

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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WWJT

(What Would Jesus Think)

Would it surprise you to know that 80% of the residents of the United States identify themselves as Christian? Although there are a high percentage of people here that favor Christian beliefs there is a diversity of opinions and a host of misunderstandings about acceptable conduct before God. How is it that recent polls reflect that there is an increasing number of folks that think that same-sex marriage is an acceptable alternative to traditional marriage. Here are some points that I found on the Huffington post online news site.

YouGov, a non-partisan polling organization, published the results of a survey that asked Americans to weigh in on several critical issues facing the country today -- and then rate how they think Jesus would feel about the same issues. The results highlight an American public often split by religion on hot-button issues but generally more liberal than it believes Jesus would be. Here is a profile on the social values of Jesus Christ, according to American voters:

1. Jesus would not support Gay Marriage.

Although 55 percent of Americans support gay marriage, YouGov found that only 32 percent believe Jesus would be in favor of same-sex unions. Of all religious and demographic groups measured, only atheists and agnostics believed by a majority that Jesus would support the issue.

2. Jesus would oppose legal Abortion.

Fifty-two percent of Americans believe Jesus would oppose legal abortion, and 20 percent believe he would support it. Forty-seven percent of U.S. adults describe themselves as pro-choice, according to Gallup, and 50 percent support legal abortion under certain circumstances. Sixty-eight percent of nonreligious Americans say they are pro-choice, but most atheists and agnostics don't believe Jesus would support abortion.

The underlying problem with these positions is the fact that neither do they know what Jesus and inspired writers have written about these issues, nor do they care! What the Bible teaches has long been disregarded by man for thousands of years. We should always ask the question concerning religious and social matters: WWJT.

Paul

Elders corner:

KEEP YOUR FORK!

There was a woman who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness and had been given three months to live. So as she was getting her things "in order," she contacted her minister and had him come to her house to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted sung at the service, which scriptures she would like read, and what outfit she wanted to be buried in. The woman also requested to be buried with her favorite Bible.

Everything was in order and the minister was preparing to leave when the woman suddenly remembered something very important to her. "There's one more thing," she said excitedly. "What's that?" came the preacher's reply. "This is very important," the woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my right hand." The minister stood looking at the woman, not knowing quite what to say. "That surprises you, doesn't it?" she asked. "Well, to be honest, I'm puzzled by the request," said the preacher. The woman explained "In all my years of attending church socials and potluck dinners, I always remember that when the dishes of the main course were being cleared, someone would inevitably lean over and say, 'keep your fork'. It was my favorite part because I knew that something better was coming ... like velvety chocolate cake or deep dish apple pie. Something wonderful and with substance! So, I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand and I want them to wonder 'What's with the fork?' Then I want you to tell them "Keep your fork ... the best is yet to come."

The preacher's eyes welled up with tears of joy as he hugged the woman goodbye. He knew this would be one of the last times he would see her before her death. But he also knew that the woman had a better grasp of heaven than he did. She KNEWS that something better was coming.

At the funeral, people were walking by the woman's casket and they saw the pretty dress she was wearing and her favorite Bible and the fork placed in her right hand. Over and over the preacher heard the question, "What's with the fork?" And over and over he smiled.

During his message, the preacher told the people of the conversation he had with the woman shortly before she died. He also told them about the work and about what it symbolized to her. The preacher told the people how he could not stop thinking about the fork and that they probably would not be able to stop thinking about it either. He was right.

So the next time you reach down for your fork, let it remind you oh so gently, that the best is yet to come.

"Thoughts for Today to Brighten Your Day" By Glenn Hitchcock

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2014

July 21 - Acts 23:1-15

July 22 - Acts 23:16-35

July 23 - Acts 24

July 24 - Acts 25

July 25 - Acts 26

July 26 - Acts 27:1-26

July 27 - Acts 27:27-44



OUR SICK

Please Remember in your prayers

Wavne Hutchins was able to come home from the hospital on Thursday and seems to be feeling some better. He still has a ways to go in his recovery. Continue to keep him and Cathy in your prayers.

Emily Workman's MRI results are in and they were good. The doctors are still trying to determine the root cause of her seizures; but, thankfully many of the worst things have already been ruled out.

Ronnie Knost remains at home recovering from her recent surgery. Her tests came back with good reports and she is doing well. She will be undergoing chemo in the near future.

Debbie Southern continues to do well following her recent surgery.

Mindy Santiago's aunt, Kathryn Rumley, fell recently and broke her hip and fractured her arm. She was moved to skilled nursing rehab at Brookridge, Room # C636. Please continue to pray for her recovery - 8-10 weeks of rehab.

Please pray for Andy Santiago's mother, Linda Santiago, who is having problems with her vision. She has started treatments but it may take several months to see if it will work.

Gloria Anderson, a past member at Warners Chapel, will undergo cancer surgery on July 30th. Her address is 4924 Stonington Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27103.



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

~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to all the families related to Sister Gladys Harper, who passed away July 14th. Visitation was at the Hayworth Miller on Silas Creek Pkwy on Thursday, July 17th and the funeral was held at Warners Chapel on Friday, July 18th at 11 a.m.

Please Note:

The new House to House publication is available for you to pick up on the credenza in the fover.

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 SPONSORED BY ZONE 3.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

July 20 - Sunday Evening - Presentation of this year's missionary trip to Diriamba, Nicaragua.

July 23 - 2014 Summer Series. Speaker: Jeff Cannon (West Innes) Topic: "We are Answering in Truth" - I Peter 3:15.

August 9 - Warners Chapel Cookout at 10:00 a.m.

September 6-7 - Annual Youth Lectureship

November 1 - Annual Chicken Stew at 6 p.m.

November 2-6 - Gospel Meeting with Brother Terry Joe Kee from Jonesboro, Arkansas. Theme: Ancient Lessons For The Modern World.

AREA EVENTS:

July 23,30 & Aug. 6 - University church of Christ at Charlotte 2014 Summer Series. Theme: Wilderness Road Adventures. Bro. Russ McCollough, Andy Moss, Jeff Trotter, Alan Brown, David Pharr and Lonnie Smith will be the speakers. See Bulletin Board.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - July 13, 2014	147
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	172
Contribution for July 13, 2014	\$6,188
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	38
Chapters Read:	892
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	123
Wednesday Evening: July 16, 2014	107

Lord's Day Appointments - July 27, 2014

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Randy Warner Morning - Andy Santiago A.M. - Wayne Allen A.M. - Mark Minor

Song Leader - Steve Tesh Evening - Allen Cooper P.M. - Gene Southern P.M. - Brad Hoots

Prayer - Al Lawson Wed. - Song Req. Service

Roger A. & Clayton W.

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): Greeters: July: FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Morning - Sandy Warner Morning - Gina Harper Elwood & Linda Flinchum Zone 4

Evening - Marie Harper **Evening -** Betty Hoots

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - July 27 Mark Roy Wednesday: - July 30 Mark Roy

Lord's Day Appointments - July 20, 2014

Devotions: Opening Prayer a.m. - Bill Carothers Scripture Reader a.m. - Andrew Hinson

Scripture: Andrew Hinson p.m. - Shawn Thomason p.m. - Randy Warner

Song: Tommy Rose Song Leaders: a.m. - Tim Allen Nursery #1: a.m. - Abby Little

Prayer: Andy Santiago p.m. - Steve Tesh p.m. - Robin Hauser

Wed. - Roger Allen Nursery #2: a.m. - Robin Hauser

p.m. - Linda Flinchum

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 MooreRandy WarnerMike CooperTim AllenKeith WarnerJody EverettJoe EverettAndy SantiagoGene SouthernTodd HinsonMark MinorShawn Thomason

Steve Tesh Jason Allen