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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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“Grace, Faith and Works”

Once, upon accepting an award, the comedian/actor, Jack Benny said, “I don’t really deserve this; but I have arthritis and I don’t deserve that either.” “When it comes to salvation from the guilt of sin, no one can say they **deserve** it. But everyone has the ability to **receive** it. How?

Some say it’s received by doing nothing — God’s grace alone saves. Others claim salvation is received by praying a prayer and inviting Jesus into your heart. But search as one may, neither of these are found anywhere in the inspired teaching of the New Testament. Paul wrote we are saved by grace through faith. **Ephesians 2:8**. Other inspired New Testament writers make it clear that this faith, through which we respond to God’s grace, is an obedient **working** faith. In fact, James declares that “**faith without works is dead**.” **James 2:20**. Works that we might boast of can’t save us, nor can works of the Law of Moses. But works of an obedient faith are an **essential** part of saving us in conjunction with the glorious grace of God.

One must hear the gospel, **Romans 10:17**, in order to gain faith. One must repent of his or her sins, **Acts 17:30-31**. One must confess Christ, **Matthew 10:32-33**, and one must be baptized, immersed in water, for the forgiveness of his sins. **I Peter 3:20-22**. From this point one must live faithfully as a Christian unto or until the point of death. **Revelation 2:10**. One may not deserve salvation from his sins, but one can certainly receive it through grace, faith and works.

—Frank

Keep Your Fork!

There was a woman who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness and had been given three months to live. So as she was getting her things "in order," she contacted her minister and had him come to her house to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted sung at the service, which scriptures she would like read, and what outfit she wanted to be buried in. The woman also requested to be buried with her favorite Bible.

Everything was in order and the minister was preparing to leave when the woman suddenly remembered something very important to her. "There's one more thing," she said excitedly. "What's that?" came the preacher's reply. "This is very important," the woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my right hand." The minister stood looking at the woman, not knowing quite what to say. "That surprises you, doesn't it?" she asked. "Well, to be honest, I'm puzzled by the request," said the preacher. The woman explained. "In all my years of attending church socials and potluck dinners, I always remember that when the dishes of the main course were being cleared, someone would inevitably lean over and say, 'Keep your fork'. It was my favorite part because I knew that something better was coming...like velvety chocolate cake or deep dish apple pie. Something wonderful and with substance! So, I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand and I want them to wonder 'What's with the fork?' Then I want you to tell them: "Keep your fork...**the best is yet to come.**"

The preacher's eyes welled up with tears of joy as he hugged the woman goodbye. He knew this would be one of the last times he would see her before her death. But he also knew that the woman had a better grasp of heaven than he did. She KNEW that something better was coming.

At the funeral people were walking by the woman's casket and they saw the pretty dress she was wearing and her favorite Bible and the fork placed in her right hand. Over and over the preacher heard the question, "What's with the fork?" And over and over he smiled.

During his message, the preacher told the people of the conversation he had with the woman shortly before she died. He also told them about the fork and about what it symbolized to her. The preacher told the people how he could not stop thinking about the fork and that they probably would not be able to stop thinking about it either. He was right.

So the next time you reach down for your fork, let it remind you oh so gently, that **the best is yet to come.**

"Thoughts For Today to Brighten Your Day" by Glenn Hitchcock

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2010

February 21 - Mark 3:1-19
February 22 - Mark 3:20-35
February 23 - Mark 4:1-20
February 24 - Mark 4:21-41



February 25 - Mark 5:1-20
February 26 - Mark 5:21-43
February 27 - Mark 6:1-29

Please Remember In Your Prayers:

Several have been reported ill this past week: **Jeannie Tate, Cathy Hutchins, Jessica Paschal** and also her sister.

Update - **Dot Pegram** has been in considerable pain in both shoulders for quite some time due to calcium buildup which impairs the use of her arms. She is being treated by an orthopedic surgeon and a physical therapist along with medication and hopes to be able to resume her normal life in the near future.

It was reported Wednesday evening that **Janet Wright** was in the Forsyth Hospital. Condition not known at this time.

Please remember a co-worker of Gina Harper, **Richard Foster**, who underwent heart surgery recently. He has returned home from the hospital for recovery.

Please remember a young man named **Adam** who has recently undergone brain surgery for a cancerous tumor. He is the son of a co-worker of Todd Hinson.



An up-dated copy of the prayer list may be picked up on the credenza in the foyer.

Our Congratulations!!

It was announced that **Josh Kirkpatrick** has been accepted into the Police Academy in Greensboro recently.

AREA EVENTS:

March 12 - Carolina Men's Fellowship at Gold Hill Rd. Church of Christ in Fort Mill, SC—Time 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

See bulletin board for details. Keynote speaker - Alan Highers, editor of the Spiritual Sword.

March 19 - Ladies Day at South Stokes (8:30-12:30) Speaker: Kathy Hartswigsen from Stanton, Ky. Topic: "Recipe for Success" (see bulletin board).

April 9 - Ladies Day at the Lexington church of Christ Registration & breakfast from 8:30-9:30 a.m. The theme is "Christ in Every Season of the Woman's Life".

April 30 - Tenth Annual Charlotte Ave. Youth Rally

Note: The completed forms for the selection of additional deacons and elders should be turned in by Feb. 27th.

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.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO REMAIN FOR A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL SPONSORED THIS MORNING BY THE ZONE 3.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Feb. 20 - Ladies Day Planning Mtg. following worship service to plan for up-coming Ladies Day.

Feb. 20 - Pew Packers at 5:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 - Sewing for Nicaragua at the Santiago home at 7 p.m.

Feb. 22 - Sewing for Nicaragua at 9 a.m. in Annex.

Feb. 22 - Class on Marriage, Divorce & Remarriage - 7 p.m. each Tuesday evening in annex.

Feb. 24 - Over 50's Bible Study in Annex - 10:30

Feb. 26—30-50 Group to meet at the Santiago home

March 26 - Ladies Day at Warners Chapel. Topic: "What Fills Your Cup?" **Tammy Roy** will be the speaker. Note: 120 Cups & saucers needed for Ladies Day - put on table in foyer. Label for return.

May 14 - Warners Chapel Senior Rally Topic: "Now That I've Retired" - **Gilbert Tripp** will be the speaker.

May 29 - Friends & Family Day

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - February 13, 2011	162
Sunday Morning Worship Service	196
Contribution for February 13, 2011	\$5,494
Daily Adult Bible Readers	45
Chapters Read:	841
Daily Children Bible Readers:	5
Chapters Read:	117
Sunday Evening	152
Wednesday Evening - February 16, 2011	139

Lord's Day Appointments - February 27, 2011

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READER
Scripture - Adam Warner	Morning - Andy Santiago	A.M. - Wayne Allen	A.M. - Tommy Rose
Song Leader - Tim Allen	Evening - Brian Downs	P.M. - Tim Allen	P.M. - Allen Cooper
Prayer - D.C. Mock		Wed. - Mark Roy	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):	NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	TAPE MONITOR:	FELLOWSHIP MEAL:
Morning - Sandy Warner	Morning - Gaye Ruark	Jason Horne	Zone 4
Evening - Jean Rose	Evening - Gaye Carothers		

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday - February 27

Wednesday - March 2

John Allen

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Greeters:- February

Michael & Laura Cooper

Birthdays - February 21-27, 2011

<i>Joe Byrd</i> - Feb. 21	<i>Lorie Rose</i> - Feb. 23	<i>Mark Clemmons</i> - Feb. 26
<i>Elwood Flinchum</i> - Feb. 23	<i>Austin Workman</i> - Feb. 23	<i>Linda Flinchum</i> - Feb. 26
<i>Tony Minor</i> - Feb. 23	<i>Chad Southern</i> - Feb. 24	<i>Jude Bowers</i> - Feb. 28
		<i>Kylie Nail</i> - Feb. 28

Note: The birthday list in the bulletin will be discontinued on Feb. 27th - please refer to your 2011 Work Plan & Budget Book for future birthday listings.

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

Steve Martin
David Moore
Tim Allen
Joe Everett

DEACONS

Steve Tesh
Randy Warner
Tommy Rose
Keith Warner

Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Todd Hinson