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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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A MATTER OF ATTITUDE

By Kevin V. Rutherford

Have you ever noticed that attitude and mental toughness can enable an individual to overcome great odds and obstacles? Sometimes the slower runner wins the race. Sometimes the weaker man wins the fight. Sometimes the less talented team takes the championship. Why? Attitude is the answer. Two missionaries were doing some work on a remote island. One of those missionaries was tall and thin. The other missionary was the opposite in build. A local islander spoke of how difficult it would be to walk from one end of the island to the other. This was true because in order to do so, one would have to go through thick brush in some parts and climb a mountain in the center of the island. He looked at the two missionaries and told the tall and thin one he wouldn't make it. Then he expressed his confidence that the shorter, wider missionary would be able to get across to the other side. Why? He knew the shorter, wider missionary had the mental toughness to complete the task.

A Biblical example of this principle is found in 1 Samuel 14. Saul was king of Israel at the time. He was ruling over a people who were being oppressed by the Philistines. Things were not going well for Israel when an event occurred which gave the Jews courage and strength to turn the tide. Saul had a son by the name of Jonathan who had a tough mental attitude. His determination and will power came from his faith in God. He and his armor bearer decided they would go by themselves and attack the entire Philistine garrison, Jonathan said, "Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised; it may be that the Lord will work for us. For nothing restrains the Lord from saving by many or by few (1 Samuel 14:6)." Jonathan and his armor bearer climbed on their hands and knees over a steep slope to get to the Philistine

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garrison. Once at the top, the two men quickly killed twenty men. The Philistines began to panic which gave the other Jews courage. Soon the entire Jewish army had joined the fight and the Philistines were defeated.

Caleb is a second example of this kind of mental toughness that is based on complete trust and faith in God. When the Jews refused to go into the land of Canaan out of fear, Caleb stood against the cowards. The Bible says, "Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, 'let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it (Numbers 13:30)." God later said, concerning Caleb, "My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit in him and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land where he went and his descendants shall inherit it (Numbers 14:24)." This "different spirit" is that mental toughness and determination that comes from a strong faith in God. Caleb later showed this great attitude again, when at the age of 85, Caleb was ready to conquer the giant people of Anakim and take the mountain upon which they lived.

We need to see to see the spirit of Jonathan and Caleb in the Lord's church today. Instead of complaining about every little thing that goes wrong, we ought to make up our minds that with the Lord's help we can accomplish great things for Him. Is your faith in God strong enough to give you an attitude of mental toughness (Philippians 4:13)?



SPECIAL NEEDS:

Jerry Sullins is going to Zambia in June to teach in the school in Zambia and Uganda for two weeks each. He will also have a seminar in Zambia for past graduates and present students. He will be taking suits and ties for the students of this latest intake. Approximately 45 for both schools. The students are taught to wear a suit and tie when they preach.

If any of you men have used suits, size 40 and under, that you would like to send to these students, see **Steve Martin** during the month of April. **Nothing over a size 40, no winter suits. Ties are welcome.**

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2017

April 3 - Luke 7:1-30 April 4 - Luke 7:31-50 April 5 - Luke 8:1-25 April 6 - Luke 8:26-56



April 7 - Luke 9:1-17 April 8 - Luke 9:18-36 April 9 - Luke 9:37-62



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to keep Frank & Jane Shepard, Elwood Flinchum, Mary Tesh, Bob Plunk, Charlie Parker, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins in your prayers.

Jane Shepard underwent bladder surgery this past Wednesday. She is doing well and was to return home on Thursday.

Gene Southern will undergo surgery tomorrow April 10th at the Forsyth Medical Center to have a stint put in his right carotid artery. Please pray for him.

Good News!! Bob Plunk has received a very good medical report this past week.

Charlie Parker underwent heart ablation surgery on March 31st at the Baptist Hospital. He is doing well and was able to attend the Wednesday evening Bible Class.

Jim Harrison had knee replacement surgery this past week. He was to be in the hospital a few days. He is reported to be doing well in his recovery.

Ella Mae Weatherman, Lois Allen's aunt, had a bleed and was in the hospital for a few days until this past Wednesday. She was given blood and the problem was found and corrected. Please pray for her.



~ IN SYMPATHY ~

Our sympathy goes out to Doris Cooper and family in the death of her brother, **Lewis Evans**, who passed away recently.

Also, our sympathy goes out to Madelene Holbrook and family in the recent death of her nephew, **Jimmy** Dodson.

PLEASE ASSIST:

There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those who would like to help Frank & Jane with food. Please prepare enough food for one meal and deliver at lunch time. Meals are needed Mon., Wed., & Fri.'s. No spicy foods or peppers, please.

THE PRAYER LIST IS AVAILABLE ON THE CREDENZA IN THE FOYER.



SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker Dot Pegram Lutrelle Chipman Eva Nelle Sidden Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers and check the sign-up sheet to take communion to Dot Pegram if you are able. (sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board)



WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU VISITING WITH WE INVITE YOU TO US THIS MORNING. **RETURN THIS EVENING AT 6:00** THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE AND AT 7:00 P.M. EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

April 11 - Sewing for Nicaragua from 9-12 a.m. in Annex.

April 13 - The 50 and Over Class will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Annex.

May 20-21 - Senior Rally - Speaker: Melvin Sapp June 18-21 - VBS - Theme: God's Team - Stories of God's Power. Sunday through Wednesday.

LOCAL EVENTS:

April 2-6 - 73rd Annual Carolina Lectureship hosted by the Plaza church of Christ in Sumter, SC. April 23-26 - Gospel Meeting at the Lexington church of Christ. Theme: "Why You Should Be a Christian" presented by Brother Phil Sanders speaker for "In Search of the Lord's Way" a nationally broadcasted television ministry of the **Edmond church of Christ.**

May 6 - Ladies Day at the Lenoir church of Christ. 9 a.m.-2:30 Speaker: Shalie Miller

May 20 - Ladies Day Springfest at the Northwest church of Christ in Greensboro. 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

See bulletin board for details

SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

162 items were delivered to the Pantry this past Thursday for a total of 816 items this year.

During March, 24 families were served by the Food Pantry with a total of 117 individuals. Food Pantry personnel want to thank you for your continued support. You make a difference in the lives of these needy families.

The suggested items for April are laundry detergent, hand dish washing liquid and bath soap.

FOR THE RECORD

| Sunday Bible Study - April 2, 2017 | 136 |
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| Sunday Worship Service | 172 |
| Contribution for April 2, 2017 | \$6,890 |
| Daily Adult Bible Readers: | 42 |
| Chapters Read: | 604 |
| Sunday Evening Worship Service | 133 |
| Wednesday Evening Bible Study 4-5-17 | 91 |

Lord's Day Appointments For April, 2017

Serving the Lord's Table For April:

Carl Cooper

Nathan Roy Harry Picciuto Rodney Brown Mike Cooper

> Carolyn Plunk Joe Everett John Allen

Preparing Communion for April: Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - April 16, 2017

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Mark Minor Morning - Tommy Rose A.M. - Steve Tesh A.M. - Gene Ruark

Song Leader - Tommy Rose Evening - Mark Clemmons P.M. - P.M. - Michael Cooper

Prayer - Andy Santiago Wed. - Tim Allen

Greeters for April:

Rodney and Teresa Brown

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - April 16 ~ Wednesday: - April 19 ~

Lord's Day Appointments - April 9, 2017

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Shawn Thomason Morning - Clayton Workman A.M. - Nathan Roy A.M. - Bill Carothers
Song Leader - Tim Allen Evening - Tommy Ridings P.M. - Clayton Workman P.M. - Shawn Thomason

rayer - Jack Piper Wed. - Jason Allen

Opening and Closing Building Greeters for April:

Sunday: - April 2 ~ Rodney and Teresa Brown

Wednesday: - April 5 ∼

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
Mark Minor
Mike Cooper
Mike Cooper

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury