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“The churches of Christ salute you” Rom. 16:16

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS

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RACISM IN AMERICA

With protests and rioting in the streets of America following the Trayvon Martin/George Zimmerman case, many are concerned that Racism is still alive and well in this country.

Though there have been inroads toward eliminating barriers that separate the races, more needs to be done. We no longer have segregated public water fountains, restrooms, hospitals and the like, but there are still things that separate us.

A case in point is the fact that many churches in the South are racially divided. Churches that are predominately white and predominately black exist just a mile or two apart and have no plans to merge with each other. Some would say that there are cultural differences that separate us. There are cultural differences among regions like New England and the Deep South, but we find ways to co-exist in the same congregation. Why can we not find ways to coexist in white and black churches?

Whatever things happened in the two previous centuries have nothing to do with how I conduct my life. We have to be the generation that extends our arms to embrace those who are not the same color as we are if we expect to change people's minds about race. I believe that is what God would want!

Galatians 3:28 says it best. “There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.”

Paul Kirkpatrick

ELDERS CORNER:

Nicaragua Mission – Part 4

When I talk to co-workers about my Nicaragua mission trips I'm often asked two questions. Is it dangerous there and how can you use a week of your vacation time to go to a developing nation with such extreme poverty and deal with the conditions there?

The answer to the first question is that I have never once in the 5 years of going to Nicaragua ever felt in danger or threatened. The first year I went I was "uncomfortable" but it was more anxiety of something completely new. Nicaragua is nothing like Clemmons, NC. The sounds, the smells, the heat and humidity and the way of life are completely different from what we are used to and all the pictures and videos in the world cannot convey what it truly is like in person. The only time that I am a bit nervous is riding on the buses. I know many say a silent prayer for safety. I always sit as close to the front as I can because I get a bit nauseous if I can't see out the front. However, sitting up front and seeing everything can be a bit scary. You always see cows being walked down the road. This year we nearly ran head on into an 18-wheeler. Interestingly enough, we captured video that we hope to share with you soon.

The answer to the second question is more complex. The easy answer is we are commanded to go into all the world and teach the gospel. Nicaragua is part of the world and they need the gospel just as much as our friends and neighbors here in Clemmons need it. I'm trying to fulfill my Christian duty to reach out. The other reason I go is hard to explain. I've talked to a lot of my fellow campaigners and I think the best explanation is for that week you really and truly feel like you are making a difference in the Lord's church and in people's lives and it is a feeling that we often don't get at home. We knock doors at home and are rejected. We knock doors in Nicaragua and you are invited in for a Bible study.

The week is definitely not a vacation. It is a hard week. It's always tough physically because of the heat and humidity but it is a tough week emotionally as you see so much poverty and so much need and know that there is only so much you can do. Almost everyone at some point breaks down in tears because of the overwhelming emotions. It is also a fun week of fellowship with 80 or so other Christians, many of whom you see year after year. We rely upon one another for support and encouragement and you become closer with your Christian family. We also become very close with our Nicaraguan brethren. I highly recommend that everyone who is able to (especially our teens) make plans to participate in one of these mission trips. It is truly a life changing experience.

As I close out this bulletin series on Nicaragua I want to share (with her permission) what Bethany Long, a college student from the White Bluff church of Christ in White Bluff, TN said on Facebook. Her comment really expresses how many of us feel year after year in spite of the challenges we face.

"Now that I've been home for a few days, I'm ready to go back. Yes, it was hot, the water was undrinkable, and there was no hot water or air conditioning, but the people there are grateful for what they have and have such a simple way of life. They work hard but they don't have the distractions like us Americans have. They are happy just going outside and playing with whatever they can get their hands on. We went down there to be a blessing to them but while we were changing their lives, they were changing ours. I miss the feeling I had when I was down there and I can't wait to go back."

Mark 16:15-16: ¹⁵ And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

Todd

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2013

July 22 - Acts 23:16-35
July 23 - Acts 24
July 24 - Acts 25
July 25 - Acts 26



July 26 - Acts 27:1-26
July 27 - Acts 27:27-44
July 28 - Acts 28

OUR SICK PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for **Jean Rose** as she continues her chemotherapy treatments.

Please continue to pray for **Bob Hoots** as he continues in rehab at the Bermuda Commons Nursing Center in Advance. The family appreciates everyone's thoughts and prayers!

Lorie Rose has requested prayers in behalf of her friend, **Lisa Ivester**, who may have cancer, neoplasms have been found in her pancreas, liver, and possibly kidneys.

Roger Allen's father, **James Allen**, is having complications with his leukemia and has been hospitalized and is currently receiving blood transfusions and platelets to build his blood back up to start a series of chemotherapy.

Clayton Workman's grandmother, **Norma Grisham**, is doing some better after a medication change. Clayton's father, **Bill Workman**, begins six months of chemotherapy beginning July 22nd.

Peggy Gough, is recovering from her heart surgery, which went well. They will have to do some additional procedures but are waiting until she is stronger. Please continue to pray for her recovery.

Sheri Blackwell, Frank and Jane Shepard's daughter, is having reoccurring problems with her back. The x-rays show it is the same disc that she has had surgery on five years ago. Please keep her in your prayers. She is in a great deal of pain at this time.

J. D. Beshears, a friend of Mildred Barker, had a mild heart attack last Sunday morning. He has been discharged from the hospital.

Please continue to remember little **Sophie Zuluaga**. She is a second grader at the Lewisville Elementary School who is in a lengthy battle with cancer. Last report she is doing some better at this time.

Prayers were requested by Alli Rupocinski for her stepfather, **Dennis**, to return home safely from overseas.

Congratulations to...

Randy and Linda Warner who have a new granddaughter, **Ella Kaylee Hinklin** born July 14th weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz. And 20 inches long.



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer.

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.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. THE MEAL THIS MORNING IS SPONSORED BY ZONE 3.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

July 23 - TEEN DEVO at 7 p.m. in Annex.

Aug. 25 - Birthday celebration for Clarence Sheet's 90th birthday in annex from 4-5:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Outreach

Number Attempted 449
Number Contacted 228
Number DVDs Given 111
Number Rechecks 33

The Neighborhood Outreach will be going out this Tuesday, July 23rd at 6:30 PM. If you don't have an assigned area, meet at the Church Building at 6:30 PM. Anyone interested in helping with this effort come join us.

Steve Martin

Please Note:

Communion for Dot Pegram

If you have signed up to take Communion to Dot Pegram, please take it between 12:30 and 4:30 p.m.

FOR THE RECORD

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| Sunday Bible Study - July 14, 2013 | 146 |
| Sunday Morning Worship Service: | 175 |
| Contribution for July 14, 2013 | |
| Daily Adult Bible Readers: | 36 |
| Chapters Read: | 976 |
| Daily Children Bible Readers: | |
| Chapters Read: | |
| Sunday Evening: | 130 |
| Wednesday Evening: July 17, 2013 | 128 |

Lord's Day Appointments - July 28, 2013

| DEVOTIONS: | | OPENING PRAYER: | SONG LEADER | SCRIPTURE READERS |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Scripture | - Trent Thomas | Morning - David Moore | A.M. - Wayne Allen | A.M. - Mark Minor |
| Song Leader | - Steve Tesh | Evening - Michael Cooper | P.M. - Gene Southern | P.M. - Brad Hoots |
| Prayer | - Al Lawson | | Wed. - Song Req. Service | |
| | | | Wayne A. - Clayton W. | |
| NURSERY (0-2 1/2): | | NURSERY (2 1/2-4): | Greeters: <u>July</u> | FELLOWSHIP MEAL: |
| Morning | - Sandy Warner | Morning - Mary Anne Allen | Mark & Nancy Minor | Zone 4 |
| Evening | - Marie Harper | Evening - Betty Hoots | | |
| Opening and Closing Building | | | | |
| Sunday: | - July 21 | Mark Roy | | |
| Wednesday: | - July 24 | Mark Roy | | |

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| Devotions: | Opening Prayer | a.m. - Jack Piper | Scripture Reader | a.m. - Robbie Santiago |
| Scripture: Robbie Santiago | | p.m. - Jason Allen | | p.m. - Randy Warner |
| Song: Tommy Rose | Song Leaders: | a.m. - Tim Allen | Nursery #1: | a.m. - Abbie Little |
| Prayer: Andy Santiago | | p.m. - Steve Tesh | | p.m. - Robin Hauser |
| | | Wed. - Roger Allen | Nursery #2: | a.m. - Gina Strickland |
| | | | | p.m. - Linda Flinchum |

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

SUNDAY:

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| 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

David Moore
Tim Allen
Joe Everett
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh

DEACONS

Randy Warner
Tommy Rose
Keith Warner
Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Mike Cooper
Jody Everett
Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason