

Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

August 29, 2010

"STRANGERS AND BROTHERS"

In 1970, while living in a barracks at Great Lakes Naval Station, I was told I had a letter in the mail room. Sure enough, there was a letter addressed to Frank W. Shepard, spelled the same way I spell my name. But the letter was postmarked from Texas. I'm from Alabama.

I opened the letter and it started with the word, "Dear Son" As I read through it, it became obvious that it was not my letter. I returned it to the mail room and was amazed that there were two "Frank W. Shepards" in the world.

Seven years later, at the North Charleston church of Christ, located at that time on Rivers Avenue, I was introduced to that very same Frank W. Shepard whose letter I had received. He was passing through Charleston on his way home to Texas. Both of us had gotten out of the Navy, both had become New Testament Christians.

Our paths had crossed once as strangers, and now, once as brothers in Christ. Both of us were surprised, pleased, and humbled at the chance meeting. We worshipped together in spirit and in truth that Sunday. When it came time for him to leave, we said our goodbyes and realized that if we remained faithful to Christ we would see each other again – not as strangers, but as brothers.

— Frank W. Shepard

ELDERS CORNER:

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

It is God's divine plan for his people that they meet together on a regular basis for Worship and edification. The early church met at least once a week for Worship, fellowship and the Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11). There are examples of the church meeting more than this, including daily gatherings (Acts 2:46). Most churches do not meet that often, but they have regularly scheduled times when they come together for study and Worship. Church leaders, along with their wives and children, should set an example by being at these meetings. Attendance at religious assemblies is not an option for the faithful Christian, and the author of Hebrews exhorts all Christians to meet regularly "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another..." (Hebrews 10:25). The failure to attend the services sends a discouraging message to others. Suppose an elder regularly does not attend services on Wednesday evening. While the saints met for worship and Bible study, he sits at home. What a shame! What if the whole church followed his example? If you select leaders who have this attitude toward the meetings of the church, then do not be surprised when attendance at all services begins to fall off.

Most churches have two services on Sunday morning (Bible class and worship) and two evening services (Wednesday and Sunday). Great effort is always made to make these periods of Bible study and worship edifying to all. The elders and deacons should be united in the belief that these assembly opportunities are important for spiritual growth and encouragement. If a man cannot commit himself to attend regularly, then he should not serve as a deacon or elder. Instead, it would be better for him to focus on his commitment to meet regularly with the saints.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2010



August 30 - I Cor. 11:1-16 August 31 - I Cor. 11:17-34

September 1 - I Cor. 12 September 2 - I Cor. 13 September 3 - I Cor. 14:1-20

September 4 - I Cor. 21-40

September 5 - I Cor. 15:1-28

OUR SICK:

Please Remember In Your Prayers:

Anna Carothers Tomlinson underwent surgery this past week. She is reported to be doing well.

Paul Kirkpatrick was reported Wednesday evening to have a virus and a broken blood vessel in his eye.

Amber Minor also reported to have undergone oral surgery recently.

Jean and Lorie Rose were reported to have some health issues last week.

Also, Wayne Hutchins was reported to be having allergy problems.



An up-dated copy of the prayer list may be picked up on the credenza in the foyer. <u>If you know of someone who needs to come off the prayer list</u>, please let Faye know.

Wedding Invitation

Davean Michael Tonkery and **Kenny Lee Brown** invite you to share in their joy as they exchange marriage vows on Saturday, October 16th, 2010 at two o'clock in the afternoon at Warners Chapel church of Chirst. —Reception to immediately follow.

Invitation is posted on bulletin board in foyer.

ADDRESS:

The Chris Jackson Family's address is:

3571 Robinwest Drive Pfafftown, NC 27040 Tel. - Chris - 336-331-2066 Candy - 336-416-9059 Christopher D. - 336-416-8204 Shannon J. Jackson - 336-416-9059

AREA EVENTS

Sept. 11 - Ladies Day at Capernaum church of Christ - Sign-up sheet on bulletin board.

Sept. 25—3rd Annual Senior Rally at Central Union church of Christ in Monroe, NC. See bulletin board.

Oct. 16 - Ladies' Day at the Eastside Church of Christ.

Oct. 23 - Ladies Day at Highland Acres church of Christ. (see bulletin board)



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 THE YOUTH GROUP.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

August 29 - Pew Packers at 5:30 p.m.

August 29 - 5th Sunday Contribution will be divided between the Scholarship Fund and the Thailand Children's Home.

**August 29 - Bundling of House to House following evening worship services (In Annex). Should take about 15-20 minutes. Please Help!

Sept. 12 - Presentation of this year's Nicaragua mission trip by Todd Hinson and Mark Roy.

September 10-12 - Youth Rally. Please start bringing 12 pack drinks (no diet), Oreo or chocolate chip cookies and also need to borrow 6 ice chests.

Sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the foyer.
October 17—Friends and Family Day

October 17-21—Gospel Meeting with Mel Futrell. November 6 - Annual Chicken Stew.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday August 22, 2010	
Sunday Bible Study	172
Sunday Morning Worship	220
Contribution for August 22, 2010	\$4,532
Daily Adult Bible Readers	31
Chapters Read:	737
Daily Children Bible Readers:	
Chapters Read:	
Sunday Evening	154
Wednesday - August 25, 2010	

Serving the Lord's Table for September:

Preparing Communion for August:

Lord's Day Appoint -Ments

Song Leader - Tim Allen

Sunday

Brad Hoots Rodney Brown

Bob Plunk Robbie Santiago Adam Warner

- September 1

P.M. - Randy Warner

Mindy Santiago

Making Announcements on Sunday: Sept. 5, 2010

Jason Cravy Making Announcements on Wednesday: Mark Minor

P.M. - Wayne Allen

Brad & Betty Hoots

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READER Scripture - Andrew Hinson **Morning** - Joe Everett **A.M.** - Steve Tesh A.M. - Mark Minor

Praver - Todd Hinson Wed. -

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): TAPE MONITOR: NURSERY (2 1/2-4): FELLOWSHIP MEALS:

Morning - Gaye Carothers Morning - Rhonda Hardister Chad Southern Zone 1

Evening - Mary Anne Allen **Evening** - Nancy Minor

Opening and Closing Building Greeters:- September Mike Cooper

Evening - Josh Kirkpatrick

Wednesday - Sept. 8 Mike Cooper

- Sept. 5

Birthdays - August 30-Sept. 5, 2010

Kathleen Warner - August 30 Nancy Cooper

Olivia Clemmons - August 31 Al Lawson - September 4

- September 1 Richard Hill - September 4 Iason Horne

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES - Nursery open for small children during all services.

SUNDAY:

BIRTHDAY

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

Steve Martin Steve Tesh Andy Santiago Mark Minor David Moore Randy Warner Tim Allen Tommy Rose **Todd Hinson** Joe Everett Keith Warner