

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

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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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YOU CAN DO IT!

"I Know You Can Do It"

When our youngest daughter was about five years old she was trying to talk her dad into giving her something that she wanted. She decided to try the tactful and encouraging way of convincing her dad. She gave me her best, "daddy I adore you," look. Then, in the sweetest musical tones she said, "Daddy, you can do it. I know you can do it." We might say the same thing to our fellow Christians. Not to get something from them, but to encourage them in their daily battle for heaven. Life is complicated, Satan is cruel, but "you can do it, I know you can do it." This is, in essence, what the Holy Spirit was telling the early Christians in the book of Hebrews. Throughout this book, He gave the evidence and the reason for maintaining faithfulness, even as He gave frequent encouragement to them.

"Let Us Be Diligent"

The Holy Spirit inspired writer of Hebrews speaks of the Jews who died in the wilderness because of their unfaithfulness to God. He then makes the application to us by saying, "Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience" (Hebrews 4:11). So here is the encouragement. "Let us be diligent." Next follows the "why." God sees all of our behavior in the light of His powerful Word (Hebrews 4:12-13). In other words, God knows all that we do as it compares to, or contrasts with His Word.

"We May Obtain Mercy"

Now it may sound as if going to heaven is difficult if God is always comparing our lives with His revealed Word. To be sure, we must give all diligence to live in accordance with His Word. But, because it is hard, and because God loves us, we have help. First, we have a High

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Priest who was also tempted, and who understands us (Hebrews 4:14-15). Second, we can "come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). So yes, "you can do it. I know you can do it," because God is on your side, Jesus understands you, and mercy and grace are richly available to you.

"Exhorting One Another"

Later, in the same book, the Holy Spirit filled writer says, "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:23-25). Here, we are reminded of the need to "hold fast," in faithfulness so that heaven will be our home. In this context, we see that God will help us to get to heaven through the exhortation we receive from our brothers and sisters in Christ. We are to stir up good things in one another, and we are to regularly exhort one another. In fact, when we assemble we should see that as an opportunity to build one another up in view of the coming day of judgment. So, with help from God, through the encouragement of fellow Christians, "you can do it. I know you can do it."

"You Have Need of Endurance"

As the Hebrews writer continues to encourage the early Christians he writes, "do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance" (Hebrews 10:35-36). Then later, as if to say, "you can do it, I know you can do it," the writer says, "But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul" (Hebrews 10:39).

"We Seek the City to Come"

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Sarah endured the temptations and difficulties of this life, and were faithful to God, because they looked for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (Hebrews 11:10). They were focused on receiving that better, heavenly city which God has prepared for them" (Hebrews 11:16). "For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come" (Hebrews 13:14). Heaven is our home. To go to heaven, we must be faithful. In our battle to remain faithful we can receive the help of our brethren through the exhortation they give us, and we can receive the help of God through the mercy and grace He provides along the way. Because of all of this I can confidently say, "you can do it, I know you can do it."

~Kevin V. Rutherford

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2019

August 12 - Romans 12

August 13 - Romans 13

August 14 - Romans 14

August 15 - Romans 15:1-13



August 16 - Romans 15:14-33

August 17 - Romans 16

August 18 - 1 Cor. 1



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Mary Anne Allen had a good report from the surgeon this past week. She is very appreciative of all the calls, texts, food, prayers and encouragement.

Kim Matthews has a UTI. Prayers please!

Please keep **Lydia Wright** in your prayers. She will be undergoing surgery on August 29th.

Bonnie Landreth would like to thank everyone for all the many prayers, phone calls, visits, food and cards she received following her auto accident. She is still unable at this time to attend services due to her injuries.

Jim Harrison has requested we continue to pray for his daughter Tammy who is in recovery and D.J. who has to wear a heart monitor for a week.

"I ask for prayers for **Dave Jackson**, He is in the hospital in Melton, Florida, on dialysis and has been for 2 weeks. He is my brother-in-law. Thank you" - Mattie Pharr.

Virginia Kee's (grandmother of Emily Workman) health condition continues to worsen. Please pray for her and for our family in the days and weeks ahead.

Megan Harris, a student at Harding from Deep River church of Christ, was able to be discharged from the hospital this past week. She had two kinds of E. Coli.

Kevin grew up with Leigh Stokes in Tasmania, Australia. Leigh has a 22 year old son who has fought brain cancer for many years. They have run out of treatment options. Please pray for **Joshua Stokes**.

Please remember **Ruby Bradd**, a three year old with stage 4 cancer. Her father preaches for the church in Clinton, IL. If you wish to send a card, the address is Stephen & Ranae Bradd, 824 W. Main St., Clinton, IL 61727.

Please pray for **Dylan and Brian Johnson**, they are the nephews of Lori Rose's co-worker and friend, Connie Caudle. They were injured in a truck accident this past week. One is in the ICU with bleeding on the brain and in critical condition, the other is now off the breathing tube but remains in the hospital.

Please pray for Karen Clemmons brother, **Eric Drews.** He will have to have a kidney transplant soon.

Thank you so much for your prayers for my nephews. Both of my nephews are now cancer free. — Shannon Harper.

Please remember **Renee' Morgan**, Madelene Holbrook's niece, who is battling cancer. Please pray for her.

~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to Al Lawson and family, in the death of Al's brother, **Harold Gray Lawson**, who passed away on August 2, 2019. Visitation was on Aug. 4th at the Salem Funeral Home and the graveside service was held at the Garden of Memory in Walkertown on Monday, August 5th at 2 p.m.



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.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS

<u>Aug. 14</u> - Song Service

Aug. 18 - Congregational Fellowship Meal

<u>Aug. 21</u> - Auditorium Class - Creation Evidences from a Doctor's Viewpoint - Ian Quinn, Speaker.

AREA EVENTS:

August 11-14 - Series of Gospel Lessons at the Redland church of Christ. Guest Speaker: Phillip Thompson from the Mt. Island church of Christ in Charlotte, NC.



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested items for the month of **August:**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

(Please Note: <u>August is school supply month</u> at the SW Food Pantry. There is a list of items needed on the desk in the foyer.)

SHUT-INS

Mary Ellen Dull D. J. Harrison Ernestine Martin Carolyn Minor

Please remember the shut-ins in your prayers

BAPTISMS

There were many baptisms this past week at Bible Camp. Among them, was Ashling Clauset, the granddaughter of Charley and Pat Belch; and Brian Byrd, the grandson of Gene and Debbie Southern.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - August 4, 2019:	148
Sunday Worship Service:	168
Contribution for August 4, 2019:	\$9.647
Daily Bible Readers:	42
Chapters Read:	681
Sunday Evening Worship Service:	148

Lord's Day Appointments For August, 2019

Serving the Lord's Table For July:

Mark Roy

Jesse Power Ian Quinn

John Allen Grace Allen Roger Allen Mark Minor

Preparing Communion for August: Making Announcements on Sunday: Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Lord's Day Appointments - August 18, 2019

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Randy Warner Morning - Mike Lundgren A.M. - Wayne Allen A.M. - John Allen Song Leader - Clayton Workman Evening - Jody Everett P.M. - Gene Southern P.M. - Michael Cooper

Prayer - Tommy Ridings Wed. - Justin Little

Greeters for August:
Atha Clark & Mattie Pharr

Wed. - Charley Belch

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - Aug. 18 ~ Gene Ruark Wednesday: - Aug. 21 ~ Gene Ruark

Lord's Day Appointments - August 11, 2019

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Prayer - Tim Allen

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday:- Aug. 11~ Rick ClemmonsGreeters for August:Wednesday:- Aug. 14~ Rick ClemmonsAtha Clark & Mattie Pharr

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
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Mark Minor
Jason Allen
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner
Jacob Woodbury