

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

***January 6, 2019***

## **YOU HAVE NEED OF ENDURANCE**

To Christians who were beginning to drift away, the writer of Hebrews said, “Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise.” (Hebrews 10:35, 36) The Christian life has been compared to a long distance race (Hebrews 12:1, 2). Because this race is for a lifetime we must “. . .run with endurance the race that is set before us.” (Hebrews 12:1)

There are some Christians who seem to think this marathon run is a one hundred meter sprint. They are active, zealous and energetic in the service of the Lord for just a short period of time. When it becomes difficult to remain in the Christian race, these sprinters fall out. They are like the rocky soil in the parable of the seed (Luke 8:13). The roots of truth and dedication did not run deep enough, which left the plant susceptible to destruction when conditions worsened. Christians have been prepared to run the race even when things become difficult. We must understand that being a Christian will not always be easy. We must be ready to push on no matter what may come our way.

Other Christians seem to have forgotten that this Christian race is a marathon race to the end of life, also. While they don’t see it as a sprint, they view it as a middle distance race. Maybe they think the race is only 1600 meters when in reality it is twenty-seven miles. It is easy for Christians to begin dropping out of the race when life becomes too busy. It is easy for

Christians to begin to huff and puff and struggle when they begin to devote themselves to the riches and pleasures of life. These Christians are like the seed that had good, strong roots, but were choked out by the thorns (Luke 8:14). These thorns are the “cares, riches, and pleasures of life.” (Luke 8:14)

The Christians addressed by the book of Hebrews were those who had shown themselves to be very strong and dedicated at one point in their lives (Hebrews 10:32-34). However, time had taken its toll upon the church and Christians began to slip away (Hebrews 2:1-3; 3:13). They were not prepared for a long distance run. They had not dedicated themselves to run the race throughout the rest of their lives no matter how long and how difficult the race might have become. The writer of Hebrews, acting like their coach, told them about men and women in the past who had run long distances for the Lord despite much difficulties (Hebrews 11). Those who had run the race in the past are now figuratively cheering Christians on as we run the race (Hebrews 12:1).

I hope you are in the race to win. I hope you are in the race to complete the distance. If you don't complete the distance you may as well have never started. When your spiritual legs are weary, when your spiritual heart is aching, when your spiritual lungs are heaving, and when your spiritual feet are tired, keep running. Don't look back. Just keep running. Don't give up. Just keep running. “For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise.” (Hebrews 10:36)

~Kevin V. Rutherford



### **Please Note:**

**If your email address has not been added to the list, please see Todd Hinson. This list is used to notify of delays and cancellations due to bad weather.**

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

January 7 - Matthew 6:1-18  
January 8 - Matthew 6:19-34  
January 9 - Matthew 7  
January 10 - Matthew 8:1-17



January 11 - Matthew 8:18-34  
January 12 - Matthew 9:1-17  
January 13 - Matthew 9:18-38

## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Roger Allen** is scheduled to have another spinal procedure on January 7th. Prayers are requested that the pain will be removed.

**Doris Cooper** will undergo shoulder surgery on January 8th. Please pray for her recovery.

Please continue to remember **Wayne Hutchins** who is at home recovering from recent surgery.

**Sandy Smith** has been recently released from the rehab Center in Walnut Cove. She is at home and is doing well at this time.

**R. J. Landry** was admitted to the hospital recently to determine if he had meningitis. He is now at home and doing well. We thank all of you for your concern and well wishes, but mostly for your prayers on his behalf. —Joann, RJ, Aliya and Robby.

**Sherrill Stewart** has not been feeling well the last several weeks. He has had several health issues but is slowly recovering.

**Terry Brown**, a friend of David Shoaf, has been diagnosed with Squamous Cell Cancer and began chemo and thirty-five radiation treatments this past week. Please continue to pray for the Brown family.

The family of Gene Southern's niece, Katherine Robbins requested prayers. Katherine's husband, Bobby Robbins, passed away suddenly on Christmas Eve at his home. Katherine and Bobby have a grandchild that is supposed to be born on Jan. 9th. Address will be on the bulletin board if you want to send a card.

**Denny Allen**, Betty Hoot's brother, has received a good report from the doctors in the diagnosis that the cancer has not spread. Please continue to pray for him.

Please pray for **Ken Proctor**, a member at the Shallotte church of Christ. He had been placed on a kidney transplant list. He now has a live donor and is getting closer to having the surgery. Please pray for Ken and his donor, Casey Stanley.

### ~IN SYMPATHY~

*Our sympathy goes out to Ellen Wingo and all the family of **Nita Kirkland**, who passed away on December 26th. A memorial service was held for Nita in Florida this past Thursday, January 3rd, at the Niceville church of Christ. Nita will be greatly missed by the family here at Warners Chapel.*

### ~IN SYMPATHY~

*Our sympathy also goes out to Madelene Holbrook and the family of **Leonard Childress**, who passed away this past week. The funeral was held in Dobson on Wednesday, January 2nd. Mr. Childress was 81 years old and the brother of Madelene Holbrook.*



**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:

**Jan. 6th** - Meeting for singles after morning services this morning.

**Jan. 8** - Sewing for missions will begin on Tuesday. We will meet every Tuesday from 9-12 in the Annex. This year we will be sewing for girls in Guyana and Panama.

**Jan. 8** - The Tuesday Night Class will resume from 7-8 p.m. in the Annex.

### Please Note!!

*The Congregational Fellowship Meals will resume on the third Sunday in January.*



### SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of **January:**  
**Peanut Butter/Jelly (plastic containers)**

### SHUT-INS

Mildred Barker  
Mary Ellen Dull

Ernestine Martin  
Carolyn Minor  
Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers



***Congratulations to Walter and Nancy Cruz at the birth of their daughter, Daisy. She was born on December 30th and both Mom and Baby are doing well.***

### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - December 30, 2018	131
Sunday Worship Service	161
Contribution for December 30, 2018	\$5,804
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	35
Chapters Read:	521
Sunday Evening Worship Service	137
Wednesday Evening Bible study - 1-2-19	102

## Lord's Day Appointments For January, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For January:

Clayton Workman

Mark Minor      Bill Carothers  
Robby Landry  
Emily Workman  
Joe Everett  
Caleb Rutherford

Preparing Communion for January:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 13, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Shawn Thomason	<b>Morning</b> - Carl Cooper	<b>A.M.</b> - Gene Southern	<b>A.M.</b> - Daryl Cook
<b>Song Leader</b> - Tim Allen	<b>Evening</b> - Jody Everett	<b>P.M.</b> - Charley Belch	<b>P.M.</b> - Keith Warner
<b>Prayer</b> - Jack Piper		<b>Wed.</b> - Tim Allen	

### Greeters for January

Walter & Nancy Cruz

#### Opening and Closing Building

**Sunday:** - January 13 ~  
**Wednesday:** - January 16 ~

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 6, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Rodney Brown	<b>Morning</b> - Tommy Rose	<b>A.M.</b> - Nathan Roy	<b>A.M.</b> - Jim Harrison
<b>Song Leader</b> - Wayne Allen	<b>Evening</b> - Daryl Cook	<b>P.M.</b> - Clayton Workman	<b>P.M.</b> - Gene Ruark
<b>Prayer</b> - Steve Martin		<b>Wed.</b> - Allen Cooper	

#### Opening and Closing Building

**Sunday:** - January 6 ~  
**Wednesday:** - January 9 ~

### Greeter for December:

Walter & Nancy Cruz

### 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
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> 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