

4399 CARVER SCHOOL ROAD

WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27105

OFFICE (336)767-7949 FAX (336)767-7906

Website: www.carverroadchurchofchrist.orgE Mail Address: cr-churchofchrist@outlook.com

PREACHER-SHEPHERD
JEFFERSON R. CARUTHERS, JR.



COMMENTARY CORNER: SAVING OTHERS: A HEART'S DESIRE AND PRAYER™ Brethren my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth" (Rom 10:1—3).

Jesus makes it abundantly clear that His mission was to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). This admission was not necessarily startling, that He had come for salvation. The people expected that the Messiah would be a salvation figure. But their understanding of what and whom He would save was not quite clear.

The Jews expected the Messiah, but were in hope that He would set up an earthly kingdom in some form. Even after the resurrection, His own apostles were asking about whether Jesus would restore the kingdom to Israel (Acts 1:6). We must understand that Israel had been through a few centuries of rule by foreign nations, with a brief hiatus from such rule during the Maccabean and Hasmonean periods (167 BC—37 BC). They were ready for foreigners to leave, and for their king state to be established once again.

Before the death of Jesus on the cross, Jesus informed Pilate that if His kingdom were of this world, His disciples would fight, but Pilate needed to know that the kingdom of Jesus was not of this world. (John 18:36). Both the Jews and Pilate did not know just how the kingdom would come.

There would indeed be a kingdom. Nicodemus was taught that "Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3), and "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God (John 3:5). There would be a kingdom. When Jesus said upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hades would not prevail against it (Matt

16:18), He included that He would give His apostles the keys to the kingdom of heaven (Matt 16:19). We should understand that salvation includes our presence in the kingdom of Christ and of God (Eph 5:5).

The people of Jesus's generation were not only unclear on what the nature of kingdom would be, they were also uncertain about who would make up the kingdom. Jesus certainly has the power to save all men and women. But not all men and women accept that all can be or should be saved. Jesus demonstrates that in whatever station in life one finds himself or herself, one can be saved.

The educated doctors, lawyers, and teachers of His day could be saved. Nicodemus is again an example. And Nicodemus was challenged to know truths concerning salvation: "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things" (John 3:10)? Jesus came to save the learned.

Jesus came to save the rich. There were some who were wealthy and rejected Jesus's challenge to sell what was owned and to follow Him (Luke 18:21—24). But there were rich persons like Zacchaeus who were willing to make their riches secondary and relationship with God, primary (Luke 19: 9).

Jesus came to save the elect of God, those who believed that their religious heritage was sufficient to justify themselves, not knowing that the sins of all required a Savior for all. This was the contest in reasoning Jesus had with the Jews who insisted that because they were of Abraham's seed they should be alright (John 8:33). Who cannot understand

why they became murderous when Jesus said that they were of their Father, the devil (John 8:44), and that Jesus referred to Himself as the "I am" (John 8:58)?

Jesus, we conclude, did come to save what we would call the "unchurched," but He also came to save the churched. Jesus came to save the poor, but He also came to save the rich. Jesus came to save the unlearned and ignorant, but He also came to save the learned, the doctors and lawyers of the law. All needed salvation then, and all need salvation today.

Acknowledging that all need salvation, however, does not translate into seeking and saving the lost, preaching the gospel, and evangelism. The people of God who understand that salvation is needed must also have hearts that desire to see the lost saved. This is what separates evangelistic people and churches from those that are not so. There must be concern for the lost, passion for the lost, hearts that desire to see the lost saved. We must crave the salvation of the lost to the point of giving our lives to seeing them saved.

We read of Paul's heart's desire that Israel might be saved (Rom 10:1). But Paul's passion included that if he could be cut off so that Israel could be saved, he would do so. He writes, "For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh" (Rom 9:3). Paul understood the cost associated with having passion for the lost. It included a heart's desire and prayers for Israel.

Continued

CHURCH



2015 THEME: "In All Things, Examples Of Good Deeds" (Titus 2:7)

Calendar of Events

PREACHER-SHEPHERD

JEFFERSON R. CARUTHERS, JR.

MINISTER EMERITUS

CLOYS R. CECIL, SR.

SHEPHERDS

JEFFERSON R. CARUTHERS, JR.

JOHN FOXWORTH

LEROY NELSON

WALTER WEATHERS, JR.

ELDER EMERITUS

FRANK W. DULIN

DEACONS

ROSCOE BURGESS

MICHEAL CURRY

JAMES E. GADSON

GEORGE MCNAIR

ROY OLIPHANT

BERNARD TERRY

JOE WILSON



SUNDAY SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE DAY DRIVE

We need your help to reach or succeed our goal of **275** or more on Sunday, May 17, 2015. We look forward to seeing you.

MEN'S AND LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Our Men's and Ladies' Bible class will meet on May 10, 2015. We are encouraging all of our members to attend.

CHURCH MEETING!!!

There will be a Church Meeting following Morning Worship Services. All members are asked to attend.



Capernaum Church of Christ cordially invites you to attend the closing of their series of Gospel Meetings today, May 3, 2015 at 3:00 pm. Guest Speaker: Bro. Eddie Sanders. Lunch will be served from 12:30- 2:00 pm

8th ANNUAL SENIOR RALLY

Warner's Chapel will be hosting its 8th Annual Senior Rally on May 16, 2015. Topic : "Learning To Learn". Breakfast at 8 a.m.-9 a.m. , Sessions from 9:15- 11:45 a.m. Lunch will be served 12:00p.m.- 1p.m. For additional information you may call the church office at (336)766-6078 or visit their website at: warner-chapelchurchofchrist.org

Cornelius Corner: Veterans, if you would like to learn what types of benefits that you, your spouse and/ or dependents may be eligible to receive please visit Veteran Affairs website at: www.benefits.va.gov for more information.



KURIAKOS HOUSE

Don't forget to visit the Kuriakos House table located in the foyer for events and happenings. You may contact sister Felecia Caruthers at (336) 767-4201 if you have any questions or need additional information.



Baptism

We wish to welcome to the fold Mr. William V. Scott and his lovely wife, Mrs. Regina Brown-Scott. The Scott's were baptized on Wednesday, April 29, 2015. Let us encourage our new babes in Christ.

YOUTH NEWS

Reading Safari

THE NEXT READING SAFARI ACTIVITY IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 16, 2015. CONTINUE READING & REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR BOOK TAGS FOR PRIZES!

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- (30 Years) Walter & Carol Weathers -4th
- (22 years) George & Antoinette Leak- 14th
- (45 years) Roscoe & Linda Burgess- 16th
- (29 years) Howard & Saroya Brown -23rd
- (42 years) James & Alinda Gadson- 26th
- (4 years) Michael & Chava Mash-28th
- (45 years) Simon & Dollean Johnson- 29th

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 2nd, Cynthia Cecil; 7th, Roscoe Burgess; 9th, Alphonso Green; 9th, Adriel Hall; 9th, Centrece Kendall; 11th, Cristina Judge; 11th, Mattie Richardson; 17th, Megan Bellanger; 17th, Walther Weathers, Jr.; 20th, Margaret Covington; 20th, Jessica Ford; 22nd, Jesse Green; 23rd, Carlos Rucker; 24th, Mary Williams; 25th, Joseph Ford; 25th, Cecil Oliver; 26th, Micheal Curry; 26th, Michael Coplin; 29th, James Gadson.



ALL VISITORS!

YOU ARE OUR HONORED GUESTS!

PRAY THAT GOD LEADS US TO SOULS TO SAVE TODAY &

SICK AND SHUT-IN LISTING

Bro. Dwight Correll.....
 Sis. Immogene Bray.....
 Bro. Leroy Nelson.....
 Bro. Barry Harper.....
 Sis. Georgia Glenn.....
 Bro. Charles Leak.....
 Sis. Dorothy Livingston.....

RESPONSIVE READING

II Cor. 12: 14-19

READER: Behold, the third time I am ready to come to you ; and I will not be burdensome to you: for I seek not yours, but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.

CHURCH: And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved.

READER: But be it so, I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.

CHURCH: Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you?

READER: I desired Titus, and with him I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? Walked we not in the same spirit? Walked we not in the same steps?

UNISON: Again, think you that we excuse ourselves unto you? we speak before God in Christ: but we do all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.

PRAYER

Father in heaven, we pray that as fellow workers in the kingdom we would walk in the same steps. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

PRAYER REQUEST

Sis. Immogene Bray, Bro. Barry Harper, Sis. Sandra Harper, Sis. Georgia Glenn, Sis. Hazel Gordon, Bro. Walter Weathers, Sis. Edeline Oliphant, Sis. Jamie Downing, Sis. Barbie Jones, Sis. Willie M. Cherry, Sis. Amelia Brown, Sis. Marleisha Young, Sis. Latasha Gandy, Bro. Arnold Thomas, Sis. Maegan Gomez, Sis. Treva Loyd, Sis. Brandi Evans, Bro. Howard Brown, Sis. Wendy Thomas, Bro. William Pouncey, Sis. Cheryl Smith, Sis. Meredith Boyd, Bro. Doug Crim, Bro. Victor Baldwin, Bro. Jason Adkins, Bro. Joseph Transou, & Bro. Adriel Hall

SHEPHERD ON CALL FOR MAY

BRO. JOHN FOXWORTH
(336) 918-6359

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:00 A.M.

SONG LEADER Adolphus Coplin
 SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*

10:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS John Foxworth
 INVOCATION Jerry Evans
 SONG DIRECTOR Roy Izzard
 SCRIPTURE Cecil Oliver
 RESPONSIVE READING Ron Jessup
 PRAYER Walter Weathers
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Reginald Nichols
 LORD'S SUPPER Thomas Loyd, Sr.
 READER Randy Dulin
 CLOSING PRAYER George McNair
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

6:30 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS John Foxworth
 INVOCATION Artis Rucker
 SONG DIRECTOR Andrew Jackson
 SCRIPTURE Bernard Wallace
 RESPONSIVE READING Joshua Caruthers
 PRAYER Joe Wilson
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Harold Brown
 LORD'S SUPPER Anthony Clinton
 READER
 CLOSING PRAYER A. J. Crim
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

COMMUNION REFLECTION

(JOHN 5:26)

For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he give to the Son to have life in himself;



USHERS

Todd Woods	Joseph Ford	G. Eichelberger
Isaiah Black	Andrew Jackson	A. J. Crim
Novell Hall	Anthony Clinton	Harold Brown
James Cherry	Jarred Monroe	Bernard Wallace

EVENING USHERS

Michael Terry Kolbe Adkins
 D.J. Crim Jonas Caruthers

COMMENTARY CORNER

The church mirrors the heart of Jesus when it seeks and saves the lost. It walks in the footsteps of Jesus when it recognizes that all men should hear about salvation in Jesus Christ as Lord. The church is moved by heaven when it is not timid or shy about sharing the gospel with the educated and learned, the wealthy and accomplished, the religious and zealous. The church understands its calling when it has passion for the lost that results in prayers for others to come to salvation.

The heart's passion and prayers are not content to be reflective; the heart leads one to be active in taking the gospel to everybody. And who among the children of God should not have a heart for the lost? Which parent

should rest easy when children are lost? Which children should be content knowing that parents are lost? What neighbor is truly a friend who sees his neighbor left to die by Satan's brutality and passes by without offering help? Which teacher really wants to communicate truths who does not speak to his student about salvation in Christ? How is it possible that any child of God would be comfortable knowing that the masses are not saved, are lost, are condemned, are under wrath, and destined to damning judgment? The saved must become those who seek to see others saved.

There is, though, another necessity for the mind and heart. There must be the acknowledgement that salvation is only in Christ, and that those who are not in Christ

are lost. And the church must realize that the suggestion that others are lost will be insulting to most.

The Jews were certainly insulted when the suggestion was made that though they had a great religious heritage, though they had won great battles, settled foreign lands, witnessed the miraculous, knew of God's protection and provision, prayed daily, gave alms, supported others—though they lived all of these realities—they were lost without Christ Jesus. But the message of salvation is not to harm, injure, insult, or disgrace. The message of salvation is to assure one of God's saving grace, His mercy, His salvation for mankind. Let us pray, then, that our hearts and prayers would be focused on saving others.

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Early Morning Worship ..8 A.M.

Sunday Bible School9 A.M

Sunday Morning Worship..10 A. M

Sunday Evening Worship

6:30 P.M.

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesday

11 A.M. & 7 P.M

Men's & Ladies'

Bible Class

5 P.M.

2ND & 4TH SUNDAY

MEETINGS & MINISTRIES

Teachers' Meeting 1st Sat. 9 a.m./
Husbands & Fathers Support Group 3rd Sat.
4 p.m. / Youth Fellowship Meeting 2nd Sat.
10 a.m.—12 noon
Young Adult Ministry 4th Fri.
Clothing Bank 1st Sat. 10 a.m.—12noon

WORSHIP TO THE SICK & SHUT-IN FOR THE MONTH OF MAY



BAPTISMAL TEAM

Bro. Anthony Clinton
Bro. Thomas Loyd, Sr.
Bro. George McNair
Bro. Walter Weathers, Jr.

Radio Broadcast Stations

Sundays @7:30 A.M.

Thursdays @ 2 P.M.

1340 AM

1400 AM

103.5 FM



YOU CAN BE SAVED TODAY!

To be saved today, you must hear the gospel (Romans 10:17; Acts 15:7). You must believe the gospel that assures us salvation through Jesus who is the risen Lord (Romans 10:9, 10). You must be willing to turn your life over to God through repentance (Acts 17:30; Romans 2:4). Those willing to live for God through repentance are ready for confession (Romans 10:9,10).

The person who confesses is baptized into Christ (Romans 6:3, 4; Galatians 3:27). In baptism, the believer is washed, sanctified, and justified (1 Corinthians 6:11). Christ saves the baptized person in baptism (1 Peter 3:21).

If you believe that Jesus died for you and was resurrected, if you will repent and confess, then you can be baptized into Christ and be saved. Come to Jesus today!

ZONES

ZONE #1 Capt. Bro. J. Wilson (661-1312)

ZONE #4 Co-Capt. Bro. B. Terry (720-9694)

ZONE #5 Capt. Bro. J. Gadson (650-9693)
Co-Capt. Bro. A. Rucker (924-5696)

ZONE #7 Capt. Bro. J. Foxworth (924-5029)
Co-Capt. Bro R. Oliphant (765-3105)

ZONE #8 Capt. Bro. R. March (727-0052)
Co-Capt. Bro. R. Burgess (748-0282)

CHILDRENS' WORSHIP

3rd– Diane Foxworth & Shundra McLaurin

10th– Kendra & Mellany Scott

17th– Tamah & D' Asia Williams

24th– Leah Adkins & Janel Brown

31st– TBA

NURSERY DUTY

3rd

TBA

10th

Janel Brown & Leah Adkins

17th

Meika Sherrard & Sherri Pilson

24th

Shundra McLaurin & Ashley Geogre

31st

Edelina Oliphant & Valarie Coplin

MAY GREETERS

3RD— Gerldine Jackson
Shirley Correll

10TH— Janel Brown
Anita Terry

17TH— Kim McNair
Shundra McLaurin

24TH—Lillie Holmes
Devonda Holmes

31ST— Linda Burgess
Frances Mason

COMMUNION PREPARERS for May

Athenia Pouncey/Lillie Alford



Baptismal Committee

For

Month of May

Lillie Holmes, Wanda Jones & Shanita Green