

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

# Warners Chapel Church of Christ

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## A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

### THE GIVING OF THANKS

It is somewhat traditional for those who have surrounded a table this past week and celebrated the holiday of Thanksgiving to express reasons for their thankfulness. Prayers of the faithful have such wonderful sentiment and heart-felt meaning.

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I am reminded of the words of the Holy Spirit in the 136<sup>th</sup> Psalm that expresses thanks for the mercy of God. This may very well be an area that we fail to offer thanks for in our prayers. God was and will be merciful to us on behalf of the sacrifice of His Son who obtained atonement for the sins of the world.

#### Psa 136:1-26

O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

The sun to rule by day: for his mercy endureth for ever:

The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy endureth for ever:

With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

And slew famous kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:

Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy endureth for ever:

And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

Even an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth for ever.

May we always be thankful for the mercy of God.

# **ELDERS CORNER:**

## An Inspirational Story

For some time now I had been somewhat depressed. Some days were worse than others. There were many days when I would pray to God to "call me home" thinking that I had nothing to live for.

Then one day unbeknownst to me my prayers were answered though I did not know it at the time. I met a woman who saw in me that which I did not see. She took the time to get to know me. She and her husband invited me into her home and we began to get to know one another.

Then one day she took a chance and asked whether or not I'd be interested in studying the bible. Initially I agreed because I was curious and because I wanted to be with others - tired of being alone all the time at home.

As the weeks passed I came to find my attitudes changing - for the better. Also, I was finding myself spending more and more time reading and studying the bible - finding it hard to put down.

Then one week my eyes were opened to a very hard truth -- my denominational upbringing from childhood was not complete nor was it based on scripture. This was an extremely difficult truth to overcome. I had been baptized as a baby and the lesson we were covering this particular week was about baptism. It was impossible for me to accept the fact that I truly had not been baptized!

Over the course of the next week I went through the lesson on baptism twice as well as spending a great deal of time reading and soul searching. I spoke with friends and family. It took me a great deal of time to work through to the truth for I am very much a literal person - needing clear concise instructions.

Then, nearing the end of my third time through I again found myself in the book of Mark. Chapter 16 verse 16 reads: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." This is quoted from the Holy Bible - King James Version.

I had finally accepted this difficult truth. I realized I needed to be baptized - soon! I called my minister that very evening and made arrangements to be baptized the next evening.

After the baptism the minister asked me how I felt. At the time I told him I did not know how I felt other than that I was happy that I had been baptized.

Early the next morning while lying in bed contemplating our wondrous Lord I realized that God had indeed "called me home". Every time I think about this it brings on tears of joy.

I truly wish that everyone could share my experience.

Thoughts for Today to Brighten Your Day Glenn, Mercedes and Lauren Hitchcock

# Lord's Day Appointments - November 30, 2014

<b>Devotions:</b>		Opening Prayer	a.m.	-	Carl Cooper	Scripture Reader	a.m	Adam Warner
Scripture:	Allen Cooper		p. m.	-	Justin Minor		p.m	Gene Ruark
Song:	Tim Allen	Song Leaders:	a.m.	-	Jason Allen	Nursery #1:	a.m	Meredith Southern
Prayer:	D. C. Mock		p.m.	-	Youth Lead Service		p.m	Robin Hauser
			Wed.	-	Mark Roy	Nursery #2:	a.m	Abby Little
							nm -	Gina Harner



#### **OUR SICK**

# Please Remember in your prayers

**Virginia Elam** was admitted to the hospital this past week and has had some very difficult days. She is reported to be some better but they are keeping her sedated to keep her comfortable at this time. Please continue to pray for her.

Please continue to keep **D.J. Harrison** in your prayers.

**Kim Sheets** remains seriously ill but is showing some signs this week of improvement. He is on a respirator and heavy sedation at this time. Please continue to pray for him.

Continue to remember Nancy Minor's sister, **Lori Spencer**, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer recently. Her husband, **Fred**, has been undergoing treatments for tongue cancer which he has recently finished. Please keep them both in your prayers.

Clayton Workman's mother, **Francie Workman**, fell and injured herself yesterday and will be confined at home for the time being due to complications caused by her Lupus. Continue prayers in her behalf.

Please pray for **Donna Ferguson**, a co-worker of Rhonda Hardister. The doctors found a spot on her lung which was diagnosed as Stage 4 lung cancer this past week.

Carolyn and Ralph Griffin request prayers for their son, who is still battling cancer.

A woman named **Janet Snyder** called and asked that our congregation pray for her. She has several difficulties in her life to overcome but heard about this congregation as being a prayerful one.

Request: Please pray for this country and the leaders to respect our Constitution and return to a Christian loving and supporting Nation.



The **Prayer List** is available on the credenza in the foyer. The prayer list consists of others we need to remember in our prayers in addition to those listed above.

#### ATTENDED NURSERIES AVAILABLE:



Nursery #1 - (0-2 1/2 Yrs.) Nursery #2 - (2 1/2-4 Yrs.)

#### **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2014**



December 1 - 2 Peter 3
December 2 - I John 1
December 3 - I John 2
December 7 - 2 John

December 4 - I John 3

# Welcome

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:**

Nov. 30 - There will not be a Zone meal on Nov. 30th.

Nov. 30 - Bundling of House to House this evening.

Dec. 23 - Wed. service regularly scheduled for

Dec. 24 will be moved to Tuesday, Dec. 23rd.

<u>Dec. 31</u> - New Year's Eve fellowship following Wed. evening service in the Annex.

#### **AREA EVENTS:**

<u>Feb. 11-15</u> - Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat in Pigeon Forge, TN — See bulletin board

#### PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

We will have photos taken for the new pictorial directory on the following dates:

> January 2nd and 3rd January 26th and 27th

Families with college kids should have preference on the January 2nd and 3rd dates.

More information and sign-ups to come. Everyone will receive a free 8x10 and a free directory at no cost unless you purchase additional pictures/packages that will be offered.

The Sign-ups for the photos will begin December 7th.

#### **Kirkpatrick's Annual Holiday Drop-in**

The Kirkpatrick's will host their annual Holiday drop-in on December 27th, 2014 from 6-7:30pm. If you need directions, please see Paul or Carla.

#### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - November 23. 2014	160
Sunday Morning Worship Service:	195
Contribution for November 23, 2014	\$6,545
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	32
Chapters Read:	571
Sunday Evening:	136
Wednesday Evening - November 26, 2014	106

# Lord's Day Appointments For December, 2014

Serving the Lord's Table For December:

**Sherrill Stewart** 

Neal Harper Elwood Flinchum John Allen Roger Allen

Mindy Santiago Steve Martin Frank Shepard

Preparing Communion for December: Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

# Lord's Day Appointments - December 7, 2014

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Scripture - Homer Holland Morning - D. C. Mock A.M. - Clayton Workman A.M. - Homer Holland

Song Leader - Roger Allen Evening - Randy Warner P.M. - Tim Allen P.M. - Derek Elam

Prayer - Todd Hinson Wed. - Gene Southern

NURSERY (0-2 1/2): NURSERY (2 1/2-4): DEC. GREETERS: FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Morning - Jessica Lay Morning - Rhonda Hardister Sherrill Stewart and Zone 1

Evening - Linda Flinchum Evening - Gina Harper Madelene Hollbrook

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - December 7 Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - December 14 Shawn Thomason

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 MooreRandy WarnerMike CooperTim AllenKeith WarnerJody EverettJoe EverettAndy SantiagoGene SouthernTodd HinsonMark MinorShawn ThomasonSteve TeshJason Allen