

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**September 1, 2019**

## **What God Says About Truth is Right**

Does it really matter what a church teaches beyond the basic facts concerning Jesus Christ? To put it another way: Are all churches leading people to heaven as long as they teach fundamental facts concerning the death, burial, and resurrection? Is one church as good as another? Let's use one doctrinal truth to answer these questions. The Bible clearly teaches that baptism is essential to salvation (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; Romans 6:4; 1 Corinthians 12:13; 1 Peter 3:21). Is the church which denies the essential nature of baptism as good as the church that teaches what the Bible says regarding baptism? If the answer is yes, then that which is contained within the word of God doesn't matter. But, if the Word of God does matter, then the answer must be no. That is; no, the church which denies the essential nature of baptism is not as good as the one that teaches what the Bible says in that regard.

Should the church be patterned after the will and whims of men and women, or should it be Patterned after the divine, holy, and sovereign will of God? To believe, practice, and teach a subjective approach concerning the truth as it relates to the church is wrong. To justify and excuse what men and women want for the church, when what they want conflicts with God's Word, is nothing short of arrogant rebellion against almighty the Creator and Sovereign ruler of this universe. Our approach to truth, and to the church must be the same as Paul's. Paul exposed and refuted false gospels (Galatians 1:6-9). He did this because his work was all about pleasing God and not men (Galatians 1:10). Paul refused to give in to the error that was dividing the churches of Galatia, because he was seeking to please God rather than men (Galatians 2:5). When Peter compromised with the error, Paul did not say, "well that's okay because we all agree on the fundamentals anyway. Instead, Paul rebuked him to the face for not being straightforward about the truth (Galatians 2:14). Paul asked the Christians in the

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Galatians churches “who hindered you from obeying the truth (Galatians 5:7).” Paul told them they were accursed and they were fallen from grace for accepting false doctrine (Galatians 1:9; 5:4). How could anyone look at this and conclude religious differences don’t matter as long as one believes in the general facts concerning the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples in deed” (John 8:31). Those who do not abide in the word which Jesus gave us, cannot truly be His disciples. Furthermore, Jesus said, “and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32). Truth is absolute, concrete, distinct, recognizable, and unchangeable. Knowing and abiding in the truth makes one free from sin (John 8:31-36). The context of John eight further shows us that those who oppose Jesus are following the father of lies (John 8:43-47). This shows a clear distinction between truth and lies. The truth is what comes from Jesus. All that conflicts with what comes from Christ is a lie. Truth originates in Christ, but lies originate in Satan. Those who follow the truth given by Christ are made free from sin, while those who follow the lies given by Satan have the devil as their father. Where there is truth there is freedom. Where there are lies, there is enslavement.

Some today want to limit truth to the “words in red”. In practical application very few, if any, who suggest such a course of action would actually be willing to do everything Jesus said, while He was here on the earth. However, it is very important for us to realize that the entire New Testament comes from Jesus Christ. This is the point made by the writer of Hebrews in chapter one and two. To deny any part of the New Testament is to deny the teaching of Jesus Christ. His teaching encompasses the whole of the New Testament and not just “the words in red.” We should study the life of Jesus frequently and faithfully. We should examine carefully the words He spoke while here on this earth. We must know who He was, and is, through a study of the Gospel accounts, so that we can strive to be like Him. But if we are to study the first four books of the New Testament alone we would only be studying a small part of the truth which Jesus Christ gave to us. This approach would be unbalanced and unwise to say the least. All of the Word of God is truth (Psalm 119:142, 160; John 17:17).

~Kevin V. Rutherford



## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019**

Sept. 2 - 1 Cor. 13  
Sept. 3 - 1 Cor. 14:1-20  
Sept. 4 - 1 Cor. 14:21-40  
Sept. 5 - 1 Cor. 15:1-28



Sept. 6 - 1 Cor. 15:29-58  
Sept. 7 - 1 Cor. 16  
Sept. 8 - 2 Cor. 1



## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Mary Anne Allen** is doing well in her recovery from recent surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Lydia Wright** was to undergo surgery on August 29th. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Don Jackson** was scheduled to undergo a pacemaker replacement on August 28th but it was put on hold to check out an infection they had found. They are waiting for the results of a culture they took which would take somewhere around 24 hrs. and then treat the infection before they will be able to do surgery to replace the pacemaker he just recently had installed. Please pray for him.

**Mary Seal** was scheduled to have a diagnostic colonoscopy on Aug. 26th. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Kim Matthews** could use some visitors at the nursing home. She is not doing as well right now and can use prayers, cards and visits.

Prayers are requested for the **family of Chad Culbertson**. His wife has been moved to hospice as a result of cancer. He is the best friend to David and Krystal Warner.

Please pray for **Ken Proctor** from the Shallotte church of Christ. He is on a kidney transplant list but is currently in the hospital with circulation problems and may require amputation.

**Dave Jackson** has improved so much, he is now able to leave rehab and go home. Thanks so much for all the prayers. (Mattie Pharr's brother-in-law)

Please continue to pray for **Andy Goodwin**, an elder at the Shelby church of Christ and a dear friend of Sandra Church and family. His cancer has returned and he is waiting on treatment options.

**Eric Drews'** kidney function is doing better at 19% but continues to wait for a kidney transplant. Please remember him in your prayers. - Karen Clemmons' brother.

Please continue to keep **Renee' Morgan** (who is now having two radiation treatments per day) and three year old **Ruby Bradd** in your prayers. Both suffering with cancer.

### THANK YOU

*The Workman family wishes to thank you for all the cards, messages, and acts of kindness in the recent loss of Emily's grandmother. Your prayers especially have helped so much.*

### ~ IN SYMPATHY ~

*Our sympathy goes out to Rodney Brown and family in the death of his father, who passed away on August 23rd. His funeral was held on August 27th. He was 95 years old.*



**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

**Sept. 9** - Tuesday Night Class resumes from 7-8 p.m. We will pick up with David's reign from 2nd Samuel.

**Sept. 28** - Youth Rally with Brother Joe Wells, editor of Kaio Magazine for teens and the host of the internet Bible Program — The Hey Joe Show.

### AREA EVENTS:

**Sept. 27** - Ladies Night Out at Linville Forest. Guest Speaker: Rebekah Colley from Lakeside church of Christ in Orange Park, FL. Dinner and Program - Registration at 6 p.m. RSVP 336-784-9562.

**Sept. 28** - A Young Ladies Day at the Charlotte Ave. church of Christ (for Middle School-College Ladies along with their mothers, grandmothers and all the Titus 2 Women in their lives. 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Speaker: Brittany Davis.

*(See Bulletin Board for further information)*



### SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

Suggested Items for the month of September:

### CEREAL OATMEAL/GRITS

### SHUT-INS

*Mary Ellen Dull  
D. J. Harrison*

*Ernestine Martin  
Carolyn Minor*

*Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers*

### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - August, 25, 2019:	145
Sunday Worship Service:	174
Contribution for August 25, 2019:	\$7,765
Daily Bible Readers:	38
Chapters Read:	585
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	141
Wed. Evening Bible Study: Aug. 28, 2019	120

## Lord's Day Appointments For September, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For September: :

Caleb Rutherford

Carl Cooper      Robbie Landry

Mark Minor

Marie Harper

Jim Harrison

Caleb Rutherford

Preparing Communion for September:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - September 8, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Daryl Cook	<b>Morning</b> - Al Lawson	<b>A.M.</b> - Nathan Roy	<b>A.M.</b> - Daryl Cook
<b>Song Leader</b> - Tommy Rose	<b>Evening</b> - Rodney Brown	<b>P.M.</b> - Clayton Workman	<b>P.M.</b> - Gene Southern
<b>Prayer</b> - Todd Hinson		<b>Wed.</b> - Roger Allen	

### Greeters for September:

Roger and Grace Allen

### Opening and Closing Building:

**Sunday:** - September 8 ~ Al Lawson

**Wednesday:** - September 11 ~ Al Lawson

## Lord's Day Appointments - September 1, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Allen Cooper	<b>Morning</b> - Mark Minor	<b>A.M.</b> - Charley Belch	<b>A.M.</b> - Jacob Woodbury
<b>Song Leader</b> - Roger Allen	<b>Evening</b> - Daryl Cook	<b>P.M.</b> - Wayne Allen	<b>P.M.</b> - Mark Clemmons
<b>Prayer</b> - D. C. Mock		<b>Wed.</b> - David Shoaf	

### Opening and Closing Building:

**Sunday:** - Sept. 1 ~ Shawn Thomason

**Wednesday:** - Sept. 4 ~ Shawn Thomason

### Greeters for September

Roger & Grace Allen

## 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  
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