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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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“PERSONAL EVANGELISM”

You won't find those two words together in the Scriptures. So, where do we get the “phrase” and more importantly, the concept of “personal evangelism”?

One place to start is in the familiar passage of Matthew 28:18-20.

“And Jesus came and spoke to them saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.’ Amen.” You know Jesus was speaking to His apostles. They understood that when He said “Go ... make disciples ...” that He meant ***they*** were to go make disciples. In the Lord's church it has been taught for two thousand years that after obeying the gospel the new Christians were to be taught ***“all things that I (Christ) have commanded you,”*** Of necessity that includes ***“Go therefore and make disciples ...”***

Once again, the word “you” is understood, grammatically speaking. That means us, you and I, and that's as personal as it gets. We, the church, are to make disciples by teaching the good news, the gospel of Jesus Christ – you know, evangelize.

*Let me encourage you, please take it personally, you and I need to practice **personal evangelism.***

Frank

FALSE SECURITY about the KINGDOM

We must be very careful in how we handle God's word. Indeed, it is a "two-edged sword" (Revelation 1:16) that must be respected. Our faith rests on this strong foundation and our actions are prompted by this faith. It is distressing when we come into direct contact with well-meaning religious people who fail to teach the "whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:27) regarding salvation. Unless they later hear the complete gospel, teaching a mere portion of the truth to people is as tragic as not teaching them at all. I can think of few things that are more cruel than to give people a false sense of security regarding their salvation.

Our responsibility is to boldly teach the truth - all of it. I am reminded of the encounter between Paul and "certain disciples" in Ephesus found in Acts 19:1-7. They had only heard a portion of the truth, therefore their immersion was not valid. Read this passage carefully. What courage it takes to teach more accurately the way of truth instead of "letting things be". Paul knew their souls were at stake, and these people laid aside pride, and accepted the call of the Lord to be immersed for the forgiveness of sins in His name. Baptism based on an incomplete understanding of the gospel is not the Lord's baptism into His death and into His body.

Even more troubling is the prevalent teaching that somehow baptism (immersion) is not even needed to "wash away your sins" (Acts 22:16). When our Lord said, "He who *believes and is baptized* shall be saved" (Mark 16:16), He did not mean, "He who *believes and is saved* should be baptized"! But, this is exactly what many people teach today! When you take a fragile soul that is convicted of sin and teach them that Jesus loves them, died for them and wants to save them...then teach that all they have to do is believe...you have given them a false sense of eternal security. That **IS NOT** what the apostles taught. That is not what the "whole counsel of God" proclaims. Be strong and courageous, and lovingly correct such error.

By Lee Jamieson

READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

November 23 - James 5
November 24 - I Peter 1
November 25 - I Peter 2
November 26 - I Peter 3



November 27 - I Peter 4
November 28 - I Peter 5
November 29 - 2 Peter 1

OUR SICK:

Mindy Santiago's aunt, **Katherine Rumley**, suffered a fractured pelvic when she fell recently. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

Bradley Byrd (Joe and Christa Byrd's son—correction from last week) has undergone outpatient surgery and is doing well in his recovery.

The Cravy's have requested prayers for **Margaret Mason** who needs a bone marrow transplant and **Jody House** who has suffered an aneurysm of the brain recently.

Prayers were requested by Al Lawson for **Pat McCormick**, the preacher from Elkin, who is in the hospital at this time with double pneumonia.

It was reported that **Dot Womack** underwent knee replacement surgery this past Wednesday.



Tib Hoots, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins, Virginia Elam, Mildred Barker, Hazel Sweet, Lorene Brown, Jim and Gladys Harper, Jim Warner, Don Jackson, Nellie K. Dorse, Elwood Flinchum, Hilda Hauser, Johnnie Moser, Nora Holder, Rick Clemmons, Elmer Laudenslager, Wyatt & Dot Reeves, and Donald Richards.

Carl Simmons (Bonnie Landreth's son-in-law), **Lori Smith and family** (reported by Ashley Everett), **Daisie Tong and Linda Anderson** (Catherine Cravy's grandmother and mother), **Ron Marshall** (Carla Kirkpatrick's father), **Cathy McDowell** (neighbor of Al Lawson), **Gerald Green & family** (friends of Christa Byrd), **Wendell Hartley** (Frank and Jane Shepard's brother-in-law), **Samantha Swain** (Jane Jester's niece), **Peggy Weeks** (Gene Southern's sister), **Judy Allen** (mother of Jennifer Lee), **Johah Alexander** (son of Patrice Crump Williams), **Faye Hinson** (Todd Hinson's mother), **Cory Lloyd** (brother-in-law of Jason Cravy), **Calli Moody** (two year old undergoing cancer treatment at Duke), **Larry Russell** (friend of Frank & Jane Shepard), **Keith Brenigar** (Sherril Stewart's neighbor), **Linda James** (Jessica Frazier's mother), **Dana Wadford, Jane & Buddy Lawrence** (friends of Kathleen and Adam Warner), **Mary Rackley, Ronnie Seats** (Kenny Brown's stepfather), **Nita Kirkland** (Ellen Wingo's mother)

Also:

Those who have separated from the church
And

The leaders of our country and all those who serve.

Please let us know if there are any that may be taken off the prayer list.

In Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to Kathleen Warner and her family in the death of her Grandmother who passed away recently.

WELCOMB 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 REMAIN FOR A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL SPONSORED THIS MORNING BY ZONE 4.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

***Nov. 24 - Youth Devotional at 7 p.m.**

***Nov. 26 - 50 And Over Class** begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Annex.

YOUNG ADULTS

About a year ago, with the blessings of the elders, Frank Shepard with help started a "young adults" group which meets the third Saturday of every month where we share a meal, fellowship, and have a devotional.

The Bowers have been kind enough to host most of the events, the Cravy's, Everett's and Thomason's have also opened their homes. For the most part the ages range from 18-50 years of age give or take a year or two. If you have children, bring them along too. The object of this group meeting is to provide a relaxed atmosphere to bring family and friends who are not members of the Lord's Church together in hopes of teaching them and bringing them to Christ. It is also the object of this group to form a closer and tighter family bond with our brothers and sisters in Christ. If anyone has questions about the "young adults" group, please ask Frank Shepard, David Bowers or myself (Shawn Thomason). Thank you and hope to see you there.

—Shawn Thomason

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday November 15, 2009

Sunday Bible Study	166
Sunday Morning Worship	225
Contribution for Nov.15, 2009	\$5,583
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	28
Chapters Read:	615
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	12
Sunday Evening	152
Wednesday Bible Study - Nov. 18, 2009	140

LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS - NOVEMBER 29, 2009

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READER
Scripture - Jason Allen	Morning - Allan Knight	A.M. - Don Minor	A.M. - Tommy Rose
Song Leader - Joe Everett	Evening - David Warner	P.M. - Song & Prayer Ser.	P.M. - Brian Downs
Prayer - Carl Cooper		Wed.- Jason Allen	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):	NURSERY (2 1/2-4):	TAPE MONITOR:	FELLOWSHIP MEALS:
Morning - Betty Hoots	Morning - Mary Anne Allen	Gray Nail	<i>Youth People</i>
Evening - Robin Hauser	Evening - Jeannie Moore		

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday November 29

Jason Allen

Wednesday December 2

Jason Allen

Greeters:-Dec.

Bob & Carolyn Plunk



BIRTHDAYS - November 23-29, 2009

Donald Richards

Nov. 24

Gray Nail

- Nov. 26

Dean Binkley

Nov. 25

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

Steve Martin
David Moore
Tim Allen
Joe Everett

DEACONS

Steve Tesh
Randy Warner
Tommy Rose
Keith Warner

Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Todd Hinson