

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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Beautiful Walk

The word "walk" is often used in the New Testament to present the idea of "a way of life." When one is walking a certain way that means he or she is living that way. The Christian walk is the great walk to which we have been called by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To walk worthy of this call we must be lowly (Ephesians 4:1-2). That is, we must be humble. We must recognize just how small we are in comparison to God, and we must not arrogantly elevate ourselves over others in our minds. The lowly esteem others better than themselves (Philippians 1:1-4). The lowly fully submit to God and His will (Matthew 7:21-22). The lowly are those who are willing to lovingly serve others (1 John 4:7-11). If one is not lowly, he or she is not walking worthy of the calling.

To walk worthy of the calling we need to be gentle (Ephesians 4:1-2). Pushy, rude, arrogant men and women in the church who bully or connive to get their way are not gentle. Such individuals are not walking worthy of the calling. We need to show a gentleness toward our brothers and sisters in Christ that is befitting of Christian love. Gentle Christians will not yell and scream at one another when there is a disagreement. Rather they will talk kindly to one another as they seek to sort out their differences. We must be gentle in the way we serve one another, the way we talk to one another, and the way we encourage each other.

Longsuffering is also a characteristic associated with walking worthy of the calling (Ephesians 4:1-2). The more we have the qualities of lowliness and gentleness the easier it will be to show the quality of longsuffering. Suffering long with our brethren may mean helping them over long

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periods of time with the trials of life such as sickness, injury, and pain. Longsuffering with our brethren may involve working with our brethren spiritually and in such a way as to keep them encouraged. Longsuffering will include patience and will mature us to the point of not being so easily offended.

Even as we are lowly, gentle, and longsuffering we will also bear with one another in love (Ephesians 4:1-2). Love undergirds all of these qualities. Our love for one another is based upon God's love for us and for our fellow Christians (1 John 4:7-11). We love God because He first loved us, and we love our brothers and sisters because of the evidence of God's love for them. When we love one another the beautiful qualities of 1 Corinthians thirteen will be evident in all of our interactions.

To walk worthy of the calling we need to be lowly, gentle, longsuffering, and loving. When we are lowly, gentle, longsuffering, and loving we will treasure the unity we have with one another. In fact, we will treasure this unity so much we will endeavor to keep they unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:3). The word "endeavor" indicates effort. It takes work and deliberate effort in molding our own characters in such a way as to encourage unity. We must endeavor to encourage unity in others through our loving service, dedication, and edification toward them. This beautiful unity we treasure is held together by the bond of peace. In heaven, there is peace. Peace is beautiful. Peace is what we want to have in the church with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

When all of these qualities are seen in the way we develop our relationships with other Christians we will see wonderful things happening in the church such as: Christians speaking the truth to one another in love, and every Christian doing his/her part to help the body to be joined together and to grow. We will also see Christians edifying one another in love (Ephesians 4:15-16).

Unity, love, and peace. Beautiful words. Wonderful qualities. Let them be seen in you. Let them be seen in the Warners Chapel church of Christ.

~Kevin V. Rutherford



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

December 30 - Revelation 21 December 31 - Revelation 22 January 1 - Matthew 1 January 2 - Matthew 2



January 3 - Matthew 3 January 4 - Matthew 4 January 5 - Mathew 5:1-26

OUR SICK

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Todd Hinson is at home and improving from his recent surgery. He has a follow-up appointment this Monday.

Betty Hoots and Don Minor were both reported ill this past Thursday and unable to attend the Bible Study.

Prayers are requested for **Alberta Jackson** of Susan St. church of Christ in Florida. She has been diagnosed with cancer. She is the sister of Mattie Pharr.

Steve Tesh's mother, **Pat Tesh**, would appreciate receiving cards. Please send "Thinking of You" type cards rather than "Get Well" as she has terminal cancer.

Pat Tesh Apt. 103 Heritage Woods 3812 Forrestgate Drive Winston-Salem, NC 27103

(Please make sure to note Warners Chapel church of Christ so she will know where the card came from.)

Steve Weeks, Gene Southern's brother-in-law, is now in the Summerstone Rehab Center in Kernersville, Room 413.

Please continue to keep Eric Drews, Jaxson Wall, Susie Steen and Lucy Hilburn in your prayers.

SHUT-INS

Mary Ellen Dull D. J. Harrison Ernestine Martin Carolyn Minor

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers

THE PRAYER LIST IS AVAILABLE ON THE CREDENZA IN THE FOYER.



~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy is extended to Ed Shield and family in the death of his **Great Grandmother**, who passed away on Sunday, December 22, 2019. Visitation was held this past Saturday at Hayworth Miller on Silas Cree Pkwy.

Also:

The funeral for **Robert Palmer** was held on Friday, at 1 p.m. at the Lewisville Hayworth Miller.



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 MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS

Bible Study will be moved from Wednesday, January 1st. To Tuesday evening, December 31st. We will have our Song and Prayer Service for the New Year and then have a fellowship over in the Annex afterwards.



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

Suggested Items for the month of **January:**

Peanut butter/jelly (in plastic container)

*Laundry detergent, hand dishwashing liquid, and soap would be greatly appreciated at any time.

AM I A SOLDIER OF THE CROSS

In Matthew 10:38 our Lord said: "And he who does not take his cross, and follow after Me is not worthy of me." Taking up a cross indicates sacrifice for individual Christians as we follow our Lord's example. We can each ask ourselves, "What sacrifice am I making to serve the Lord." Are we at least making a minimal sacrifice such as a TV program, a day of fishing or golf in order to be at all of the services of the church is very important, we must also have a working faith like we have studied in the book of James. We must show evidence that we have studied in the book of James. We must show evidence that we have taken up that cross. Let's be sure to be cross carriers in the year ahead of us.

FOR THE RECORD

136
188
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513
98
79

Lord's Day Appointments For January, 2020

Serving the Lord's Table For January:

Wayne Allen Shawn Thomason

David Shoaf Linda Warner Roger Allen Mark Minor

Preparing Communion for January: Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - January 5, 2020

SONG LEADER **DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER:** SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Rodney Brown Morning -Carl Cooper Charley Belch A.M. -A.M. Bill Carothers Song Leader- Wayne Allen Evening Mike Lundgren **P.M**. Steve Tesh P.M. -Shawn Thomason

Prayer - Steve Martin Tues. Justin Little

> Greeters for January, 2020 **Brad and Betty Hoots**

Opening and Closing Building: **Sunday: Tuesday:**

Lord's Day Appointments - December 29, 2019

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Morning - Todd Hinson Evening - Tommy Rose - Walter Cruz A.M. - Jim Harrison Scripture A.M. -Gene Southern Song Leader - Jason Allen P.M. -Charley Belch P.M. - Gene Southern Wed. -Nathan Roy

- Jim Harrison **Praver**

Greeters for December:

Opening and Closing Building: Gene & Debbie Southern Mark Minor **Sunday:** December 29

Wednesday: December 31 Mark Minor

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 **Randy Warner Gene Southern** Keith Warner **Shawn Thomason Todd Hinson** Mark Roy Adam Warner **Mark Minor Steve Tesh Andy Santiago** Jason Allen **Jody Everett** Jacob Woodbury