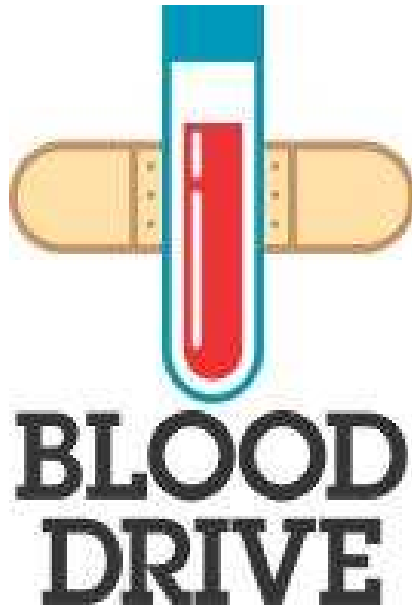


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2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, August 12

MP Room

1:00PM—6:00PM

Sign-up sheets on the counter.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
 Jim Galloway
 Gary Herridge
 Paul Inman
 Stan Inman
 John Life
 Bill Mills
 Ron Riddle
 Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Joshua Barclay
 Delmas Carr
 Marion Goldsmith
 Leonard Haid
 Brian Haught
 Doug Hershman
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**THANK YOU NOTES**

- ♥ I want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and well wishes after my surgery.
Bob Miller



We extend our sympathy to:

—Brian Haught and his family in the passing of Brian's brother-in-law, Aaron Snider. His funeral was Friday in Fairmont.

—The family of Keith Shockey. Keith passed away last week. He is Cindy Huxley's cousin.

Those in the hospital—Bill Smith, VA hospital Clarksburg

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Mary Ann Barclay, Ed Collins, Patty Dawson, Chelsea Doonan, Jo Florence, Bob and Lillie Fox, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell, Cotton Sayre, Jim VanCamp

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Anna Barnes, Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Debbie Boso (friend of Robin Anthony), Gabbi Cook, Bob, Janet and Todd Crugger (Glenn Snider's friends), Linda Crum (Herridge's friend), Gayle Dulaney (Scott & Gwen's neighbor), Brittany Elliott, Arlene Galloway, Billy Ginter (Sarah Inman's brother), Alice Hale, Nola Hardbarger (Ruth Fox's sister), Tammy Hatfield, John Lowther, Donna Ludwig, Robert Metz, Betty Morris, Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), Patty Smith (Mike Lucas' sister), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Mary Spence (Ruth Fox's aunt), Elaine Vincent (Margaret Dawkins' sister-in-law), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

Please call the office and update or add names to the Prayer List.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH NEXT SUNDAY

Care Group 1 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room following worship and Bible classes. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Blood Drive will be Monday, August 12 in the MP Room from 1:00PM-6:00PM. Sign up sheets are on the counter.

SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVE-AWAY

We are collecting items for the annual school supply give-away. **Items needed:** 3 ring notebooks, spiral notebooks, pencils, colored pencils, pens, crayons, markers, erasers, folders, scissors, glue/glue sticks, notebook paper. (No backpacks needed.) Items may be left in the bin in the foyer by the parking lot. The give-away will be August 15 in the MP Room from 6:00PM-8:00PM.

POTTER'S CHILDREN'S HOME COIN BANKS

Everyone is encouraged to take a coin bank and fill it. The banks are available in the foyers. A representative from Potter's will be here to pick them up November 24.

BASEBALL TRIP

There will be a meeting in room 109 after services tonight for those going to the baseball game on August 9th.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

There will be a meeting in room 112 after services tonight for those who would like to be involved with planning ideas for our OVU college students.

UPDATE

Al Piggott (a former member here) has been moved from Morgantown to Ohio Valley Health Care in Cedar Grove for physical therapy.

SEND A CARD

Bill Smith is in the VA hospital in Clarksburg. He would really appreciate getting some cards. His address is: Bill Smith, Louis A Johnson VA Medical Center, 1 Medical Center Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301.

(A special thank you to Julie Taberner for helping in the office and her work on the bulletin this week.)

Daily Bible Reading

August 4—Ac 27:13-44, Job 34-36
August 5—Ac 28:1-15, Job 37-38
August 6—Ac 28:16-31, Job 39-40
August 7—Ro 1:1-17, Job 41-42
August 8—Ro 1:18-32, Ps 1-6
August 9—Ro 2, Ps 7-12
August 10—Ro 3, Ps 13-17
August 11—Ro 4, Ps 18-21



A BABY BOY!!

Paul & Nancy Inman have a new grandson, Luke Douglas Martin born July 31 in Arkansas. He was 8lbs 2oz and 20 1/2 inches long. Jennifer and Allen are the proud parents with big brother Ben.



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Kevin & Becky Inman are the proud parents of a baby girl, Bailey Lynn. She was born July 27th at 2:17pm weighing 6lbs 8oz and 19 inches long. Congratulations to big sister, Chloe and grandparents, Stan & Debi Inman.



DANA'S DIRECTION

Take Them Along!

Raising our children in the Lord is spoken of in the Scriptures as training. ***“Train up a child in the way that he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)***

Training involves more than just sitting down with our kids or taking them to church and saying “See, this is what the Bible teaches.” There are a lot of people in the world who have nothing to do with Christianity today even though they were raised by Christian parents who taught them “what the Bible says.”

The lessons in the Bible are not really effective until you see them demonstrated. James said “show me your faith without your works” – it really cannot be done! He goes on to say “and I will show you my faith by my works.” (James 2:18) The most effective way, in fact the only effective way to teach our children what it means to be a Christian, is to show them. In Deuteronomy 32:7 as Moses spoke of leading a new generation of Jews into the promised land, he said “ask your father, and he will show you.” How many of us are confident in our lives to the point where if our children were to ask “what does it mean to be a Christian?” we could say “just follow my example and I will show you.”

We’ve raised too many kids who think that Christian service is what adults do in the church. We either leave the kids at home or get them together to play while we exclude them from the good works that we are involved in. **Train up a child means take them along!**

How do we teach our children what it means to “visit the fatherless and widows?” **Take them along!** How do you teach them to “seek and save the lost?” **Take them along!** Our children should grow up seeing Christianity not as a ‘philosophy’ but as a way of life. Not a way of life that we talk about – a way of life that we live!

“Train up a child (not just teach them, take them along and show them) the way that he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”



“Good – Better – Best” (Luke 10:38-42)

“Martha, Martha, you are _____ and troubled about _____ things. But _____ thing is _____, and Mary has _____ that _____ part, which will not be _____ from her.” (Luke 10:41-42)

Good works are _____. “But he who is _____ among you shall be your _____.” (Matthew 23:11) “Let your _____ so shine before men, that they may see your good _____ and _____ your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16). “For we are His _____, created in Christ Jesus for _____ works, which God prepared beforehand that we should _____ in them.” (Eph. 2:10) “As the _____ without the spirit is _____, so faith without _____ is dead also.” (James 2:26)

Works without _____ is meaningless. “For is Abraham was justified by works, he has something to _____ about, but not before _____. For what does the Scripture say? ‘Abraham _____ God, and it was _____ to him for righteousness.’ Now to him who _____, the wages are not counted as _____ but _____.” (Romans 4:2-4)

When we focus on _____ - Good works will _____. When we focus on the good _____ that we do - _____ is lost and we believe that we are being _____ by the good _____ that we do.

The Kingdom of God is not _____. “The kingdom of God is not _____ and drink, but _____, peace and _____ in the Holy Spirit. For he who serves God in these things is _____ to God and _____ by men.” (Rom. 14:17-18)

What happens when we lose perspective on our Christian service? Martha was _____. Focus on the _____ and miss the _____. Service can become a _____. She became _____ and critical.

Mary had chosen the _____ over the physical - the _____ part that could not be _____ from her.

Applying lesson to ourselves: We must not confuse being _____ with being _____. Being worried and troubled over the _____ may cause us to miss the _____.

The Christian life takes _____. Only one thing is _____ - the kingdom of God. “But seek _____ the _____ of God and His _____, and all these things will be added to you.” (Matthew 6:33)

Lord, Give Us More!

It is often the case that when one is promoting a position, and another stands in opposition to that position, efforts are made to discredit the one who stands in opposition. This is often accomplished by "name-calling" and "false-labeling." However, such tactics should not dissuade one who is standing in the right.

- If opposing homosexual marriage is being homophobic, Lord, give us more homophobes!
 - If demanding strict obedience to the Bible is legalism, Lord, give us more legalists!
 - If opposing divorce, except for the cause of fornication, is idealistic, Lord, give us more idealists!
 - If opposing women leadership in the church is chauvinism, Lord, give us more chauvinists!
 - If dressing modestly is prudish, Lord, give us more prudes!
 - If opposing abortion is right wing, Lord, give us more right-wingers!
 - If believing in the inerrancy of Scripture is fundamentalism, Lord, give us more fundamentalists!
 - If total commitment is fanaticism, Lord, give us more fanatics!
 - If believing one should be a virgin when one marries is Puritanism, Lord, give us more puritans!
- If believing in creation is foolish and unenlightened, Lord, give us more fools!

No matter what names the world and even some Christians may call you, if you stand for the truth, the Lord will call you "right." Give it some thought.

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. (1 Jn 1.5-7)

Submitted by P. Nygard





BECAUSE YOU HAVE BELIEVED IN THEM, LOVED AND ENCOURAGED THEM, WE, RYAN AND CHERYL LOGSTON ALONG WITH KELLY AND SANDY SHEPPARD, INVITE YOU, OUR DEAR FRIENDS AND FAMILY, TO JOIN US IN HONORING OUR CHILDREN

Calle Lynn & Brandon Lole

AS THEY CELEBRATE THE BEGINNING OF THEIR NEW LIFE TOGETHER AS HUSBAND AND WIFE SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 2013 AT 1:30 IN THE AFTERNOON

BELPRE CHURCH OF CHRIST
2932 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD
BELPRE, OHIO

RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING IN THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

First Annual WV School of Preaching Sing & Pie Fling

Friday, August 16, 2013

SINGING

7:00PM-8:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP & DESSERTS

8:00PM-???

Meet and Greet the WVSOP students!



Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

A man once took his children out for a walk. They soon came upon an old cemetery, and the children began to see which one could find the oldest date on a tombstone. One child called out 1840, another 1812, and so it continued.

The father himself began to study the writing on a tombstone dated 1865. It was the time of the Civil War, and he began to wonder about the woman buried there. Did she have loved ones in the war? Certainly, living where and when she did, she knew many hardships as the result of the war.

But there were words on her tombstone that burned in the father's mind; EVER SHE SOUGHT THE BEST, EVER SHE FOUND IT.

The father concluded that she had known a great secret of positive living. She had looked for the best in life, no matter what the circumstances, and she had found it. The father said to himself, "You've learned something today: SEARCH FOR THE BEST!" And don't have to search very far. It is around us all the time—the goodness and the wonder of living.

I hope you search for the best today!

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.



Opportunities To Serve Sunday, August 11

ELDER IN CHARGE - Pat Barclay
DEACON IN CHARGE - Scott Johnson

SONG LEADERS

AM—Breck Hesselrode
PM—Josh Barclay

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Pat Barclay
Close—Delmas Carr
6:00 PM—John Hall
Close—Bill Lemley

SCRIPTURE

AM—Jim Merrill
PM—Mike Wade

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Barry Mills
PM—Rick Stanley
Glenn Snider

PA SYSTEM—Todd Kirk

Friday Night Sing

Transportation will leave
Friday at 6:30 for the sing
at the Veto
congregation in Ohio.

Watch **"IN SEARCH OF THE
LORD'S WAY"**

each Sunday morning at
7:30 on WTAP-TV, Dish Chan-
nel 259, DIRECT channel
364, and at 6:30AM on local
cable channel 4.

THE DOWNFALL OF A NATION

Jeremiah was born to be a priest of God, but he became a prophet by the divine call of God (cf. Jeremiah 1:1, 4-5). He is known as the *"weeping prophet"* because of his lament over the departure of God's people. His pleas and tears fill the books of Jeremiah and Lamentations. Jeremiah wrote that Judah had forgotten God **"days without number"** (Jeremiah 2:32). They had forsaken God (cf. Jeremiah 2:13) and corrupted His worship and teaching (cf. Jeremiah 5:30-31). Jeremiah adds these sad words, "My people love to have it so." The pattern of Judah's departure and rebellion is recorded in Jeremiah 6:10-17. Jeremiah describes Judah's downfall in five steps. These same steps could well describe our Nation today.

1. **They refused to listen to the Word of God**—"To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? Behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: Behold, the word of the Lord is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it" (Jeremiah 6:10).
2. **They were obsessed with material things**—"From the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness. (Jeremiah 6:13).
3. **They deluded themselves with falsehoods**—"They have healed also the hurt of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace" (Jeremiah 6:14).
4. **They were not ashamed, neither could they blush**—"Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? Nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush" (Jeremiah 6:15).
5. **They rejected the only possible cure**—"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein" (Jeremiah 6:16).

Our plea is the same as that of Jeremiah. Let's return to the old paths and walk therein! Hear God's Word, believe it, and obey it! Set your priorities right in your life! Judah rejected God's plea to come back to Him. What will your answer be?

Bob Vincent
(Dearll & Carol Vincent's son)

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Dean crew.



They include Mark Dean,
Dwain Shears, Chris
Tallman, Donovan
Walton, and Cody Young.

Facts and Figures

July 28, 2013

AM Service.....328
Bible Study.....246
PM Service.....262
Wednesday.....211
Contribution\$6583.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013

Baptisms.....2
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....4
Placed Membership...13

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study.....11:00
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM