# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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# I Quiet Myself in Your Love

I am Your child,
And You are my Father.
I quiet myself in Your Love.
You are the Lord
Above every other.
I quiet myself in Your Love.



You are the greatest, and I am the least. You are the joy that will never cease. Here in Your presence is perfect peace, And I quiet myself in Your love.

When I'm in pain,
You feel what I'm feeling.
I quiet myself in Your love.
When I am weak,
You're power and healing.
I quiet myself in Your love.

You are my hope,
My glory and treasure.
I quiet myself in Your love.
Praise to You, God!
I'll sing it forever!
I quiet myself in Your love.



### **Elders:**

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

### Deacons:

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### Camden Clark Hospital

Ed Porter (Transitional Care)

Please remember Brother Porter in your prayers and with cards.

# Remember our church family in your prayers:

Mary Ann Barclay, Jean Buckley, Chelsea Doonan, Bob and Lillie Fox, Zandra Holleron, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell, Jim VanCamp

## Prayers requested for family and friends:

Malori Bailes (per Doug Hershman's request), Patricia Blackman (Family friend to Mary Daniel), Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Gabbi Cook, Linda Crum (Herridge's friend), David Dillion (Sharon Smith's nephew), Billy Ginter (Sarah Inman's brother), Tammy Hatfield, Kenny Henderson (Sharon Smith's cousin), John Huxley (Cindy Huxley's brother-in-law), Betty Morris, Linda Perry (Mike Wade's co-worker), Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother). Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

You may call the office and update or add names to the Prayer Lists.

We extend our sympathy to Gary Yoho in the passing of his uncle, Elmer Kenneth 'Ken' Eakins. His funeral was Friday, January 18 in Parkersburg,

We also extend our sympathy to Larry Chaddock in the passing of his mother, Gretchen Chaddock. Her funeral was Saturday, January 19 in Harrisville.



# Thank You Notes

- ▼ Thank you for the birthday and holiday cards, Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated. I enjoyed them all. Janet Looney
- ▼ Thank you for the holiday, anniversary, and birthday cards. Herb and Joyce Wright



### **LOVE AND CARE SERVICES**

Care Group 1 will be in charge of the service at Love & Care today at 2:30 and Thursday evening at 7:00. The residents enjoy the time of worship and fellowship.

## **DEACON'S MEETING**

The Deacons will meet today at 5:00.

### **LOVE & CARE SING**

Everyone is encouraged to attend the monthly sing at Love & Care tomorrow evening at 7:00.

## CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is time to subscribe or renew your subscription to the Christian Woman magazine. It will remain \$15.98 per subscription. Checks need to be made payable to Robin Anthony by February 17th. Contact her if you have any questions.

### **OVU STEPPING STONES BOWL-A-THON**

The Bowl-A-Thon is scheduled for March 2 at the Pike Street Bowling Lanes in South Parkersburg from 1:00-4:00. It will be \$3.25 per game and shoes are no charge. For further information, contact Teresa Wade.

## **DYNAMIC DEACON'S SEMINAR CD'S**

The "Dynamic Deacon's Seminar" hosted here by Aubrey Johnson is available on CD's. They are on the counter in the foyer for anyone that would like to review it.

## **COUPONS**

Please bring your coupons to the Library for the exchange. Feel free to take any that you can use.

# Daily Bible Reading

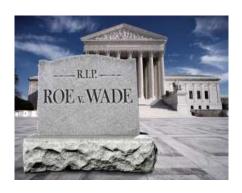
January 27 - Mat 18:1-14, Ex 6-7 January 28 - Mat 18:15-35, Ex 8-9 January 29 - Mat 19, Ex 10-12 January 30 - Mat 20:1-16, Ex 13-14 January 31 - Mat 20:17-34, Ex 15-16 February 1 - Mat 21:1-27, Ex 17-19 February 2 - Mat 21:28-46, Ex 20-21 February 3 - Mat 22:1-22, Ex 22-23

## AMERCAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our blood drive will be Monday, February 11 from 1:00-6:00 in the MP Room.

Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

# **DANA'S DIRECTION**



January 23, 2013 marked the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of Roe vs. Wade, making abortion not only legal, but a perceived human right in the United States of America. In the intervening years, the lives of more than 55,000,000 children, who were never allowed to "see the light," were snuffed out.

I first began to conceive the impact this has had on our nation in 1991, when my son, Nathan graduated from high school. He was born 3 months before Roe vs. Wade was passed. It was estimated that approximately 20% of infants conceived during that time frame were aborted. I sat wondering about the children who were not there. What kind of people would they have grown up to be? Would there have been teachers, artists, doctors, humanitarians? Would one of them invented a cure for cancer? Would there have been Christian men and women who would have raised Christian families, established churches, and lead others to Christ?

Every one of these children was a gift from God – the Giver of life. "Children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is His reward." (Psalm 127:3) Jesus expressed His love for children. "Suffer the little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 19:14) It has been said, "the word abortion never appears in the Bible." But can we misunderstand, in the list of "Six things that the Lord hates, yea seven that are an abomination to Him" is included "hands that shed innocent blood." (Proverbs 6:17) Could there be any more innocent victim of murder – than an unborn baby?

Have we become silent because we lack faith that through God things that are wrong can be made right? God says for us to speak out! "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." (Eph. 5:11)

# Perseverance – Be Steadfast

(I Corinthians 15:58)

Intro: we live in a changing world.  Of Abraham it is said. "For he waited for the city which has a whose builder
Of Abraham it is said, "For he waited for the city which has, whose builder and is God." (Hebrews 11:10)
God is faithful:
"It is impossible for God to" (Hebrews 6:18)
"Know that the Lord your God, He is God, the God." (Deut. 7:9)
"To lay hold of the that is set before us, this hope we have as an
to the soul, and" (Heb. 6:19)
Ways God Shows His faithfulness:
In Creation -IN "While the Earth remains, and harvest,
cold and heat, and and _will never cease." (Gen.6:22)
By His promises: "Let us hold fast the confession of our faith without wavering, for He
who is" (Hebrews 10:23)
In His care for us: "His fail not; they are every morning;
great is Thy" (Lamentations 3:32)
God demands faithfulness in those who follow Him: "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and back, is for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:62) "For it would have been better for them to have the way of righteousness, than having known it, it from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: A returns to his own, and a, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire." (II Peter 2:20-2)
To Persevere is to on on. "Let us lay aside every weight,
and the that so easily us, and run with the race that is set before us." (Hebrews 12:1-2)
We must persevere – We must remain to the of God. "If indeed you in the faith, and, and are not away from the hope of the gospel." (Colossians 1:22-23)
We must persevere - We must remain faithful in the Lord's "Therefore,
be steadfast, unmovable, always in the of the Lord."
We must persevere – We must be faithful in fighting "Have no with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather, them." (Eph. 5:11)

# If At First You Don't Succeed, Lie, Lie Again

~Written By Steve Higginbotham



Guys like Lance Armstrong and Pete Rose make themselves easy targets. They are men who had great careers, great reputations, and after years and years of vehement denials of wrong-doing, they finally admitted they were lying.

This isn't my attempt to "pile on," plenty of that has already taken place on TV, radio, and the Internet. Rather, this is just a brief reminder of how harmful "lying" can be.

First of all, we've all been guilty of lying. Before we cluck our tongues and act incredulous, maybe we all need to be reminded that we have all lied. It may have been to make us look better than we are, to keep from getting in trouble, or to spare or hurt another person's feelings, but we have all lied. Maybe our lies don't go on as long as theirs did, but then again, maybe ours have a longer life than theirs. My point is, don't act like you can't understand, because you can. You've done it, yourself.

Second, lying is progressive. When one starts down the path of lying, he soon finds himself lying again and again; oftentimes, lying merely to cover his own lies. Before long, the lies begin to accumulate and create an oppressive weight to bear up under. Friends, honesty is so liberating. You don't have to remember anything. You don't have to think about covering yourself, keeping your story straight, remembering to whom you told what. You just tell the truth, and the fear of being "outed" is gone.

**Third, lying is destructive.** Lying destroys trust. It weakens reputations. It damages relationships. And it erodes one's integrity. Not only that, the Lord is very clear that it will keep one out of Heaven (<u>Revelation 21:8</u>). Lying may be common, but it is not acceptable.

Can I challenge you to a life of honesty? Put away lying and deceit. Give up manipulating the truth by your sophistry? Instead, embrace the freedom of telling the truth. Begin today being more honest with your spouse, your children, your parents, your boss, your co-workers, and your classmates.

God always knows best. Not only is honesty the right thing to do, it pays dividends. Through honesty, one develops self-respect, the respect of others, trust, and integrity. Give honesty a try. You'll be glad you did. Honest!



February 2 - K-12th grade to OVU basketball game

February 3 - K-12th grade Super Bowl party at the Young's home

<u>February 4</u> - Area wide youth (Dewey Ave.)

February 9 - 6th-12th grade devo. hosted by Hescht's in the MP Room

<u>February 11</u> - Area wide youth (Waverly)

<u>February 18</u> - Area wide youth (Sunrise)

February 22 - 24 - Challenge Youth Conference in Gatlinburg, TN

<u>February 25</u> - Area wide youth (Barlow Vincent)

March 4 - Area wide youth (Camden Avenue)

More details to follow on these events.

## Sign-up sheets are in the foyer for these events.

Youth calendars are available on the counter.

# Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Here are some miscellaneous stories and thoughts that might make your day go a little better!

- Every morning, a little girl went into the bathroom to watch her Mommy as she was putting on her makeup. But one morning when her Mom turned to leave the bathroom, the little girl said loudly, "Mommy, you forgot to kiss the toilet paper good-bye!"
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- A man once observed, "Nowadays they say you need a special chip to put in the TV so kids can't watch bad programs. In my day, we didn't need a chip. My mom was the chip! End of story." It seems to me moms need to get back to guiding the house in this way!
- It is so true that a well-developed sense of humor is the <u>pole</u> that adds <u>balance</u> to your steps as you walk the tightrope of life!
- When you arise in the morning, give thanks for the morning light, for your life and strength. Give thanks for your food, and the joy of living. And if you see no reason for giving thanks then I would say the fault lies within yourself.

Have a great day! Enjoy all that the Lord has given you!

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



# HE IS

When you are the neediest, He is the most sufficient. When you are completely helpless, He is the most helpful When you feel totally dependent, He is absolutely dependable. When you are the weakest, He is the most able. When you are the most alone, He is intimately present. When you feel you are the least. He is the greatest. When you feel the most useless, He is preparing you. When it is the darkest, He is the only Light you need. When you feel the least secure, He is your Rock and Fortress, When you are the most humble, He is the most gracious.

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end..."

(Ephesians 3:20-21)

Borrowed

Watch
"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"
each Sunday morning at 7:30 on
WTAP-TV.

# Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, February 3

**ELDER IN CHARGE** - Pat Barclay **DEACON IN CHARGE** - Marion Goldsmith

#### **SONG LEADERS**

AM - Rick Stanley PM - Brian Haught

#### **PRAYER**

9:30 AM - Paul Inman Close - Bill Camp 6:00 PM - Kyle inman Close - John Hall

#### **SCRIPTURE**

AM - Ethan Ash

PM - Don Dougherty

### **COMMUNION TABLE**

AM - Walter Morgan PM - Stan Inman Mike Fleak

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

### **DOOR GREETERS**

**AM** Door 1 - Stan Inman

2 - Valeria Sprout

4 - Debi Inman

#### PM

- 1. Jon & Brandi Hescht
- 2. Dustin Hughes & Daniel Nygard
- 3. Jim & Sallie Hinzman
- 4. Leon & Judy Hupp
- 5. Don & Sheri Gaston
- 6. Bill Mills & Walter Morgan

## Facts and Figures

January 20, 2013
AM Service......326
Bible Study......240
PM Service......223
Wednesday......193
Contribution.....\$6863.29

#### **OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013**

Baptisms	0.
Restored or Requeste	
Prayers	0.
Placed Membership	

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

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

#### Wednesday

Bible Study.....11:00AM & 7:00PM