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

**A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU**

**MARCH 11, 2018**

## **HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**By Caleb J. Rutherford**

When you hear a denominational preacher speak, what usually comes forth out of his mouth? Is it all about what "I" feel, and what "I" think, and what "I" want? Or is it words of the Holy Book divine? This is something that we would expect out of denominational preachers, but unfortunately, it can be said of those who call themselves Christians. There are men who preach the message that the people want to hear and not what the people need to hear.

When looking at the book of Jeremiah, one receives a sense of sadness and sorrow. The people of Judah had ample opportunities to do what God had commanded them to do. They very easily could have followed the commands of their God, yet they chose not to. The people of Judah chose to rebel against God and to do what they wanted to do. They would rather fulfill their empty and fleshly desires, rather than put God first and do what He had been telling them to do.

In light of this, God spoke to Jeremiah. He told Jeremiah that He knew him before he was even born, *"Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations"* (Jeremiah 1:5). This shows God possessing an omniscient nature, in knowing everything at all times. God is showing Jeremiah that He is the true God, and that He is all powerful and all knowing.

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The message that Jeremiah spoke was from God. It was not from a man-made creed or doctrine. It was not something that someone just decided to write down and preach. This message was from our eternal Father. If you look at just the first chapter of Jeremiah, verses like 1, 2, 4, 9, 11, 12, 13 all bring out the fact that the message is from God. Specifically, in verse nine where it says, *“Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.”* God was putting the words into the mouth of Jeremiah so he knew what to say.

There was a big distinction between what Jeremiah was saying, through the wisdom and power of God, and what the prophets were saying, which was through themselves, *“Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Harken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD”* (Jeremiah 23:15); *“To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? Behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it”* (Jeremiah 6:10). The prophets spoke to itch the ears of the people. They preached the message that the people wanted to hear, and not what the people needed to hear. Jeremiah, in turn, preached what God had been telling him to preach. If you look at the passage of Jeremiah 6:10-16, five specific things should stand out: 1. The Word of the Lord is a reproach; 2. Given over wholly to covetousness; 3. Proclaiming false peace; 4. They could not blush; 5. They refused to walk in God’s way. The focus of our discussion here should be placed on the very first one: The Word of the Lord is a reproach. They did not want to hear the Word of the Lord. They did not want to hear what they needed to change and what they were doing wrong, But Jeremiah constantly preached, “The Word of the Lord.”

We also need be preachers of “the Word of the Lord.” We do not need to heed to the cries of the people for soft preaching. Sure, God’s love, grace, mercy, and peace needed but so is His severity, anger, and wrath, *“Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off”* (Romans 11:22). It does not matter what the reaction of the people is going to be, we must still preach the word. *“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine”* (2 Timothy 4:2).

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

March 12 - Mark 12:28-44  
March 13 - Mark 13:1-20  
March 14 - Mark 13:21-37  
March 15 - Mark 14:1-26



March 16 - Mark 14:27-53  
March 17 - Mark 14:54-72  
March 18 - Mark 15:1-25



## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

**Nita Kirkland** has continuing back issues and has been unable to attend worship services recently. Please pray for her.

**Sherrill Stewart** has been ill for the past week. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Stan Ferguson**, (a friend of Emily Workman) received not-so-good results from testing recently, indicating cancer still remains in his body after extensive surgery and treatments. Please pray for him and his family as they make decisions in coming days.

Charley Belch's mother, **Lillian Belch**, has improved. She is being treated for an infection. Thank you for all the prayers in her behalf.

### SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker**  
**Ernestine Martin**

**Kim Matthews**  
**Di-Ann Moser**

Please keep the shut-ins in your prayers.

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



### 2018 Nicaragua Medical Mission Donations (June 15-23)

Currently we have ten members from Warners Chapel planning to participate in the campaign in Granda, Nicaragua. Each member has already contributed \$500 toward the expenses of this mission effort. For those wanting, willing and able to provide additional support for the mission work, there are special contribution envelopes on the credenza in the foyer.



### SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

188 Food Items were delivered to the Food Pantry this past week. **The total items delivered so far in 2018 is 351 items. Thank you!**

The suggested item for the month of March is:  
**Pasta/pasta sauce—No glass please**

### The Best Things

"The best things are nearest: the breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of right just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life." —Robert Lewis Stevenson

**"I will praise the Lord according to His righteousness, and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High" -Psalm 7:17**



**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:

**Mar. 11** - **Bundling of the House to House** this evening in the Annex following the evening worship services.

**Mar. 13** - Sewing for Nicaragua at 9 a.m. in Annex.

**Mar. 15** - **The 50 and Over Class** will meet at 11 a.m. in the Annex.

**Mar. 17** - Cleanup Day here at Warners Chapel. Meet at 7 a.m. at Pete's for breakfast. Sign-up sheet on board in foyer.

**Mar. 17** - First LAMBS group get-together. If you are not in the teenage class, this group is specifically created for you, so please come out and join us in the Annex beginning at 2 p.m. There will be cookie decorating and snacks & drinks provided. There is a sign up list on the youth board. For more information, please see Caleb or Kaylon.

**Mar. 24** - **Ladies Day** at Warners Chapel. Sign-up sheets on bulletin board. The speaker will be **Brenda Rutherford**. The topic: "How do I Worship An Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnipotent God?"

### AREA EVENTS:

**Mar. 11-14** - Gospel Mtg. at the White St. church of Christ in Lexington, NC. Various speakers—see board.

**Mar. 17** - **South Stokes Ladies Day** (8:30-Noon) Speaker: Becky Honeycutt from Willette, TN. Sign-up sheet on board.

**Mar. 23** - **Area Singing Fellowship** at the Northwest church of Christ in Greensboro at 7 p.m.

**Mar. 24** - **Men's Retreat** at the Northwest church of Christ. 8:30 to 12 noon.

**Apr. 8-12** - **74th Annual Carolina Lectureship** at Highland Acres church of Christ in Statesville.

**Apr. 13-15** - **Youth Rally** at the Lake Norman church of Christ.

**Apr. 15-19** - **Spring Gospel Mtg.** at West Jefferson church of Christ. Guest Speaker: Chuck Stewart.

**May 5** - **Ladies Day** at Northwest church of Christ Theme: "Soothe Your Soul" Speaker: Jonee' Lewis from WXII News. 8:30-1:00.

**SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR DETAILS**

### **FOR THE RECORD**

Sunday Bible Study - March 4, 2018	128
Sunday Worship Service	163
Contribution for March 4, 2018	\$7,669
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	34
Chapters Read:	586
Sunday Evening Worship Service	121
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Mar. 7, 2018	90

## Lord's Day Appointments For March, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For March:

Andy Santiago

Richard Hamann      Keith Warner

Jody Everett

Rebecca Allen

Tim Allen

Mark Minor

Preparing Communion for March:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - March 18, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - John Allen	<b>Morning</b> - David Moore	<b>A.M.</b> - Nathan Roy	<b>A.M.</b> - Bill Carothers
<b>Song Leader</b> - Gene Southern	<b>Evening</b> - Rodney Brown	<b>P.M.</b> - Clayton Workman	<b>P.M.</b> - Shawn Thomason
<b>Prayer</b> - Neal Harper		<b>Wed.</b> - Nathan Roy	

**Greeters for March:**

Elwood & Linda Flinchum

Opening and Closing Building

<b>Sunday:</b> - March 18	~	David Moore
<b>Wednesday:</b> - March 21	~	David Moore

## Lord's Day Appointments - March 11, 2018

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
<b>Scripture</b> - Brad Hoots	<b>Morning</b> - Al Lawson	<b>A.M.</b> - Gene Southern	<b>A.M.</b> - Daryl Cook
<b>Song Leader</b> - Joe Everett	<b>Evening</b> - David Elam	<b>P.M.</b> - Tim Allen	<b>P.M.</b> - Gene Southern
<b>Prayer</b> - Michael Cooper		<b>Wed.</b> - Allen Cooper	

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<b>Wednesday:</b> - March 14	~	Al Lawson

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### 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**

David Moore  
Tim Allen  
Joe Everett  
Todd Hinson  
Steve Tesh

Randy Warner  
Keith Warner  
Andy Santiago  
Mark Minor  
Jason Allen  
Mike Cooper

Jody Everett  
Gene Southern  
Shawn Thomason  
Mark Roy  
Adam Warner  
Jacob Woodbury