



# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**JULY 29, 2018**

## **ARE YOU A CRAB OR A CHRISTIAN?**

Have you ever observed a barrel of crabs? Or even crawfish? Ben Carson writes, "Go down to the fish market and look into the crab barrel. They never have to put a lid on it because if one crab starts to crawl out, the others will grab onto him and pull him back down. That's what negative peer pressure does. Carson is right, it's not just crabs that cut and keep each other down. Sadly, some people do, too. Like crabs bent on keeping each other from rising higher and crawling out of the barrel, people can sometimes pull and push and cut each other down, especially in the things they say to and about others.

Job was trying to climb out of a barrel of intense suffering and understand why he was having it so bad in spite of his love for God. But his friends kept pulling and putting him down with their overly simplistic theology that said he was suffering because he was sinful. Their explanation for his problems was that things were bad because he was bad. Job 19:2 records Job's complaint after they had pulled him down repeatedly—"How long will you torment my soul, and break me in pieces with words?"

The writer of Psalm 109:3 was feeling the downward pull of some crabby people in his life and so he wrote, "They have also surrounded me with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause." The writer of Proverbs 12:18, presumably King Solomon, had either observed and/or experienced the crabby way some people use words - "There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes health." Some people like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes "health." Some people either don't know or don't care that words they speak either hurt or heal, either tear down or build up, either inflict suffering or instill strength.

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Booker T. Washington observed, “There are two ways of exerting one’s strength: one is pushing down, the other is pulling up.” Washington’s words remind us of the difference in a crab and a Christian. A crab pulls down. He may think by pulling another crab down he will somehow have a better chance to climb up. He doesn’t know any better, because he thinks with a crabby brain. But Christians are told to “Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 2:5).

Jesus is the supreme example of one who used His strength to pull others up by laying his life down on the cross. You can’t carry the cross and be a crab at the same time. “Encourage one another and build each other up” the Bible still says in 1 Thessalonians 5:11, in one version. The difference in crabs and Christians is that Christians build each other up, crabs pull each other down. According to your words, are you a crab or a Christian.

~Caleb J. Rutherford



## **DOING GOOD**

**Christians must be those who patiently continue in doing good (Romans 2:7). If we will do that we shall receive the following (Romans 2:7-11):**

- 1. Eternal Life**
- 2. Glory**
- 3. Honor**
- 4. Peace**

**If we fail to do good and live as those who are self-seeking, we shall receive the following (Romans 2:7-11):**

- 1. Indignation**
- 2. Wrath**
- 3. Tribulation**
- 4. Anguish**

**Which set of consequences do you want to receive?**

~Kevin V. Rutherford

## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018**

July 30 - Romans 2  
July 31 - Romans 3  
Aug. 1 - Romans 4  
Aug. 2 - Romans 5



Aug. 3 - Romans 6  
Aug. 4 - Romans 7  
Aug. 5 - Romans 8:1-21



## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**D. J. Harrison** is recovering from her recent surgery, she is in extreme pain and we continue to ask for your prayers on her behalf. Thank you for the all the prayers, calls and flowers.

**Wayne Hutchins** is waiting on his doctor to decide what to do next. Please pray for him.

**Kim Sheets** is taking baby steps to improve. He is in Room 9206 at the Forsyth Medical Hospital. He appreciates the prayers, calls and cards. Please continue to pray for him.

**Sandy Smith** was hospitalized overnight this past Friday. She is on strong antibiotics and they are working. She has a bad foot and is very swollen. She asks for prayers that she will get better.

**Terrie Thomason** has been having difficulty with kidney stones and a pulled hip flexer ligament.

Update on **Vicki Hughes**. She remains in Whitaker Rehab. She is using a walker, but still has no feeling in her right foot. Please pray for the return of her health.

Please pray for **Mark Brewer**, a friend of the Workman's who experienced a heart irregularity today and will be seeing a cardiologist soon to determine what treatment may be needed.

Carl Cooper's brother, **Cliff**, was taken to the hospital Wednesday evening. Prayers are requested on his behalf.

**Chad Goins**, is in the ICU at the Forsyth Hospital. Please pray for him. He is a friend of Mindy Santiago.

Lorie Rose's friends **Mickey & Sharon Burchette**, are in need of our prayers. Her friend's husband is having tests run, including a biopsy to determine if he has cancer. If it is cancer, he will have to undergo radiation and chemo instead of surgery due to the location.

### ~Baptism~

We are pleased to welcome **Allison Little** into the family of Christ that worships here at Warners Chapel. Allison was baptized last Wednesday evening. She is the daughter of Abby Little.

### ~In Sympathy~

Our sympathy goes out to Jo Pharr and the Pharr family in the death of **Claude Pharr** who passed away July 26th. The funeral was held on July 28th at the N. Main church of Christ in Mocksville. Jo Pharr's address is 4813 Hawkwood Tr., Winston-Salem, NC 27103.

### Also:

Saddened to report that Brother Frank Shepard passed away this past Friday morning.

## SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker**  
**Ernestine Martin**  
**Carolyn Minor**

**Kim Matthews**  
**Di-Ann Moser**



**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 CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP MEAL TODAY IN THE ANNEX NEXT DOOR FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. YOU WILL BE OUR HONORED GUEST!**

## WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

**July 29** - Our Guest Speaker today will be Brother **Jim Dearman**

**July 29** - Class Promotion today.

**July 29** - Congregational Fellowship Meal following morning worship service. Everyone is invited.

**Aug. 5** - Caleb will need to meet with all the young adults and parents of the Youth Group (LAMBS group included) following the morning service.

**Aug. 11** - Movie night at Caleb and Kaylon Rutherford's home. This will be a monthly event for the Youth Group and the LAMBS. A Sign-up sheet is on the Youth Board. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Sept. 8** - Warners Chapel Youth Conference

## Area Events:

**Aug. 2-5** - Gospel Meeting at the Northwest church of Christ. Speaker will be Gregory Alan Tidwell, minister at the Fishinger and Kenny church of Christ in Columbus, OH and editor of the Gospel Advocate.

**Aug. 1-29** - Summer Series "The Apostle of Paul - Great Soldier of the Cross" at the Cary church of Christ on Wednesdays in August, at 7:30 PM.

*See Bulletin board for further information*

## SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of **August**:

### "SCHOOL SUPPLIES"

A list of School Supplies needed for the Pantry are available on the credenza in the foyer.

## FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - July 22, 2018	122
Sunday Worship Service	161
Contribution for July 22, 2018	\$6,133
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	30
Chapters Read:	560
Sunday Evening Worship Service	130
Wed. Evening Bible Study - July 25, 2018	103

## Lord's Day Appointments For August, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For August:

Charlie Belch

Nathan Roy      Gene Ruark  
Tommy Ridings  
Nancy Minor  
Tim Allen  
Jim Harrison

Preparing Communion for August:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - August 5, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Michael Cooper	<b>Morning</b> - David Moore	<b>A.M.</b> - Charlie Belch	<b>A.M.</b> - Jim Harrison
<b>Song Leader</b> - Roger Allen	<b>Evening</b> - D. C. Mock	<b>P.M.</b> - Nathan Roy	<b>P.M.</b> - Roger Allen
<b>Prayer</b> - Tim Allen		<b>Wed.</b> - Allen Cooper	

**Greeters for August:**

Randy and Linda Warner

Opening and Closing Building

<b>Sunday:</b> - August 5	~	Rick Clemmons
<b>Wednesday:</b> - August 8	~	Rick Clemmons

## Lord's Day Appointments - July 29, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Randy Warner	<b>Morning</b> - Joe Everett	<b>A.M.</b> - Tim Allen	<b>A.M.</b> - Carl Cooper
<b>Song Leader</b> - Gene Southern	<b>Evening</b> - R. J. Landry	<b>P.M.</b> - Youth Lead Service	<b>P.M.</b> - Sherrill Stewart
<b>Prayer</b> - Caleb Rutherford		<b>Wed.</b> - Walter Cruz	

Opening and Closing Building

<b>Sunday:</b> - July 29	~	Todd Hinson
<b>Wednesday:</b> - Aug. 1	~	Todd Hinson

**Greeters for July:**

Richard & Karen Clemmons

### 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
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> 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  
Joe Everett  
Todd Hinson  
Steve Tesh

Randy Warner  
Keith Warner  
Andy Santiago  
Mark Minor  
Jason Allen  
Jody Everett

Gene Southern  
Shawn Thomason  
Mark Roy  
Adam Warner  
Jacob Woodbury