

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

March 13, 2016

"THE MAN IN THE PIT"

I read this article in a bulletin several years ago. As you read the first part of it, think of which kind of person you would be among those who passed by the pit.

A man fell into a pit and couldn't get out. A subjective person comes along, saw him in the pit and said, "I feel for you down there." An objective person came by next, saw him in the pit and said, "It's logical that someone would fall down there." A "Pharisee" came along and said, "Only bad people fall into a pit." A mathematician calculated how the man fell into it. A fundamentalist said, "you deserve your pit." An IRS agent came along and wanted to know if he was paying taxes on the pit. A self-pitying person said, "You haven't seen anything until you've seen my pit." An optimist said, "Don't worry, things will get better!" A pessimist came by and said, "Don't worry, things will get worse." But Jesus, seeing the man, took him by the hand and lifted him out of the pit.

That's the article as best as I can remember. You and I both know there's a whole lot more to the lesson it teaches. One of the most obvious problems the church faces as the baby boomers have become the older generation is that we have forgotten to teach the following generations the importance of teaching others, as well as how to teach others to teach. Yes, there are about seven books and personal evangelism systems on my bookshelves, but the system can't go out and ask someone for a Bible study.

Regardless of how we see ourselves among those who passed by the man in the pit, there is only one example among them that we should be like. The Bible says that Jesus came "to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). If you see a man in a pit, which one of the passerby are you going to be like?

If you see the man in the pit, what would you do? If you are the man in the pit, come worship with us and learn how to be lifted out of it.

Frank W. Shepard

ELDERS CORNER

MISSION POLICY

We are very fortunate at Warners Chapel to be able to support and participate in foreign mission efforts. For 17 years we have actively participated in the work in Nicaragua. In an effort to minimize expenses and yet encourage participation, the elders have developed a formal mission policy. We highlighted this in the recent congregational meeting but wanted to provide a written copy of the policy since it was not included in the work plan.

- Limit participation for each foreign mission trip to 10 members to hold down costs.
- For every mission, each participant will be required to pay a \$500 deposit/committal fee that goes toward the cost of the mission.
- Warners Treasury will match \$500 for each participant.
- If Warners elders so choose, they may pay up to 100% of the cost of the trip (ex: exploratory trip, researching a new work...etc.)
- Warners members will be given a chance to contribute extra funds (over and above your normal contribution) to help offset costs.
- Participants must be willing to fund the entire cost if sufficient extra funds are not raised.
- Because of the limit to 10 participants we will set some priorities.
 - Those with specific skills (medical, building...etc. depending on the type of mission) or direct evangelism participants
 - Those who have never been on a mission trip.

Because of the great demand across numerous congregations to participate in the Nicaragua campaign and because of Warners long time participation, Allen Womack will reserve 10 spots each year for Warners Chapel.

This year we will participate in two foreign mission trips: the annual medical campaign in Nicaragua to be held in Telica and a Community Outreach campaign in Cusco, Peru. In Peru there will be a two-fold campaign with a "World English Institute" where campaigners will offer free English classes to the community using the Bible as the book of study with a goal of setting up Bible studies and an outreach project to a group such as an orphanage where we can shine the light of the Gospel.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2016

March 14 - Mark 14:1-26 March 15 - Mark 14:27-53 March 16 - Mark 14:54-72 March 17 - Mark 15:1-25



March 18 - Mark 15:26-47 March 19 - Mark 16 March 20 - Luke 1:1-20



OUR SICK Please Remember in your prayers

Frank Shepard is now at home. He was scheduled to have an appointment this past Friday at the Cancer Center. There are no new updates at this time.

Mary Ellen Dull is recovering at home and would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and calls.

Please remember **Richard Hamann.** He is doing better and was able to attend services this past Sunday.

Please continue to remember **Hank Wade**, Ashley Everett's father. He will be having surgery to remove a kidney late in March. His bladder cancer surgery was successful and they believe removal of his kidney will remove all the cancer.

Emily Workman's grandmother, **Virginia Kee**, was moved to a rehab facility this week in hopes that treatment there might help. Please pray for her during this transition.

Please pray for **Joann Landry's parents.** They are going through uncertainty with a medical diagnosis that is causing much stress. A move out of Alaska is of great concern for them. —Thank you!

Lisa Campbell (Joann Landry's aunt) has cancer and knows it is a matter of time. Please pray for her and give thanks that she has no pain currently as she is failing. —Thank you!

Please continue to remember Lori Spencer in your prayers as she adjust to life without her husband, Fred.

Roger Allen is requesting prayers for his mother, **Edith**, who suffered a nervous breakdown this week and is currently under 24 hr. supervision and evaluation at a mental institution.

Carolyn Griffith's mother, **Hazel Bailey**, fell and broke her hip. She underwent surgery this past week and is reported to be doing well.

Prayers are requested for Bill Burton, a friend of Brad and Betty Hoots, who has been recently diagnosed with colon cancer.

SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker
Lutrelle Chipman
Hilda Hauser

Dot Pegram
Eva Nelle Sidden
Kim Matthews

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

Mar. 13 - Pew Packers at 5:30 p.m.

Mar. 19 - Ladies Day at Warners Chapel. Julie Bowers will be the speaker. Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Mar. 20 - Third Sunday Congregational Meal.

April 14-16 Door Knocking in Columbia, SC

May 14 - Senior Rally - David Pharr will be the speaker.

Please Note:

The 50 and over class will not meet until further notice.

WARNERS CHAPEL LADIES DAY

Theme: "The Good Trees, The Good Fruit ... Pruning to Produce" - Matt. 7:15-20

Speaker: Julie Bowers

Registration - 8:30 a.m. Sessions begin at 9 a.m. Lunch at 12 Noon (Breakfast will not be served)

NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER:

David and Jeannie Moore's telephone number has been changed to:

336-946-9153

Please make this correction in the directory in Your Work Plan Book.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - March 6, 2016	134
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	158
Contribution for March 6, 2016	\$7,270
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	24
Chapters Read:	252
Sunday Evening:	109
Wednesday Evening, March 9, 2016	92

Lord's Day Appointments For March, 2016

Serving the Lord's Table For March:

Tommy Rose

Jason Allen Shawn Thomason

Tristan Roy Steve Martin

Preparing Communion for March: Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lou Ann Harper Tim Allen Andy Santiago

Lord's Day Appointments - March 20, 2016

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

Scripture - John Allen Morning - D. C. Mock A.M. - Clayton Workman A.M. - Adam Warner Song Leader- Don Minor **Evening** - Gene Ruark **P.M**. Don Minor P.M. - Allen Cooper

Prayer - Neal Harper Wed. -Gene Southern

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): **Greeters for March:**

Jessica Edwards Morning -Abby Little Gene & Debbie Southern Rhonda Hardister Evening -Meredith Southern

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - March 20 Wednesday: - March 23

Evening -

Lord's Day Appointments - March 13, 2016

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Brad Hoots Morning - Al Lawson A.M. - Gene Southern A.M. - Justin Minor Song Leader - Steve Tesh Evening - Andy Santiago P.M. - Roger Allen P.M. - Al Lawson

Prayer - Michael Cooper Wed. - Steve Tesh

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): Greeters: March

Morning -Sandy Warner Morning -Gina Harper Gene & Debbie Southern

Evening -Marie Harper **Evening** -Nancy Minor

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

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:50 AM 6:00 PM **Evening Worship** 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

David Moore Randy Warner Mike Cooper Keith Warner Jody Everett Tim Allen Andy Santiago Mark Minor **Gene Southern** Joe Everett Todd Hinson Shawn Thomason Steve Tesh Jason Allen