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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

November 17, 2019

Where Do People Go When They Die?

Death is an undeniable reality (Hebrews 9:27). We have all lost loved ones this way and we all know it will happen to us (Genesis 23). Some view death with the dread and fear of the unknown. Others view death with the morbid depression accompanying a belief that death is the end of existence. We do not like death when it takes our loved ones. In that respect, death is an enemy (John 11:18-35; 1 Corinthians 15:25-27). We all have questions about death. Some of the questions are answered for us in the Scriptures. What is not answered in the Scriptures we do not need to know right now (Deuteronomy 29:29), Notice these common questions about death:

1. What is death?

Death is a separation of the soul from the body (James 1:26).

2. Why does death exist?

Death is a consequence of sin (Genesis 2:15-17; Romans 1:32; 5:12; 6:23).

3. What happens when we die?

Those who are righteous are carried by angels to a place described as a paradise. Those who are unrighteous will lift up their eyes in torment. Both of these places are in the Hadean realm of the dead (Luke 16:19-31; 23:43).

4. Will the dead live again?

Yes, In the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we see our Lord taking away Satan's power over death (Hebrews 2:10-18). We also see the evidence of our own eventual resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:1-58). Jesus spoke of a time when the wicked would receive a resurrection of condemnation and the righteous would receive a resurrection of life (John 5:26-29). The apostle Paul spoke of putting the past behind, and reaching forward to the prize (Philippians 3). The prize for which he was reaching is the resurrection to life (Philippians 3:10-11). At the resurrection, our bodies will be transformed so that we can see God, and be with God (1 Corinthians 15:50-58); Philippians 3:21; 4:1; 1 John 3:1-3).

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5. Will death ever end?

Yes. When Jesus Christ returns to the earth He will put an end to death (1 Corinthians 15:25-27). The book of Revelation symbolically pictures the Judgment Day at the Lord's return (Revelation 20:11-15). In these images, we see Death and Hades delivering up the dead for judgment. After this, we see Death and Hades being cast into the lake of fire. This symbolizes a judgment on Death and Hades resulting in the end of Death and Hades' power. Jesus died and rose again so that He could take away the power that death has over man, and eventually He will fully defeat death (Hebrews 2:10-18).

6. How Can I have hope in death?

Romans 6:23 says, "For the wages of sin are death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." The context here speaks of the grace of God providing us hope of eternal life (Romans 5). But we are not to assume we are not required to do anything simply because eternal life is provided by God's grace. The entire context of Romans chapter six emphasizes the importance of humbly submitting oneself as a slave to God through faithful obedience to Him (i.e. Romans 6:17). When we submit to the will of God in humble obedience He will graciously provide eternal life for us though we can never deserve or earn such a reward. When I have given myself to God (Romans 6:1-17), then I can know that I have eternal life (Romans 6:22-23; 1 John 5:13). This confidence then give us hope in death.

7. How can I cope with the death of loved ones?

The death of loved ones hurts. Sometimes the pain of such loss is indescribable. This loss even hurts those who have strong faith in God. Martha knew her brother Lazarus, would live again at the final resurrection of the last day (John 11:21-27). Yet, she still grieved. We grieve over those whom we lose to death because we will miss their presence. Even when we know we shall be reunited with them, the pain of separation can be very difficult to bear (John 11:33-38). Yet, in all of this we do not have to sorrow as those who have no hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). The pain is real, the pain is strong, but the pain is tempered by our confidence in the coming resurrection. Also we know that Jesus cares for us in such terrible times. As Jesus looked over the crowd of people mourning over the death of Lazarus, Jesus wept. He knew that He was about to raise Lazarus from the dead, so His weeping was not for the grief of the loss of a friend. He was grieving, groaning inside, weeping, because of His compassion for the people who were mourning the death of Lazarus. He cared about them, and He cares about us. (Philippians 4:13).

~Kevin V. Rutherford



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

November 18 - Hebrews 13
November 19 - James 1
November 20 - James 2
November 21 - James 3



November 22 - James 4
November 23 - James 5
November 24 - 1 Peter 1



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Bill Knost remains in the Bermuda Commons Rehab., 316 NC Hwy 801 South, Advance, NC 27006. **He is now in Room 109**, Tel. #336-998-0240. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Please continue to keep **Don Jackson** in your prayers. He is also confined to his home at this time. He feels he is slowly regaining his strength.

D.J. Harrison has recovered from her walking pneumonia but still having problems with her health. **Jim** has been ill this past week with a virus.

Sherrill Stewart is having some foot problems and having a difficult time walking.

Debbie Cranfield, niece of Sherrill Stewart and related to others in the congregation is now in intensive Care at the Baptist Hospital. She is very sick.

Todd Hinson will have kidney surgery on December 19th at Medical Park Hospital.

Blake Allen was reported to be ill with strep throat this past week.

Please remember the **Tesh Family**. Steve's mother is very sick.

Please pray for Kevin Rutherford's nephew, **Nathan Davis**. He was in a car accident a week ago Friday.

Please remember the **family of Greg Irvin**. He passed away unexpectedly Monday morning. He was a friend of Sandra Church and her family.

Charles Walker, Andy Santiago's uncle, had heart valve replacement surgery this past Wednesday and did well. Please continue to pray for his recovery. Waiting now to determine if he will need a pacemaker.

Many of Warners Chapel probably remember **BJ Bruce** from the Southside church of Christ in Galax who conducted our Singing Workshop. Please keep his family in your prayers. Their youngest son Jaxon has been diagnosed with mastocytoma on his back. If it becomes internal it changes to mastocytosis which could become cancerous.

SHUT-INS

Mary Ellen Dull *Ernestine Martin*
D. J. Harrison *Carolyn Minor*

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers



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

Nov. 19 - Tuesday Evening Class from 7-8 p.m. in Annex. Everyone is invited to attend.



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

Suggested Items for the month of November:

Toiletries (deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, shampoo, conditioner, etc.)

232 items were delivered to the SW Food Pantry this past week. Many thanks to all who are participating in this program.

*Laundry detergent, hand dishwashing liquid, and soap would be greatly appreciated at any time.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - November 10, 2019	140
Sunday Worship Service:	160
Contributions for Oct. 27, 2019	\$7,229
Daily Bible Readers:	39
Chapters Read:	478
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	125
Wednesday Evening Bible Study, Nov. 13	111

FALL GOSPEL MEETING ATTENDANCE NOVEMBER 3-11, 2019

Sunday Morning	- 186
Sunday Evening	- 151
Monday Evening	- 120
Tuesday Evening	- 111
Wednesday Evening	- 124

Lord's Day Appointments For November, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For November:

Charley Belch
Colin Robinson Gene Ruark
Jesse Power
Carolyn Plunk
Caleb Rutherford
John Allen

Preparing Communion for November:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - November 24, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Justin Little	Morning - Jim Harrison	A.M. - Tim Allen	A.M. - Tommy Rose
Song Leader - Wayne Allen	Evening - Jason Allen	P.M. - Youth Lead Service	P.M. - Carl Cooper
Prayer - Carl Cooper		Wed. - Song Req. Service (Roger A. Wayne A.)	

Greeters for November:

Shawn & Terrie Thomason

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - November 24 ~ John Allen

Wednesday: - November 27 ~ John Allen

Lord's Day Appointments - November 17, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Randy Warner	Morning - D. C. Mock	A.M. - Wayne Allen	A.M. - Michael Cooper
Song Leader - Clayton Workman	Evening - David Shoaf	P.M. - Steve Tesh	P.M. - Sherrill Stewart
Prayer - Tommy Ridings		Wed. - Tim Allen	

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - November 17 ~ Gene Ruark

Wednesday: - November 20 ~ Gene Ruark

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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

DEACONS

Tim Allen
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury