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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**JANUARY 28, 2018**

## **LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

**By Kevin Rutherford**

The church at Corinth had many problems. Some of those problems directly affected the relationships between brothers and sisters in Christ. The way those Christians were treating each other is the reason why Paul showed them a more excellent way. The more excellent way is love (1 Corinthians 12:31, 13:13)

When Christians do not love one another there are going to be problems in the church. Not only will there be problems in the church but there will be Christians who lose their souls. John wrote, "We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death. Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him" (1 John 3:14, 15).

Whether or not we love our brothers and sisters in Christ says a lot about our relationship with God (1 John 4:7-11). If we do not love our fellow Christians then we are not born of God, do not love God, and do not know God. We can claim to love God all we want to but if we are not treating our brothers and sisters in a loving manner we are simply liars.

The greatest example of love is God's love for mankind (1 John 4:10-11). God sent His son to die for us. That gives evidence of tremendous love. We love God because He loved us and made it possible for our sins to be removed. John drew an important conclusion based upon these facts. "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another" (1 John 4:11).

The love that we have for other Christians will be seen in the way that we live, and in the things that we do (1 John 3:16-18). If we see a brother and we have the ability to help them we

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will do so. In fact, it should make us happy to be able to help out a fellow Christian. If we are not willing to help each other we are not of the truth and our hearts condemn us before God (1 John 3:19).

Our love for one another will greatly affect our eternal destiny and our influence in the community. Why would anyone want to be a part of a group if they do not believe the members of that group love one another? We need to have a genuine love for fellow Christians that will be obvious even to those who are in the world (Romans 12:9, 10). When they see the love we have for another it is possible they may be drawn to the church.

To be Christ-like we must love one another. To be godly we must love one another. To have a strong influence on others we must love one another. To encourage each other we must love one another. To help each other we must love one another. To go to heaven together we must love one another. May God help us always to abound more and in our love for Him and in our love for our fellow Christians.



## **A Cracked Pot**

A water bearer in India had two large pots, each hung on one end of a pole that he carried across his neck. One pot had a crack in it. The other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water at the end of the long walk from the stream to the master's house. The cracked pot arrived only half full.

For two full years, the bearer daily delivered only one and a half pots of water to his master's house. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments, but the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its imperfection and miserable that it was able to accomplish only half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be a bitter failure, it spoke to the water bearer one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, and I want to apologize to you."

"Why?" asked the bearer. "What are you ashamed of?"

"I have been able to deliver only half my load because this crack causes water to leak out all the way to your master's house. Because of my flaws you have to do all of this work, and you do not get full value from your efforts."

The water bearer felt sorry for the old cracked pot. Compassionately, he said, "As we return to the master's house, I want you to notice the beautiful flowers along the path."

Indeed, as they went up the hill, the cracked pot noticed the sun warming the beautiful wildflowers along the path. This cheered it some, but it still felt bad because it had leaked out half its load again. So, again, it apologized.

The water bearer said, "Did you notice the flowers were only on your side of the path? That is because I knew about your flaw and took advantage of it. I planted flowers, and ever day while we walked back from the stream, you water them. For two years I have picked beautiful flowers to decorate the master's table. Without you being just as you are, he would not have this beauty in his house."

The moral of this story: Each of us has unique flaws. We are all cracked pots. But it is the cracks and flaws that make our lives together so interesting and rewarding. Consider each person individually and look for his or her good traits. There is a lot of good out there. There is a lot of good in you!

From [housetohouse.com](http://housetohouse.com)

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

**January 29 - Matt. 19**  
**January 30 - Matt. 20:1-16**  
**January 31 - Matt. 20:17-34**  
**February 1 - Matt. 21:1-22**



**February 2 - Matt. 21:23-46**  
**February 3 - Matt. 22:1-22**  
**February 4 - Matt. 22:23-46**



## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Mary Seal** was reported to be suffering with a cold this past week. Her iron level is very low. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Jeannie Moore** has an appointment at Duke Cancer Center on February 1st. For a second opinion. Please pray for a positive outcome.

**Dennis McBrayer** was reported last Lord's Day to be in the Forsyth Hospital with pneumonia and bronchitis and having a problem with oxygen level. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Elise Cave**, Lutrelle Chipman's granddaughter is in the Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. Please pray for her and her family.

**Alice Dunlap**, Pat Belch's aunt, is in the hospital with bleeding in her brain, please remember her in your prayers.

**Tyler Hughes**, a neighborhood 13 year old boy of Rodney and Teresa Brown was in an accident where he all but severed his arm. Please pray for him.

Please pray for the **Wadford Family** who recently had a baby born with some difficulties. The Wadford family are friends of Adam and Kathleen Warner.

Please remember Madelene's niece, **Renee' Morgan** in your prayers. She was scheduled to have further surgery for cancer on January 19th. She is now back home in recovery. For those who would like to send her a card, her address is 174 Lonely Pines Trail, Dobson, NC 27017.

*~In Sympathy~*

*Our sympathy is extended to Robin Hauser and her family in the death of her brother, Michael Whitaker, who passed away this past week. His funeral will be held today at the Moody's Funeral Home in Mt. Airy with visitation from 2-3 p.m. and the funeral at 3 p.m.*

## SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker**  
**Lutrelle Chipman**  
**Ernestine Martin**  
**Kim Matthews**

**Di-Ann Moser**  
**Dot Pegram**  
**Bob Plunk**

Please continue to keep the shut-ins in your prayers.

## SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

**Suggested food for January, 2018:**

**Peanut butter/Jelly (plastic containers)**

# 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.**

## WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

**Jan. 28** - Ladies Day Planning Meeting this morning following the worship service.

**Feb. 15** - The 50 and Over Class will meet at 11 a.m. in the Annex. D. C. Mock will be teaching.

**Feb. 17** - A Valentine's Banquet is scheduled. More details to follow.

**Mar. 24** - Ladies Day at Warners Chapel. The speaker will be **Brenda Rutherford**. The topic: "How do I Worship An Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnipotent God?" - "God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be held in reverence by all those around Him" (Psalms 89:7)

## AREA EVENTS:

**Feb. 24** - Ladies Day at the Cary church of Christ from, 9-12 Noon with lunch to follow. The theme is "Spring Cleaning for the Heart & Soul" The speaker will be **Kathy Pollard**.

## SIGN-UP LIST FOR SECURITY TEAM

There is a sign-up list on the bulletin board in the foyer for those interested in being on the Security Team.

It will be up until February 4th.

**Gene Southern**

\*New House to House publication available on the credenza in the foyer. Please take a copy for you and a friend.

## FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Jan. 21, 2018	123
Sunday Worship Service	157
Contribution for Jan. 21, 2018	\$7,055
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	38
Chapters Read:	559
Sunday Evening Worship Service	112
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Jan. 24, 2018	95

## Lord's Day Appointments For February, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For February:

**D. C. Mock**

Jacob Woodbury     Nathan Roy

Colin Robinson

Debbie Southern

David Moore

Jim Harrison

Preparing Communion for February:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - February 4, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Michael Cooper	<b>Morning</b> - Carl Cooper	<b>A.M.</b> - Tim Allen	<b>A.M.</b> - Carl Cooper
<b>Song Leader</b> - Roger Allen	<b>Evening</b> - Mike Cooper	<b>P.M.</b> - Roger Allen	<b>P.M.</b> - Sherrill Stewart
<b>Prayer</b> - Tim Allen		<b>Wed.</b> - Clayton Workman	

### Greeters for February

Jim & D.J. Harrison

### Opening and Closing Building

**Sunday:** - February 4 ~

**Wednesday:** - February 7 ~

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 28, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Robby Landry	<b>Morning</b> - Jim Harrison	<b>A.M.</b> - Wayne Allen	<b>A.M.</b> - Michael Cooper
<b>Song Leader</b> - Steve Tesh	<b>Evening</b> - Wayne Allen	<b>P.M.</b> - Gene Southern	<b>P.M.</b> - Gene Ruark
<b>Prayer</b> - Al Lawson		<b>Wed.</b> - Song Req. Roger Allen-Tim Allen	

### Opening and Closing Building

**Sunday:** - Jan. 28 ~ Todd Hinson

**Wednesday:** - Jan. 31 ~ Todd Hinson

### Greeters for January

Brad & Betty Hoots

## 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

David Moore  
Tim Allen  
Joe Everett  
Todd Hinson  
Steve Tesh

Randy Warner  
Keith Warner  
Andy Santiago  
Mark Minor  
Jason Allen  
Mike Cooper

Jody Everett  
Gene Southern  
Shawn Thomason  
Mark Roy  
Adam Warner  
Jacob Woodbury