

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

June 21, 2015

2015 NCSBS Graduation

Saturday, July 11th

Ceremony at 4:00 p.m.

WARNERS CHAPEL CHURCH OF CHRIST

8999 Lasater Rd.

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Graduates:

Michael J. Gross, Jr.

Paul Y. Sinnatuah

Meal to immediately follow

ELDERS CORNER:

We continue this week "Learning from the Past" by taking a look back to 1978 with an article from the May 9th Gospel Advocate.

March 9, 1978

GOSPEL ADVOCATE

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WHEN DOES MAN RECEIVE HIS SOUL?

HUGO McCORD

A scholarly elder-preacher believes that man has an immortal soul, but that he is nine months without it. "A half dozen verses," he says, "indicate that man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." However, the six citations (Genesis 2:7; 1 Kings 17:21-22; Job 27:3; 33:4; Psalm 104:29-30; Isaiah 42:5) mention nothing that man receives at birth.

As to the first of the six citations, Genesis 2:7 does not mention anything that Adam received. It is true that Adam, the day he became alive, received an immortal soul (Matthew 10:28; 16:26; cf. Genesis 1:26), but that important fact is not in Genesis 2:7. Genesis 2:7 tells not of Adam's receiving a soul, but of his becoming a soul, a person. Compare the word "soul" in the quotation, "Let every soul be subject to the higher powers" (Romans 13:1), that is, every person. In other words, the Hebrew word for soul (*nephesh*, and its Greek counterpart, *psuche*) has more than one meaning. Elementally it means "breath" (cf. Job 41:21), which is its meaning in Genesis 2:7: "... man became a living soul," that is, a living breather, an animate biological existence. Other verses (Micah 6:7; 1 Peter 1:9; Revelation 6:9) show he was more than mortal, but his immortality is outside the scope of Genesis 2:7.

According to Paul, as he quoted Genesis 2:7, only man's physical or natural body is in Genesis 2:7: "If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual. So also it is written, The first man Adam became a living soul. The last Adam a life-giving spirit." (1 Corinthians 15:44-45.) Thus Paul cited Genesis 2:7 as excluding man's spiritual or immortal nature, and including only man's "natural body." There-

fore, to use Genesis 2:7 as a proof that man receives his immortal soul only when breathing starts at birth is to go against the Pauline interpretation of Moses.

As to the second of the half-dozen verses, 1 Kings 17:21-22 describe a child's being restored to life, not that "man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." Furthermore, since the child of 1 Kings 17 was dead without his soul, then if his soul originally came to him at birth, one would have to say that he was dead during the nine months before birth. The third reference, Job 27:3, shows that Job lived as long as breath was in his nostrils, not that "man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." The fourth citation, Job 33:4, shows that Elihu knew he could not live without breath, not that "man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." The fifth text, Psalm 104:29-30, shows that without breath marine life perishes and that with breath it lives, not that "man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." The final reference, Isaiah 42:5, shows that human beings are indebted to God for their breath, not that "man receives a soul when he breathes at birth." Actually, the last five of the half-dozen texts do not contain the word "soul," and the one use in Genesis 2:7 has no reference to anything that Adam received.

When does a human baby receive his immortal soul (Genesis 35:18; Psalm 103:1), his undying spirit (Ecclesiastes 12:7; Hebrews 12:9)? Since a baby's body is alive nine months before he is born, and since "the body without the spirit is dead" (James 2:26), it would follow that "the Lord forms the spirit in man" (Zechariah 12:1) the day he begins to live, nine months before birth. ■

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2015

June 22 - Acts 6

June 23 - Acts 7:1-21

June 24 - Acts 7:22-43

June 25 - Acts 7:44-60



June 26 - Acts 8:1-25

June 27 - Acts 8:26-40

June 28 - Acts 9:1-21



OUR SICK PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep **Cleave Binkley** in your prayers. She has not been feeling well at times and is unable to attend worship services. She's always in attendance whenever she is feeling well enough.

Roger Allen requests prayers for his family as his father has been told there will be no more treatments and a timeline of one month to live. They should have said one month to come home. Please pray for his passing to be painless and swift.

Mary Anne Allen's grandmother, **Reva Brazzle**, suffered a heart attack Friday night (June 12th) followed by a possible stroke on Tuesday. However, on Wednesday she is much improved. Please keep her in your prayers.

Debbie Southern requests continued prayers for **Chip Johnner**, at Ormand Beach, Florida. He is a cousin of Debbie and Kim Sheets. He is having terrible hallucinations from medication to reduce pressure and swelling of his brain. He has stage 4 cancer. His address will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Nancy Minor's brother-in-law, **Fred Spencer**, received a good report from his oncologist. The "worrisome" spot on the PET scan that he had last week is thought to be only inflammation. Lori and Fred are so thankful for your prayers.

Please continue to pray for **Becky Detter** (a member of the Linville Forest Congregation) who had heart surgery this past week.

Becky Allen's brother is undergoing treatment for a heart problem.



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer.

WELCOME BACK

We welcome the Woodbury family back to North Carolina and to the Warners Chapel church of Christ. Jacob and Kari attended Warners Chapel in 2008 and 2009 before moving out of state for several years. We are happy to have them back along with their two children.

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:

June 21– 25 - Vacation Bible School

Times: Sunday - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Monday-Thursday - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"What to Bring:"

Sunday Evening — Finger Foods

Monday & Tuesday — Chips & Cookies

On Wednesday — ice cream will be served

And on Thursday — Hotdogs

SEE POSTED TIME SCHEDULES IN FOYER.

July 11 - NCSBS Graduation.

MY DAD'S BETTER

Three boys were debating whose father was the best. The first started the debate by claiming his father knew the mayor. He was soon topped by the second boy who said, "That's nothing. My dad knows the governor." The stakes were getting pretty high, and the eavesdropping father wondered what his young son would say about him. The little boy shot back, "So what! My dad knows God!" Could your son say that? May our children always be able to say, "My dad knows God!"

Happy Father's Day!

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - June 14, 2015	122
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	151
Contribution for June 14, 2015	\$6,119
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	30
Chapters Read:	639
Sunday Evening:	104
Wednesday Evening - June 17, 2015	107

Lord's Day Appointments - June 28, 2015

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture	- Justin Minor	Morning - Roger Allen	A.M. - Jason Allen	A.M. - Justin Minor
Song Leader	- Jason Allen	Evening - Rodney Brown	P.M. - Gene Southern	P.M. - Keith Warner
Prayer	- Shawn Thomason		Wed. -	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	JUNE GREETERS:
Morning	- Linda Flinchum	Morning - Abby Little	Richard & Karen Clemmons
Evening	- Marie Harper	Evening - Meredith Southern	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday:	June 28	Mark Minor
Wednesday:	July 1	Mark Minor

Lord's Day Appointments - June 21, 2015

Devotions:	Opening Prayer	a.m. - Mark Minor	Scripture Reader	a.m. - Al Lawson
Scripture - John Allen		- Jane Thomason		p.m. - Don Minor
Song: - Don Minor	Song Leaders:	a.m. - Clayton Workman	Nursery #1:	a.m. - Jessica Lay
Prayer: - Neal Harper		p.m. - Don Minor		p.m. - Rhonda Hardister
	Wed.	- Song Req. Service	Nursery #2:	a.m. - Gina Strickland
		Clayton W. & Gene S.		p.m. - Nancy Minor

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
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“GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE” at 10:30 p.m. each week night on Cable 8
 You Can View Our Worship Services ONLINE - Each Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Eastern Time at
 —www.warnerschapelchurchofchrist.org

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 Jody Everett
 Gene Southern
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