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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**JANUARY 12, 2020**

## ***WHAT IS YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?***

At the beginning of every single year, people set out goals for themselves. They set out these certain "resolutions" as we call them, and they try all year...well, maybe for a month or two, to attain these goals. On January 1st, the start out strong with all sorts of commitment and dedication in their minds, but then as the months begin to roll by, the fire and desire to complete that resolution sizzles out. Studies show that just 8% of all people stick to their resolutions for the entire year. I think that the most common resolution that people make, is in relation to health and weight loss. Many people promise to eat less, to eat healthier, and to exercise more. What about us as Christians? Do our resolutions, spiritually speaking, sizzle out and go away? I want to put before you, 4 resolutions, which we should keep for the entire year.

**1). This year, I will lose the weight of sin.** In Hebrews chapter 12, the writer is exhorting his audience to continue running the race of faith. To not give up and to continue pressing on until the end. And he says vs. 1 - *"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."* But how? How do we put off those sins which can entrap us? Well look at vs. 2 - *"looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith..."* If we are going to lose the weight of sin, we must keep our eyes focused upon our Savior.

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**2). This year, I will exercise great discernment between good and evil.** We must have the ability to understand and see what is right and what is wrong. You remember in 1 Peter 2:2, Peter talked about how as babies desire milk, those who are young in the faith also will need spiritual milk. BUT, one must graduate from drinking milk to eating solid food. And the reason for that, is found in Hebrews 5:14 - *“But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.”* We must be able to discern between good and evil, and we will be able to do that, through our study of the Word of God (2 Timothy 2:15).

**3). This year, I will save the souls of my friends and family.** No, we cannot in and of ourselves, “save someone.” But we most certainly can let those around us know of the One who can. Someone once said, “I am a nobody trying to tell everybody about a Somebody who will save anybody.” Jesus Christ is our Savior (Luke 19:10), therefore, we must live like Him, love like Him, and labor like Him. If we live like the Savior (1 Corinthians 11:1), then we might bring someone closer to Him.

**4). This year, I will improve my spiritual health.** We must get off the milk and into the meat. We will never grow as Christians, if all we do is feed off of milk. We must dive deep down in the Word, and always glean what we can, and dig deep to further our knowledge (Hebrews 5:13-14). We must hunger and thirst after righteousness (Matthew 5:6). We must grow in grace and knowledge (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18).

This year, as we go into 2020, let us go into this year with a commitment not only to ourselves, but also to our God, that we are going to be the best Christian that we can be. That we are going to study His Word, and apply the things that we learn, and always strive to grow and get better. Make 2020 the best year of our life, by dedicating your life in service to God.

~Caleb J. Rutherford



## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019**

January 13 - Matthew 9:18-38  
January 14 - Matthew 10:1-20  
January 15 - Matthew 10:21-42  
January 16 - Matthew 11



January 17 - Matthew 12:1-23  
January 18 - Matthew 12:24-50  
January 19 - Matthew 13:1-30

## OUR SICK

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Bonnie Landreth** has been experiencing mini-strokes and is under the care of a neurologist. She has an appointment to see a cardiologist in a few weeks. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Jack Piper** will have cataract surgery on Wednesday, January 15th. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Debbie Southern** had Hyperpara Thyroid surgery this past Wednesday. All went very well.

Mattie Pharr's sister, **Alberta Jackson**, had cancer surgery this past Wednesday. Please continue to pray for her as we do not know the outcome at this time.

Prayers for Tammy Jones, who is Jim and D.J. Harrison's youngest daughter. She had a massive heart attack this past week due to two arteries being blocked and had stints put in. She may be released from the hospital on Friday.

Tessa Bennett's Grandmother, Joyce passed away suddenly on Wednesday. Their family is not part of the church but needs prayers and encouragement at this time.

**Jaxson Wall**, the little boy at Nancy Minor's daycare who had the brain bleed, has recovered enough to return to school. The Gamma knife radiation will begin in February. Continue to pray for him.

Please keep **Becky Johnston** in your prayers. She is a young mother with 3 children and has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She will be having surgery soon and would appreciate prayers for her and her family.

Please remember **Justin Minor** and all military and their love ones at home. - Justin is well and in a calm area right now.

### ~RESPONSE~

**Jim Harrison** came forward last Lord's Day requesting the prayers of the congregation in behalf of his family who are encountering a number of illnesses at this time. Please keep them in your prayers.

### ~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to Robin Hauser and family in the death of her brother, **Larry Whitaker**, who passed away on January 4, 2020. The visitation and funeral were held at the Moodys Funeral Home in Mt. Airy on Jan. 9, 2020. The families' addresses are posted on the board in the foyer.

### ~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to Carolyn Moser and family in the death of her mother, **Mandlene Morley**, who passed away on Wednesday, January 8th in Johnson City, TN. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

# 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:

**Jan. 14** - Tuesday Evening Class will begin at 7 p.m. in the Annex.

**Jan. 19** - Congregational Fellowship Meal in Annex following morning worship service.

### AREA EVENTS:

**Jan. 18** - 2nd Annual Lectureship Conference at the Selma church of Christ, beginning at 8:45 a.m. Theme: "And The Word of the God Increased" Speakers: Jeff Cannon, William McCormick, Stoney King, Hulon McGuyver and Todd Hinson.

### SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRYU

Suggested Items for the month of January:



Peanut butter/jelly (in plastic container)

228 Items were delivered to the Food Pantry this past week. Thank you!

\*Laundry detergent, hand dishwashing liquid, and soap would be greatly appreciated at any time.

### New Address:

Darren McBrayer has a new address:

2125 McIver Lane  
Winston-Salem, NC 27127

Please make the change in your directory

### SHUT-INS

Mary Ellen Dull  
D. J. Harrison

Ernestine Martin  
Carolyn Minor

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers

### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - January 5, 2020	157
Sunday Worship Service:	
Contributions for January 5, 2020	\$8,709
Daily Bible Readers:	39
Chapters Read:	594
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	138
Wednesday Evening Bible Study, January 8, 2020	100

## Lord's Day Appointments For January, 2020

Serving the Lord's Table For January:

Brad Hoots

Wayne Allen Shawn Thomason

Preparing Communion for January:

David Shoaf

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Linda Warner

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Roger Allen

Mark Minor

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 19, 2020

### DEVOTIONS:

### OPENING PRAYER:

### SONG LEADER

### SCRIPTURE READERS

**Scripture** - Mark Minor  
**Song Leader** - Tommy Rose  
**Prayer** - Andy Santiago

**Morning** - D. C. Mock  
**Evening** - Aldine Cloud

**A.M.** - Gene Southern  
**P.M.** - Tim Allen  
**Wed.** - Clayton Workman

**A.M.** - Darryl Cook  
**P.M.** - Roger Allen

### Greeters for January:

Brad and Betty Hoots

### Opening and Closing Building:

**Sunday:** - ~

**Tuesday:** - ~

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 12, 2020

### DEVOTIONS:

### OPENING PRAYER:

### SONG LEADER

### SCRIPTURE READERS

**Scripture** - Shawn Thomason  
**Song Leader** - Tim Allen  
**Prayer** - Jake Woodbury

**Morning** - Al Lawson  
**Evening** - Jacob Woodbury

**A.M.** - Steve Tesh  
**P.M.** - Wayne Allen  
**Wed.** - Roger Allen

**A.M.** - Jim Harrison  
**P.M.** - Keith Warner

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**Sunday:** - ~

**Wednesday:** - ~

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## 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  
Todd Hinson  
Steve Tesh  
Andy Santiago

Randy Warner  
Keith Warner  
Mark Minor  
Jason Allen  
Jody Everett

Gene Southern  
Shawn Thomason  
Mark Roy  
Adam Warner  
Jacob Woodbury