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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

September 11, 2016

“MEMORIALS”

*In our country, patriotism is a good thing. Patriotism is also a costly thing. Men and women will fight for this country’s freedom. That’s the definition of our country’s patriotism. Today marks the anniversary of an attack on our nation that included the ultimate price of patriotism — lives lost. While it’s true that many who died that day were victims, there were those who volunteered to die so that others wouldn’t have to. That’s another aspect of patriotism. It takes love, dedication, commitment, courage and sacrifice to **give** your life for others. It is fitting to give honor to those who gave their lives for our nation. Memorials are proper, especially for those who died for others.*

Today is also a day of commemoration of something else. Today is the day we commemorate the death of the One who gave His life for all mankind. Sunday is the day we remember the death of Jesus, the Christ. This memorial occurs every first day of the week, all fifty-two weeks. His death provided the opportunity for men to die once physically, and be raised from the dead to never die again.

I am a Veteran, I am a patriot, but more importantly, I am a Christian. I won’t forget what happened to our nation, but I will not put my patriotism before my Redeemer.

Frank W. Shepard

ELDERS CORNER

The MYTH of Separation of Church and State

—Luke Griffin

The idea that most of the Founding Fathers of the United States were atheists or deists who advocated the separation of church and state is a myth. Most of the Founding Fathers saw the Bible and the Christian religion as the very foundation of the newly formed Republic.

Consider the origin of the phrase “separation of church and state.” This phrase is used as a shield declaring “freedom from religion.” It is falsely claimed as part of the Constitution listed in the Bill of Rights. However, this is not the case.

First, remember what system the Founding Fathers had under England. The establishment of a state religion had caused tremendous upheaval and even wars as the state religion went back and forth between the Church of England and Catholicism. Many fled from England to obtain greater religious freedom in the colonies.

The phrase “separation of church and state” does not appear in the Constitution. It appears in a letter written by Thomas Jefferson, as president in 1802, to the Danbury Baptist Association in response to their concern that the government might make laws to establish a state religion or take away their right to worship as they saw fit. Jefferson’s studied response cites the first amendment and assures them that it builds “a wall of separation between Church and State.” By this he is assuring them that they will be able to worship freely, and that there will not be a national religion established. This phrase was then taken out of context many years later by the Supreme Court in *Everson v. Board of Education* (1947) and again as they removed prayer from school in *Engle v. Vitale* (1962).

If Thomas Jefferson meant the phrase to mean no mention or display of religion in government, then why did he allow church services to take place on Capitol Hill? Two days after writing this letter, he started attending church services in the House of Representatives. These services, which continued until the end of the Civil War, were acceptable to Jefferson because they were nondiscriminatory and voluntary.

An honest look at the evidence leads to the realization that the Christian religion played a vital role in every facet of government from the founding of our Republic clear through today.

House to House/Heart to Heart

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2016

Sept. 12 - 2 Cor. 5
Sept. 13 - 2 Cor. 6
Sept. 14 - 2 Cor. 7
Sept. 15 - 2 Cor. 8



Sept. 16 - 2 Cor. 9
Sept. 17 - 2 Cor. 10
Sept. 18 - 2 Cor. 11:1-15



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to keep **Frank Shepard** and **Wanda Elam** in your prayers.

Lydia Wright was discharged from the hospital this past Wednesday after several days of treatment for dehydration and renal problems.

Madelene Holbrook was scheduled to have outpatient knee surgery this past Thursday. Prayers are requested in her behalf.

Elwood Flinchum will enter the Baptist Hospital on September 15th for surgery.

Brittany Thurman was reported to have bronchitis this past week.

Please pray for Nancy Minor's co-worker, **Tammy Evans**, who recently had foot surgery and her son Jacob who is having health issues.

Elise Cave, Lutrelle Chipman's granddaughter, was scheduled to return to the hospital in Indiana this past week for a liver biopsy in preparation for a liver transplant. Please pray for her.

The Workman family wishes to thank you for your cards and encouragement for Emily's grandmother, **Virginia Kee**. She talks continually about your sweet cards and proudly displays each one. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

Mary Anne Allen's co-worker, **Julie Dalton**, continues to have problems with her kidneys. The treatment has been ineffective. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please pray for Todd Hinson's team member, **Bea Yates** in Dallas TX, who was diagnosed with breast cancer and underwent a double mastectomy this past week. The prognosis is good.

Alyssa Southern has requested prayers for a student at Forbush High School. He has cancer and now it has gone to one of his eyes. The students who wanted to share in prayer, met at the Flag Pole for him.

~In Sympathy~

*Our sympathy goes out to **Carmen Parker** and family in the death of her father, **Mr. Drew Hendricks**, who passed away recently. His funeral was held at the **Lake Butler church of Christ in Florida** on **September 7th**.*

SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker
Lutrelle Chipman
Hilda Hauser

Dot Pegram
Eva Nelle Sidden

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Jason and Katerina are the proud parents of a baby girl. Her name is **Emilia Elise Allen** born on **September 4th** at **4:25 p.m.**, weighing **7 lbs.-5.5 oz.**, and **21 inches** long.



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.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Sept. 11 - Post VBS Meeting following morning worship to review the 2016 VBS. Everyone is invited to attend.

Sept. 17 - Senior Outing to the Depot at Cody Creek. See information below.

Sept. 18 - Monthly congregational meal.

SENIOR OUTING

There will be a Senior Outing to the Depot at Cody Creek on **September 17th**. We will take the new bus for those that will need transportation with professional driver, **Gene Ruark**. We will leave the church at **4:00 p.m.** We will be seated at approximately 5:45. That will leave enough time to tour the grounds, if you wish. This event is for Seniors 50 and above or anyone who would really like to go. **There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.**

AREA EVENTS:

Sept. 25-28 - Gospel Mtg. at the Marion church of Christ. **Jeff Cannon** will be the guest speaker. The address is 765 State Street, Marion, NC. Schedule: Sunday Bible School at 10 a.m., worship services at 11:00 p.m., evening service at 6 p.m. and at 7:30 Monday through Wednesday.

SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

On September 1st, 135 school supply items were delivered to the Southwest Elementary Food Pantry. That makes a total of 727 school supply items and a grand total of 2,090 items to date. You are to be commended for your response to this opportunity to help those in need.

The requested item for September is **Breakfast Cereal**.

FOR THE RECORD

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| Sunday Bible Study - Sept. 4, 2016 | 122 |
| Sunday Morning Worship Service: | 156 |
| Contribution for Sept. 4, 2016 | \$6,425 |
| Daily Adult Bible Readers: | 32 |
| Chapters Read: | 532 |
| Sunday Evening: | 104 |
| Wednesday Evening Bible Study - Sept. 7, 2016 | 96 |

Lord's Day Appointments For September, 2016

Serving the Lord's Table For September:

Tommy Rose

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| Wesley Huff | Rodney Brown |
| Harry Picciuto | Mark Clemmons |
| | Gaye Ruark |
| | David Moore |
| | Jody Everett |

Preparing Communion for September:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - Sept. 18, 2016

| DEVOTIONS: | | OPENING PRAYER: | | SONG LEADER | | SCRIPTURE READERS | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Scripture | - John Allen | Morning | - Brad Hoots | A.M. | - Steve Tesh | A.M. | - Dwight Barringer |
| Song Leader | - Don Minor | Evening | - Wesley Huff | P.M. | - Clayton Workman | P.M. | - Tommy Rose |
| Prayer | - Neal Harper | | | Wed. | - Roger Allen | | |
| NURSERY (0-2 1/2): | | NURSERY (2 1/2-4): | | <u>Greeters for September:</u> | | | |
| Morning | - Jessica Edwards | Morning | - Abby Little | Elwood & Linda Flinchum | | | |
| Evening | - Rhonda Hardister | Evening | - Meredith Southern | | | | |
| Opening and Closing Building | | | | | | | |
| Sunday: | - September 18 | | David Moore | | | | |
| Wednesday: | - September 21 | | David Moore | | | | |

Lord's Day Appointments - Sept. 11, 2016

| DEVOTIONS: | | OPENING PRAYER: | | SONG LEADER | | SCRIPTURE READERS | |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Scripture | - Brad Hoots | Morning | - Don Minor | A.M. | - Gene Southern | A.M. | - John Allen |
| Song Leader | - Steve Tesh | Evening | - Adam Warner | P.M. | - Tim Allen | P.M. | - Clayton Workman |
| Prayer | - Michael Cooper | | | Wed. | - Don Minor | | |
| NURSERY (0-2 1/2): | | NURSERY (2 1/2-4): | | <u>Greeters for September:</u> | | | |
| Morning | - Sandy Warner | Morning | - Gina Harper | Elwood & Linda Flinchum | | | |
| Evening | - Marie Harper | Evening | - Nancy Warner | | | | |

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES - Nursery open for small children during all services.

SUNDAY:

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| 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

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Jason Allen

Mike Cooper
Jody Everett
Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason