

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

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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> > December 8, 2013

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

COUNTING THE COST

Jesus was known throughout religious history as the Master Teacher. He often used illustrations well-known to His audience to make His points.

In Luke 14, Jesus' topic is obedience through discipleship. The Lord wants us to be aware that discipleship is not an easy course for living. It requires us to make choices that, in their implementation, may not be easy.

If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple. (Luke 14:26-33).

In the previous text, Jesus relates the hardships of being one of His disciples. One may have to choose between a family-member to follow Him. Some have difficulty with the word "hate" in this text. One should harmonize this occurrence of the word with the statement of Matthew 10:37. Jesus says "he that loveth father or mother more than me…" qualifies the understanding of the word "hate" in Luke 14:26.

Being a disciple of Christ requires careful and thoughtful planning. To illustrate this Jesus says that [as you would well know] anyone who would build a tower must plan for its construction and its cost. One would be seen as foolish if one did not do this.

In addition, Jesus expands the idea of preparation for discipleship by relating a possible scenario where one would go to war against another. Much more planning would be needed for this. Planning for a way to settle the matter without bloodshed would be included in this.

But the picture is drawn of one bearing the cross on one's own shoulders that magnifies Jesus intent that one should consider in order to be His disciple. If one desires to be His disciple one must understand that Jesus requires us to forsake all to follow Him.

Paul

ELDER'S CORNER:

THE LORD'S SUPPER

When I come to the Lord's Table:

I come, not because I am worthy; not for any righteousness of mine, for I have sinned and fallen short of what, by God's help, I might have been.

I come, not that there is any magic in partaking of the symbols for Christ's body and blood.

But I come, because Christ bids me come! It is His table and He invites me.

I come, because it is a memorial to Him — as oft as it is done in remembrance of Him. And when I remember Him — His life, his sufferings, death, burial and resurrection, I find myself humbling myself in His presence and bowing before Him in worship.

I come, because here is portrayed Christian self-denial, and I am taught very forcibly the virtues of sacrifice on behalf of another, sacrifice which has salvation in it.

I come, because here I have the opportunity to acknowledge my unworthiness and to make a new start.

I come, because here I find comfort and peace.

I come, because I rise from this place with new strength, courage, and power to live for Him who died for me.

—Author Unknown

December 9 - Jude

December 10 - Rev. 1

December 11 - Rev. 2

December 12 - Rev. 3



December 13 - Rev. 4 December 14 - Rev. 5

December 15 - Rev. 6

OUR SICK

Please Remember in your prayers

Prayers are requested for **Dawn West**, co-worker of Dwight Barringer, who will underwent surgery December 3rd to give a kidney to her husband.



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

SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker	Mary Holder
Lutrelle Chipman	Bob Hoots
Eula Harper	Dot Pegram
Gladys Harper	Don Richards
Hilda Hauser	Eva Nelle Sidden

Please remember the shut-ins with cards, visits, and phone calls throughout the year whenever possible.

INVITATION

Please Join us as we celebrate Steve & Ernestine Martin's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, December 14th, 2013
At noon
For a covered dish luncheon at
Warners Chapel Church of Christ
Annex Building
8999 Lasater Rd.
Clemmons, NC 27012

INVITATION

The Kirkpatrick's will host their Annual Holiday Party Drop-In on Saturday, December 21, 2013, from 6-8 p.m.

Finger foods, desserts and punch will be served.

For directions see Paul or Carla.

IN MEMORY

The beautiful flowers in front of the auditorium have been placed there by the family of Barbara Minor in loving memory.

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 MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE PROVIDED BY ZONE 2.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Dec. 8 - Pew Packers at 5:30

<u>Dec. 8</u> - Congregational Meeting following morning worship service.

<u>Dec. 12</u> - "50 and Older Class" will meet at 10:30 a.m. in Annex.

<u>Dec. 25</u> - Wed. evening service will be moved to the 26th.

<u>Dec. 26</u> - Mid-week Bible study - Regular classes. <u>Dec. 31</u> - (Tuesday) Song and Prayer Service from 7-7:30 p.m. (no classes) 7:30 p.m. until—New Year's Eve Fellowship and devotional; songs, games, etc., Bring finger foods.

Jan. 1 - No Wed. Evening Service

AREA EVENTS:

<u>Dec. 8</u> - Bible Quiz (ages 2-19) at the Redland church of Christ.

Lunch: 1-2 p.m.,

Congregational Singing 2:30-3:00 p.m.

(Led by Youth)

Bible Quiz: 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday Evening: December 4, 2013

PLEASE NOTE:

A food box for the Needy Family is in the foyer. Please provide non-perishable foods.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - December 1, 2013	136
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	177
Contribution for December 1, 2013	\$7,151
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	29
Chapters Read:	656
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	122

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Lord's Day Appointments - December 15, 2013

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Brad Hoots Morning - Al Lawson A.M. - Wayne Allen A.M. - Mark Minor

Song Leader - Paul Kirkpatrick Evening - Andrew Hinson P.M. - Gene Southern P.M. - Brad Hoots

Prayer - Michael Cooper Wed. - Steve Tesh

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

Morning - Rhonda Hardister Morning - Gina Harper D. C. and Ingrid Mock Zone 3

Evening - Linda Flinchum Evening - Nancy Minor

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - December 15 Al Lawson
Wednesday: - December 18 Al Lawson

Lord's Day Appointments - December 8, 2013

Devotions: Opening Prayer a.m. - Steve Tesh Scripture Reader a.m. - Homer Holland

Scripture: Andrew Hinson p.m. - Allen Cooper p.m. - Derek Elam

Song: Roger Allen Song Leaders: a.m. - Clayton Workman Nursery #1: a.m. - Abby Little

Prayer:Todd Hinsonp.m. - Tim Allenp.m. - Betty Hoots

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

p.m. - Meredith Southern

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