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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

January 1, 2023

HOPE

Satan is the enemy of hope. He has done all within his power to remove hope from the lives of every human being that has ever lived. He began in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3). There he removed all hope of man living in that beautiful garden forever. With the entrance of sin and death into the world Satan brought despair, pain, and sorrow. Sin has wreaked havoc upon the hearts, minds, bodies, souls, and strength of people over the centuries. It leaves a path of desolation and destruction. It leaves in its wake the pain of death and the sorrow of regret (Galatians 6:7, 8; Romans 6:23).

The eternal consequences of sin are worse than the earthly. The lake of fire is the final resting place of those who give their lives over to sin (Revelation 21:8). It is the eternal abode of those who refuse to obey the Will of God (Matthew 25:46). It is described as a place of other darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth (Matthew 25:30). That is the result of sin. That is where sin will send Satan and all who refuse to repent of following him (Matthew 25:41; Acts 17:30).

Sorrow and suffering have been brought into this world by sin. But in this world there is hope. There is hope that we shall one day escape this place of pain

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Romans 8:18-26). While here we must grow in pain. While here we must suffer. But do not despair. “For I consider that sufferings of this present time worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us (Romans 8:18).” Do not give up for we are “saved in this hope” (Romans 8:24). Do not live without hope for “. . . we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose” (Romans 8:28). We have hope of a home in heaven where there is no pain, sorrow, suffering or death (Revelation 21:8). That hope is in Christ (Ephesians 1:3). Meanwhile, we must endure this painful life. But we can endure because Christ will give us the power to do so (Philippians 4:6-13).

Job said, “Man who is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He comes forth like a flower and fades away; He flees like a shadow and does not continue” (Job 14:1, 2). Life brings moments of joy and pleasure. But life also brings much pain and sorrow. Nonetheless we must maintain an eternal perspective in all of this suffering. Let us realize that life is truly short (James 4:14). Let us understand that as faithful Christians we can look forward to a time of rest, and reward (Matthew 5:12; Philippians 1:19-26). John said, “Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, ‘Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. Yes, says the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them” (Revelation 14:13).

Don’t live in despair. Live with hope. Turn your life over to the Lord in humble obedience and you can have peace in pain and hope in agony (Matthew 11:28-30; Philippians 4:6, 7).

Kevin Rutherford
May 7, 2017



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2023

January 1 - Matt. 1
January 2 - Matt. 2
January 3 - Matt. 3
January 4 - Matt. 4



January 5 - Matt. 5:1-26
January 6 - Matt. 5:27-46
January 7 - Matt. 6:1-18

OUR SICK ***Please Remember***

Susan Huey, Chris Smith, Ed O'Shields, Edith Allen, Elizabeth Warner, Tish Clarke, Holly Tatum, D.J. Harrison, Cleave Binkley, ack Piper, Sandy Smith, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins.

Roger Allen has been released from the hospital this past Sunday and is now at home. He has received a report - Roger has Aggressive Adrenal Cancer - he has been referred to a Oncologist for chemo as soon as possible. He is a high risk for recurrence. Please pray for Roger and Grace.

D.J. Harrison has checked positive for COVID. She also has a sinus infection. Jim is quarantined and they would appreciate prayers.

Please pray for my daughter, **Katherine**, who is going through a difficult time now. —David Moore

Thanks for your prayers! No update on Rashad yet. Please continue to pray for him. He has two blood clots on his brain and one in his lung. They have given him shots to dissolve the blood clots. —Mattie Pharr.

Rhonda Hardister's husband, **Toby**, will have Colon surgery on January 4th. Please keep him in your prayers.

Rhonda Hardister's friend, **Linda Collins**, fell and broke Her wrist. Please pray for Linda to have a quick recovery.

Eddie Drew, Karen Clemmons' father, has been in the hospital recently with an abdominal pain and underwent surgery. He is home and doing well.

Bobby Childress - is waiting to receive treatment for his COPD in January. Please keep him in your prayers.

Keep **Will** in your prayers as he travels to MS for the holidays. He will be leaving December 22 and returning January 7th.

Polly Tatum has had some surgery which did not go well. She will go back to Duke on the 29th to get a port put in, the first chemo treatment will be on December 30th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Rick Maiers, Teresa Glenn's brother-in-law, has begun treatments for cancer on November 20th. Rick is not a Christian. Please pray for him for recovery of the cancer and will become a Christian following his recovery from the cancer.

Ingrid Mock's daughter, **Sharon York**, had her follow-up surgery, it went well and she is now at home, deciding on treatments. Thank you for the prayers—please continue to pray for me.

Rosemary Clemmons, Richard Clemmons' sister, is in a nursing home in Texas. Karen said she was doing better. Hopefully she will do be okay soon, although Karen said she has dementia.

SPILLMAN NEW ADDRESS

Please update your directory. The address is 319 Blevins Rd., Yadkinville, NC 27055. Thank you!

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:

January 9th - The third quarter of NCSBS will begin on the 9th of January, 2023.

AREA EVENTS:

January 21-22 - Oak Forest Church of Christ at Goldsboro, NC on January 21-22, 2023 Theme: **Hope When Hurting - A Grief Seminar, with Jeff Jenkins. Sat. 9:30 a.m., and Sunday 10:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Please register at www.Oakforestcoc.church.**

OUR SICK - Continued

Wayne Hutchins' niece, **Janet Locklear**, has been diagnosed with cancer of a lung. The doctors cannot operate on her because her other lung is too close, so she will have to have radiation and chemotherapy. Please keep her in your prayers.

Carl Cooper's Great Grand Children, **Henry and Valerie** have come down with a virus. Please keep the whole family in your prayers as it may pass on to the parents.

Prayers are requested for **Mary Elizabeth Hensley**, a cousin of Margie Sheets and Paul Moser. She is a member at Boyers church of Christ and she has visited at Warners and had chicken stew several times. Her grandson Randall Steinburg has asked for prayers from Warners Chapel. She is a resident at Mallard Ridge in Clemmons and in her last days. Mary Elizabeth is a wonderful person. Her family is very close to her. - Thank You, Debbie Southern.

~IN SYMPATHY~

*We are very saddened at the loss of **Elwood Flinchum** who passed away the evening before December 25th. We will all be missing him. He always came to the services when he could "To sing and praise the Lord." **Linda** was always with Elwood to help him and take care of him.*

The funeral will be held on January 2nd, at 2 p.m in the Warners Chapel church building.

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

January, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY:

COMMUNION FOR January:

DEVOTIONS FOR: JANUARY

SCRIPTURE

SONG LEADER

PRAYER

OPENING PRAYERS FOR: JANUARY

SUNDAY A.M.

SUNDAY P.M.

WEDNESDAY

SECURITY AND GREETING:

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

SONG LEADERS FOR : JANUARY

SUNDAY A.M.

SUNDAY P.M.

WEDNESDAY

PLEASE, IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO BE HERE, ARRANGE COVERAGE!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE.

“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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