

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**MAY 8, 2022**

## **Multiplied Transgressions**

Isaiah’s description of the people of Judah in his day shows a corrupt and declining society (Isaiah 59). Isaiah writes, “No one calls for justice, nor does any plead for truth. They trust in empty words and speak lies; they conceive evil and bring forth iniquity (Isaiah 59:4).” He also says, “their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood; their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they have not known, and there is no justice in their ways (Isaiah 59:7-8).” Isaiah notes, “we look for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us. For our transgressions are multiplied (Isaiah 59:11-12).”

These transgressions of the people had caused them to become separated from God (Isaiah 59:1-2). Yet, despite the stubborn and arrogant rebellion of the people, God was still willing to give them an opportunity to repent and to be forgiven. God says, “wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes. Cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rebuke the oppressor; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow (Isaiah 1:16-17).” The people needed to repent and God showed them how. The reward of forgiveness He promised them if they would repent should have been motivation enough for them to change. “Come now and let us reason together, says the LORD, though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson they shall be as wool. If you are willing and obedient you shall eat of the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword (Isaiah 1:18-20),”

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God was willing to forgive them if they would repent. Just as God was willing to forgive those with multiplied transgressions if they would repent, so God was willing to forgive Saul. Although Saul was “a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man,” the grace of God was exceedingly abundant in giving him the opportunity to be saved (1 Timothy 1:12-17). Saul/Paul says he obtained mercy so that Jesus Christ could show in him “a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life (1 Timothy 1:16).” Saul had stubbornly rebelled against God as he violently tormented Christians, and yet he was willing to repent, and God forgave him when he did.

If God was willing to forgive the people described in Isaiah and if He was willing to forgive Saul, when they repented, then surely He is willing to forgive us if we will repent and turn to Him. Peter says repent and be baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38). Luke also records these words of Peter, “Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out (Acts 3:19).” The message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins is one which fills the pages of the Bible and is one which gives great hope and joy to those willing to listen. No matter how wicked a person’s life has been that person is eligible to repent and be forgiven. If one has never become a Christian he needs to repent and be baptized (Acts 2:38). If one has become a Christian but needs to be forgiven he needs to repent and pray (Acts 8:22). God wants us to change. He wants us to turn away from our transgressions and iniquities so that we can be saved. Consider the long-suffering of God, the depths of God’s love, and the riches of God’s grace if you have separated yourself from Him by sin. Repent and come to Him in humble service and obedience, and He will forgive you. Though your sins are as scarlet you shall be as white as snow.

~Kevin Rutherford



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

May 9 - John 1:1-28  
May 10 - John 1:29-51  
May 11 - John 2  
May 12 - John 3:1-18



May 13 - John 3:19-36  
May 14 - John 4:1-30  
May 15 - John 4:31-54

## OUR SICK

Please Remember in Your Prayers

*Brad Hoots, Bonnie Landreth, Aldine Cloud, Joey Childress, Doris Cooper, David Pharr, Gary Harper, Meredith, (Brenda, Ginger, Carolyn, and Walter Goff), Dr. Charles Gainor & Son, Izac, Sandy Smith, D.J. Harrison, Jack Piper, Sandy Smith, Ronnie Knost, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins.*

**Al Lawson** has been having some difficulty with his heart and was scheduled to have heart catheterization this past Monday but was delayed and went home after waiting 15 hrs. at the hospital. Upon going home he had heart pain and returned to the hospital. Al underwent heart catheterization this past Wed. He had two stints put in place. He says he feels great!

**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** was moved to Trinity Rehab in Clemmons recently. No visitors at this time. Please continue to pray for her.

**Ronnie Knost** fell last Tuesday and fortunately did not break any bones but needs to wear a full leg brace - hip to ankle. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please pray for **Eddie Craft**, he has been diagnosed to have Parkinson's Disease. He is doing okay at this time.

**Update on Ellen Meachum:** She is making progress and is able to move and talk some now. Her family has appreciated the prayers and are impressed by all the cards from Warners Chapel.

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 last week. 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.

Prayers are requested for **Don Bowles** who had a heart attack recently and is in the hospital. He has other problems that the hospital is unable to help him with. Mr. Bowles is a friend of George Greenup.

~ In Sympathy ~

*Our Sympathy goes out to Cathy Hutchins and the family of Cathy's 97 year old mother, Catherina (Tina) Hill, who passed away on Saturday, March 30th, 2022. She had suffered a stroke. Arrangements were incomplete. Please pray for this family.*

# 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. There will be a basket for the cards.

### 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. Congratulations!



## Happy Mother's Day

# 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 APRIL:

### 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