

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

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

## NO LIFE IS OF THE TRUTH

# (1 John 2:21)

Jesus gave us warning concerning those who would teach lies (Matthew 7:15-20). These are "false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves" (Matthew 7:15). Paul used the illustration of wolves also when he gave warning to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:28-31). Paul said "savage wolves" would come among them, who would not spare the flock, but speak perverse things to draw disciples away. Paul also wrote to the Galatian Christians about those who pervert the Gospel of Christ and are accursed for so doing (Galatians 1:6-9).

It is so important that the pure Gospel is preached that bold measures are commanded of the church in addressing any perversions of the Gospel. There are those who serve themselves rather than God and who deceive others through smooth words and flattering speech (Romans 16:18). They are such that cause divisions and offenses contrary to the true doctrine and should be noted (marked) avoided (Romans 16:17) Elders must hold fast to the faithful Word of God so that they are able, by sound doctrine, to exhort and convict those who contradict the truth (Titus 1:9).

The book of Jude gives us an excellent example of an inspired approach to dealing with those had corrupted the Gospel. Jude calls for Christians to "contend earnestly for the faith," because certain men who had already been marked had been allowed to sneak in among them (Jude 3, 4). Jude follows up this exhortation with a refutation and condemnation of the false teachers

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troubling the church (Jude 5-19). but Jude also lets us know compassion should be involved in the efforts to contend earnestly for the faith because some of those caught up in the false doctrine could be helped (Jude 22:23).

Peter spoke of false prophets and false teachers who would bring in destructive heresies (2 Peter 2:1-2). He told the early Christians, "by covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words (2 Peter 2:3). Peter then described the behaviors of the false teachers and warned of the danger of allowing them to lead one astray (2 Peter 2:4-22). Once Peter was very clear in describing the dangers of following these false teachers, he then specifically addressed and refuted their false doctrine (2 Peter 3).

1 John is also another tremendous example of how to handle false doctrines and perverted gospels. John begins by laying down the foundation of truth that undermines the various false doctrines of the "antichrists" (1 John 1:1-2:17). John then becomes more specific in addressing the errors of the antichrists, by identifying the errors, refuting the errors, and warning of the dangers of such errors (1 John 2:18-4:16). John then wraps it all up with confident and bold teaching concerning the truth on the matters in question (1 John 4-5).

All of these passages give evidence that support John's statement in 1 John 2:21. John says, "I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth." John is telling us that truth can be known and that anything that conflicts with the truth is a lie. These examples in which Paul, Jude, John, and Peter warned of false doctrine, and then refuted error prove the truth can be known so well, and with such conviction that it can be defended. These facts also lead to the conclusion that truth is not relative, and that one cannot just teach and practice anything he wants and still please God. The only way to please God is to know, preach, and practice the truth

~Kevin Rutherford



# **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2021**

June 28 - Acts 9:1-21

June 29 - Acts 9:22-43

June 30 - Acts 10:1-23 July 1 - Acts 10:24-46



July 2 - Acts 11 July 3 - Acts 12

July 4 - Acts 13:1-25

# **OUR SICK**Please Remember in Your Prayers

Meredith Southern, Neal Harper, Bonnie Landreth, Jaunita Doub, Kevin Fortner, Shannon Harper, Eddie Manor, Merry Beth, Thurmond Bennett, Bryan Byrd, Becky, Mary Ellen Dull, HM Latchmenarine, Madelene Holbrook, Kim Matthews, Jeff Chrysson, Jack Piper, Abby Little, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy & Wayne Hutchins. Don Jackson, Sandy Smith, & D.J. Harrison.



**Steve Martin** had an appointment with his doctor this past week and they discovered he had a collapsed lung and was sent to the Novant Hospital for treatment.

Jack Piper is still having pain in his side and had an appointment with his doctor to see if he can figure out what is causing Jack's pain. He has been on medication from the ER a week ago to help withstand the pain.

Please continue to keep **Roger Allen** in your prayers as he continues to overcome his health issues recovering from his recent surgery.

Tim Allen's sister, **Brenda Swain** is doing better following a heart problem that developed after she had knee surgery. She has had to have a stint put in and the hospital was to release her to go home this past Saturday. Please keep her in your prayers.

Betty Cloud has requested prayers for her sister, **Mozetta Dobbins**, who underwent surgery on Friday, for breast cancer.

### ~In Sympathy~

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Larry Potts, who passed away recently. Mr. Potts was 72 years old and in bad health. He was a member of the Linville Forest church of Christ and a cousin of Lois Allen. Please pray for the family.

Our sympathy also goes out to Anna Brewer and family in the death of her husband, Curtis Loyd Brewer, who passed away on June 24th. The funeral arrangements are not known at this time. The Brewers were members of Warners Chapel but moved their membership to South Fork church of Christ in 2012. Please pray for the family.

#### FOR THE RECORD

 SUNDAY WORSHIP -A.M.
 June 20, 2021
 - 150

 SUNDAY WORSHIP -P.M.
 June 20, 2021
 - 123

 WED. EVENING BIBLE STUDY
 June 16, 2021
 - 114



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:**

**Reminder:** Each Sunday at 5 p.m. there is a Sunday Youth Class that meets in the Annex.

<u>Carolina Bible Camp</u> - If you are planning on attending the Carolina Bible camp this summer, it is recommended that you sign up for weeks 3, 4, or 7.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Warners Chapel Vacation Bible School will be held on 5 Wednesday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. The Theme: "The Flood". The dates are:

July 14 - "The World"

July 21 - "The Man"

July 28 - "The Ark"

Aug. 4 - "The Animals"

Aug. 11 - "The Flood"

Please begin to think of friends and neighbors you would like to invite to attend our VBS.

<u>June 27</u> - There will be a Singles Group meeting up front on Sunday June 27th to discuss ways of serving the church and socializing. Singles of all ages are encouraged to attend.



After the evening worship there will be a farewell reception for Ian and Savannah Quinn who are moving to Georgia soon. Light refreshments will be served.

We wish you both the very best. You will be missed!

#### SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

June, 2021

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: STEVE TESH

**COMMUNION FOR MAY: MARK ROY** 

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#### **OPENING PRAYERS FOR JUNE:**

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SUNDAY A.M.	SUNDAY P.M.	WEDNESDAY
June 6 - Charley Belch	June 6 - Sherrill Stewart	June 2 - Rodney Brown June 9 - Brad Hoots
June 13 - Andy Santiago	June 13 - Wayne Allen	June 16 - Clayton Workman
June 20 - Carl Cooper	June 20 - Bob Tesh	June 23 - Mike Lundgrun
June 27 - Joe Byrd	June 27 - D.C. Mock	June 30 - Johnny Spillman

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SECURITY AND GREETING: GENE RUARK AND ED O'SHIELDS

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

#### **SONG LEADERS FOR JUNE:**

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June 20 - Gene Southern	June 20 - Gene Southern	June 23 - Charley Belch
June 27 - Charley Belch	June 27 - Charley Belch	June 30 - Gene Southern
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IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ASSIGNED DATES, PLEASE GET SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE.

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"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
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury