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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

September 8, 2019

Walking in the Truth

Truth must be learned, loved, and lived. Jesus said, "he who does the truth comes to the light (John 3:21)." One must come to the light to be saved (John 1:1-10; John 3:14-21; 1 John 1:5-7). To come to the light one must do the truth (John 3:21). Therefore, one must do the truth in order to be saved. This is why the question asked by the Jews on Pentecost is a very good question: "Men and brethren, what shall we do (Acts 2:37)?" Another way of expressing this is to say truth must be walked in. To walk in something means that it is your way of life. Walking in truth indicates the truth has encompassed one's whole life. One must learn it, love it, and live it. It was very encouraging to the apostle John to know that "his children" were walking in truth (2 John 1:4; 2 John 1:3-4). This indicates the importance of remaining faithful to the truth, and shows us that faithfulness to the truth is a continual, every day fact of who we must be as Christians.

We live under the New Covenant or Testament. The first Testament (Law of Moses) was fulfilled when Christ died upon the cross (Colossians 2:14-17). Jesus' last will and testament came into force when he died (Hebrews 9:15-17). We now live under a different priesthood and this fact alone proves there has been a change in the law (Hebrews 7:12-14). Therefore, we understand we are not bound by the Law of Moses today. However, even while the Law of Moses has been fulfilled in Christ (Romans 10:4; Matthew 5:17), there are many principles we can learn about God specifically, and walking in truth generally from a study of the Old

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Testament. Thus, it was preserved for our benefit (Romans 15:4; 1 Corinthians 1-11). With that in mind, let's take a look at Hezekiah as an example of what it means to walk in truth. The Bible says Hezekiah walked before God in truth (2 Kings 20:3). If we want to have some idea of what it means to walk before God in truth, then we should take a look at how Hezekiah did this. 2 Kings 18:1-6 shows us exactly how Hezekiah walked in the truth. First of all, we are told that Hezekiah did what was right in the sight of God. If a person is going to walk in truth he must do what is right in the sight of God rather than what is right in the sight of men. This directly addresses the question, "is it wrong to be right?" No. It is not wrong to be right. Yes, being right is very important. Right in the sight of God to be specific. What man thinks is no standard. Doing what is right in the sight of men rather than in the sight of God is not walking in truth and will not ever please God.

What else did Hezekiah do (2 Kings 18:1-6)? He destroyed the places of false idol worship. One religion is not as good as another. One faith is not as good as another. It is not true to say that God accepts whatever man wants religion to be. Rather man must accept what God demands to be right. What one believes, practices, and teaches does matter. If one believes, practices, and teaches the doctrines of men and the gut-feelings of their inner hearts rather than doing what is right in the sight of God, they are not walking in the truth, they are not right, and they are not pleasing God (cf. Jeremiah 7:23-24; 9:12-14; 16:12; 18:12). In any matter, including faith and worship the attitude that seeks to please men (including self) rather than God is "evil (Jeremiah 13:10)."

Hezekiah trusted in the Lord God of Israel, held fast to the Lord, did not depart from following God, and kept God's commandments (2 Kings 18:5-6). This is what it means to walk before God in truth (2 Kings 20:3). Does one have to be right in the sight of God to be walking according to truth? Yes. In fact, one must keep God's commandments to be considered one who is walking in the truth, and walking in the truth is crucial to faithful Christian living (2 John 1:1-4; 3 John 1:3-4). If Hezekiah had come up with his own religion, or created some sort of hybrid religion he would not have been walking in the truth. If he had decided to have religion his way, he would have been in direct rebellion against God.

~Kevin V. Rutherford



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

Sept. 9 - 2 Cor. 2
Sept. 10 - 2 Cor. 3
Sept. 11 - 2 Cor. 4
Sept. 12 - 2 Cor. 5



Sept. 13 - 2 Cor. 6
Sept. 14 - 2 Cor. 7
Sept. 15 - 2 Cor. 8



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Lydia Wright underwent surgery on August 29th. She is doing well in her recovery. Please keep her in your prayers.

Don Jackson underwent surgery this past Thursday to insert a temporary pacemaker. He will undergo surgery possibly on Monday, Sept. 9th to install the new pacemaker after they determine where to place it. (Thank you for remembering me in prayer. - Don Jackson)

Mary Seal is recovering satisfactorily at home and hopes to be back at worship services very soon. Please keep her in your prayers.

Kim Matthews was reported this past Wednesday to be feeling better at this time.

Mary Ellen Dull is improving after a fall last week.

Prayers for Gina Strickland's husband, **Buddy**. He will be having knee surgery on September 11th.

Please pray for Dave and Pam Bickers and family. **Joseph Bickers**, their 22 year old grandson, passed away this past Sunday evening. The Bickers worship at Deep River church of Christ. Their son's family live in Raleigh.

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.

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.

PLACED MEMBERSHIP

We are happy to welcome **Donna Duncan** into the family of Christ that worships here at Warners Chapel. Donna's address is: **462 Beth Avenue, Winston-Salem, NC 27127. Telephone 336-306-6345.**

Please add her to your telephone directory.

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



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 Conference with Brother Joe Wells, editor of Kaio Magazine for teens and the host of the internet Bible Program — The Hey Joe Show. Schedule on bulletin board.

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 - Sept. 1, 2019:	134
Sunday Worship Service:	160
Contribution for Sept. 1, 2019:	\$6,982
Daily Bible Readers:	38
Chapters Read:	581
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	127
Wed. Evening Bible Study: Sept. 4, 2019	127

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 15, 2019

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Brad Hoots	Morning - Steve Tesh	A.M. - Gene Southern	A.M. - Bill Carothers
Song Leader - Joe Everett	Evening - Mike Cooper	P.M. - Wayne Allen	P.M. - Shawn Thomason
Prayer - Kevin Rutherford		Wed. - Nathan Roy	

Greeters for September:

Roger and Grace Allen

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - September 15 ~ Colin Robertson

Wednesday: - September 18 ~ Colin Robertson

Lord's Day Appointments - September 8, 2019

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

Opening and Closing Building:

Sunday: - Sept. 8 ~ Al Lawson

Wednesday: - Sept. 11 ~ Al Lawson

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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