



Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

August 26, 2012

“JUST WHERE DO YOU STAND?”

In Ephesians 6:10-11 the apostle Paul describes the Christian armor. In 1 Timothy 6:12 he exhorts the reader as he would the Christian soldier, “to fight the good fight of faith.” In the line of thought of being a “soldier” the Christian must strive to move forward without retreat and without compromise.

*In putting on the whole armor of God we are to “stand therefore,” Ephesians 6:14. We stand in various ways: 1) We must stand **for** something, so we stand “for the righteousness of God,” (Romans 10:2); 2) We must stand **on** something, so we stand on the foundation of Christ for “other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid which is Jesus Christ.” (1 Corinthians 3:11); 3) We must stand **in** something, so we stand in the “true grace of God.” (1 Peter 5:12); 4) We must also stand **apart from** sin and error. King David describes the child of God as one “that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.” (Psalms 1:1).*

So the question comes to each of us, “Just where do you stand?”

Frank

ELDERS CORNER:

PROBLEMS, PROBLEMS, PROBLEMS

"The only survivor of a shipwreck washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements, and to store his few possessions. But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stung with grief and anger. 'God, how could you do this to me!' he cried. Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. 'How did you know I was here?' asked the weary man of his rescuers. 'We saw your smoke signal,' they replied."

I have to admit, I cringe when people blame God for their problems. Who are we, as a small and sinful people, to point the finger at God and condemn Him for our problems? The reason I like the above illustration is because it shows that positive things come from trials sometimes. We are all wearing blinders that make it hard to see past our immediate situations. All we see are the problems happening right here and right now. For this reason, it is so important that we keep our composure and work through the trials.

There is a much better way to view the problems we face. It is all about perspective. We need to look for the silver lining. The book of James speaks often about trials and suffering. Here are a few suggestions to view trials with a better attitude:

- Look at trials as a joy, because they are (James 1:2; 1 Peter 4:12-16). Maybe we go through some of our problems because God sees us worthy enough for such a difficult trial!
- Look at trials as a test from God, because they might be (James 1:3; Genesis 22). Will we pass this test, or will we get angry and blame God?
- Look at trials as a way to make you better and stronger for the future (James 1:3-4). Take off the blinders and start looking for how God may use this in your future.

God never promised that this life will be problem free, even for the most faithful. He has promised an eternal reward in heaven for those who remain faithful through this life though (Revelation 2:10). So the next time a trial comes your way, how will you react?

Brett Petrillo, "The Daily Bread" – Bear Valley church of Christ

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2012

August 27 - I Cor. 9
August 28 - I Cor. 10:1-18
August 29 - I Cor. 10:19-33
August 30 - I Cor. 11:1-16



August 31 - I Cor. 11:17-34
September 1 - I Cor. 12
September 2 - I Cor. 13

**Sewing this Week: August 26, 2012*

Devotions:

Scripture: Allen Cooper

Song: Tim Allen

Prayer: D. C. Mock

Opening Prayer a.m. - Tommy Rose

p.m. - Adam Warner

Song Leaders: a.m. - Gene Southern

p.m. - Wayne Allen

Wed. - Gene Southern

(Song Req. Service)

Scripture Reader a.m. - Ken Cooper

p.m. - Gene Ruark

Nursery #1: a.m. - Sandy Warner

p.m. - Linda Flinchum

Nursery #2: a.m. - Meredith Southern

p.m. - Jean Rose

OUR SICK

Please Remember In Your Prayers

Darrell Hauser has requested the prayers of the church in his behalf. He has a bacterial eye infection - cause unknown. He is being treated with antibiotics at this time.

Carolyn Minor is improving and has been moved to **Room 8114** at the Forsyth Medical Center. She may have visitors.

Aiessa Call's uncle who is battling cancer, received some bad news this past week and Hospice may be assisting. Please pray for her family.

Prayers are requested for Virginia Elam's niece's husband, **Low Poteat**, who has had cancer but has been in remission for five years. The cancer has returned and he will be entering the Duke Hospital for an operation on August 28th. Also please pray for his wife, Donna Poteat.

Gina Strickland's niece, **Jessica Strickland**, will be coming home Monday from the Renfrew Center. She has gained 17 lbs. She will receive follow-up treatment in Charlotte. Thank you for all your prayers.

Also, please continue to pray for **Rich Pentuk**. He has begun chemo and radiation treatment but is in considerable pain and has not been coherent for more than a week. Prognosis is not good.

Please remember all the college students and those in the military.



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

I WONDER

I watch my neighbor day by day
And never see him kneel to pray;
And sometimes from his lips is heard
The mutter of a blasphemous word.

But he look back across the road
And sees me stumble with my load.
He sees my weakness on display
And stumbles on his chosen way.

He, too, has eyes with which to see,
I wonder what he thinks of ME!!

Then when I think of Him above,
Who rules the earth by matchless love;
Who sees the errors of us all,
But still will help us when we fall;

Who hears each petty quarrel and fuss,
I wonder what He thinks of US!!!

—Selected

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.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN THE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE SPONSORED BY ZONE 4.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

August 26 - Pew Packers will meet at 5:30 p.m.

August 26 - Deacon's Meeting at 5 p.m.

August 26 - Ice Cream Supper in the Annex following the evening worship service. Please bring homemade ice cream, cookies or brownies. Everyone is invited! Clarence Sheets' birthday is Aug. 27th and Debbie will be bringing a cake to celebrate his birthday and would love for everyone to attend and celebrate his birthday as well.

AREA EVENTS:

Sept. 8 - Ladies' Day at the Capernaum Church of Christ. Theme: "Walking In The Light"

Sept. 14-15 - Singspiration at the Carolina Bible Camp.

Sept. 15 - Oak Forest Church of Christ Ladies Day. Theme "Strength and Honor Are Her Clothing"

Sept. 23-27 - Gospel Meeting at the Mooresville church of Christ. Speaker Jonathan Macon

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR MORE INFORMATION.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Carolina, Valentina & Jennifer Ferguson's new address is:
115 Windsor Circle
Advance, NC 27006

Please make this change in the directory section of your 2012 Workbook.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - August 19, 2012	149
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	187
Contribution for August 19, 2012	\$5,664
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	28
Chapters Read:	665
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening:	124
Wednesday Evening: August 22, 2012	107

Appointments for September, 2012

Serving the Lord's Table For September:

Todd Hinson

Jim Harrison Frank Shepard

David Prongay Tim Harper

Preparing Communion for September:

Gina Harper

Making Announcements on Sunday:

David Moore

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Andy Santiago

Lord's Day Appointments - September 2, 2012

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:		SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture	- Andrew Hinson	Morning	- Steve Martin	A.M. - Jason Allen	A.M. - Randy Warner
Song Leader	- Roger Allen	Evening	- Allen Cooper	P.M. - Roger Allen	P.M. - Homer Holland
Prayer	- Todd Hinson			Wed. - Mark Roy	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):		Greeters: <u>September</u>	FELLOWSHIP MEAL:
Morning	- Gaye Ruark	Morning	- Rhonda Hardister	Shawn & Terri Thomason	<i>Zone 1</i>
Evening	- Marie Harper	Evening	- Nancy Minor		

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday:	- September 2	Mike Cooper
Wednesday:	- September 5	Mike Cooper

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
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“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 Moore	Randy Warner	Jason Allen
Tim Allen	Tommy Rose	Mike Cooper
Joe Everett	Keith Warner	Jody Everett
Todd Hinson	Andy Santiago	Gene Southern
Steve Tesh	Mark Minor	Shawn Thomason