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“The churches of Christ salute you” Rom. 16:16

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

April 6, 2014

“LOST AND FOUND”

When we think about life and living it to the fullest, what do we consider? All of us have different goals to reach while we wander through this wary land. Those goals are things that make our stay here easier to endure, as happy as possible with as much comfort as possible. There’s nothing wrong with that. It’s when we consider those things without considering what comes after them that we have a real problem.

For many who will read this, the possibility of death and life after death is remote. In part, that’s because when we’re younger we feel that we can accomplish all we set our minds to. Our bodies are strong and usually healthy enough to make us feel like we can do anything. Few of us want to consider the “equalizer of the great and small.” That’s normal and that’s how it should be for the most part. No one can live a happy life if death preoccupies their thoughts and actions. As in life, we need hope in life after death.

That’s right, life after death. Christians have a hope that non-Christians do not have. God’s word tells us that if we lose this life in service to Christ, we will find our life (Matthew 10:39). The idea is this: live life here to the fullest, but live it fully in Christ.

Frank

The Elders Corner:

The “Silence” of The Scriptures

by Steve Higginbotham

Without a common understanding of how the Bible authorizes, even the most earnest desire and irenic spirit are insufficient to attain and maintain unity. A brief examination of our own history over the past 150 years will bear this out. A little more than a century ago, the United States Census Bureau, for the first time, listed Churches of Christ and Christian Churches as two separate religious bodies. This official recognition of the division that existed between Churches of Christ and Christian Churches was the culmination of half a century of disagreement over how the Scriptures authorize; specifically, how to interpret the “silence” of the Scriptures.

How is one to understand “silence” after God has already spoken? Is “silence” prohibitive or permissive? Is “silence” intentional or incidental? Disagreement over this fundamental issue is what divided us 100 years ago, and continues to keep us separated today.

However, let’s allow the Scriptures to answer this question for us and allow it to be its own interpreter.

The prophet Jeremiah was told to stand in the gate of the temple and to urge the people to “Amend your ways...” (Jeremiah 7:3). What ways did they need to amend? According to Jeremiah 7:31, they had built high places upon which to burn their sons and daughters. But note the principle or rationale by which God condemned their action. God said they were guilty of doing that “which I did not command, nor did it come into My heart.” Their condemnation was not based upon the explicit prohibition of idolatry, but rather was based on the equivalent practice of doing that which the Lord had not commanded.

In Leviticus 10:1-2, Nadab and Abihu sinned by ignoring this principle of silence. They offered strange fire before the Lord “which He had not commanded them.” By doing that which the Lord had not commanded them, they were found guilty. Nowhere did God say, “You cannot use this fire.” However what God did do is tell them what fire they were supposed to use, and there was no permission to be found in God’s silence about other fires.

I challenge all men to heed the words of the Puritan preacher, Richard Baxter (1615-1691) who stated, “For what man, dare go in a way which has neither precept nor example to warrant it? Can that be obedience which has no command for it...O, the pride of man’s heart, that instead of being a law-obeyer, will be a law-maker! For my part, I will not fear that God will be angry with me for doing no more than He has commanded me, and sticking close to the rule of His word, in matter of worship; but I should tremble to add or diminish!” (Baxter, 24)

May we have such reverence for God and his authority that we might all tremble at the very thought of adding to or diminishing from God’s word!

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2014

April 6 - Luke 9:1-17
April 7 - Luke 9:18-36
April 8 - Luke 9:27-62



April 9 - Luke 10:1-24
April 10 - Luke 10:25-42
Luke 11 - Luke 11:1-28
Luke 12 - Luke 11:29-54



OUR SICK

Please Remember in your
prayers

Tib Hoots was scheduled to enter the Baptist Hospital this past Friday for surgery to remove cancerous fluid. Further testing will be done to rule out any other spots of cancer. Please remember her in your prayers.

Wayne Hutchins was admitted to the Forsyth Hospital Wednesday morning with a collapsed lung. He is presently in Room 8144.

Mary Ellen Dull has had some health problems recently with an infection and was taken to the ER at the Baptist Hospital to run tests. She is recovering satisfactorily at this time and probably will have been released this past Friday.

Please Pray for **Mary Holder**. She is under Hospice Care in her home at this time.

Jim Harrison's very young great grandson was taken back to the hospital today. His blood sugar levels are out of control and they are in hope that no permanent damage has been done. Prayers are requested.

Carolina Garces has requested prayers for **Paul Coward**, who is the father of Dan Coward, a co-worker of Carolina. Mr. Coward had a massive heart attack and is in serious condition. Please remember Danny and his family in your prayers.

Please pray for **Kevin Trotter**, a friend of the Workman family. He has been diagnosed with a rare form of bone cancer and given a very limited time to live. His address is 1712 Georgia Drive, Jonesboro, AR 72401.

Bridget Hill's boss's wife **Aleta Schroeder**'s test results showed no cancer cells were found at this time. (The tests showed no cancer cells found at this time.—thank you for the prayers)

Please continue to keep **Will Winchester** in your prayers. He is the preacher at the Marion church of Christ.

Also, the Eboli Virus has spread in Guinea, Africa, which borders Liberia. Paul Sinnatuah's family lives in Monrovia, Liberia. The government does not have medicine to fight the virus. We need to keep Paul's family in our prayers.



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

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.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE PROVIDED BY ZONE 1.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Apr. 6 - Ladies Day Evaluation Meeting following morning worship service.

Apr. 6 - Pew Packers this evening at 5:30 p.m.

Apr. 8 - Sewing for Nicaragua in the Annex at 9:30 a.m.

Apr. 10 - 50 and Older Class will meet at 10:30 in the Annex.

April 10-12 - Door knocking in Kinston.

May 17 - Senior Rally

June 7 - NCSBS Lectures. Theme: Marriage - "Defiled or Undeified"

June 13-21 - Nicaragua Campaign

June 22-26 - VBS

AREA EVENTS:

April 6 - Fellowship Meeting at the Redland church of Christ. Speaker: Duke Clark of the Highland Acres church

April 6-10 - 70th Carolina Lectures - sign up sheet.

April 11-12 - Gospel Meeting at the Meadowbrook Rd. church of Christ in Asheboro. David Pharr will be the speaker.

April 12 - Ladies' Day at Meadowbrook Rd. church of Christ.

April 13-16 - Gospel Meeting at the Lexington church of Christ. The Speaker will be Melvin Sapp and the theme: "The Truth About Christian Living."

April 11-13 - Seminar on Evolution is Unscientific sponsored by N. Main St. church of Christ in Mt. Airy.

April 13-16 Gospel Meeting at Kinston. Paul Kirkpatrick will be the speaker.

See Bulletin Board for Details.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Mar. 30, 2014	147
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	187
Contribution for March 30, 2014	\$7,488
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	36
Chapters Read:	698
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	121
Wednesday Evening: April 2, 2014	106

Lord's Day Appointments - April 13, 2014

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture	- Shawn Thomason	Morning - Jim Harrison	A.M. - Gene Southern	A.M. - Al Lawson
Song Leader	- Tim Allen	Evening - John Allen	P.M. - Clayton Workman	P.M. - Allen Cooper
Prayer	- Jack Piper		Wed. - Tim Allen	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	Greeters: April	FELLOWSHIP MEAL:
Morning -	Meredith Southern	Morning -	Debbie Southern	Gene and Gaye Ruark
Evening -	Jeannie Moore	Evening -	Gina Harper	Zone 2

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - April 13

Wednesday: - April 16

Lord's Day Appointments - April 6, 2014

Devotions:		Opening Prayer a.m. - Tim Allen	Scripture Reader a.m. - Derek Elam
Scripture:	Rodney Brown	p.m. - Jody Everett	p.m. - Jake Thomason
Song:	Wayne Allen	Song Leaders: a.m. - Jason Allen	Nursery #1: a.m. - Jessica Lay
Prayer:	Steve Martin	p.m. - Steve Tesh	p.m. - Rhonda Hardister
		Wed. - Jason Allen	Nursery #2: a.m. - Abby Little
			p.m. - Nancy Minor

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	Randy Warner	Mike Cooper
Tim Allen	Keith Warner	Jody Everett
Joe Everett	Andy Santiago	Gene Southern
Todd Hinson	Mark Minor	Shawn Thomason
Steve Tesh	Jason Allen	