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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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INTO REMISSION

By Kevin Rutherford

“Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, ‘Drink from it, all of you. For this My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.’” (Matthew 26:27-28). The expression “for the remission of sins” in Matthew 26:28 translates the exact same Greek phrase found in Acts 2:38. “Then Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...’” (Acts 2:38) In both verses reference is made to the forgiveness of sins. In Matthew 26 the forgiveness of sins is connected to the blood of Jesus. In Acts 2, the forgiveness of sins is connected to the decision to repent and the submission of oneself to the act of baptism.

When comparing the use of the phrase, “for the remission of sins” as found in Matthew 26:28 and Acts 2:38, something else very interesting and important becomes apparent. In Matthew 26:28, Jesus is telling His disciples He would give His blood for the remission of sins. Clearly this does not mean because people had already received remission of sins, but rather so that people could receive remission of sins. In both passages the text is speaking of factors involved in our salvation. What the phrase “for the remission of sins” means in Matthew 26:28 is exactly what it means in Acts 2:38. One must repent and be baptized in order to receive the remission of sins.

Some have argued that the word “for” in the phrase, “for the remission of sins” means “because of”. The Greek word translated “for” is “eis”. The expression “because of” does not fit the definitions of the Greek word “eis”. *Strong’s Concordance defines*

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“eis” as “into, in, upon, towards, for, among.” *Helps Word Studies* defines “eis” as “into”. The *NAS Concordance* translates this word as “to or into”. *Thayer’s Greek Lexicon* says “eis” is “a preposition governing the accusative, and denoting entrance into, or direction and limit: into, to toward, for, among.” Liddell & Scott’s *A Greek-English Lexicon* defines the word to mean “into, and them more loosely, to.” Simply put, “eis” does not mean “because of”.

Have you been baptized into the remission of sins?



My Mean Parents

I had the meanest parents in the whole world! While other kids ate candy for breakfast, I had to have cereal, eggs, and toast. When other kids had Cokes and candy for lunch, I had to eat a sandwich.

My parents insisted on knowing where I was all the time. I felt like I was on a chain gang. They had to know who my friends were and what I was doing. They insisted that if I would be gone for an hour, that I was gone for an hour or less.

I’m ashamed to admit it, but they actually had the nerve to break the child labor law. They made me work. I had to help them do chores in the house and outside in the yard. You know things like make my bed and rake the leaves - all sorts of odd things. I think they’d actually lay awake nights thinking of mean things to do to me. And when I became a teenager, it got worse. They’d make me bring my friends and dates to the door so they could meet them. How humiliating!

My friends were lucky. They got to date at the mature age of 12 or 13, but my old fashioned parents refused to let me date until I was 16.

My mom and dad were complete failures as parents. I was never arrested, never got into fights, never talked back to a teacher, and never got kicked out of school. I got along with everybody. And who do I have to thank for this terrible way I turned out? My mean parents. They made me grow into a God-fearing, educated, honest adult.

Thank you, Lord, for giving me the ‘meanest parents on earth. They saved me much heartache and pain. They saved my life.

—Author Unknown

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2017

December 25 - Rev. 16
December 26 - Rev. 17
December 27 - Rev. 18
December 28 - Rev. 19



December 29 - Rev. 20
December 30 - Rev. 21
December 31 - Rev. 22



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to remember **Bob and Carolyn Plunk, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins, Mary Ellen Dull and Dot Pegram** in your prayers.

Neal and Lou Ann Harper were reported ill this past week with colds and coughing.

Randy Warner was also reported ill this past Wednesday night.

Issac Woodbury broke his arm this last week and had a cast put on this past Wednesday.

Please pray for Sandra Church's daughter, **McKala**. She has a blood clot in her lung and is at home recuperating.

Please pray for **Meribel Gil**, cousin of Andy Santiago. She had surgery this past Monday to remove a cancerous tumor and is in the hospital in Puerto Rico.

Please pray for **Baby Wyles Ayers**. He is not gaining weight because of two holes in his heart. He needs to eat and gain weight for surgery to happen. The surgery is a 50/50 chance of survival.

Renee Morgan (Madelene's niece) will be having more surgery on January 19th at the Duke Hospital.

Clayton Workman's aunt, **Karen Massey**, had a minor setback this past Monday but pathology reports have all been good and indicate no follow-up cancer treatments are now necessary.

Emily Workman's student, **Anna Yasin**, had successful surgery this past week to remove her cancerous ovary, and is now 100% cancer free.

Harry Picciuto's father, **Steven Read**, underwent colon surgery two weeks ago. Currently he is at home recovering and in a lot of pain. Your prayers are much appreciated.

~IN SYMPATHY~

*Our sympathy goes out to Mary Anne Allen and her family in the death of her Grandmother, **Reva Brazzle**. Her funeral was held this past Thursday in Waverly, TN.*

*Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Gilbert Tripp**, who passed away on Sunday, Dec. 17th. His funeral was held on December 21st in Greenville.*

*Our sympathy is extended to the family of **Betty Lou James** who passed away this past week. The funeral was held at the Lewisville Hayworth Miller on Dec. 21st. She was Sherrill Stewart's First Cousin.*

*Our sympathy also goes out to the family of **Eva Nelle Sidden**, who passed away Dec. 20th. She was the sister of Mary Ellen Dull and the Aunt of Gaye Carothers. A brief graveside service will be held on Dec. 27th at 2 p.m. Eva Nelle was a member of Warners Chapel.*



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:

Dec. 24 - **Change in evening service.** Normal time for a.m. service - Bible Classes and worship. Evening service moved from **6 p.m. to 3 p.m.**

Dec. 31 - **New Year's Fellowship**

Jan. 13 - **Ice Skating** - for Youth group + 20's at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex at 1:30p.m. Cost: \$7.00 admission and \$3.00 skate rental.

SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker
Lutrelle Chipman
Ernestine Martin
Kim Matthews**

**Di-Ann Moser
Dot Pegram
Bob Plunk**

Please continue to keep the shut-ins in your prayers. There is a sign-up sheet to take communion to Dot Pegram if you are able to help.



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

173 items were delivered this past week to the food pantry which gives a total of 2,808 items delivered for the year 2017.

Thank you!

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Dec. 17, 2017	135
Sunday Worship Service	168
Contribution for Dec. 17, 2017	\$8,283
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	29
Chapters Read:	438
Sunday Evening Worship Service	109
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Dec. 20, 2017	96

Lord's Day Appointments For December, 2017

Serving the Lord's Table For December:

Tommy Rose

Wayne Allen Tim Harper

Gene Ruark

Ellen Wingo

Brad Hoots

Roger Allen

Preparing Communion for December :

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - December 31, 2017

DEVOTIONS:

Scripture - Mark Minor
Song Leader - Clayton Workman
Prayer - Shawn Thomason

OPENING PRAYER:

Morning - Carl Cooper
Evening - Bill Carothers

SONG LEADER

A.M. - Gene Southern
P.M. - Youth Led Service
Wed. -

SCRIPTURE READERS

A.M. - Dwight Barringer
P.M. - Clayton Workman

Greeters for January:

Brad and Betty Hoots

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - December 31 ~

Wednesday: - January 7 ~

Lord's Day Appointments - December 24, 2017

DEVOTIONS:

Scripture - Walter Cruz
Song Leader - Jason Allen
Prayer - Shawn Thomason

OPENING PRAYER:

Morning - John Allen
Evening - Mike Cooper

SONG LEADER

A.M. - Roger Allen
P.M. - Wayne Allen
Wed. - Song Req. Service
 Gene S. & Tim A.

SCRIPTURE READERS

A.M. - Bill Carothers
P.M. - Roger Allen

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - Dec. 24 ~ Mark Minor

Wednesday: - Dec. 20 ~ Mark Minor

Greeters for December:

Gene & Debbie 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 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
 Mark Roy
 Adam Warner
 Jacob Woodbury