

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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ACTING LIKE BABIES

By Kevin Rutherford

The Christians in the church at Corinth were divided over a number of issues (1 Corinthians 1:11). Paul addresses the attitudes behind the infighting and calls these Christians "babes in Christ" (1 Corinthians 3:1). He also makes it clear that they are worldly minded (carnal). Worldly minded babies are still to be found in the church today.

In the church today we have ignorant and arrogant men who are willing to fight over just about anything if they don't get their way. The church has women who gossip and backbite. There are Christians who pitch tantrums if they don't get their way. They behave in shameful ways and embarrass themselves and the church. Many Christians act just like spoiled little children. These childish little spats are usually over issues that are matters of opinion.

This kind of immature behavior is pleasing to the Devil. It brings him great joy and delight to see Christians angry with one another. He knows when Christians are fighting with each other they are not going to get much work done. Read the words James. "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct that his works are done in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of

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mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace "(James 3:13-18).

Paul encouraged the church at Ephesus to treat one another appropriately. "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be but away from you, with all malice, And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you" (Ephesians 1:30-32).

Sometimes members of the church act as if they hate one another. Surely that is not the case, but the behavior points in that direction. But, do not forget the words of John. By inspiration of the Holy Spirit John wrote, "Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him" (1 John 2:15). We cannot treat one another badly and still expect to be saved (1 John 3:16-23). Members of the church of Christ must behave in a mature, kind, Christian, and godly fashion toward one another.

Please don't read this and think about another brother to whom this may apply. Honestly examine yourself and see if the application might be to you. Your soul may just depend upon your doing so.



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 17 - Luke 14:1-24 April 18 - Luke 14:25-35 April 19 - Luke 15:1-10

April 19 - Luke 15:1-10 April 20 - Luke 15-11-32



April 21 - Luke 16 April 22 - Luke 17:1-19

April 23 - Luke 17:20-37



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.

Gene Southern underwent surgery this past week at the Forsyth Medical Center to have a stint put in his right carotid artery. He is doing well.

Jim Harrison had knee replacement surgery recently and is reportedly doing very well after a temporary problem of a hematoma following his release from the hospital.

Sherrill Stewart is having major back and hip problems at this time.

Sandy Smith has a stomach bug. She asked for the prayers of the church regarding resolution of a conflict she is dealing with at this time.

Nancy Minor was reported to be suffering from a head cold this past Wednesday.

Jason, Logan, Blake & Emelia Allen are sick and are improving from their sickness. Please pray for them.

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.

Please contact Frank or Jane in regard to delivery a day in advance to check if the time is okay due to the possibility that they may have doctors appointments and would not be there at lunch time.

Thank you!

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



SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker **Dot Pegram** Eva Nelle Sidden Lutrelle Chipman 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 18 - Sewing for Nicaragua from 9-12 a.m. in Annex.

April 20 - The 50 and Over Class will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Annex.

May 20-21 - Senior Rally beginning at 8-9 am (Continental Breakfast) continuing through 11:50 am with lunch from 12-1 pm. Speaker: Kevin am with lunch from 12-1 pm. Speaker: Kevin Rutherford. The topic is "Choices".

June 18-21 - VBS - Theme: God's Team - Stories of

God's Power. Sunday through Wednesday.

LOCAL EVENTS:

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.**

April 30 - Friends and Family Day at the N. Elkin church of Christ at 145 Carter Mill Rd., Bible Study at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 10:30 a.m. followed by a Fellowship Meal. Gospel Singing.

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

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

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - April 9, 2017	107
Sunday Worship Service	145
Contribution for April 9, 2017	\$7,227
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	43
Chapters Read:	752
Sunday Evening Worship Service	98
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 4-12-17	92

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 23, 2017

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Robby Landry Morning - Mark Minor A.M. - Jason Allen A.M. - Sherrill Stewart Song Leader- Steve Tesh Evening - Jonathan Huff P.M. - Don Minor P.M. - Jacob Woodbury

Prayer - Al Lawson Wed. - Song Req. Roger A. & Tim A.

Greeters for April:

Rodney and Teresa Brown

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - April 23 ~ Mark Roy Wednesday: - April 26 ~ Mark Roy

Lord's Day Appointments - April 16, 2017

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Mark Minor Morning - Tommy Rose A.M. - A.M. - Gene Ruark
Song Leader - Tommy Rose Evening - Mark Clemmons P.M. - P.M. - Michael Cooper

rayer - Andy Santiago Wed. - Tim Allen

Opening and Closing Building Greeters for April:

Sunday: - April 16 ~ Brad Hoots Rodney and Teresa Brown

Wednesday: - April 19 ~ Brad 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
Mark Minor
Mike Cooper
Mike Cooper

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