne Allen
April 25 - Andy Santiago	April 25 - Adam Warner	April 28 - Steve Tesh

SECURITY AND GREETING: MARK ROY AND GENE RUARK

PLEASE OPEN BUILDING BY 10:30 A.M., 5:40 P.M., AND WEDNESDAY BY 6:40 P.M.

## **SONG LEADERS FOR APRIL:** SUNDAY - p.m.

April 4 - Wayne Allen	April 4 - Wayne Allen	April 7 - Clayton Workman
April 11 - Clayton Workman	April 11 - Clayton Workman	April 14 - Wayne Allen
April 18 - Gene Southern	April 18 - Gene Southern	April 21 - Charley Belch
April 25 - Charley Belch	April 25 - Charley Belch	April 28 - Gene Southern

IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ASSIGNED DATES, PLEASE GET SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE.

GENE SOUTHERN

SUNDAY - a.m.

"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** 

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