

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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"THE DOOR IS STILL OPEN"

Adam Thompson of Cincinnati, Ohio, filled the first bathtub in the United States in 1842. Doctors predicted that rheumatism and inflammation of the lungs would come from that "new device." Cities set extra-heavy tax rates to discourage its use and a ban on bathtubs was published in Philadelphia that year. The crowd was wrong.

In 1896 England had a law forbidding any power vehicle from traveling over four miles per hour on public highways. Furthermore, it was required that any such vehicle be preceded by a man bearing a red flag. Once again, the crowd was wrong.

It would seem almost a certainty that people ridiculed Noah for building the ark; especially since they had never even seen rain. And even though it took him an extremely long time for all his preparation, when God shut the door and it started to rain, the crowd knew it was wrong. But it was too late.

Every Sunday the Gospel is preached at the Warners Chapel church of Christ. For the non-Christian who needs to obey it, the door is still open. For the erring Christian who wants to step back into the light, the door is still open.

Don't rely on the crowd, come worship with us. The door is still open.

Frank

THE ELDERS GORNER:

Wisdom from Jesus

Someone once said, "A word to the wise is sufficient." As Christians, we are tasked with the challenge of trying to persuade people in the world to listen to the gospel. If the love of Christ constrains us, as it did Paul, to be urgent in trying to teach everyone we know the gospel, we might be discouraged if we fail to reach some of our own family or friends. Jesus offers some sage advice to keep us encouraged in the face of such difficulty when he said, "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country and in his own house. In Matthew 13:53-58, we see the reaction of his own people to him. They were more amazed that he had education they could not justify than they were about the truths he tried to teach them. On one occasion they became offended enough to try to throw him off a cliff (Lk. 4:16-30). His own brothers did not believe him, even in the week before his death (John 7:5). This statement of Jesus and subsequent events give us much encouraging, yet realistic wisdom.

We should give effort to the salvation of those we know and those who are family. Sometimes folks shy away from a serious attempt to save friends and family on the basis that they will be rejected. That is certainly a possibility. Jesus knew that from the start and yet made the efforts.

Be aware that our first efforts might be rejected. Do not be discouraged as though the fault is in your approach or method. Even the Lord was rejected by his own.

We also learn to not give up. The week before his death, Jesus brothers were disbelievers. In a short time after his death, they were numbered with the believers (Acts 1:14) and it is certain that two became preachers of the gospel, perhaps all of them (1 Cor. 9:2).

Do not be discouraged with immediate results. Hundreds of times, some faithful Christian has laid the foundation in the heart of a prospect without reaping a soul at that time. But, some other faithful Christian later builds on that foundation (which you laid) and a soul is saved (1 Cor. 3:10).

Brothers and sisters, he who wins souls is wise (Prov. 11:30). No need to quit because of rejection. If we keep on, God will give the increase (1 Cor. 3:6). Wisdom is the principle thing. Therefore get wisdom. In all thy getting, get wisdom.

--Mike Glenn

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2012

April 23 - Luke 17:20-37
April 24 - Luke 18:1-23
April 25 - Luke 18:24-43
April 26 - Luke 19:1-27



April 27 - Luke 19:25-48
April 28 - Luke 20:1-26
April 29 - Luke 20:27-47

OUR SICK Please Remember In Your Prayers

Austin Workman was reported ill this past week. Austin is the son of Clayton and Emily Workman.

Prayers were requested Wed. evening for Betty Hoot's sister, **Janet Graham**, who was scheduled to undergo a lung biopsy this past week.

Please remember **Dot Pegram** who has been in a great deal of pain for a prolonged period of time.

Emily Workman's uncle, **Bobby Pate**, was severely injured in a motorcycle accident in Tennessee. He has undergone surgery and despite major injuries is doing better at this time.



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

RESPONSE

We commend **Bradley Potts** who came forward last Lord's Day confessing error in his life and requesting the prayers of the congregation.

~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to Bonnie Landreth and Brittany Thurman in the death of their close friend, **Mr. Tony Lambeth**, who passed away on April 15th. The funeral was held on Wednesday at the Hayworth Miller Chapel.

Our sympathy also goes out to Donald Richards and family in the death of **Anna Richards** who passed away on Wednesday, April 18th. The funeral will be held in West Virginia. **She will be greatly missed.** The family has requested that memorials be given to the NCSBS.

AREA EVENTS:

April 22-25 - Gospel Meeting at the Abilene Church of Christ. Brother Wayne Hatcher will be the speaker.

April 22-26 - Gospel Meeting at the Kannapolis church of Christ. Jim Pharr will be the speaker.

April 27 - "Area Wide Singing" at the Centergrove church of Christ in Kannapolis at 7 p.m.

April 28 - Warners Chapel will be participating in "door knocking" for the West Innes church in Salisbury.

May 19 - Ladies' Day at the Morganton Church of Christ.

May 10-13 - Gospel Meeting at the West Innes church of Christ. **Surendra Singh** will be the speaker.

May 19 - Ladies Day at the Morganton church of Christ.

May 20 - South Stokes church of Christ will hold a "Friends and Family Day".

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 REMAIN FOR A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL SPONSORED BY THE ZONE 4.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

April 22- Pew Packers will meet at 5:30 p.m.

April 23 - Sewing for Nicaragua at 7 p.m. at the home of Lois Allen (sewing bears for the children). P

April 24 - Ladies Sewing for Nicaragua in Annex at 9 a.m.

April 19 - The 50 & Over Bible Study group will meet at 10:30 a.m.

April 29 - Guest Speaker - Gary Pollard will be teaching the Bible Class and Preaching next Sunday.

April 29 - 5th Sunday Contribution will be designated to go to the Rockingham Church of Christ and to other local mission efforts.

May 5 - Senior Rally - Please mark your calendar! The speaker will be Mel Futrell.

Nicaragua Medical/Evangelism Campaign

In June, a number of Warners Chapel Christians will be leaving for Nicaragua. If you wish to participate by helping with the expenses (in addition to your regular contribution), please write your check to Warners Chapel and put it in the Nicaragua envelopes you will find on the credenza in the foyer.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - April 15, 2012	153
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	202
Contribution for April 15, 2012	\$6,168
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	32
Chapters Read:	685
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	143
Wednesday Evening: April 18, 2012	142

Lord's Day Appointments - April 29, 2012

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READER
Scripture	- Shawn Thomason	Morning - Tommy Rose	A.M. - Wayne Allen	A.M. - Trent Thomas
Song Leader	- Don Minor	Evening - Gene Ruark	P.M. - Song & Prayer Ser.	P.M. - Gene Ruark
Prayer	- Mark Minor		Youth lead	
			Wed. - Mark Roy	
NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	Greeters: <u>April</u>	FELLOWSHIP MEAL:
Morning -	Robin Hauser	Morning -	Meredith Southern	Rodney & Theresa Brown
Evening -	Debbie Southern	Evening -	Jean Rose	<i>Youth Group</i>
Opening and Closing Building				
Sunday:	- April 29	Mark Roy		
Wednesday:	- May 2	Mark Roy		

**Serving this Week: April 22, 2012*

Devotions:	Opening Prayer	a.m. - Joe Everett	Scripture Reader	a.m. - Ken Cooper
Scripture:	John Allen	p.m. - Nathan Roy		p.m. - Brad Hoots
Song:	Wayne Allen	Song Leaders:	a.m. - Tim Allen	Nursery #1:
Prayer:	Al Lawson	p.m. - Clayton Workman		a.m. - Sandy Warner
		Wed. - Clayton Workman	Nursery #2:	p.m. - Betty Hoots
				a.m. - Mary Anne Allen
				p.m. - Marie Harper

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

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