

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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*“The churches of Christ salute you” Rom. 16:16*

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**MAY 15, 2022**

## **JUDGMENT AGAINST GENTILE NATIONS**

God is the One who rules in the kingdom of men (Daniel 4:7). He allows men to exercise their free-will even as He develops circumstances to accomplish His will. He can choose when to bring someone to power, and when to bring them down. He has the power to help nations develop and grow stronger, and to bring others down. When God brings judgment against nations to destroy them, He does so for moral reasons. God allows nations to exercise their free-will to choose arrogance and violence but He limits the length of time nations will be allowed to behave in this way. Consider the prophecies of Obadiah and Nahum as examples.

In Obadiah chapter one verses one through nine God identifies the manner in which He will punish the Edomite nation. God says, I will make you small among the nations; I will bring you down. The pride of your heart has deceived you; I will bring you down. You say in your heart who will bring me down; I will bring you down. Your wise men will be destroyed and your mighty men will be dismayed and I will bring you down. God is very clear in stating He can bring Edom or any nation down whenever He chooses to do so.

Arrogance (Obadiah 1:2-4) and violence (Obadiah 1:10-16) were the reasons God was bringing condemning judgment upon Edom. The Edomites were the descendants of Esau, and the Jews were the descendants of Esau's twin brother Jacob. Edom helped the enemies of the Jews and so in that sense committed violence against a brother. It was for this violence God would judge them to be

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guilty and worthy of destruction. What they had done to the Jews was going to be done to them. Eventually Jacob would rise again, but there would be no survivors of the house of Esau (Obadiah 1:17-18).

Nahum preached against the city of Nineveh. Jonah had preached to them a century earlier and they had repented. However, their wickedness had increased since that time and had reached a point of no return. Nahum identifies violence, dishonesty, and theft as the crimes for which Nineveh was being sentenced. The violence was horrific and had filled the streets with blood. It was time for God to put an end to this violent city.

Nahum's descriptions of God's judgment against Nineveh show us the great power of God. Nahum tells us God is slow to anger and great in power, but there comes a point when He is furious and takes vengeance on His enemies (Nahum 1:2-3). Nahum asks, who can stand before the indignation of God and the fierceness of His anger (Nahum 1:6)? The LORD devout those who conspire against Him like stubble fully dried, and will make a complete end of them (Nahum 1:7-11). However, God is good and He will be a stronghold in the day of trouble for those who trust in Him.

God made a very strong and important declaration against the people of Nineveh that should cause fear to come into the hearts of all who oppose God. God says, I am against you (Nahum 2:13; 3:5). When God is against a nation that nation will fail and fall. God will allow wicked nations to exist for a time, but eventually He holds them all accountable and bring them to judgment. How long our own nation will stand is unknown. That is up to God, and God's response to our nation is dependent upon the morality of our nation. God rules in the kingdom of men.

~Kevin Rutherford



## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2022**

May 16 - John 5:1-24  
May 17 - John 5:25-47  
May 18 - John 6:1-21  
May 19 - John 5:22-44



May 20 - John 6:45-71  
May 21 - John 7:1-27  
May 22 - John 7:28-52

## OUR SICK

Please Remember in Your Prayers

*Ellen Meachum, Don Bowles, Eddie Craft, Al Lawson, Brad Hoots, Ronnie Knost, Bonnie Landreth, David Pharr, Sandy Smith, D.J. Harrison, Jack Piper, Sandy Smith, Ronnie Knost, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins.*

Mike & Susan Huey and Gene & Gaye Ruark have tested positive for the COVID virus. They will need to be in quarantined for a number of days. Please pray for them.

Tammy Rogers has been moved to **Accordius Nursing Home** in Clemmons, located at 3905 Clemmons Rd., Clemmons, NC 27012. She will remain in the Home for one month to take Physical Therapy.

Lou Ann Harper has returned home and is having Physical Therapy come in. She wishes to thank everyone for all the cards and for the prayers. It is not a good time to visit while she will be recuperating.

Jack Piper is doing okay but is still not able to stand and must use a wheel chair to move about in the house and when he has to see his doctors and dentist. He has been hoping to recover without surgery but may have to have it done. — Jack wishes to thank all the people from Warners Chapel who have been so helpful to bring him food when needed, and the people who have driven him to his medical doctors and dentist. Please continue to pray for him.

Joanne Landry's mother and father (**Joe and Vivian Campbell**) who live in Alaska are having difficulties: Her father has heart issues and her mother has the final stage of Parkinson's Disease. Also, Joanne broke her leg a couple weeks ago. Please pray for this family.

Trooper **Josh Church**, a friend of Joe Byrd, has been diagnosed and being treated for multiple cancers for some time. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

*Savannah and Ian Quinn are expecting a baby boy sometime around the first of November. We are very happy for you both.*

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### A Boy's Message to His Dad

*His little arms crept 'round my neck  
And then I heard him say  
Four simple words I shan't forget --  
Four words that made me pray.*

*They turned a mirror on my soul,  
On secrets no one knew,  
They startled me, I hear them yet;  
He said, "I'll be like you."*

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# 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:

May 14-15 - Senior Rally. Speaker: brother Wesley Simons - The theme: "What we have Learned By Growing Older"

### Saturday:

Lesson 1 - We Have Learned to Respect Authority.

Lesson 2 - We Have Learned that it Pays to Serve God.

Lesson 3 - We Have Learned what our Two Major Problems are.

### Sunday:

Sunday Morning Bible Class: We Have Learned Something About Child Rearing.

Sunday Morning Worship: We Have Learned How to Grow Spiritually.

MAY 15 - Warners Chapel will have a *Congregational Potluck Lunch in the Annex for the Rutherfords' farewell. We wish them well and certainly will miss them all. There will be a basket for the cards.*

MAY 15 - The elders would like to meet with the men of Warners Chapel Sunday Evening.

JUNE 26-30 - Warners Chapel VBS.

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## AREA EVENTS:

May 15-19 - You Are Cordially Invited to Our Spring Gospel Meeting at West Jefferson Church of Christ with Guest Speaker Steve Canup. (Sunday through Thursday).

May 15 - South Stokes Church of Christ will be holding their 50th Anniversary & Homecoming Celebration.

# SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

May, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: TODD HINSON/GENE SOUTHERN

COMMUNION FOR MAY: MIKE LUNGREN

## DEVOTIONS:

### SCRIPTURE

May 1 - Johnny Spillman  
May 8 - Bill Carothers  
May 15 - Randy Warner  
May 22 - Shawn Thomason  
May 29 - Brad Hoots

### SONG LEADER

Gene Southern  
Charley Belch  
Clayton Workman  
Wayne Allen  
Bradley Byrd

### PRAYER

David Moore  
Tim Allen  
Andy Santiago  
Carl Cooper  
D. C. Mock

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## OPENING PRAYERS FOR MAY:

### SUNDAY A.M.

May 1 - Bradley Byrd  
May 8 - Rodney Brown  
May 15 - Brian Byrd  
May 22 - Clayton Workman  
May 29 - Jody Everett

### SUNDAY P.M.

May 1 - Steve Tesh  
May 8 - Bob Tesh  
May 15 - Justin Little  
May 22 - Andy Santiago  
May 29 - Jim Harrison

### WEDNESDAY

May 4 - Al Lawson  
May 11 - Adam Warner  
May 18 - Shawn Thomason  
May 25 - D.C. Mock

SECURITY AND GREETING: MARK MINOR & GENE RUARK

PLEASE OPEN BUILDING BY 10:30 A.M., 5:40 P.M., AND WEDNESDAY BY 6:40 P.M.

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## SONG LEADERS FOR MAY

### SUNDAY A.M.

May 1 - Charley Belch  
May 8 - David Shoaf  
May 15 - Gene Southern  
May 22 - Steve Tesh  
May 29 - Justin Little

### SUNDAY P.M.

May 1 - David Shoaf  
May 8 - Gene Southern  
May 15 - Steve Tesh  
May 22 - Justine Little  
May 29 - Roger Allen

### WEDNESDAY

May 4 - Wayne Allen  
May 11 - Clayton Workman  
May 18 - Charley Belch  
May 25 - David Shoaf

“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*

Tim Allen  
Todd Hinson  
Steve Tesh  
Andy Santiago

### *DEACONS*

Randy Warner  
Keith Warner  
Mark Minor  
Jody Everett  
Gene Southern  
Shawn Thomason  
Mark Roy  
Adam Warner