

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

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

A SURE FOUNDATION

If one would look at the Tower of Pisa you would think that you were looking at a middle school science project gone awry. Commonly known as the "Leaning" Tower of Pisa, the structure was not meant to be built that way. The project was started in 1173 but was not finished until 1372; 199 years! During that time, Italy was a group of provinces that were very conflicted with one another and skirmishes and wars halted the progress. The problem with the Tower is that its foundation was not deep enough and was applied to soft ground.

Let's apply this principle today. There are those in the world who go to school, devour books of learning and graduate with honors yet do all kinds of stupid things, make poor choices and mess up their lives. Why, because they have a faulty foundation. They may have knowledge, they may have learning, and they may have education, but they don't have wisdom. The Bible says in Psalms 111:10 that, "The fear of the LORD is the beginning [foundation, PEK] of wisdom."

God spoke to Isaiah the prophet who communicated to Judah the importance of a solid foundation. "Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste" (Isaiah 28:16).

Using a similar comparison, the Apostle Paul referred to Christ as a sure foundation. "And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone" (Ephesians 2:20).

If you really want to be wise and make good choices you must begin with a solid foundation which is the word of God. When God's word is your foundation, you won't lean in any direction. You will stand firm and tall in the world.

Paul

ELDER'S CORNER:

CAN THE CHURCH SURVIVE?

Social injustice, homosexual marriage, divorce, cohabitation, adultery, premarital sex, pornography, abortion, casual drug use, the rejection of absolutes, the immorality of the entertainment industry...these are a representative sample of some of the things our culture embraces today.

Can the church survive such moral degradation? Can it survive 21st century American culture, or will it become a decaying relic of the past? Does the moral depravity of our culture threaten the very existence of the church today? Is it really possible for the church to find relevance in today's culture?

The answer to all these questions is an emphatic "YES!" and if we think otherwise, maybe we need to rethink a few matters regarding the kingdom of God.

Whether we're talking about God's reign in such patriarchs as Noah, his reign in Old Testament Israel, or his reign in the church today, his people have always been situated in an immoral world. Did Noah and his family need a moral culture in order to be faithful to God? When Israel walked in the commandments of the Lord, was it because their surrounding culture was moral? What New Testament church was situated in a moral culture?

My point is, the success and future of the church is not and never has been in the hands of our culture, but in our faithfulness to God and God's faithfulness to keep his promises. Do I like the growing momentum of immorality in our culture? Certainly not, but the success and relevance of the church is not tied to our culture. America can rise and fall, but God's church will remain. Isn't that what Daniel 2:44 teaches?

Let's not forget that we are part of an unshakable kingdom (Hebrews 12:28). Don't buy what the prophets of doom and gloom are selling. Don't allow the immorality of our culture to overwhelm, discourage, and defeat you. Instead, remember that we are more than conquerors (Romans 8:31, 35-37)!

Steve Higginbotham

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2014

March 3 - Mark 8:1-21

March 4 - Mark 8:22-38

March 5 - Mark 9:1-29

March 6 - Mark 9:30-50



March 7 - Mark 10:1-31

March 8 - Mark 10:32-52

March 9 - Mark 11:1-18



OUR SICK

Please Remember in your prayers

Rick Clemmons was scheduled for surgery on Feb. 27th at the Duke Hospital. No information on his condition at this time.

Darrell Hauser is at home and is improving. Thank you for the cards and calls.

Continue to remember **D.J. Harrison** and **Cathy and Wayne Hutchins.**

Mary Anne Allen's mother, **Rowena Hayes**, is doing well in her recovery from heart surgery. Her home address is: 3751 East Blue Creek Rd., McEwen, TN 37101.

Please pray for the family (Laura, and children: Emily, Paul, and Rowan) of Max Gano who passed away on February 21st. The family address is 11413 Pinyon Ave., NE, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110. If you wish to send a card, please mention Emily Workman's name.

Carolyn Minor was hospitalized Feb. 11-18 with a high potassium problem and kidney failure. She is presently at the Regency Care in Clemmons for several more weeks undergoing rehab. It was mentioned that she would appreciated cards which may be sent to Regency Care, 3905 Clemmons Rd., Clemmons, NC 27012 or to her home at 207 Park Ridge Circle, Apt. P, Winston-Salem, NC 27104.

Thank you for prayers in behalf of **Dawn West** (co-worker of Dwight Barringer). She donated a kidney to her husband. The surgery was successful and she is back at work.

Also, thank you for your prayers in behalf of Shannon Harper's friend, **Ann Berlin**. She is recovering from surgery and the tumors were not cancerous as the doctor had previously indicated. God Bless All!



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer.

~In Sympathy~

Our sympathy goes out to the Sidden family in the death of Eva Nelle Sidden's daughter-in-law, Eydie Sidden, who passed away February 21st. The funeral was held on Feb. 23rd in King, NC. Eydie Sidden was the wife of Eva Nelle's son, Gary Sidden.

Thank You

We would like to thank you for all the cards, visits and all the kind words that were spoken about our love one, Bob Hoots.

Also, we want to thank the ladies that prepared the food and the ladies that were at our home to serve.

In Christian Love, The Hoots 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 MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE PROVIDED BY ZONE 1.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

Mar. 2 - Pew Packers this evening at 5:30 p.m.

Mar 4 - Sewing for Nicaragua in the Annex at 9:30 a.m.

Mar. 6 - 50 and Older Class will meet at 10:30 in the Annex.

Mar. 9 - Daylight Saving Time begins.

Mar. 29 - LADIES DAY beginning at 8:30-1 p.m.

AREA EVENTS:

<u>March 8</u> - Carolina Men's Fellowship at Gold Hill Road. Sign-up sheet for van on bulletin board in foyer.

<u>Mar. 9-12</u> - Gospel Mtg. at Charlotte Ave. church of Christ with Gary Hampton speaking.

March 15 - Ladies Day at South Stokes

March 22 - Youth Rally at the Eastside church of Christ

April 6-10 - 70th Carolina Lectures - sign up sheet.

June 14-15 - Abilene church of Christ 100th Homecoming.

See bulletin board for further information.

MESSAGE FROM LEFFEW FAMILY

The **Leffew family** moved to Shallotte, NC, on Feb. 7th. They are attending the church of Christ in Shallotte but regret not being able to say goodbye to everyone here. They are doing well and miss all here at Warners Chapel. Their new address is 452 Holder Beach Rd., SW, Shallotte, NC 28470. Telephone 910-755-7621.

FOR THE RECORD

| Sunday Bible Study - Feb. 23, 2014 | 145 |
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| Sunday Morning Worship Service: | 173 |
| Contribution for February 9, 2014 | \$6,628 |
| Daily Adult Bible Readers: | 36 |
| Chapters Read: | 672 |
| Daily Children Bible Readers: | |
| Chapters Read: | |
| Sunday Evening: | 124 |

107

Wednesday Evening: February 19, 2014

Lord's Day Appointments - March 9, 2014

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Andrew Hinson Morning - D. C. Mock A.M. - Clayton Workman A.M. - Brad Hoots

Song Leader - Roger Allen Evening - Jody Everett P.M. - Tim Allen P.M. - Justin Minor

Prayer - Todd Hinson Wed. - Wayne Allen

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): Greeters: March FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Morning - Abby Little Morning - Robin Hauser D. C. & Ingrid Mock Zone 2

Evening - Betty Hoots **Evening** - Meredith Southern

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - March 9 Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - March 12 Shawn Thomason

Lord's Day Appointments - March 2, 2014

Devotions: Opening Prayer a.m. - Mark Minor Scripture Reader a.m. - Andrew Hinson

Scripture: Allen Cooper p.m. - Adam Warner p.m. - Derek Elam

Song: Tim Allen Song Leaders: a.m. - Gene Southern Nursery #1: a.m. - Jessica Lay

Prayer: D. C. Mock p.m. - Jason Allen p.m. - Mary Anne Allen

Wed. - Mark Roy Nursery #2: a.m. - Rhonda Hardister

p.m. - Nancy 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

David MooreRandy WarnerMike CooperTim AllenKeith WarnerJody EverettJoe EverettAndy SantiagoGene SouthernTodd HinsonMark MinorShawn Thomason

Steve Tesh Jason Allen