

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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The Truth About Truth

Roman historian A.N. Sherwin-White says, "For Acts the confirmation of historicity is overwhelming. Any attempt to reject its basic historicity must now appear absurd." Professor of classics at Aukland University, E.M. Blaiklock says, "Luke is a consummate historian, to be ranked in his own right with the great writers of the Greeks." Roman historian, Colin Hemer researched and collected a vast amount of historical and archaeological evidence that supports the historical accuracy of the book of Acts. British archaeologist, Sir William Ramsay noted the significant number of historical references in the book of Acts, and after thirty years of studying the evidence concluded "Luke is an historian of the first rate," and "Luke is unsurpassed in respect of its trustworthiness." These researchers show they have an understanding that truth is that which is confirmed by evidence, by facts, by reality. Another way we might say this is that truth corresponds with reality.

Luke's accounts of the life of Christ, and of the early church are written with detailed precision. In fact, he begins each book with a statement affirming their accuracy. Luke 1:1-4 shows us Luke considered eyewitness accounts even as he received perfect understanding of all of these events. His perfect understanding came through an examination of the facts, but also, and more specifically through the fact that he was inspired by the Holy Spirit. It is also important to note Luke says what he writes was designed to help Theophilus "know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed" (Luke 1:4). No guessing here. No fables, fairy-tales, or myths. No uncertainty of any kind. Luke uses similar language as he introduces the book of Acts. Here he speaks of the "many infallible proofs" by which Jesus

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Christ proved Himself to have been raised from the dead (Acts 1:1-3). Luke, like the historians and archaeologists mentioned above, clearly believed that truth is that which corresponds with reality.

John confidently affirmed, "we know that his testimony is true," as he speaks concerning his own record of the life of Christ (John 20:24). John introduces his first letter by speaking of eyewitness testimony that can be categorized by that which was seen, heard, and touched (1 John 1:1-4). Then, throughout the book of 1 John, this apostle confidently affirms over and over again that there are certain facts we can know. John speaks with certainty concerning the reality of that which he wrote. John speaks of how we can know God (1 John 2:3), and of how we can know we are of the truth (1 John 3:19). John even says we can know that we have eternal life and can know we are of God (1 John 5:13, 19). John writes with the precision and accuracy of one who is confident in regard to the facts. It is clear he understood the fact that truth corresponds with reality. What is real is true. What is factual and actual is what is true. Jesus believed the same for it was He who said, "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

There are many today who would resent Luke's, John's and Jesus' approach to truth. Some hold to the "Coherence Theory of Truth," which measures truth by whatever culture believes. Others hold to the "Social Construction Theory of Truth," which makes truth relative to whatever you personally want. Others will mix the two together. In fact, it is a mixture of these two theories that dominates the thinking of people in the twenty-first century. However, neither the Coherence, nor the Social Construction theories of truth will help society, or save souls. "The Correspondence Theory of Truth" says truth accords with reality. This is the truth about truth.

~Kevin Rutherford

Call Someone and strengthen the church:

This week, make a list and call 5 people you don't normally call. Just touch base, ask after their welfare, tell them you care about them, see if they have a need with which we can help.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2021

April 26 - Luke 19:1-27

April 27 - Luke 19:28-48

April 28 - Luke 20:1-26

April 29 - Luke 20:27-47



April 30 - Luke 21:1-19

May 1 - Luke 21:20-35

May 2 - Luke 22:1-20

OUR SICKPlease Remember in Your Prayers

HM Latchmenarine, Madelene Holbrook, Kim Matthews, Mandy & Parker Bailey, Jeff Chrysson, Roger Allen, Jack Piper, Al Lawson, Abby Little, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy & Wayne Hutchins, Steve Martin, Don Jackson, Sandy Smith, & D.J. Harrison.



Mary Ellen Dull is slowly recovering from the stroke she had recently. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

Becky Allen was reported to be ill last week. Please keep her in your prayers.

Brian Byrd, Joe and Christa Byrd's son, injured his ankle in playing ball recently. It will take about six weeks to recover. Please keep him in your prayers.

Madelene Holbrook was reported not feeling well this past week in addition to her broken wrist. Please keep her in your prayers.

Bonnie Landreth was also reported last week as being under the weather. Please keep her in your prayers.

Prayer request update: The boy I requested prayer for, **Nathan**, is now at home and doing much better. Doctors have not determined what was wrong with him. He is now working to regain the 15 lbs. he lost and regain his strength. Thank you for prayers on his behalf. Love Nancy

Sherrill Stewart's niece's husband, **Scott Cranfill**, had his foot amputated recently and following further amputation up to his knee so they could fit him with a prosthesis. He is still in the hospital recovering. His address is: 153 Wood Lane, Advance, NC 27006.

Thank you for your many prayers for my father, **Joseph Campbell.** He has tested negative for Covid. He is on the mend and feeling better. Thank o for your prayers and God's mercy. - Joann Landry

Please pray for **Thurmond Bennett**, who was in the hospital in McMinnville, TN possibly with pneumonia. Mr. Bennett's address: c/o National Health Care, 928 Old Smithfield Rd., Room 111, McMinnville, TN 37110, Home address: P.O. Box 16, McMinnville, TN, 37111.

Warners Chapel heard from **Alex Vizcaino**, a member here at Warners Chapel some years ago before moving. His whole immediate family in Ecuador all have Covid. Alex is planning on going down there to support his family. His wife and 3 girls are staying in Texas where they all live. Much prayer is needed for this family. An envelope will be placed in the foyer for cards to send down there next week.



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.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

<u>April 25</u> - For those who have not yet had their pictures taken for the Picture Directory, they may have them taken in the Annex following this morning's worship service.

April 25 - There will be planning session for the Singles Group after this morning's worship service. All singles are encouraged to meet down front after the AM service. Your input relative to how the group can serve others in addition to socializing together will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you in advance for your assistance. — David Moore

May 16-19 - Warners Chapel Gospel Meeting with Brother Wesley Simons.

AREA EVENTS:

<u>April 23-25</u> - Gospel Meeting at Liledown church of Christ in Taylorsville, NC.

<u>May 2-6</u> - Gospel Meeting at West Jefferson church of Christ.

See bulletin board for further information.

FOR THE RECORD

SUNDAY WORSHIP -A.M. April 18, 2021 109 SUNDAY WORSHIP -P.M. April 18, 2021 74 WED. EVENING BIBLE STUDY April 21, 2021 60

Covid Vaccine Information:

If anyone would like a COVID-19 Vaccine and are having difficulty getting an appointment in the county you reside in, we have plenty in Yadkin County. If you would like an appointment please go to Yadkin County website www.yadkincountync.gov and register you will be called on the number that you register with for an appointment. - Lorie Rose

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS **APRIL**, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: CARL COOPER

COMMUNION FOR APRIL: JOHNNY SPILLMAN

OPENING PRAYERS FOR MARCH:

WEDNESDAY

| SUNDAY - a.m. | SUNDAY - p.m. | WEDNESDAY |
|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| April 4 - D.C. Mock | April 4 - Brad Hoots | April 7 - Jim Harrison |
| April 11 - Charley Belch | April 11 - Don Minor | April 14 - Gene Southern |
| April 18 - Bob Tesh | April 18 - David Queen | April 21 - Wayne Allen |
| April 25 - Andy Santiago | April 25 - Adam Warner | April 28 - Steve Tesh |

SECURITY AND GREETING: MARK ROY AND GENE RUARK

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

SONG LEADERS FOR APRIL: SUNDAY - p.m.

| April 4 - Wayne Allen | April 4 - Wayne Allen | April 7 - Clayton Workman |
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| April 11 - Clayton Workman | April 11 - Clayton Workman | April 14 - Wayne Allen |
| April 18 - Gene Southern | April 18 - Gene Southern | April 21 - Charley Belch |
| April 25 - Charley Belch | April 25 - Charley Belch | April 28 - Gene Southern |

IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ASSIGNED DATES, PLEASE GET SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE.

GENE SOUTHERN

SUNDAY - a.m.

"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

Randy Warner Tim Allen **Gene Southern** Todd Hinson Keith Warner **Shawn Thomason** Steve Tesh Mark Minor Mark Roy Adam Warner Jacob Woodbury **Andy Santiago Jody Everett**