

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

"WHAT THE CHURCH IS NOT"

Most religious people are aware that the church is not the building but rather it's the people. Someone asked me not long ago, what else the church is not. I answered with the following, see if you agree.

The church is not made up of people who believe they are better than others ... but rather of those who believe they ought to be better than they are.

The church is not made up of perfect people ... but of people who follow a perfect Lord and realize they ought to do the best they can.

The church is not made up of people who never make mistakes ... but rather of those who admit their mistakes, forsake them, and try not to make the same ones again.

Jesus said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." Mark 2:17.

The church is not a body of self-righteous "do-gooders," but rather it is the blood-bought body of obedient believers belonging to Christ.

ELDERS CORNER:

WHY I'M NOT A DAILY BIBLE READER

I am a fairly good person, a pretty good Christian, and an average member of the church. I give as good as anybody else, attend most services, and do my part when called on to serve the Lord's Table or lead in prayer. I have a fair knowledge of the Bible and appreciate our preacher giving us sermons filled with scripture — we wouldn't tolerate anything else. However, even though we have a daily Bible reading program where I attend worship, and are encouraged by our elders to read our Bible every day, I want to explain why I'm not a daily Bible reader. Here are five reasons I give to justify it:

- 1. I already know all I need to know about the most important things: What to do to be saved, scriptural worship, identifying the Lord's church, etc., even though I can't always show others why they are wrong religiously. I call the preacher to help me do that. After all, isn't that what we pay him for?
- 2. I am a very busy person, and don't have time to read the Bible every day, (even though I daily read the newspaper, interesting books, etc., not to mention TV).
- 3. I get enough Bible learning from the sermons I hear, (even though I sometimes disagree with some of what I hear in them) and the Bible classes I attend (and even though I sometimes argue with our teacher about what a passage means).
- 4. There is simply too much I can't understand in the Bible, especially in the book of Revelation, (even though I can understand the most difficult formulas set forth in manuals I must read to succeed in my profession).
- 5. And to be honest, there are too many other things I would rather do!

Now surely you can see why I am not a daily Bible reader. Does the Lord expect me to be some kind of religious nut!? I mean, after all, I do take my Bible to worship with me, and open it to check and see if the preacher quotes it right. I have caught him three times not quoting a passage just right and told him about it. He seems to appreciate having Bible scholars in his audience. Oh, yes, I think it's good for anyone to read the Bible every day, after all, it is the book of books and the pathway of life. I think it says just that some where in it. But I don't think one has to read it every day to go to heaven, do you?

Alright then, now you know why I'm not a daily Bible reader; but I certainly hope that does not discourage you from being one.

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READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2013

January 7 - Matt. 6:1-18 January 8 - Matt. 6:19-34

January 9 - Matt. 7

January 10 - Matt. 8:1-17



January 11 - Matt. 8:18-34 January 12 - Matt. 9:1-7 January 13 - Matt. 9:18-38

OUR SICK Please Remember In Your Prayers

Bob Hoots was released from the Baptist Hospital this past Friday and moved to Bermuda Commons for a few weeks to regain his strength.

Don Jackson will undergo surgery on January 10 to replace his pacemaker.

Marsha Singh is scheduled for surgery on January 17th.

Prayers have been requested for Robin Hauser's mother, **Ruby Brewer**, who underwent open-heart surgery this past Friday for a triple by-pass. She is a diabetic which could lead to possible complications following the surgery.

Jim Harrison was thought to have had a kidney stone problem but fortunately it was diagnosed as a pulled muscle. **Dakota**, Jim and D.J.'s grandson underwent an appendectomy a week ago and is doing fine in his recovery.

Dot Pegram remains at Clemmons Village, Bldg. 1 possibly for a few more days.

Jeannie Tate has been released from the Hickory hospital where she was treated for a blood clot in her leg.

Andy Santiago's sister, **Rose Whitt**, received good news from her medical tests and the family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers.

Also, Please continue to keep Elmer Laudenslager and Wayne & Cathy Hutchins in your prayers.



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

~IN SYMPATHY~

It was just learned that **David Allgood's** 24 year old son **Aaron** was killed this past Thursday by a drunk driver. For those newer members, David was a past member at Warners Chapel and served as an associate minister with us from 1986-88. Aaron lived in Fuquay-Varina. Our sympathy goes out to that family in their loss.

Note: If you wish to contact Stacy Dow, check with Tim Allen for information.

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 MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAN IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. THE MEAL THIS MORNING IS SPONSORED BY ZONE 1.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Jan 6 - Pew Packers will meet at 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 6 - Meeting of those interested in going to Nicaragua this year.

Jan. 10 - "50 and Older Class" will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Annex.

What Am I Seeking?

Students in school often tell their teachers, "This is not fun!" Their teachers usually respond, "I'm here to teach you, not entertain you!" Sometimes Christians are a bit like these children who are seeking entertainment. When we become bored with Bible Class or a sermon or complain that the singing is poor, we may be forgetting that our primary purpose in attending the services of the church is to worship God rather than to be entertained. When a teacher, preacher, song leader and those who are worshipping are making their best effort and are consistent with God's commands, God will be pleased. If we all put forth our best effort by being participants in worship rather than an audience, we will come away being edified and built up.

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FOR THE RECORD

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Sunday Evening:

Wednesday Evening: January 2, 2013

Lord's Day Appointments - January 13, 2013

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Mark Roy Morning - Don Minor A.M. - Wayne Allen A.M. - Robbie Santiago

Song Leader - Tim Allen Evening - Jason Cravy P.M. - Roger Allen P.M. - Don Minor

Prayer - Jack Piper Wed. - Tim Allen

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): Greeters: <u>January</u> FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Morning - Gaye Ruark Morning - Debbie Southern Bill and Gaye Carothers Zone 2

Evening - Mary Anne Allen Evening - Jeannie Moore

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - January 6 Wednesday: - January 9

*Serving this Week: January 6, 2013

Devotions: Opening Prayer a.m. - David Moore Scripture Reader a.m. - Brad Hoots

Scripture: Rodney Brown p.m. - D. C. Mock p.m. - Gene Ruark

Song: Steve Tesh Song Leaders: a.m. - Steve Tesh Nursery #1: a.m. - Jessica Lay

Prayer: Steve Martin p.m. - Jason Allen p.m. - Jeannie Moore

Wed. - Clayton Workman Nursery #2: a.m. - Gina Strickland

p.m. - Betty Hoots

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

WARNERS CHAPEL CHURCH OF CHRIST 8999 LASATER ROAD

ELDERS DEACONS

David MooreRandy WarnerJason AllenTim AllenTommy RoseMike CooperJoe EverettKeith WarnerJody EverettTodd HinsonAndy SantiagoGene SouthernSteve TeshMark MinorShawn Thomason