

## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK APRIL 15	NEXT WEEK APRIL 22
<b>Sunday AM</b>		
Announcements	Will Starks	Will Starks
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	Charles Hill
Opening Prayer	David Jacks	Ron Harmon
Scripture Reading	Philip Dill	Wes Caudle
Closing Prayer	Jim Ehl	Marty Hunt
<b>Sunday PM</b>		
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	Charles Hill
Opening Prayer	Forest Summers	W.D. Patrick
Closing Prayer	Riley Monroe	Terry Childress
<b>Wednesday PM</b>	APRIL 18	APRIL 25
Song Leader	Mike Coward	Collis Terry
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
Closing Prayer	Louis Garrett	Ed Dill
<b>Group Meeting</b>	Group 3	Group 4

## MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

<b>April</b>	
Serving on the Lord's Table AM	Ken Cavender Wes Caudle Ron Holland Forest Summers ** Gene Preston
** Overseer	Ryan Patrick Kirk Hatcher Will Patrick

<b>Lord's Supper PM</b>	Collis Terry ** Doyle Wray
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<b>Visitor Greeting</b>	
Sunday AM	
Rear Door	Terry & Kim Barnett
Side Door	W.D. & LaNelle Patrick

<b>Sunday PM</b>	
Rear Door/ Side Door	Harmon & Starks
Communion Prep	Julie Guice & Julie Singleton
Building Lockup	Collis Terry

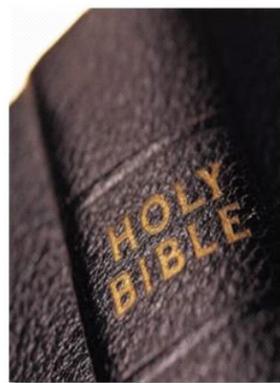
## QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES JANUARY – MARCH 2018

### AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Acts of the Apostles  
Mike McLemore

### AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

The People of Acts  
Various Teachers



## 2018 WEATHERLY LECTURES

Lowell Sallee, Kevin Clark, Greg Chandler  
& Robert Harkrider  
May 3-6

## Weatherly's Shepherds

Louis Garrett	(256) 883-7785
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Will Starks	(256) 883-5273
Forest Summers	(256) 348-2251

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## Weatherly's Deacons

Phil Furlough	Steve Hagewood	Ron Harmon
Kirk Hatcher	David Jacks	Hill Roberts
Collis Terry	Bobby Wright	

## TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.

# The Weatherly Weekly

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## CHRIST: The Head of the Church

Adaptation

In Ephesians 1:22-23, Paul speaks of the authority that God has given unto Christ: "And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of him that filleth all in all."

The following are Robert Harkrider's comments on Ephesians 1:22-23. They are certainly worthy of our consideration. Brother Harkrider will be speaking on Friday evening in our upcoming lecture series.

"Christ is head over all things to the church. Christ is the head "of" the church because it belongs to Him (Colossians 1:18; Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 5:23, 25); but He is head over all things "to" the church in the sense that He governs and rules it by His own will.

The church has no right to make laws. It

obeys the law of Christ. The divisions in the religious world have been caused by a failure to demand the authority from Christ for all that we do. Some have followed with the attitude, 'join the church of your choice and be baptized as you please.'

When councils, synods and conventions of men usurp the authority from Christ, the result has always been the formation of new denominations with varying creeds and rituals and traditions of worship. If we wish to return to simple New Testament Christianity we will only 'speak as the oracles of God' (1 Peter 4:11). We will put away traditions and commandments of men (Matthew 15:7-9; Galatians 1:6-8) and unite on the authority of Christ which is revealed in the New Testament (Matthew 28:18-20; 2 John 9; Matthew 7:21-23)." □

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# The Word that I Have Spoken

“The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day” (John 12:48).

Words are the medium through which God communicates with man. It is also the means by which humans communicate. Each word has its own particular meaning, which can be found in any dictionary. Most words have several meanings, and can be used in various ways. For instance, the word “pass” has twenty-four different meanings. The word “wind” is used in twenty different ways. Words are important because God has chosen to reveal His will to us through words. Thus, we must be careful how we use words, and we must use them as they are meant to be understood, especially words used in the Bible.

Although God has spoken in the past directly to man, and has in the past revealed His will to man through prophets, today He speaks to us only through the words of the Bible. But the words of the Bible are more than ink on paper. The Hebrew writer declares, “The word of God is quick (living, mwm) and powerful (active, mwm), and sharper than any two-edged sword...” (Hebrews 4:12). Jesus said, “the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life” (John 6:63). Paul reminded Timothy, “all scripture is given by inspiration of God...” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

What other conclusion can be drawn? Every word in the Bible is important. Jesus warned on one occasion, “But I saw unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by they words thou shalt be condemned” (Matthew 12:36-37). John wrote in Revelation 20:12, that we will be judged by the words of the Bible (c.f. John 12:48-50).

In using words properly from the Bible we must, “rightly divide the Word” (2 Timothy 2:15). This involves approaching the Bible with the belief that it is inspired, and that there are no contradictions in it — a fact that becomes more evident with investigation. We must seek to find what the writer is saying, why he is saying it, and what meaning he intended to impart to the reader. We should not use the Bible to “prove” our own beliefs and presumptions, but we must let the word instruct us.

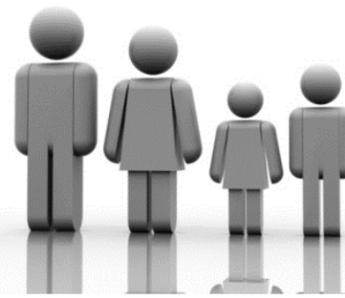
As we study we should use the rules of Bible study, and logic as well. These rules are the same as we would use in studying any literature. We should realize there is

both literal and figurative language used in the scriptures. As we study we should ask questions. First, “Who is writing?” Second, “To whom is he writing?” Third, one might ask, “Who is speaking in the immediate context of my reading?” Another fourth germane inquiry might be, “What period of Bible history are we dealing with?” Fifth, “Why is he writing?” And a sixth question one should ask: “How does this passage or verse harmonize with all other Bible teaching?” We should observe from the scriptures themselves that God reveals His will to us in the word by “telling us,” “showing us” and “implying truth” to us.

The New Testament, our authority today in all religious matters, warns against using the words of the Bible improperly. Paul told the Ephesian elders at Miletus that, “...of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them” (Acts 20:30). He warned the churches of Galatia that, “there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ” (Galatians 1:7). The apostle Peter wrote of those who, “are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the others scriptures, unto their own destruction” (2 Peter 3:16). In each of these instances, brethren were guilty of using the word incorrectly.

Some among us today are using the scriptures improperly to advance their own agenda to change the church. These individuals downplay the importance of the scriptures. They say New Testament books are “love letters,” and not to be taken as law or for a pattern. They are rejecting the teachings of God’s words. They say we need a “New Hermeneutic,” or new methods of interpreting scripture for the modern age. These men and women are suggesting that we have not interpreted the scriptures correctly. Such teachers of error should be rejected!

God’s word is divinely inspired. It is infallible as given in its original state. Every word in the Bible is important, and to be understood and followed in the period of Bible history it applies. We must seek today to follow the New Testament in all that we do. All that we do and say should be summarized in the immortal message of Peter, apostle of Christ — “If any man speak, let him speak the oracles of God” (1 Peter 4:11). And, it is by that “Word” we ultimately will be judged. (MWM) □



## Family matters

News and Notes of Interest  
To Weatherly Members

### Pray for Those in Need

Continue to pray for *Carolynn & Jack Barr* please. Your encouragement means so much to *the Barrs*.

*Melvin Godette's* surgery is set for April 25th at Huntsville Hospital. We will announce the time for the surgery the day before. Melvin asked that I convey their appreciation for all the prayers and support during these difficult months. “It has been a long road to get to this point, but I stay uplifted by the cards that I receive on a weekly basis. In Christian Love, *Melvin.*”

*Ann Summers* is in our heart and our prayers. Remember her to the Lord as you pray.

We continue to say *Glenda Cavender's* name to the Lord daily.

*Collis Terry's* mother, *Carlton*, is not well. Remember her as you pray. Also, remember *Sue & Collis* as they travel to and from Centre, Alabama.

### Cathy Preston’s Sister Passes

*The Preston and Congo families* are devastated by the sudden and very unexpected loss of *Cathy's* sister, *Nancy Congo*. *Nancy* was just 59 years old. At this point they are not sure exactly what happened. It appears to have been a cardiac event of some kind. Please pray for this family. This is particularly difficult for *Cathy*. Your words of encouragement and

prayers are very meaningful.

### Welcome Little Family

We are happy to welcome *Ben, Laura, Kate, Henry & Thomas Little* to our Weatherly family. *The Little's* made their desire to work and worship us here at Weatherly known to the Elders on Sunday evening. We have included their contact information below.

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Email: those2littles@gmail.com

### Spring Study Series Week 5

Our Spring Study Series continues tonight with Week 5. We are looking forward to a large crowd tonight. Attendance has been excellent.

### Wednesday Night Class

A sign up sheet has been placed on the table in the foyer for those men who would like to teach an upcoming Wednesday night class.

### Group Two Meeting

Group Three, led by *Murray Castleman*, will meet tonight in the back classroom. We hope everyone will attend their group meeting. □

### Weatherly Birthdays



4-18	Peggy Monroe	4-20	John Stokes
4-21	Charley Carter	4-21	Dianne Dill
4-21	Maria Hunt	4-23	David Jacks
4-25	Sue Terry	5-2	Cathy Preston

## “Shall We LIVE AGAIN?”

James W. Adams

Is there life beyond the grave? This question has confronted men and women in all ages. Job posed it rhetorically in what may be the world’s oldest book: “If a man die, shall he live again?” (Job 14:14).

All available physical evidence indicates fixed belief in life beyond death from the beginning. This indicates a universal, innate human desire, and the Creator has complemented all such desires with legitimate means of their satisfaction. To illustrate: light complements sight; sound complements hearing; flavor complements taste. God has provided life beyond the grave to complement the universal, innate desire of the human heart for life beyond the death of the body.

We triumphantly sing, “Hallelujah! We shall rise.” Yes, rise, not simply to conscious existence, for the wicked will do this, but to eternal glory and joy through Jesus Christ (Romans 6:23). □

## Weekly Walk!