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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

MARCH 3, 2019

ARE YOU FAITHFUL?

A used car dealer said to a potential customer: "This one has very low mileage. The former owner drove it only when he could get it started." The church of Christ at First Century Sardis had some members who were like that. All cleaned up and looking good on the outside, but hard to get started. Saying all the right things at church. Showing up on Sunday and singing the songs and praying the prayers and eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Looking alive and well. And not only that, but the congregation as a whole had a widespread and good reputation. Jesus referred to this in Revelation 3:1 where He said of the saints at Sardis: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead." This group of Christians had all the appearances of being a vigorous, flourishing church.

Brethren in other places had talked about how sound and faithful they were. Perhaps her elders and preachers were invited from time to time to speak at workshops or lectureships to tell about all the wonderful things that were going on. But it's hard to fake Jesus out. After all, He is the one with eyes like a flame of fire that see right through all the shallow pretenses and superficial put-on's and spiritual games people play (Revelation 1:14b; 2:18b).

Did you catch Jesus' divine diagnosis of this congregation: Actually, it is not a diagnosis but an announcement of death - YOU ARE DEAD. A dead church. Still

going through the motions - but they were already dead. Like the old preacher who said of the man whose funeral he was performing: “The deceased has been a member of this church for thirty-five years.” In Revelation 3:2-6, Jesus seeks to perform a spiritual “CPR” on this congregation as He calls them to watch, hold fast, and repent. But wait a minute. Unlike some human critics of the church, Jesus is not content simply to condemn and see the negative. Revelation 3:4 reveals there were some unnamed and unsung heroes in the church at Sardis: “You have a few names even in Sardis who have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy.”

All my life as a Christian, I have listened to preachers and members of the church talk about “the faithful few.” Some preachers and members of the church insist that 90% of the Lord’s work is done and financed by 10% of the members while the other 10% is done and financed by the remaining 90%. I don’t know about all that. But I know Someone who does. Whether there are many or few where you worship. Jesus is looking for the faithful, and He knows who they are; and He commends them. Whether there are many or few, are you one of the faithful?

~Caleb J. Rutherford



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

148 items were delivered to the Food Pantry this past week. 316 items have been delivered so far in 2019.

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

CEREAL, OATMEAL/GRITS

*laundry detergent, hand dishwashing liquid soap would be greatly appreciated at any time.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

March 4 - Mark 9:1-29
March 5 - Mark 9:30-50
March 6 - Mark 10:1-31
March 7 - Mark 10:32-52



March 8 - Mark 11:1-18
March 9 - Mark 11:19-33
March 10 - Mark 12:1-27



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to pray for **Di-Ann Moser**, and **Wayne and Cathy Hutchins**.

Please keep **Elwood Flinchum** in your prayers. He entered the Baptist Hospital on Tuesday for biopsies.

Sherrill Stewart is still sick with the flu.

Madelene Holbrook was also reported to be ill this past week.

Prayers are requested for **Becky Allen**. She was reported to be ill this past week.

Please pray for the family and friends of a wonderful nurse who was killed in a car accident on Friday, February 26th. She was a loving, caring person who will be missed by many people. She leaves behind a husband who was injured in the accident and 2 daughters. - Lauren Rutherford

Please pray for **Brian Curry and his family**. Brian has cancer and has had pneumonia and an infection. The family has been called in - his condition is very serious. - Friends of Nancy and Mark Minor.

Please pray for **Sheila Keaton** of Rock Hill. She was scheduled to have surgery this past Friday to remove a brain tumor.

Please pray for **Derek Johnson**, a nephew of Shannon Harper. He will undergo cancer surgery on March 7th.

~RESPONSE~

We commend **Shannon Harper** who came forward last Lord's Day confessing error in her life asking for forgiveness and the prayers of the congregation in her behalf.

SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker
Mary Ellen Dull

Ernestine Martin
Carolyn Minor
Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all those who sent many cards, visits and prayers and many other kindnesses during DC's recent surgery and recovery. It was a testament to this congregation's love and concern for those who are hurting. We love you very, very much.

Dee and Ingrid

HOUSE TO HOUSE

The new edition of House to House is available on the credenza in the foyer.



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:

March 3 - Meeting of the Twenty and Something Group following morning worship service.

March 5 - Sewing for missions on Tuesday from 9-12 in the annex. This year we will be sewing for girls in Guyana and Panama.

March 5 - Tuesday Evening Bible Study from 7-8 p.m. in Annex.

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. Extra flyers are available on the credenza should you wish to use them to invite friends and neighbors.

AREA EVENTS:

March 9 - Carolina Men's Fellowship. Theme: "Today's Effects on Tomorrow" Speakers: David Shannon and Tony Edwards. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board for those men who would like to go.

March 30 - Ladies Day at North Main St. church of Christ in Mocksville, NC. Guest Speaker: Sheila Butt - Theme: "If The Shoe Fits".

April 13 - Ladies Day at the Lexington church of Christ. Guest Speaker - Dr. Cynthia Guy from Myrtle Beach church of Christ. Theme: "Staying Anchored in a Drifting World"

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - February 24, 2019	116
Sunday Worship Service	140
Contribution for February 24, 2019	
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	40
Chapters Read:	624
Sunday Evening Worship Service	119
Wednesday Evening Bible study - 2-27-19	109

Lord's Day Appointments For March, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For March:

Charley Belch

Wayne Allen Mark Clemmons
Jim Harrison
Tammy Roy
Tim Allen
Jim Harrison

Preparing Communion for March:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - March 10, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Daryl Cook	Morning - Clayton Workman	A.M. - Nathan Roy	A.M. - Daryl Cook
Song Leader - Tommy Rose	Evening - Rodney Brown	P.M. - Clayton Workman	P.M. - Gene Southern
Prayer - Todd Hinson		Wed. - Roger Allen	

Greeters for March:

Richard & Karen Clemmons

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - March 10	~	Al Lawson
Wednesday: - March 13	~	Al Lawson

Lord's Day Appointments - March 3, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Allen Cooper	Morning - Al Lawson	A.M. - Charley Belch	A.M. - Jacob Woodbury
Song Leader - Tim Allen	Evening - Sherrill Stewart	P.M. - Wayne Allen	P.M. - Mark Clemmons
Prayer - D. C. Mock		Wed. - Allen Cooper	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - March 3	~	Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - March 6	~	Shawn Thomason

Greeter for March:

Richard & Karen Clemmons

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