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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

November 10, 2019

CRITICIZED FOR COMPASSION

Jesus came into this world to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). He made salvation possible for the lost by His death (Colossians 1:14). While, His work of saving souls involved His sacrifice, and His teaching, it also included other tremendous acts of compassion (Matthew 9).

Jesus healed a paralyzed man, and forgave him of his sins (Matthew 9:1-6). Jesus was accused of being a blasphemer on this occasion. Not long after that, Jesus called a tax collector to follow Him, and ate among tax collectors (Matthew 9:9-13). He was criticized for this also. It was then that He replied, "those who are well have no need of a physician" (Matthew 9:12).

Jesus healed the woman with the flow of blood disease (Matthew 9:18-21), then raised the daughter of the ruler from the dead (Matthew 9:22-26). Jesus then healed some blind men, after which He cast a demon out of another man (Matthew 9:27-33). The Pharisees criticized Jesus and accused Him of casting demons out by the power of the ruler of the demons (Matthew 9:34).

Jesus kept on teaching, preaching, and healing, despite all of the criticisms and attack (Matthew 9:35). The people He taught and healed, were lost, scattered, and confused spiritually. Jesus had compassion on them, viewing them as sheep without a shepherd (Matthew 9:36-37).

So much love, concern, kindness, and compassion coming from the Divine for His creation. Yet, so many from among the created complained, criticized, and condemned. This did not stop Jesus from doing good. This did not bring an end to his preaching, teaching, and healing. If we are criticized for doing good, we must be like the Lord and keep on doing good.

~Kevin V. Rutherford

ASSEMBLY

Let's go clue hunting. We will collect the clues, put them together, and draw some conclusions. The first clue is found in Hebrews chapter ten and verse twenty-five. God speaks of a required assembly in this passage. A collection of saints was expected. This collection/assembly was not to be forsaken. To forsake the assembly would mean to turn our back on it and walk away from it. Don't abandon the assembly, for to do so is to abandon your fellowship with God and His people.

Hebrews ten speaks of a required assembly, but it does not tell us when that assembly took place. We must look elsewhere in the New Testament to find some more clues about this assembly. There are two passages that talk about Christians regularly assembling on a particular day (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2). The passage in the first letter to Corinth literally tell us this took place every first day of the week. So, let's put the first two clues together and see what we have. We have a required assembly of Christians on the first day of every week.

Let's look now for some clues as to what they did when they assembled on the first day of the week. Hebrews 10:25 speaks of the Christians exhorting one another. Acts 20:7 speaks of the Christians listening to preaching and breaking bread together. 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, speaks of the Christians giving for the work of the church.

The expression, "break bread," in Acts 20:7; could refer to the eating of any meal, but it could also refer to the eating of a special meal. When we consider 1 Corinthians 11, we conclude this was a special meal. In fact, it was the Lord's Supper, 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 speaks of the Christians assembling together. In fact, the idea of them "coming together" is repeated numerous times throughout the passage. There was something bad happening at the Corinth assembly. They were abusing the Lord's Supper. But, the abuse of a practice doesn't make the correct use of the practice wrong. Paul corrects the practice in the context. Here he reminds them of how the Lord's Supper is actually to be observed. So, let's put our clues together. The early Christians were not to forsake the assembly that took place upon the first day of the week, at which time they exhorted one another through preaching, partaking of the Lord's Supper, and giving.

Are there more clues? Sure. 1 Corinthians 14 speaks of a worship service. This service included the use of miraculous gifts. We don't have miraculous gifts today (1 Corinthians 13:8-13). But, we do have worship today. The early Christians engaged in singing and praying in their worship service (1 Corinthians 14:15).

Let's put all the clues together and see if we can get a picture of first century Christian worship. There was an assembly for worship that was required (Hebrews 10:25). That assembly took place on every first day of the week (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2). When they assembled, they worshipped God by listening to preaching, by engaging in singing, praying, partaking of the Lord's Supper, and by giving (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34; 14:15; 16:1-2).

~Kevin V. Rutherford

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

November 11 - Hebrews 8
November 12 - Hebrews 9
November 13 - Hebrews 10:1-18
November 14 - Hebrews 10:19-39



November 15 - Hebrews 11:1-19
November 16 - Hebrews 11:20-40
November 17 - Hebrews 12



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Bill Knost remains in the Bermuda Commons Rehab., 316 NC Hwy 801 South, Advance, NC 27006. He is now in Room 109, Tel. #336-998-0240. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Please continue to keep **Don Jackson** in your prayers. He is also confined to his home at this time. He feels he is slowly regaining his strength.

D.J. Harrison has recovered from her walking pneumonia but still having problems with her health. **Jim** has been ill this past week with a virus.

Todd Hinson will have kidney surgery on December 19th at Medical Park Hospital.

Please keep **Carolyn Minor** in your prayers. She is currently having trouble with her legs swelling and having to have in-home care to attend to them.

Please pray for **Lily Hudson**, the 2 month old daughter of a co-worker of Emily Workman. She remains very ill after contracting meningitis. They are currently trying to get seizures controlled. She remains hospitalized.

Please remember the **Tesh Family**. Steve's mother is very sick.

Please pray for Rick Clemmons' mother, **Rosemary Clemmons**. She is having difficulty with some of her medications. She is seeing her doctors and they are making changes.

Many of Warners Chapel probably remember **BJ Bruce** from the Southside church of Christ in Galax who conducted our Singing Workshop. Please keep his family in your prayers. Their youngest son Jaxon has been diagnosed with mastocytoma on his back. If it becomes internal it changes to mastocystosis which could become cancerous.

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

ADDRESS OF NEW MEMBER:

We welcome **Bethany Barbee** into the family of Christ that worships here at Warners Chapel. Bethany was baptized on October 7, 2019. Her address is:

**P. O. Box 1294
Mt. Pleasant, NC 28124
Tel. #704-796-7850**

Please add her name and address in your directory.



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

Nov. 13 - Tuesday Evening Class from 7-8 p.m. in Annex.



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

Suggested Items for the month of November:

Toiletries (deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, shampoo, conditioner, etc.)

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

SHUT-INS

**Mary Ellen Dull
D. J. Harrison**

**Ernestine Martin
Carolyn Minor**

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers

ADDRESS FOR JUSTIN MINOR:

**SGT MINOR, JUSTIN
FOX CO. 1-113th, 30 ABCT
APO AE 09330**

Read the following scriptures, and see for yourself that one can fall from grace.

Gal. 5:4; Matt. 25:30; Phil. 2:12; John 15:5-6; Rom. 11:20-22; 1 Cor. 10:12; Rev. 22:14; Luke 8:13; 2 Pet. 1:10; James 5:12; Rev. 2:5; 1 Cor. 9:27; 2 Pet. 2:20-21; 2 Pet. 3:17.

By Harold Sain

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - November 3, 2019	165
Sunday Worship Service:	183
Contributions for Oct. 27, 2019	\$9,237
Daily Bible Readers:	39
Chapters Read:	506
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	151
Wednesday Evening Bible Study, Nov. 6	

Lord's Day Appointments For November, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For November:

Charley Belch
Colin Robinson Gene Ruark
Jesse Power
Carolyn Plunk
Caleb Rutherford
John Allen

Preparing Communion for November:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - November 17, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Randy Warner	Morning - D. C. Mock	A.M. - Wayne Allen	A.M. - Michael Cooper
Song Leader - Clayton Workman	Evening - David Shoaf	P.M. - Steve Tesh	P.M. - Sherrill Stewart
Prayer - Tommy Ridings		Wed. - Tim Allen	

Greeters for November:

Shawn & Terrie Thomason

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - November 17 ~ Gene Ruark

Wednesday: - November 20 ~ Gene Ruark

Lord's Day Appointments - November 10, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Mark Clemmons	Morning - Tommy Rose	A.M. - David Shoaf	A.M. - David Moore
Song Leader - Charley Belch	Evening - Darryl Cook	P.M. - Charley Belch	P.M. - Gene Ruark
Prayer - Tim Allen		Wed. - Nathan Roy	

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - November 10 ~ Rick Clemmons

Wednesday: - November 13 ~ Rick Clemmons

Greeters for November:

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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