

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

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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## **CLASSES BEGINNING THIS THURSDAY, JANUARY 7**

The North Carolina School of Biblical Studies will be hosting two more Zoom Classes for the congregation each Thursday night for the next 10 weeks. One of the purposes of the elders in having these online classes is to strengthen our own congregation as well as Christians in other places. I urge both our men and our ladies to sign on.

Teresa will be continuing her class from last quarter, **Journey Through the Word.** While this will be the second half of the class, you do not need to have taken the first quarter in order to pick up on this one. This is an excellent survey of the events, characters and timeline of God's book. It ties together the centuries of biblical writings so that you can understand how the writings of the Bible are all connected and how they each relate to the plan of God to save the world. Ladies, I would like to encourage each of you to take advantage of these 45 minutes of time each Thursday evening. Register now so that she can send you the first week's material. You will not regret it.

I will be teaching a class titled **Developing Leadership Practices that Work.** This is the third class in a series on Leadership Development and Improvement. I hope that our elders, deacons and men will be a part of it.

This class will be discussing, in some depth, concepts of leadership that will create closeness, provide focus, engender excitement and cause the involvement, contentment, and confidence of the membership.

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We will be discussing, from both a biblical and practical perspective the leadership principles of humility, prayer, transparency, clarity, community and communication. We will also be taking an in depth look at the Joshua Generation as a tool for identifying and developing future leaders.

The importance of this study might be seen from this scenario, not fictional, in which I sat as minister of the congregation. Realizations like this have been repeated in many congregations around the brotherhood each year.

"One day, the eldership of a congregation was talking about the future of the church. They considered the possibilities of leadership and realized everyone who would willingly and capably serve was already leading, but they were all older. The church would be left without capable and qualified elders if and when the present eldership was disbanded. For years, they had neglected to train and develop future leaders. There was no one to whom they could pass the torch."

N.K. Carlson, author and editor of a business magazine called *Medium* and a blog, *The Startup*, said, "Each year, approximately 4.8 billion leadership books are written. Don't check me on that. The amount of leadership books keeps increasing, but it seems that the results are not keeping up. In a recent study, only 35% of employees feel inspired by their boss."

Here is one of the three reasons why he believes this is true in business: "I think there is a third problem: identifying and developing future leaders is a skill that is incredibly overlooked. Frankly, most companies don't know how to identify or develop leaders. They leave it in an individual's hands to read book and grow themselves. Maybe they pay for employees to go to a conference or two. But other than that, companies don't do much to identify and develop future leaders."

As noted above, we do not want this "all too common" problem in our own or any other congregation of the Lord. Constantly improving and training ourselves as leaders will prevent this. See you online. Register now.

~ Mike Glenn



## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2021**

January 4 - Matthew 4

January 5 - Matthew 5:1-26

January 6 - Matthew 5:27-48

January 7 - Matthew 6:1-18



**January 8 - Matthew 6:19-34** 

January 9 - Matthew 7

**January 10 - Matthew 8:1-17** 

## **OUR SICK**

## **Please Remember in Your Prayers**

Please continue to keep the following in your prayers:

Elwood Flinchum, Abby Little, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins, Steve and Ernestine Martin, Don Jackson, Sandy Smith, Mike & Dora Lundgren, Larry Hayes, Melvin Sapp, Caleb Massey, Terry Wood, Laurie Courtemanche, Edith Allen, Debbie & Gene Southern,, Martha Kee, and Gaye Ruark, Debbie Southern, Sandy Smith, and Lois Allen, Donna Duncan's daughter, Angela and grandson, Michael Leone, Jesse Kollar's son, Eden.

Please pray for **John and Jason Allen.** Both now have the Covid-19 virus. Tim and Lois Allen have been tested; Tim tested positive and Lois tested negative. Please keep the Allen families in your prayers.

Our grandmother, **Lorene Murphy, was** taken back to the hospital recently and was in the ICU at FMC. She was released from the hospital this past Saturday. Thank you for all your prayers. We are hopeful that being in her home will facilitate her healing with God's help. With much gratitude and love, The Rose family.

**Prayer Requests**: Aldines Cloud's mother, **Sarah Hairston**, was taken to the hospital this past week for abdominal pain. She was tested for COVID-19 and was negative. She received a transfusion. Her blood count was very low. Waiting on results from other testing.

Also, the Cloud's son's house caught fire last week and is a total loss. He lives in Charlotte, NC. Two other homes also were affected. One person was taken to the hospital. Our son's family got out of the house and are safe. Praise God for that. — Aldine and Betty Cloud

Sandra Church has requested prayers for her cousin, Laura W. Hearne, of New Bern. She has COVID-19. She is a member of the Croatan church of Christ.

**D.J. Harrison** was scheduled to have knee replacement surgery on December 16th. Unfortunately, she began running a fever on the 16th and the surgery was postponed to a later date. Please keep her in your prayers.

Also, the Harrison's daughter, **Tammy Jones**, has had her neck surgery delayed until sometime in January due to the large number of people that have Covid and the hospital is overcrowded at this time.

Please pray for our Country



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.

### REMINDER

January 7 - "Journey through the Bible" class begins for the Ladies. Instructor: Teresa Glenn.

January 7 - "Developing Leadership practices that work" class begins for the men or ladies. Instructor: Mike Glenn.

#### **HOUSE TO HOUSE**

HTH involves congregations throughout the United States and beyond in evangelism. Each week we will highlight a participating congregation and solicit prayers for their work. This will bless them and introduce churches for you to visit in your travels.

#### This Week's Focus:

Iglesia de Cristo en Las Villas in Arraijan, Panama - Please join in praying for the iglesia de Cristo en Las Villas, in Arraijan, Panama.

This congregation was planted in January 2019 and has been using digital and printed materials from HTH since its beginning. This congregation has about 20 members.

Their preacher, Marlon Retana, started this congregation with a small group of local brethren using HTH Spanish material. He translated HTHSOE Personal Evangelism Seminar, Back to the Bible, and Does It Matter booklets. He is a Memphis School of Preaching graduate and has been busy with local and mission work since he finished his studies.

Brother Retana is preparing to leave local work and dedicate himself full-time to an Online Spanish Bible School, working in collaboration with WVBS. He asked us to pray for this congregation, especially during this transition as the local brethren take over the duties of preaching, teaching, and leading this congregation.

Please pray for them that their efforts on evangelism (using HTH materials) will produce prospects for salvation.

Thank you for taking the time to pray for the kingdom (James 5:16).

#### SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

#### **FOR JANUARY 2021**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY -

Sunday, January 3 & Wednesday, January 6
Sunday, January 10 & Wednesday, January 13
Sunday, January 17 & Wednesday, January 20
Sunday, January 24 & Wednesday, January 27
Sunday, January 31 & Wednesday, February 3

- Gene Southern
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- Todd Hinson

CLOSING PRAYER TO BE CHOSEN BY YOU PRIOR TO SERVICE BEGINNING ALONG WITH MAKING SURE ALL MEN SCHEDULED ARE REMINDED OF THEIR ASSIGNMENTS.

#### COMMUNION FOR JANUARY: Allan Knight

#### **OPENING PRAYERS FOR JANUARY:**

SUNDAY - a.m.

Jan. 3rd - David Queen

Jan. 6th - Bob Tesh

Jan. 10th - Tim Allen

Jan. 13th - Don Minor

Jan. 17th - R. J. Landry

Jan. 20th - Kevin Rutherford

Jan. 24th - D.C. Mock

Jan. 27th - Adam Warner

Jan. 31st - Carl Cooper

## SONG LEADERS FOR JANUARY: SUNDAY - p.m.

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January 3rd - Wayne Allen	January 3rd - Wayne Allen	January 6th - Clayton Workman
January 10th - Clayton Workman	January 10th - Clayton Workman	January 13th - Wayne Allen
January 17th - Roger Allen	January 17th - Roger Allen	January 20th - Charley Belch
January 24th - Charley Belch	January 24th - Charley Belch	January 27th - Roger Allen

January 31st - Wayne Allen

WEDNESDAY

BUILDING SECURITY: OPENING, SETTING UP FOR TEMPS, AND LOCKING BUILDING: SUNDAY AM OPEN BY 10:10, PM BY 5:25, AND WEDNESDAY BY 6:25

FOR THE MONTH MAIN BUILDING: Gene Ruark and Mark Roy

FOR THE ANNEX: Mark Minor

January 31st - Wayne Allen

SUNDAY - a.m.

IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ASSIGNED DATES, PLEASE GET SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE OR CONTACT GENE SOUTHERN AT 336-575-4233.

"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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Tim Allen
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

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Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury