

# Weatherly @work

Newsletter of the Weatherly Heights Church of Christ

# The Weatherly Weekly

January 17, 2016

2016 Edition, Number 3

## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK JANUARY 17	NEXT WEEK, JANUARY 24
<b>Sunday AM</b>		
Announcements	Louis Garrett	Louis Garrett
Song Leader	David Jacks	Charles Hill
Opening Prayer	Steve Hagewood	Will Starks
Scripture Reading	Phil Furlough	Mike Coward
Closing Prayer	Jim Ehl	Terry Barnett
<b>Sunday PM</b>		
Song Leader	David Jacks	Charles Hill
Opening Prayer	Bobby Wright	Phil Furlough
Closing Prayer	Jim Risner	Mike Holt
<b>Wednesday PM</b>		
	JANUARY 20	JANUARY 27
Song Leader	Collis Terry	Phil Furlough
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
Closing Prayer	Jared Jimison	Marty Hunt
Group Meeting	Group 3	Group 4

## QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES JANUARY – MARCH 2016

### AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Effective Leadership  
Nick Holland

### ADITORIUM WEDNESDAY

The Christian's view of Islam  
Mike McLemore



## WEATHERLY HEIGHTS ANNUAL LECTURES

2016 Weatherly Lectures, May 12—15  
Steve Klien, Jeff May,  
Lawrence Kelly & Paul Earnhart

## MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

<b>January</b>	
<b>Serving on the Lord's Table AM</b>	Kyle Adams Ken Cavender Marty Hunt W.D. Patrick ** Phil Furlough Ryan Patrick Jim Risner Nick Holland
** Overseer	
<b>Lord's Supper PM</b>	Jim Ehl ** Kirk Hatcher
<b>Visitor Greeting</b>	
<b>Sunday AM</b>	Louis Garrett
<b>Rear Door</b>	Mike & McLemore
<b>Side Door</b>	Forest & Dot Summers
<b>Sunday PM</b>	
<b>Rear Door/ Side Door</b>	Cavenders & Tommy & Becky Hill
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Sarah Starks & Charlotte Hagewood
<b>Building Lockup</b>	Bobby Wright

## Weatherly's Shepherds

Louis Garrett	(256) 883-7785
Neil Hagewood	(256) 881-8251
Tommy Hill	(256) 883-0010

## Evangelist

Michael W. McLemore	(256) 698-5941
Email:	mmclmore@weatherlychurch.com

## Weatherly's Deacons

Steve Hagewood	Ron Harmon	David Jacks
Hill Roberts	Will Starks	Forest Summers
Collis Terry	Bobby Wright	

## TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Assembly	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.

# Kindness

### Adapted

Genuine kindness is a pleasant thing to see by whomsoever and under whatsoever circumstances it is exercised. God has planted it in the human breast, and it is one of the distinctive attributes of man. Too often, indeed, the indulgence of bad passions is suffered to choke it, and rival interest to interfere with its action.

Still, there it is, a faint reflection, it is true, of the love of God, but nevertheless a remnant of God's image in man – pleasant to behold, sweetening the relation of man with man, and capable, if allowed to exercise its rightful sway over the human action, of increasing to an almost infinite extent the happiness of the human race.

Kindness shows itself in two ways. First, in a general inclination to promote the well-being of others. Second, and chiefly, in sentiments of sorrow and compassion for the misfortunes of others, and in active endeavors to relieve their sufferings and supply their wants.

Such was the kindness of the simple Maltese peasants of Acts 28:1-10. They saw nearly 300 persons in the most extreme destitution. Houseless, without food, drenched with wet from the sea and from the rain, without any change of raiment, shivering with cold, exhausted with fatigue, their plight was most miserable.

When the kind islanders saw them they were touched with their misfortunes. They did not rest in pitiful feelings only, but actively set to work to alleviate their sufferings, opening their humble homes to them. They supplied them with what food they could. They helped them to dry their dripping clothes; they collected fuel to kindle fires by which to warm them; they gave themselves no little trouble and labor to give them every comfort within their reach.

These were unconsciously obeying the precept "Do good, hoping for nothing again." May we be so. □

Watch us  
LIVE!

www.weatherlychurch.com

# “Except You Repent”

Dan Richardson

**A** basic truth regarding man’s relationship with God is repentance. In Luke 13:1-5, Jesus teaches about repentance – what hinders it, why we need it, the consequences if we don’t repent. Consider His instruction:

## Hindrances to Repentance, 1

History is replete with mistaken notions about sin, which hinder repentance. Genuine repentance demands a proper understanding of conviction regarding sin. In this text, Jesus deals with the error that associates one’s sinfulness to his degree of suffering, as two catastrophic incidents of that time are considered. While it is true that suffering and death associated with earth life are consequences of sin’s entrance into the world (Genesis 3), it does not hold true that suffering is a gauge for sinfulness.

Suffering is universal, experienced by the just and unjust alike (Romans 8:20-25; 2 Corinthians 4:16-17). In fact, the righteous often suffer as a consequence of their godliness (2 Timothy 3:12), and, with God’s help, it becomes a means for spiritual development (James 1:2-4). Therefore, such a view of sin not only unjustly condemns the innocent (cf. Job’s friends and the disciples question regarding the blind man, John 9:1-3), it also diverts attention from honest self-examination regarding one’s personal sin, to the observation of others.

## The Need for Repentance, 2, 4

Jesus teaches that all are guilty of sin (cf. Romans 3:23). Scripturally defined, sin is “lawlessness” or acting without God’s law as the directive in our lives (1 John 3:4; cf. Matthew 7:21-23). David, recognizing this fact concerning his adultery with Bathsheba, confessed before God, “Against

thee, and thee only, have I sinned...” (Psalm 51:4).

One’s transgressions can be either of “commission” (open violation, transgression of a command, 2 John 9), or “omission” (a failure to do what is commanded, James 4:17). Furthermore, one can sin and be counted guilty before God, even though committed with sincerity and in good conscience. A sin of ignorance is still a sin (1 Timothy 1:12-13). Therefore, the need for all to repent is clear.

## The Urgency of Repentance, 3, 5

The urgency for repentance is clearly set forth in Jesus’ command: “Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.” “Ye” constitutes individual responsibility. In other words, whatever else others may be guilty of – what they’re doing or not doing – doesn’t change your personal duty to repent of your sin. “Except” suggests the conditional nature of repentance and that I must exercise my freedom of choice to do so (Joshua 24:15; Acts 2:37-38; 17:30).

There is no neutral ground; we will all make a choice (Matthew 12:30). “Repent” means a change of heart or mind which is the result of “godly sorrow” working in our hearts, and which will result in a changed life (2 Corinthians 7:10-11).

Jesus presents before man an ultimatum: “repent... or perish.” This perishing is eternal. Hell will be filled with all who, in error or neglect, didn’t properly consider their sin and repent of them (Revelations 20:15; 21:8).

“Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered” (Psalm 32:1). □



## Family matters

News and Notes of Interest To Weatherly Members

### Pray for Those in Need

**Lennie Schrimsher** is scheduled to undergo the next in his series of treatments this Wednesday. Please remember to offer your fervent prayers for both **Lennie & Janice** as you approach our Father this week.

**Steven Guice** will undergo his next series of Chemo this week in Birmingham. Your prayers are very much appreciated. Remember them as they travel. We are trusting his care to our Lord who has the power to do all things.

**Kiel & Mandi Adams** remains in our hearts. Prayers for them are on our lips. Please remember them this week. Ask God for both their health and strength as they meet the challenges that are ahead.

We have received news that **Dwight Ivey’s** life-long friend, **Mike Bates**, has learned that the Melanoma has moved to his brain. **The Ivey’s** are understandably very upset about this development in **Mike’s** condition. Please pray for **Mike Bates** and his family.

**Collis Terry’s** mother, **Carlton Terry**, remains on our prayer list as she continues her recovery. Say her name to the Lord as your pray daily.

We are looking forward to having **Searcy Hall** back with us. We sure have missed him, but are rejoicing in his improvement and ultimately in the success of his surgery.

We are praying for **Bill Moore, June Furlough’s** brother, as he battles his ongoing illness.



I thought our members would be interested to learn that **Stan Sims**, for whom we prayed for so many months, has returned to his job at Street Rod Garage in Grant. This is thrilling news!

**Eddie Simmons, Margaret Smith’s** brother-in-law, is in ICU at Huntsville hospital following surgery. It is feared that he has suffered multiple strokes.

### New Address

**Jared & Amanda Jimison’s** new address is...  
**7346 Vidette Lane SE**  
**Owens Crossroads, AL 35763**

### Sunday Night Devotion

Our Sunday Night Devotion will be held immediately after our evening worship at the home of **Tommy & Becky Hill**. Please remember **Becky’s** weakened immune system.

### Group Three Meets Tonight

Group Three, led by **Murry Castleman**, will meet immediately after evening worship. Please plan to participate in your group meeting. □

### Weatherly Birthdays



- |      |              |      |               |
|------|--------------|------|---------------|
| 1-18 | Rob Crank    | 1-20 | Edith Turner  |
| 1-21 | Janice Wray  | 1-23 | Gordon Dorris |
| 1-26 | Marissa Hunt | 1-29 | Jim Risner    |
| 1-29 | Will Starks  | 1-30 | Jenny Jacks   |

JANUARY 17, 2016

## “Come and See”

Adapted

Christ has given us the great responsibility to teach others about Him (Mt 28:18-20). It may be that we fail to teach others because we do not know what to say or where to begin. Consider this. When Jesus began His public ministry He called Philip to “follow Me” (Jn 1:43). Philip then found Nathanael and explained that they had “found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph” (Jn 1:45). Nathanael was less than impressed. Nathanael believed people from Nazareth were from the wrong side of the tracks and dismissed the idea that this Nazarene was the Messiah altogether (Jn 1:46). Philip simply said, “Come and see” (Jn 1:46).

Most folks we will try to teach will be similar to Nathanael. They will be unimpressed. Unimpressed that we have Lord’s Day Bible classes, that we preach from the Bible, that we come together on Wednesday evening to read and study God’s word. Why not simply say to them, “Come and see”? This seems to be an effective way to bring others to Jesus. For Nathanael did come; and did see (Jn 1:47-49). In fact, this same method is used by Jesus and the Holy Spirit (Mt. 11:27; Rev. 22:17).

This Lord’s Day let us be about the business of inviting others to “come and see.” To “come” and hear the good news about Jesus; the good news about His death, burial and resurrection; the good news about the forgiveness of sins; the good news about a heavenly home. Let us say to those who need Jesus, “Come.” □

## Weekly Walk!