

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

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#### A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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#### Son, Servant or Both!

A post on Facebook is circulating that contains the following statement: "What will it take to wake people? Get back to the King James Bible!" The same post criticizes the new King James Version, describing it as "counterfeit". This post defends the KJV and attacks the NKJV by identifying the NKJV as a modern version, and making the statement, "modern versions of the Bible attack the Sonship [sic] of Jesus!" The post in question gives Acts 3:13 and Acts 3:26 as examples. The KJV says God "glorified his Son Jesus," in verse thirteen, and God "raised up his Son Jesus," in verse twenty-six. The NKJV uses the word "servant" instead of "son" in both verses. This post also gives Acts 4:27 and Acts 4:30 as examples. The KJV refers to our Lord in both verses as, "thy holy child Jesus." The NKJV uses the word "servant" instead of the word "child".

The Examination of the Greek Word, *pais* is Important to a Correct Conclusion regarding this Matter. It is the word translated as "Son" by the KJV, and "Servant" by the NKJV in Acts 3:13, 26. It is also the word translated as "child" by the KJV, and "servant" by the NKJV in Acts 4:27, 30. Jay P. Green is a staunch defender of the King James Version. He has published *The Interlinear Greek-English New Testament*. In this volume, Green uses the Greek text he calls, *The Received Text*. This is the type of text upon which the KJV is based. His Interlinear shows a literal English translation under the Greek words. Green recognizes the word *pais* as the word in the Greek text in the four passages mentioned in the post about the KJV (Acts 3:13,26; 4:27, 30). In his literal translation underneath *pais* in Acts 3:13 Green has rendered the word in English as "servant." Does this mean Green, who is a very strong defender of the KJV is attacking the "sonship" of Jesus? Of course not. Why does Green use the word "servant" in his literal rendition under the word *pais* in Acts 3:13? Some Greek Lexicons and dictionaries will help us to see why.

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The New Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon, gives the primary definition as "a child, boy or girl ... the son of one," and the secondary definition as "servant, slave." In further explaining the secondary meaning, Thayer says it refers to "any upright and godly man whose agency God employs in executing his purposes; thus, in the N.T. Jesus the Messiah." Thayer specifically lists Acts 3:13, 26 and Acts 4:27, 30 as examples of pais being used in the sense of "servant." The same facts are brought out in The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament, The Greek Dictionary of the New Testament, the Analytical Greek Lexicon Revised, and The Expanded Vine's Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words.

It is also important to note that though the King James Version may differ from other translations in the Acts passages under discussion, the King James Version does recognize the different uses of the word *pais*. While the KJV translates this word as "children," "child," and "son" in various passages, the KJV also translates this word as "servant" in numerous passages (Matthew 8:6, 8,13; 12:18; 14:2; Luke 1:54, 69; 7:7, etc.). In Matthew 12:18 the KJV translates *pais* as "servant" in a context that references Christ. Does this mean the KJV attacks the "Sonship" of Jesus Christ? No. The context of the word *pais* is what determines the use of that word in any given text. The use of this word in reference to Christ as a servant is not an attack on the "Sonship" of Jesus Christ. But, by the very same reasoning used by those who produced the incorrect post, one could say the KJV is attacking the "Sonship" of Jesus.

It is important to defend the New Testament doctrine regarding the fact that Jesus is the Divine Son of God. Likewise, it is important to be cautious when considering which translation or version one should use. But, it is also important to give due diligence in our efforts to defend factual truth, rather than faulty arguments. There must always be balance and integrity employed in any discussion that seeks to find the absolute truth regarding this or any other matter.

~Kevin V. Rutherford



## READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

**January 28 - Matthew 18:21-35** 

January 29 - Matthew 19

January 30 - Matthew 20:1-16 January 31 - Matthew 20:17-34



February 1 - Matthew 21:1-22 February 2 - Matthew 21:23-46

February 3 - Matthew 22:1-22



# OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Di-Ann Moser's** health continues to decline. Please, no visitors at this time.

**Wayne Hutchins** is in Room 8144 at the Forsyth Hospital. He can have visitors. Wayne and Kathy are both having a lot of health problems - please keep them in your prayers.

Please continue to pray for **MiKayla**, Sandra Church's daughter. She had surgery this past Tuesday and was able to go home on Wednesday.

Kaylon Rutherford's sister, **Sarah**, currently has the flu and pneumonia. She was suppose to travel back to Freed Hardeman to resume classes this past week but is unable to travel at this time. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please pray for Shannon Harper's cousin, **Tim Johnson**, who is in the ICU at the Baptist Hospital suffering from a massive stroke.

Please pray for our granddaughter, **Ashling Clauset.** Ashling was diagnosed with Crohn's Disease three years ago. She had a reaction to an infusion treatment in Chapel Hill recently. She had an appointment with her doctor and a pediatric urologist this past Thursday. Ashling is twelve years old.

**Brian Currie,** a friend of Mark and Nancy Minor, has had his cancer return after being in remission for some time. Please pray for him and his wife, Betty Anne. They live in Anderson, Indiana.

Justin Minor's wife, Hannah, has a great aunt with cancer. Her name is **Vivian Lawson.** Please remember her in your prayers.

Please pray for a **Lisa Jordan**, a cousin of Patricia McBrayer. She has been diagnosed with cancer of the esophagus and bones.

Caleb had recently requested prayers on behalf of one of his former instructors, Brother Don Walker at the Memphis School of Preaching. Brother Walker had received a new heart but it unfortunately did not work out, He waited for another and they were able to find one, but there were complications once again, and he unfortunately passed away this past Thursday afternoon. We rejoice with him as we know he has gained the victory and gone on to receive his reward, but we grieve the loss of his presence here on earth, and for the heart break that has fallen upon his wife, Jackie and the rest of their family. Please keep them in your prayers.

**SHUT-INS** 

Mildred Barker Mary Ellen Dull Ernestine Martin Carolyn Minor Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers



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.

#### **WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:**

<u>Jan. 29</u> - Sewing for missions on Tuesday from 9-12 in the annex. This year we will be sewing for girls in Guyana and Panama.

<u>Jan. 29</u> - Tuesday Evening Bible Study from 7-8 p.m. in Annex.

<u>Feb. 9</u> - Senior Luncheon at 12:30 in Annex. It has been re-scheduled due to weather conditions.

March 23 - Warners Chapel Ladies Day. Vicky Rutherford will be the guest speaker. Topic: "A Gentle and Quiet Spirit" - 1 Peter 3:4. Registration: 8:30 a.m. (Light breakfast beginning at 8 a.m. in Annex.) Program will begin at 9 a.m. with lunch provided at 12 noon. Please mark your calendar.

#### **AREA EVENTS:**

<u>Feb. 3</u> - Fellowship Meeting at the Capernaum church of Christ. Guest Speakers: Bernard Revel and Robert Smith. (See bulletin board)

Mar. 2 - Ladies Day at the Cary church of Christ.



#### **SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY**

The suggested items for the month of **January**:

**Peanut Butter/Jelly (plastic containers)** 

168 Items were delivered to the SW Food Pantry this past week. Thank You!

#### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - January 20, 2019	126
Sunday Worship Service	158
Contribution for January 20, 2019	\$7,951
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	45
Chapters Read:	702
Sunday Evening Worship Service	116
Wednesday Evening Bible study - 1-23-19	119

## Lord's Day Appointments For February, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For February

**Caleb Rutherford** 

Dwight Barringer Jody Everett Gene Southern Gaye Carothers

Steve Tesh Mark Minor

Preparing Communion for February: Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - February 3, 2019

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Randy Warner Morning - Jim Harrison A.M. - Charley Belch A.M. - Carl Cooper Song Leader - Gene Southern Evening - John Allen P.M. - Nathan Roy P.M. - Sherrill Stewart

Prayer - Caleb Rutherford Wed. - Allen Cooper

**Greeters for February:** 

Daryl Cook

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - February 3 ~ Harry Picciuto
Wednesday: - February 6 ~ Harry Picciuto

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 27, 2019

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Robby Landry Morning - Todd Hinson A.M. - Tim Allen A.M. - Michael Cooper Song Leader - Steve Tesh Evening - Shawn Thomason P.M. - Youth Lead Service P.M. - Jacob Woodbury

Prayer - Al Lawson Wed. - Song Req. Service Gene S. & Tim A.

**Opening and Closing Building** 

Sunday: - January 27 ~ Mark Roy Greeter for January
Wednesday: - January 30 ~ Mark Roy Walter & Nancy Cruz

#### 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

Tim Allen
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury