

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

## Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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## THE BABY LEAPED IN HER WOMB

WARNING: Parents need to read this article and decide for themselves whether or not to allow their children to read it. This article contains a brief description of an abortion.

"The American College of Pediatricians concurs with the body of scientific evidence that human life begins at conception—fertilization (acpeds.org)." The 2004 ACP statement concerning the beginning of human life also says, "Scientific and medical discoveries over the past three decades have only verified and solidified this age-old truth. At the completion of the process of fertilization, the human creature emerges as a whole, genetically distinct, individuated zygotic living human organism, a member of the species homo sapiens, needing only the proper environment in order to grow and develop. The difference between the individual in its adult stage and in its zygotic stage is not one of personhood but of development (acpeds.org)."

When Mary went to visit Elizabeth, the baby that was in Elizabeth's womb jumped at the sound of Mary's voice (Luke 1:41). Notice the one in the womb is referred to by God, through the Holy Spirit, as a baby. This baby is still in the womb, and is still developing when it is called a "baby". God is telling us that the tiny developing individual within the womb of the mother is a person. The baby is a person prior to birth, and prior to full development. Therefore, killing the baby inside, or outside of the womb is the murder of the most helpless and innocent within our society.

Before we go further, it is important to make it clear we love all mothers who have had an abortion, and all medical personnel who have assisted in abortions (Mark 12:30-31). We want their souls to be saved (2 Peter 3:9). We will do what we can to help any of them come to an understanding of God's love, mercy, compassion, and forgiveness (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

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The most common form of abortion used in our country today (76%) is referred to as curettage, suction, and dilation (abort73.com). A local anesthesia is given to the mother, followed by dilation. A cannula is inserted and then attached to what is in essence a vacuum. The vacuum tears the baby apart and pulls the remains out of the womb. Forceps are then used to remove any larger remaining body parts, followed by the use of a curette to scrape the lining of the uterus (abort73.com).

It is difficult to know the exact numbers of legal abortions that have occurred in this country. Data was kept by the CDC until 2014. Additionally, surveys are sent out by the Guttmacher Institute every three years, but not all clinics will respond. Based on the data that is available approximately 60 million babies have been aborted since 1973. However, the number of abortions has been decreasing since the late 1990's and the number of abortion clinics has been decreasing since 2012 (nrlc.org). Focus on the Family gives a more conservative estimate of 55 million, and says 25% of all women in the United States will have an abortion by the time they are forty-five (focusonthefamily.com). According to the CDC, 652,639 legal abortions took place in 2014, which is the last year for which the CDC kept records (cdc.gov). This equates to 186 abortions for every 1,000 live births (cdc.gov). The World Health Organization says 40-50 million abortions occur every year throughout the world, which equates to about 125,000 each day (worldometers.info).

Clearly, the numbers of legal abortions are staggering. Should we care? Should this cause us any concern? The people of Judah were judged, condemned, and punished by God through a foreign invasion because the people of Judah had shed "very much innocent blood (2 Kings 21:16)." The Lord refused to pardon Judah because of the murder of the innocents (2 Kings 24:1-4). Who were the innocent people that had been killed by Judah? It was their own children. It was their babies. They were killing their children in sacrifices to an idol" (2 Kings 21:6).

Love God. Love His Word. Love His people. Love the world. Love the mothers of aborted children. Love the medical personnel who perform abortions. Love the people who promote abortions. Have an interest in the souls of all. But, do not compromise the truth on this matter.

~Kevin V. Rutheford

## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018**

October 15 - 1 Thess. 3 October 16 - 1 Thess. 4

October 17 - 1 Thess. 5

October 18 - 2 Thess. 1



October 19 - 2 Thess. 2 October 20 - 2 Thess. 3 October 21 - 1. Tim. 1



# OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Pravers

Please keep **Roger Allen** in your prayers, he has been reported being very ill. He is having to take a lot of medications at this time.

**Nita Kirkland** is now at Salemtowne, Room 8107, for Rehab. Please continue your prayers for her, she has a long recovery road ahead of her.

Please continue to pray for **Tim Harper.** He has been having some problems recently.

Kevin Rutherford's brother, **Brett Rutherford**, has M.S. and is experiencing complications at this time. He is in Tasmania, Australia. Please remember him in your prayers.

It was reported last Sunday that **Paul Kirkpatrick** had some health issues following his by-pass surgery. His address is P.O. Box 748, Rush Springs, OK 73082. Please continue to pray for him.

Please continue to remember Madelene's niece, **Renee Morgan**, who was scheduled to return to the Duke Medical Center recently for more surgery. Her <u>Cancer</u> has returned.

Ben and Alicia Carothers live in Panama City, Florida. They evacuated and are safe. Please pray for their family and friends and that their home survived Hurricane Michael.

Please pray for all the people who have lost family and friends and/or have been affected by damages done to their homes and lives caused by Hurricane Michael.

## **SHUT-INS**

Mildred Barker Ernestine Martin Carolyn Minor Kim Matthews Di-Ann Moser

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers.

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





#### **SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY**

The suggested items for the month of

#### October:

#### soup/beef stew/ramen noodles

#### Gospel Advocate:

It is time to renew or newly subscribe to the Gospel Advocate through the month of October. Please see Don Minor. The cost for a yearly subscription is \$17.50.

<u>Please Note</u>: The new House to House issue is available on the credenza in the foyer. Please take them and share a copy with a friend or neighbor.



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:**

Oct. 16 - Tuesday Evening Class from 7-8 p.m. Oct. 21 - Congregational Fellowship Meal following the morning worship service.

Nov. 3 - Chicken Stew

Nov. 4-7 - Gospel Mtg. with Brother Glenn Hitchcock as speaker. The topic is "The Bible is Still Right"

Nov. 30-December 1 - CONGREGATIONAL SINGING WORKSHOP - The classes will be conducted by BJ Bruce, a member of Southside church of Christ in Galax, Virginia.

(See bulletin board for further information)

#### **Area Events:**

Oct. 14-17 - Gospel Meeting at the South Stokes church of Christ. The speaker will be David Lipe, a former professor of Bible and Philosophy at Freed-Hardeman University and in 2012 became Director of the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies. He retired as director in 2014. He also preaches for the Cherry Creek church of Christ in Sparta, TN. The theme will be "The power of God to salvation"

Oct. 20 - Ladies' Day at the Eastside church of Christ in Winston-Salem. The speaker will be Sister Katonya Smith. Sister Smith is a Winston-Salem native and has been a keynote speaker at several ladies' day events over the last few years.

Oct. 20 - Ladies Day at <u>Highland Acres church of Christ</u> in Statesville. The Theme: "A Christian Woman Service" - Speaker: Sister D'Lea McDaniel from the Corinth church of Christ.

(See Bulletin board for further information)

#### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - October 7, 2018	129
Sunday Worship Service	167
Contribution for October 7, 2018	\$6,719
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	37
Chapters Read:	589
Sunday Evening Worship Service	125
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Oct. 10, 2018	99

## Lord's Day Appointments For October, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For October:

**Tommy Rose** 

Colin Robinson Wayne Allen

Mark Minor

Rodney Brown

Fave K. Todd Hinson

**Preparing Communion for October:** Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - October 21, 2018

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

Mark Minor Scripture Morning -Caleb Rutherford A.M. - Roger Allen A.M. - Mark Clemmons Song Leader-- Gene Southern P.M. - Tommy Rose Tommy Rose Evening Wayne Allen **P.M**.

Wed. - Wayne Allen Prayer Andy Santiago

**Greeters for October:** 

Gene and Gaye Ruark

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: October 21 Wednesday: -October 24

## Lord's Day Appointments - October 14, 2018

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

Morning - Charley Belch Evening - Nathan Roy A.M. - Gene Southern A.M. - Clayton Workman Scripture Shawn Thomason P.M. - Dwight Barringer Song Leader Tim Allen P.M. - Charley Belch Wed. - Don Minor

**Prayer** Jack Piper

**Opening and Closing Building** 

**Sunday:** - October 14 **Greeters for October:** Wednesday: - October 17 Gene and Gaye Ruark

#### 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** Joe Everett Mark Roy Adam Warner **Todd Hinson Mark Minor** Jason Allen Steve Tesh **Andy Santiago Jody Everett** Jacob Woodbury