

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

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

PUT CHRIST BACK IN CHRISTMAS???????

Why would we put Christ back into something that he never was in? Although most never give it a second thought, you can search the Bible from end to end and you will not find the term "Christmas," or the celebration of the birth of Christ. The New Testament covers a 70+ time period of the early church after the death and ascension of Jesus and you find Apostolic examples of the church meeting on the first day of the week to commemorate Christ's death by taking the Lord's Supper. In Matthew 26:26-29, Jesus said "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

The Apostle Paul defines the process involved when the early church participated in the Supper. Paul said in 1Corinthians 11:23-29 "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."

You also find the church "laying by in store," helping the poor, preaching the Gospel. They followed Paul's instruction toward settling disputes between themselves, the eating of meat offered to idols, divisions that existed among them, appointing elders, etc., but no mention of celebrating the birth of Christ.

However, there is nothing wrong with celebrating the Holiday non-religiously. There is nothing wrong with having and decorating a tree, giving gifts, singing "Rudolph," and other non-religious Holiday songs.

Let's leave Christ right where He is...reigning over the Kingdom at the right hand of God.

Paul

ELDERS CORNER:



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

This is more than a wish, there are things we can do to make it so. Consider some:

- Be faithful in attendance to all worship services.
- Lead someone to Christ.
- Read your Bible every day.
- Read the book of Proverbs again.
- Each week choose a passage or passages of scripture and read them again and again until you have memorized them.
- Carefully study our Lord's Sermon on The Mount—Mt. 5-7 and Luke 6:20-49.
- Pray without ceasing (I Th. 5:17).
- Let the teaching of Jesus control your heart, tongue, and life (Jn. 14:15) and Cl. 3:17).
- Be ready unto every good work (Tit. 3:1).

May this indeed be a Happy New Year for you and may you do what you can by God's grace through Christ to make it so.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2015

December 29 - Rev. 20

December 30 - Rev. 21

December 31 - Rev. 22

January 1 - Matt. 1



January 2 - Matt. 2 January 3 - Matt. 3 January 4 - Matt. 4

Lord's Day Appointments - December 28, 2014

Devotions:Opening Prayer a.m.- Joe EverettScripture Reader a.m.- Randy WarnerScriptureJustin Minor- Jason Allenp.m.- Homer Holland

Song: Jason Allen Song Leaders: a.m. - Steve Tesh Nursery #1: a.m. - Jessica Lay

Prayer: Shawn Thomason p.m. - Roger Allen p.m. - Betty Hoots

Wed. - Nursery #2: a.m. - Meredith Southern

p.m. - Robin Hauser



OUR SICK

Please Remember in your prayers

Rhonda Hardister will undergo ankle surgery at Medical Park Hospital on December 30th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Joe and Eva Everett were reported ill this past Tuesday. They are suffering from colds and flu-like symptoms.

Becky Allen was scheduled to undergo surgery this past Thursday. Her condition is not known at the printing of this bulletin.

Atha Clark was reported ill this past week and requested prayers in her behalf.

The husband of one of Todd Hinson's co-workers in Alabama had major open heart surgery recently that consisted of not only valve replacement but aortic root replacement as well. His name is **Gary Coshatt** and only 35 yrs. old. He and his wife have request prayers in their behalf. They have two small children.

Nancy Minor's brother-in-law, **Fred Spencer**, received a report from the doctor that only a small "spot" remains of the cancer on his tongue. The doctor is optimistic that the radiation remaining in his system will take care of that. Also, **Lori**, Nancy's sister, will have surgery on Monday, December 29th for her cancer. Thank you for your prayers and cards for them. —Nancy Minor

Please pray for Mindy Santiago's father, **Jim Furches.** He went to the doctor this past Tuesday for a second blood test. The doctor suspects that he may have cancer.

Please remember Lutrelle Chipman's daughter, Mitzi, who underwent surgery last week.

Please pray for peace, love, understanding, and patience among God's people.



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer. The prayer list consists of others we need to remember in our prayers in addition to those listed above.

NOTES FROM MEMBERS:

I've received a lot of phone calls from church members to check up on me after having my wisdom teeth removed so I'm just hoping you can pass along to them the news I am doing better. I apologize for not answering several calls, I went back to work today so may have missed them then and also I have been really sore and just trying to rest my jaw. I appreciate the prayers, and will not be attending services because I am having some pain and not feeling well

Thankful for a wonderful Christian family for all the prayers and love.

—Aiessa Call

Bill and I are going South for the Winter and ask for your prayers. We love you all!

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:

<u>Dec. 28th</u> - Deacons Meeting at 5 p.m. in Annex. <u>Dec. 31</u> - New Year's Eve fellowship following Wed. evening service in the Annex.

*50 and Over Class will not meet again until Jan. 8th.

*There will not be a **Zone Meal** on December 28th. due to the holidays.

AREA EVENTS:

<u>Feb. 11-15</u> - Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat in Pigeon Forge, TN — See bulletin board

New Member's Address

Harry Picciuto's address is 302 Hillcrest Drive, King, NC. 27021. Tel. #336-486-3201. Please add to directory.

SHUT-IN ADDRESS:

Hilda Hauser's address is: Clemmons Village 2, Room 124, 6444 Holder Rd., Clemmons, NC 27012.

NOTE: NEW HOUSE TO HOUSE / HEART TO HEART IS AVAILABLE ON CREDENZA IN THE FOYER.



FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Dec. 21, 2014	115
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	154
Contribution for Dec. 21, 2014	
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	35
Chapters Read:	604
Sunday Evening:	104
Wednesday Evening - December 23, 2014	106

Lord's Day Appointments For January, 2015

Serving the Lord's Table For January:

Carl Cooper

Shawn Thomason Paul Sinnatuah Homer Holland Justin Minor

> Lou Ann Harper Jim Harrison Andy Santiago

Preparing Communion for January: Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - January 4, 2015

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Rodney Brown Morning - Brad Hoots A.M. - Wayne Allen A.M. - Justin Minor

Song Leader - Wayne Allen Evening - Tommy Rose P.M. - Don Minor P.M. - Keith Warner

Prayer - Steve Martin Wed. - Jason Allen

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): January Greeters: FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Morning - Linda Flinchum Morning - Abby Little Bill and Gaye Carothers Zone 1

Evening - Rhonda Hardister Evening - Nancy Minor

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: January 4 Wednesday: January 7

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

David MooreRandy WarnerMike CooperTim AllenKeith WarnerJody EverettJoe EverettAndy SantiagoGene SouthernTodd HinsonMark MinorShawn ThomasonSteve TeshJason Allen