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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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THE BIBLE AND NATIONS

By Kevin Rutherford

Professor Alexander Tyler wrote about democracy in the Athenian pattern. As he spoke of the world's greatest civilizations he noted a sequence that they all followed. That sequence is as follows.

From bondage to spiritual faith
From spiritual faith to great courage
From courage to liberty
From liberty to abundance
From abundance to selfishness
From selfishness to complacency
From complacency to dependence
From dependence back into bondage

This pattern noted by Professor Tyler is exactly what we see in the Scriptures. The Bible is filled from cover to cover with information about God's relationship to nations. The old Testament discusses the history of various nations as they relate to God's plan to bring both His Son and the church into the world (Daniel 2, 7, etc.). The Old Testament also contains frequent reference to God's destruction of nations because of their extreme wickedness (Nahum, etc.). When we come to the New Testament we read of God's exhortation to pay our taxes and respect the government under which we live (Romans 13:1-8). To suggest that the Bible says nothing about God's relationship to nations and governments is to make clear one of two things; either the person who has made such a suggestion has never read the Bible or that person chooses to ignore what they have read.

Three points can be used to summarize what the Bible says concerning God's relationship to nations. 1. God is in control (Daniel 4:25). 2. When nations leave solid and ethical moral principles behind, God destroys them (Obadiah 1). 3. Christians must respect government and follow the law unless such law contradicts Christ's law (Romans 13:1-8; Acts 5:29).

AN ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE

By Kevin Rutherford

Sometimes we worry too much about things that really won't make a difference in eternity. When we are beginning to fall in love with the material things of this world, let us remember to have an eternal perspective. In eternity those things won't exist and won't matter. When temptation comes our way, let us have an eternal perspective. Eternal life is not worth losing for a brief moment of sinful pleasure. When life becomes painful, frustrating, or difficult, let us maintain an eternal perspective. This life is short. Eternity is forever. Someday we will be where there is no pain, and no temptation.

The apostle Paul was one who maintained an eternal perspective. Concerning the terrible persecution he faced, Paul wrote, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:17, 18).

If we can learn to maintain an eternal perspective in this life, we will be a much happier people. Perhaps then we can learn to "rejoice in the Lord always." (Philippians 4:4). Do your best to maintain an eternal perspective both today and throughout your life. May God bless you as you faithfully serve Him.



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018

August 27 - 1 Cor. 9
August 28 - 1 Cor. 10:1-18
August 29 - 1 Cor. 10:19-33
August 30 - 1 Cor. 11:1-16



August 31 - 1 Cor. 11:17-34
Sept. 1 - 1 Cor. 12
Sept. 2 - 1 Cor. 13



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Kim Sheets has been moved to the Critical Intensive Care Unit on the 5th floor of the Forsyth Hospital this past Wed. and is on a bipap to assist with breathing. He also had to have one unit of blood on Wed., but doesn't appear to be bleeding internally. He needs our prayers, visits and encouragement.

Tucker Southern was taken to the Brenner Children's Hospital on Wed. evening. His white blood count was extremely low.

Madelene Holbrook is getting stronger and feeling much better each day. She is able to take calls and have visitors.

Charles Parker will be entering the Baptist Hospital on Aug. 29th for three days for medication change and heart ablation. Please keep him in your prayers.

Nita Kirkland has been ill this past week. She has several doctor's appointments this coming week and is presently scheduled to have eye surgery on Sept. 13th and 27th. And a cardiologist appointment on Oct. 5th.

Frankie Ridings underwent by-pass surgery on Tuesday of this past week at the Forsyth Hospital.

Prayers have been requested for **David Nowlin**, an elder at the Waverly church of Christ in TN. He has a dissected aorta and was flown to a Nashville Hospital on Monday.

Please pray for **Conner McClean**, a young father of two, who is facing brain surgery. He is a friend of the Santiago family.

Wayne Moser's cousin, Linda Moser Brewer has requested prayers for her husband, **Tommy Brewer** and her daughter, **Pam Brewer**.

Please pray for Bill Knost's brother, **Earl Knost**, who was reported to be in the hospital in Florida. Also, pray for the family.

Thank you for your prayers in behalf of **Sara Koontz**. Now instead of Hospice, she is on her way to rehab. God is good! - Patricia McBrayer.

Please remember **Imogene Elam**, who recently had a mild stroke, has contracted pancreatitis. She is in Room 124 Intermediate Care at the Forsyth Hospital. She is slowly improving.

~In Sympathy~

*Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Lois Peden**, who passed away last Lord's Day. She was Neal Harper's niece and related to several more here at Warners Chapel. The funeral was held this past Wednesday I Franklin, TN.*

**THE PRAYER LIST 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:

Aug. 26 - Deacon's Meeting at 5 p.m.

Sept. 8 - Warners Chapel Youth Conference
Warners chapel will be hosting a youth Conference (new name from Youth Rally) at the building. Adult volunteers are needed for bringing food, picking up pre-ordered food, serving, cleanup and assisting with games. The link below for SignUpGenius is basically an online signup sheet for you to see what is needed and to volunteer where you can. If you are helping with the event, please also register so that you can get the event T-shirt. Please invite friends and family in the middle to high school age to this event.

Area Events:

Aug. 1-29 - Summer Series "The Apostle of Paul - Great Soldier of the Cross" at the Cary church of Christ on Wednesdays in August, at 7:30 PM.

Sept. 29 - Annual Youth Day at the Highland Acres church of Christ. RSVP - Sept. 15th.

See Bulletin board for further information

SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

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

"Cereal"

475 School Supply Items were delivered this past week. Thank you for your generous contributions to help out the children of Southwest School to begin their new school year. It was a great help!

SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker
Ernestine Martin
Carolyn Minor**

**Kim Matthews
Di-Ann Moser**

FOR THE RECORD

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| Sunday Bible Study - August 19, 2018 | 122 |
| Sunday Worship Service | 163 |
| Contribution for August 12, 2018 | \$5,775 |
| Daily Adult Bible Readers: | 35 |
| Chapters Read: | 511 |
| Sunday Evening Worship Service | 128 |
| Wed. Evening Bible Study - August 22, 2018 | 78 |

Lord's Day Appointments For September, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For August:

Al Lawson

Jim Harrison Tim Harper

Mike Cooper

Mindy Santiago

Joe Everett

Caleb Rutherford

Preparing Communion for August:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - September 2, 2018

| DEVOTIONS: | OPENING PRAYER: | SONG LEADER | SCRIPTURE READERS |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Scripture - Daryl Cook | Morning - Carl Cooper | A.M. - Charley Belch | A.M. - Daryl Cook |
| Song Leader - Roger Allen | Evening - Bill Carothers | P.M. - Don Minor | P.M. - Gene Southern |
| Prayer - Todd Hinson | | Wed. - Allen Cooper | |

Greeters for September:

Andy & Mindy Santiago

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - September 2 ~ Al Lawson

Wednesday: - September 5 ~ Al Lawson

Lord's Day Appointments - August 26, 2018

| DEVOTIONS: | OPENING PRAYER: | SONG LEADER | SCRIPTURE READERS |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Scripture - Allen Cooper | Morning - Andy Santiago | A.M. - Clayton Workman | A.M. - Jacob Woodbury |
| Song Leader - Tim Allen | Evening - Randy Warner | P.M. - Youth Lead Service | P.M. - Mark Clemmons |
| Prayer - D. C. Mock | | Wed. - Allen Cooper | |

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - Aug. 26 ~ Shawn Thomason

Wednesday: - Aug. 29 ~ Shawn Thomason

Greeters for August:

Randy and Linda Warner

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
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