

EAGER AVENUE GRACE CHURCH

That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 5:21

Worship Services

Sunday, October 16, 2022

10am: Brother Gary Shepard,
Pastor of Sovereign Grace
Church in Jacksonville, NC

11am: Brother Richard Warmack,
Pastor of Grace Baptist Church in
Ruston, LA

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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We want to thank the Lord for giving us a precious time of Gospel preaching and fellowship this weekend with Brothers Shepard and Warmack. We also want to thank our Lord for all of you who worked to make this a successful conference. The success of any meeting like this lies first in the preaching of the Gospel of God's free and sovereign grace in Christ our Lord and Savior. We want to thank Randy and Susan Wages for having us at their home on Saturday. May the Lord bless us all and keep us safe, especially those of who are traveling home.

If I did not believe the Scriptural teaching of election unto salvation, I would not bother to ever preach again. But since God has a people chosen unto salvation and redeemed by Christ, I am encouraged to preach "Christ and Him crucified." I am assured that the Holy Spirit will cause His people to hear the gospel and believe on the Son.
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Precious Unity of Brethren in Christ

Psalm 133 – (3) Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! (2) It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; (3) As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

The unity of brethren in the Lord is a miracle of God's power, goodness, and grace in the Lord Jesus Christ. It is unity of truth in the Gospel wherein it is revealed that God saves all brethren (His elect) by His free and sovereign grace through the Lord Jesus Christ and based upon the righteousness that Christ accomplished in His death on the cross. As brethren in the Lord, Christ died and arose from the dead as our Surety, Substitute, and Redeemer. He lives now forever to make intercession for us and to keep us unto glory. There is no godly unity of brethren under the preaching of a lie that opposes this Gospel – God's Word of truth in Christ.

It is a unity of love, that divine love that God the Holy Spirit has shed abroad within the hearts of God's people as He convicts all the brethren of sin, righteousness, and judgment (**John 16:8-11**). This love is not natural to us. It is God's gift and work within us that binds us together to dwell in unity. So many people who claim to be "Christian" do not value this unity of truth and love. They are dividers over issues that they believe God has revealed to them personally but not to others. But the unity of true brethren in the faith is to be guarded and cherished, not at the expense of truth, but founded upon the truth. The truth of Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead, the truth of His righteousness imputed to us for our justification before God, the truth of spiritual life given to us from Christ by the Holy Spirit, are the foundation and heart of our unity. Let us all pray that the Lord will use us to strengthen the unity of our brethren and not be dividers.

—Pastor Bill Parker

The grace of God influences both the understanding and the affections. Warm affections without knowledge, can rise no higher than superstition; and that knowledge which does not influence the heart and affections will only make a hypocrite.

—John Owen

Conference Schedule

Friday, October 14, 2022

5:30: Food served in Fellowship Hall

7 pm: Gary Shepard

8 pm: Richard Warmack

Saturday, October 15, 2022

10 am: Richard Warmack

11 am: Gary Shepard

5-7pm: Food & Fellowship at the home of Randy & Susan Wages

Sunday, October 16, 2022

10 am: Gary Shepard

11 am: Richard Warmack

Luhch will be served following the service.

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Cassie Broxton, Akimi Okada, James Mwali and the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Reformed?

I have never cared much for the term “reformed.” First of all, it is not a prominent Bible word, nor is it ever used to refer to God’s elect. They are not “reformed” but reconciled, redeemed, and regenerated. We were dead and God gave us life. Neither do I wish to be identified too much with the “reformations” of men. Most of them, though “protesting” the Roman Catholic Church, came out with far too many of the rags of Rome still clinging to them. And, I have found that many who claim to be so, also claim to have been saved under a false gospel and later became “reformed,” coming to the doctrines of grace. God’s work of grace in the salvation of His people is not a redoing of the old, a removal of faults, or an amending of what already is, but a “new creation.” The need of men in our day is not reform but rebirth! Christ said, “Ye must be born again,” born from above through that incorruptible seed of the Word of God. The term also seems to say “I’ve arrived.” But as Paul, “I count not myself to have apprehended...” Even as one reborn, I stand in daily need of reformation!

—Pastor Gary Shepard

Birthdays

Julie Wages - Oct. 16th | Richard O’Connor - Oct. 20th | Debra Riggins - Oct. 22nd

Call To Worship

(Tune – Immortal, Invisible – p. 34)

(Words written by Jim Byrd)

**Christ Jesus the Savior came down from above,
In covenant mercy and infinite love;
The Lord of creation a Servant became,
To save all His people from sin, guilt and shame.**

**Enthroned in His beauty and all glorious,
The God of creation was made like to us;
The Word was made flesh and laid glory aside,
What grace and affection for His chosen bride.**

**Our Prophet, High Priest and our eternal King,
Descended from heaven salvation to bring;
Em-man-u-el came, the Lord with us on earth,
Behold a great myst’ry – the dear Savior’s birth.**

**O what a Redeemer is Jesus our Lord,
He paid all our sin-debt, to God we’re restored;
Redeemed by His blood, He our ransom has paid,
And clothed in His beauty His saints are arrayed.**