



# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

***A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU***

***MARCH 3, 2013***

## **DEFINING BIBLICAL FAITH**

What is biblical faith? Many people in this world profess they have faith, but is it biblical faith? The word faith used in the New Testament is from the Greek word *pistis* and involves trust, conviction, and/or confidence. But this simple definition of faith does not altogether define the nature of biblical faith. Perhaps by contrasting biblical faith with the professed faith of many today the true definition of biblical faith will become apparent.

## **THE BASIS OF BIBLICAL FAITH**

The Bible defines faith as "the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," (Heb. 11:1 KJV). So, biblical faith involves believing in something that cannot be seen. Can this be sensible -- believing in something that cannot be seen? Credible biblical faith is sensible since it is based on reasonable evidence. There are numerous things that people credibly believe in everyday though they do not see them, e.g., electricity. Although many historical events cannot be experienced firsthand, or without seeing them, it is reasonable to believe in them if the evidence warrants such belief.

Biblical faith is solidly based on the evidence of truth and well-reasoned thought. This kind of faith comes by reading, analyzing, and accepting the evidence that the Bible provides, (Rom. 10:17). Great men of the Bible who had biblical faith were sensible and thoughtful individuals who drew their conclusions based on the reasonable evidence God's word provided. This should be the basis of faith today along with the numerous other evidences that show the reality and grandeur of God, (cf. Rom. 1:19-20).

Paul

## ELDERS CORNER:

### NEWNESS OF LIFE

Christianity offers something many people want, a second chance. When one obeys the gospel the result is a new birth, or as Paul wrote the Romans, “newness of life” (Romans 6:4). The Lord offers humanity the opportunity to start over. What comes with this newness of life?

First, one receives a new life, spiritual life. The sinful actions of the past are forgiven and forgotten, washed away by the blood of Jesus (Revelation 1:5). The shackles of sin are broken, no longer enslaving the newborn child of God and hanging the death sentence on him or her.

Second, one receives membership in a new family, the church. This family provides a loving Father in heaven who cares for us. He is always available to talk with about our cares, concerns, troubles and joys of life. Family members have an elder brother, Jesus, who understands what their lives are like. He was fully human and experienced life as they did. Therefore, He stands ready to offer aid in times of difficulty (Hebrews 2:18). This family also offers brothers and sisters who love and care for each other as the following words of Jesus describe:

Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or mother, or father, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel’s sake, but he shall receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions, and in the world to come eternal life (Mark 10:29, 30).

Third, one becomes a citizen in the kingdom of God. This kingdom was prophesied of in Isaiah 2, Micah 2, and Daniel 2. John the Baptist and Jesus preached this kingdom was at hand. The Colossians were a part of the kingdom (1:13) as was the apostle John and his readers (Revelation 1:9). Citizenship in this kingdom brings the protection of the King from the powers of evil in the spiritual realm.

Let us all strive to reach out to those in need of a new life.

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### READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2013

*March 4 - Mark 9:1-29*  
*March 5 - Mark 9:30-50*  
*March 6 - Mark 10:1-31*  
*March 7 - Mark 10:32-52*



*March 8 - Mark 11:1-18*  
*March 9 - Mark 11:19-33*  
*March 10 - Mark 12:1-27*

## OUR SICK Please Remember In Your Prayers

**Curtis Doss** was recently diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. He started his treatments this past Thursday.

**Don Richards** fell this past Monday and broke his hip. He was reported to be recovering well from the surgery and could be possibly released Friday to a facility for rehab.

**Madelene Holbrook** is doing very well in her recovery from her recent heart surgery.

**Don Jackson** is now at home and doing well in the healing of a wound caused by the removal of his pacemaker. He will undergo surgery sometime in April once the wound is healed to have a pacemaker-defibrillation device implanted. He wishes to thank everyone for the calls, visits and cards. He will be unable to lift over 10 lbs. or drive in the next few months before and following the implantation.

**Elmer Laudenslager** was released from the hospital last week where he had been treated for a foot wound.

**Juanita Carter**, sister of Neal Harper, underwent cataract surgery this past Thursday.

**Michael Anderson**, Catherine Cravy's uncle, was released from the hospital last Sunday evening and continues to improve. "Thank you for the prayers".

**Coleen Furches** (Mindy Santiago's mother) is having a difficult time. She suffers with dementia.

**Roger Allen's father** is doing better. He was moved into a private room. It will be a while before he starts the chemo treatments.



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



### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Adam and Kathleen Warner on the birth of their baby boy on February 23rd. His name is **Koston Isaac Warner**, weighing in at 8 lbs. 12 oz. and 21 inches long. All are doing well.

*(A box has been placed in the foyer for those who wish to leave a gift for the New Arrival.)*

# 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 A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. THE MEAL THIS MORNING IS SPONSORED BY ZONE 1.

### WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

**Mar. 3** - Pew Packers will meet at 5:30 p.m.

**Mar. 4** - Ladies Evening Sewing for Nicaragua at 7 p.m. at the home of Carmen Parker. Everyone invited.

**Mar. 5** - Ladies Sewing for Nicaragua - 9 a.m. in the Annex. Everyone is invited.

**Mar. 7** - "50 and Older Class" will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Annex.

### AREA EVENTS:

**Feb. 23** - Ladies Day at the Cary Church of Christ.

**Mar. 9** - Carolina Men's Fellowship - sign-up sheet on board in foyer if you want to ride in the van to the fellowship.

**Mar. 16** - Ladies Day at South Stokes

See bulletin board for details

### CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBER

Don Jackson's telephone number has been changed to 413-1204. Please make this change in your directory.

### PLEASE NOTE:

WE ARE COLLECTING HYGIENE PRODUCTS FOR NEEDY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. THERE IS A LARGE BOX IN THE FOYER FOR THESE ITEMS.

### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - February 24, 2013	146
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	190
Contribution for February 24, 2013	\$6,188
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	29
Chapters Read:	668
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	141
Wednesday Evening: February 27, 2013	115

## *Lord's Day Appointments - March 10, 2013*

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b>	- Andrew Hinson	<b>Morning</b> - Carl Cooper	<b>A.M.</b> - Jason Allen	<b>A.M.</b> - Jason Allen
<b>Song Leader</b>	- Roger Allen	<b>Evening</b> - Mark Minor	<b>P.M.</b> - Steve Tesh	<b>P.M.</b> - Homer Holland
<b>Prayer</b>	- Todd Hinson		<b>Wed.</b> - Clayton Workman	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	Greeters: <u>March:</u>	FELLOWSHIP MEAL:
<b>Morning</b> -	Gaye Carothers	<b>Morning</b> -	Gina Strickland	<i>Zone 2</i>
<b>Evening</b> -	Marie Harper	<b>Evening</b> -	Meredith Southern	

### Opening and Closing Building

<b>Sunday:</b>	- March 10	Shawn Thomason
<b>Wednesday:</b>	- March 13	Shawn Thomason

## *\*Sewing this Week: March 3, 2013*

<b>Devotions:</b>	<b>Opening Prayer</b> a.m. - Tim Allen	<b>Scripture Reader</b> a.m. - Trent Thomas
<b>Scripture:</b> Allen Cooper	p.m. - Michael Cooper	p.m. - Jake Thomason
<b>Song:</b> Tim Allen	<b>Song Leaders:</b> a.m. - Wayne Allen	<b>Nursery #1:</b> a.m. - Gaye Ruark
<b>Prayer:</b> D. C. Mock	p.m. - Roger Allen	p.m. - Mary Anne Allen
	<b>Wed.</b> - Mark Roy	<b>Nursery #2:</b> a.m. - Rhonda Hardister
		p.m. - Nancy Minor

### 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

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