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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

December 2, 2018

HAVE YOU QUIT?

The Bible reminds us that it's always too soon to quit. From Noah to Abraham to Joseph to Moses to Joshua to David to Jesus, the Bible is a story about people who won the fight simply because they refused to pitch in the towel. A poet once said, "He conquers who endures."

Abraham Lincoln would not give up or give in, even though life hammered on him and sought to set him back repeatedly. When he was seven, his family was forced out of their home and he had to work to help support them. At age nine, his mother died. At 22, he lost his job as a store clerk. He wanted to attend law school, but could not get in. At 23, he went into debt to become a partner in a small store. At 26, his business partner died, leaving him a huge debt that took years to repay. Also at 26, his sweetheart died and his heart was crushed causing a nervous breakdown that affected him for months. At 37, after two failed bids, he was elected to Congress, but two years later lost his seat. At 45, he ran for the Senate but lost. At 47, he failed as the vice-presidential candidate. At 49, he ran for the Senate again, and again he lost. At 51, he was elected President of the United States. Many consider Lincoln the greatest leader our country ever had. Some people have all the luck, don't they? Lincoln knew suffering and repeated loss and defeat. But one thing he did not know was how to quit. As he once said of himself, "I am a slow walker, but I never walk backwards." His life was like a quote, "It's a little like wrestling a gorilla. You don't quit when you're tired. You quit when the gorilla is tired." Abraham Lincoln kept wrestling his gorillas until an assassin's bullet was shot through his head and ended his earthly life, leaving us to wonder how else he would have made history had he lived through his second presidential term.

I am reminded of a story I heard a while ago about a mountain climber who fell to his death as he struggled toward the summit. Months after his fall, friends and fellow climbers returned and ascended the mountain until they reached the place where their friend had plunged to his death.

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There they left a sign with this simple message: “He died climbing.” What gorillas are your currently wrestling? What mountains are you climbing?

The apostle Paul was wrestling with prison and persecution when he wrote these famous and forceful words, “*Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus*” (Philippians 3:13-14). Paul’s life in Christ was always an uphill climb. But like the Savior he so passionately served, he did not know the meaning of the word quit. He died climbing. As Christians, we all have an upward call and a glorious and supreme goal — to get to Heaven and be with Christ and the Father. But the climb is sometimes steep and hard. Have you thought about turning back? Heaven’s counsel is clear — do not quit. Press on. You will not fail so long as you die climbing.

~Caleb J. Rutherford



There Is Never a Day So Dreary

*There is never a day so dreary but God can make it bright,
And unto the soul that trusts Him He giveth songs in the night.
There is never a path so hidden but God will lead the way,
If we seek for the Spirit’s guidance, and patiently wait and pray.*

*There is never a cross so heavy but the nail-scarred hands are there,
Outstretched in tender compassion, the burden to help us bear.
There is never a heart so broken but the loving Lord can heal,
For the Lord that was pierced on Calvary doth still for His loved ones feel.*

*There is never a life so darkened, so hopeless and unblest,
But may be filled with the light of God, and enter His promised rest.
There is never a sin or sorrow, there is never a care or loss,
But that we may bring to Jesus, and leave at the foot of the cross.*

—Selected

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018

December 3 - 1 John 2
December 4 - 1 John 3
December 5 - 1 John 4
December 6 - 1 John 5



December 7 - 2 John
December 8 - 3 John
December 9 - Jude



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to remember in your prayers: Roger Allen, Madelene Holbrook, Nita Kirkland, Fred Holder, Mary Ellen Dull, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins, & D.J. Harrison.

Di-Ann Moser remains in the ICU at the Forsyth Hospital at this time.

Nita Kirkland is in the Forsyth Hospital to have fluid removed. She will be in the hospital for a few days. Please continue to pray for her.

Mary Seal had a fall a week ago Wednesday and injured her leg. Please pray for her.

Ann Riddle has a bulging disc and will have a steroid shot next week. Prayers have been requested.

Several have been report to be ill this past week: **John & Mary Anne Allen, Tim Allen, D. C. Mock and Todd and Dana Hinson.** Please pray for them.

Ashley Everett's father, **Hank Wade**, underwent surgery for an aneurism on Tuesday and he was released from the hospital on Wednesday. He is doing well.

Please continue to pray for **Mickey Burchette**, (a friend of Lorie Rose) who underwent a PET Scan recently to learn if the present treatment has been working. They will meet with the Oncologist on Tuesday to learn if the treatment will continue or that chemotherapy will begin.

~Baptism~

*We are happy to announce that **Bob Edwards** was baptized on November 18th after the Sunday Evening Services. We welcome him into the family of Christ that worships here at Warners Chapel.*

~In Sympathy~

*Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Wayne Moser**, who unexpectedly passed away on Nov. 23rd. Prayers are requested for **Carolyn and Family** and **Wayne's sister, Gale Queen and family.** The funeral was held this past Tuesday at Warners Chapel.*

A TEXT MESSAGE FROM THE SWANSBORO CHURCH OF CHRIST:

"The funds of \$5,000 were received and deposited in the bank. Thank you Warners Chapel church for these funds. They will help our Brothers and Sisters in Christ as well as others in need that have suffered losses from the hurricane.



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:

Dec. 2 - There will be a meeting for all Seniors following this morning's service. All Seniors please attend. On Dec. 13th a meal will be provided for all Seniors. Turkey and ham will be furnished. Details will be provided at the Senior Meeting. See Tim Allen for questions.

Dec. 2 - Baby Shower for **Walter & Nancy Cruz** from 2-4 p.m. in the Annex.

Dec. 13 - Meal for the Seniors of Warners Chapel.

Please Note!!

* The Tuesday Night Class will resume on January 8th.

*The Congregational Fellowship Meals will be cancelled for November and December.

SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker
Mary Ellen Dull

Ernestine Martin
Carolyn Minor
Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of December:

Canned meat (chicken and tuna)

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - November 25, 2018	137
Sunday Worship Service	165
Contribution for November 25, 2018	\$7,000
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	36
Chapters Read:	622
Sunday Evening Worship Service	114
Wednesday Evening Bible study - 11-28-18	97

Lord's Day Appointments For December , 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For December, 2018

Sherrill Stewart

Mark Roy Andy Santiago
Jesse Power
Cindy Tesh
Brad Hoots
Roger Allen

Preparing Communion for December:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - December 9, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Daryl Cook	Morning - Carl Cooper	A.M. - Nathan Roy	A.M. - Bill Carothers
Song Leader - Roger Allen	Evening - R. J. Landry	P.M. - Clayton Workman	P.M. - Shawn Thomason
Prayer - Todd Hinson		Wed. - Roger Allen	

Greeters for December:

Atha Clark

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - December 9 ~ Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - December 12 ~ Shawn Thomason

Lord's Day Appointments - December 2, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Allen Cooper	Morning - Clayton Workman	A.M. - Charley Belch	A.M. - Dwight Barringer
Song Leader - Tim Allen	Evening - Bill Carothers	P.M. - Don Minor	P.M. - Clayton Workman
Prayer - D. C. Mock		Wed. - Allen Cooper	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - December 2 ~ Jason Allen
Wednesday: - December 5 ~ Jason Allen

Greeter for December:

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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
SEARCH PROGRAM - Sunday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. on Cable 68

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ELDERS

DEACONS

Tim Allen
Joe Everett
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