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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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GOD IS MY NIGHTLIGHT

In the darkest days of our lives, we need comfort. When we cry out in anguish, we need someone to speak and draw us close. God's servants throughout history have looked to God for the comfort only He can give. One may want that comfort from a friend or family member, but only God can give the comfort that the soul really needs.

Job had no good advice from his friends. Moses was disillusioned by the idolatry of the nation of Israel. Elijah felt that he was alone and the only one left to serve God. The collector of the Psalms, David, expressed his loneliness many times in his grief:

A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah. O God, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary. Because thy loving-kindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as *with* marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:

When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the *night* watches. Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me. (Psalm 63:1-8)

We often feel as if we travel alone in this world of desert and despair. It is sometimes difficult to summon the strength to offer praise in our darkness. David would not give in to the loneliness of life. He chose to follow the Lord in spite of the troubles he faced.

Some children want a night-light in their dark rooms at night, when they go to bed. They feel that the small light gives them comfort and if they need to see in the middle of the night, they can. In a similar manner, David's walk in the dark times of life was soothed by the knowledge that God was always present. Let God be your night-light.

Paul

ELDERS CORNER:

Vestal Chaffin, the Warners Chapel preacher in December 1952, presented some timeless resolutions that can easily apply to us today.

What changes will we decide to make in our lives?

What can we do to better serve our Lord in 2015 than we did in 2014?

What influence will we have on our friends and family and will it be a positive influence?

Think on these things as we begin a new year serving our God.

SOME SUGGESTED RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

As the Old Year fades away and the New Year approaches, we are impressed anew with the truthfulness and timeliness of Paul's statement in Romans 13:11. "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for NOW is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Every year that passes, yea, every day and hour we are a little closer to our eternal salvation. We are a little closer to the time when we must stand before the judge of all the earth and there give an account of our earthly life. "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in the body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." (2 Cor. 5:10) Let us be reminded that we shall be judged, not according to our own standards, nor by the customs of our times, neither by public sentiment, but by the word of God. "He that rejecteth me and receiveth NOT my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." (Jno. 12:48)

In view of these truths, and looking back over our past lives, and realizing the mistakes that we have made, should we not resolve that we will live a better life in the future than we have in the past? It is fitting and proper to resolve to do better at any time of the year; and certainly it is good to renew our determination at the beginning of the new year to live closer and be more devoted to the Lord and his cause in the year

that lies ahead. May we then suggest a few of the things that every Christian should resolve to do in the year 1953. Let us say that:

I RESOLVE TO:

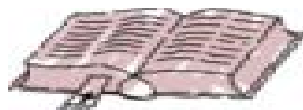
1. Study my Bible daily.
2. Pray fervently every day.
3. Visit my neighbors and invite them to attend the services.
4. Help the needy.
5. Attend Bible study both on Sunday morning and Wednesday evening regularly.
6. Attend Sunday morning worship regularly.
7. Attend the Sunday evening singing class or training class regularly.
8. Give of my means, every Sunday as I have been prospered.
9. Attend Sunday evening worship regularly.
10. Be on time for all services.
11. Meet all visitors that attend our services.
12. Attend the ladies Bible class regularly.
13. Be obedient to parents and those in authority.
14. Do an act of kindness every day.
15. Engage in every activity of the Lord's work possible.

If we adopt all these resolutions and carry them out fully, have we done more than our Christian duty? Who would say that we have? If we have not done more than our Christian duty, can we refuse to do these things and please God? Brethren let us do all in our power to make our calling and election sure. For, "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men." (2 Cor. 5:11) "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring EVERY WORK into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil." (Eccl. 12:13-14)

---Vestal Chaffin.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2015

January 12 - Matt. 9:1-17
January 13 - Matt. 9:18-38
January 14 - Matt. 10:1-20
January 15 - Matt. 10:21-42



January 16 - Matt. 11
January 17 - Matt. 12:1-23
January 19 - Matt. 12:24-50



OUR SICK

Please Remember in your
prayers

Over a period of several weeks many of the congregation have been ill with various illnesses. Hopefully the flu, virus's and infections are decreasing. A number have undergone surgeries and are in recovery. Our prayers go out to those who are still in the process of recovery and pray for all to be well in the very near future.

Prayers are requested for Darren McBrayer. He is having some health issues at this time.

Brad Hoot's aunt, Sarah Pilcher, has broken her back. She is in the Iredell Hospital. Please remember her in your prayers.

Michael Gross's Grandfather, Thomas Cantrell, is in the hospital. He has acute kidney failure, pneumonia, COPD, and has a possible blood clot.

Rachel Gross's mother, Pattie Hayer, is recovering from surgery. Rachel's aunt, Dana Capron, has a brain aneurysm which is bleeding down her spinal cord.

A friend of Richie Hill, Rick Shumate's son, Parker Shumate, may have to have a bone marrow transplant. Prayers for Parker Shumate and family is requested.

~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to the families of **Clarence Sheets**, who passed away this past Tuesday, January 6th. The family received friends on Saturday, January 10th at 1 p.m. at Warners Chapel; with the funeral being held at 2 p.m. We shall all greatly miss Brother Clarence.

WORK PLAN BOOK FOR 2015

Please check the address information on the credenza in the foyer to make sure your address and telephone numbers are correct. The birthday list is also in the foyer for you to check. Please indicate that you have approved the information. Thank you. Deadline - evening service today.



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer. The prayer list consists of others we need to remember in our prayers in addition to those listed above.

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:

January 11 - "Basic Principles Class" will begin today in the Annex. (See information below).

January 13 - Sewing for Nicaragua at 9 a.m. in Annex.

January 15 - 50 & Over Class will meet at 10:30 a.m.

AREA EVENTS:

Jan. 23-24 - 2nd Annual Cary church of christ "Preach the Word" Expository Preaching Workshop. Textual Study - Philippians. See bulletin board for more information.

Feb. 1 - Capernaum church of Christ will hold a Fellowship Meeting with Bro. John Dupree being the Guest Speaker. (10 a.m. Bible Study, 11 a.m. Worship Service, 2:30 p.m. Congregational Singing and 3 p.m. Afternoon Service.)

Feb. 11-15 - Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat in Pigeon Forge, TN — See bulletin board.

ZONE MEALS

Zone meals will change from a weekly meal to a monthly congregational meal on the third Sunday of each month, effective this month on January 18th.

"BASIC PRINCIPLES CLASS"

The Basic Principles Class will be for those who have been baptized within the last two years.

Please invite a friend or family member to attend with you. The class is for all ages.

Steve Martin will be teaching the class.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - January 4, 2015

Sunday Morning Worship Service:

120

Contribution for Jan. 4, 2015

\$6,980

Daily Adult Bible Readers:

27

Chapters Read:

573

Sunday Evening:

116

Wednesday Evening - January 7, 2015

102

Lord's Day Appointments - January 18, 2015

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture	- Mark Minor	Morning - Don Minor	A.M. - Roger Allen	A.M. - Mark Minor
Song Leader	- Tommy Rose	Evening - Jason Allen	P.M. - Jason Allen	P.M. - Brad Hoots
Prayer	- Andy Santiago		Wed. - Don Minor	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	January Greeters:
Morning	- Jessica Lay	Morning - Gina Strickland	Bill and Gaye Carothers
Evening	- Robin Hauser	Evening - Linda Flinchum	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: **January 18**

Wednesday: **January 21**

Lord's Day Appointments - January 11, 2015

Devotions:	Opening Prayer	a.m. - David Moore	Scripture Reader	a.m. - Jake Thomason
Scripture - Shawn Thomason		- Michael Cooper		p.m. - Homer Holland
Song: - Tim Allen	Song Leaders:	a.m. - Steve Tesh	Nursery #1:	a.m. - Abby Little
Prayer: - Jack Piper		p.m. - Tim Allen		p.m. - Betty Hoots
	Jan. 14 - Wed.	- Mark Roy	Nursery #2:	a.m. - Meredith Southern
				p.m. - Gina Harper

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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Andy Santiago Gene Southern
Mark Minor Shawn Thomason
Jason Allen