

**Camden Avenue Church of Christ**  
2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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## **APRIL EVENTS**

**April 1-2, Couples Retreat**

**April 3-6, OVU Lectures**

**April 10-13, Our Gospel Meeting with Brother  
Gary Vaught**

**April 21-24, Lads to Leaders Convention**

Other activities are noted on the church calendar.

## Elders:

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

## Deacons:

Delmas Carr  
Ralph Conner  
Marion Goldsmith  
Leonard Haid  
Brian Haught  
Doug Hershman  
Rob Hoover  
William Hoover  
Todd Kirk  
Everett Sams  
Ray Sams  
Paul Saunders  
Dwain Shears  
Keith Smith  
Scott Smith  
Jeff Taberner  
Larry Wigal

## Minister:

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# PRAYER LIST

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, Sheila Conner, Bill Daniel, Lee Edwards, David Frazier, Oren Gore, Jim Henry, Delbert Holleron, Janet Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Dan McNemar, Linda Moncrief, Gypsy Newberry, Jane Pralley, Opal Ray, Jenny Reynolds, Oliver "Butch" Smith, John Stevens, Mike Stone, Dorothy Weaver

## OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Kenadie Barclay, Chlorie Burns, Joe Civitello, Connie Cook, Madison Cottrell, Shellie Damsa, Tina Deem, Barbara Elliott, Charlotte Frame, Zelma Grove, Nancy Hardman, Marjorie Hart, Anna Hicks, Brenda Jones, Joe Johnson, Paul King, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Marty Liggins, Rick Lucas, Donna Ludwig, Dana Miles, Cathy Morrison, Jim Newbanks, Ann Owens, Kelsay Proffit, Keith Raines, Scott Riser, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Earl Selbe, Anne Spokes, Teresa Steed, Larry Stewart, Valerie Stevens, Linda Tallman, Gary Vaught, Carol Weekley, Angel White

(Please update the office of any changes in our Prayer Lists.)

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# THANK YOU NOTES

- ♥ **Jim and Charlotte Galloway** would like to thank everyone for the nice birthday cards they received.
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards and goodies. They all brightened my day.  
**Virginia McCutcheon**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards and well wishes for my birthday. **Kody Inman**
- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful cards. I enjoyed each one of them and they made my birthday brighter. **Billie Coe**
- ♥ Thanks so much for the kind words, birthday cards, and gifts. **Norma Cooper**
- ♥ Thanks for all the nice birthday cards. In Christian Love, **Penny Eddy**
- ♥ Thank you for keeping my father, Dana Miles, in your prayers! He is in a comfort care unit at this time and I still request your continual uplifting of prayers on his behalf. Thank you for all your encouraging words and notes to me at this difficult time! Plus, I can't Thank You enough for caring for my family while I was away in Kentucky! This truly is our "home" and you all are our family! In Him, **Carla Wadlington**
- ♥ To all the wonderful people at Camden Avenue, Thank you for the beautiful birthday cards. I appreciated each of them very much. Love, **Lille Fox**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. They made my day special! **Lee Edwards**
- ♥ Thank you for all the cards, calls and prayers. Thanks to Mary Nesselroad for the flowers, soup and brownies. Miss you all. **Nancy Kimes**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DEACON'S MEETING TODAY

The Deacon's meeting will be today at 5:00.

## LOVE AND CARE MONTHLY SING

The monthly sing at Love and Care will be tomorrow evening at 7:00.

## GOLDEN AGERS WASHINGTON, PA OUTLET TRIP

This Tuesday the Golden Agers will be going to the Washington, PA Outlets. Our bus will leave the building at 8:00. We will stop at Quinets in New Martinsville for dinner. The sign-up sheet and details are in the foyer.

## "IN GOD WE TRUST" THURSDAY EVENING SEMINAR

This four-week seminar is presented by the Warren Christian Apologetics Center each Thursday, March 31 and April 7 at 7:00PM at the Dewey Avenue Church of Christ. Our bus will leave here at 6:15 each Thursday evening.

## MID OHIO VALLEY LADIES INSPIRATION DAY

The Mid Ohio Valley Ladies Inspiration Day will be held April 9 from 9:00-2:00 at the Belpre Church of Christ. Becky Mathis-Stump will be the speaker.

## LLL SHOWCASE

The Lads to Leaders Showcase will be in the MP Room Sunday, April 10 at 4:30. LLL Convention will be April 22-24 in Indianapolis. If you would like to make a donation, please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

## 2011 SPRING BANQUET – PROM ALTERNATIVE

The Prom Alternative Banquet will be May 7 and is being hosted by the Hopewell congregation. Registration forms are located in both foyers. The registration deadline is this Friday, April 1.

## SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Geraldine Pahl in the passing of her son-in-law, Randy Cook. His funeral was Thursday.

### Weekly Bible Reading

**March 27** - Luke 3:1-8, De. 21-22  
**March 28** - Luke 3:19-38, De. 23-25  
**March 29** - Luke 4:1-15, De. 26-27  
**March 30** - Luke 4:16-44, De. 28-29  
**March 31** - Luke 5:1-16, De. 30-31  
**April 1** - Luke 5:17-39, De. 32  
**April 2** - Luke 6:1-26, De. 33-34

### Postal Food Drive

The annual Postal Food Drive will be Saturday, May 14. Larry Wigal and Ralph Conner are organizing this project and are in need of helpers.



If you can help, please sign the list in the foyer.



## SERMON NOTES:

### Raising Children for God: (Luke 2:39-52)

And He said to them, “Why is it that you \_\_\_\_\_ Me? Did you not know that I must be about My \_\_\_\_\_ business?” Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was \_\_\_\_\_ to them, but his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ and in favor with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:49-52)

**God chose for His Son to be \_\_\_\_\_ in a family.** “When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His \_\_\_\_\_, born of a \_\_\_\_\_, born under the Law, to \_\_\_\_\_ those who were under the Law.” (Galatians 4:4-5)

**Jesus was totally \_\_\_\_\_ AND totally \_\_\_\_\_.** “Who being in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, did consider it robbery to be \_\_\_\_\_ with God, but made Himself of no \_\_\_\_\_, taking the form of a servant, and coming in the \_\_\_\_\_ of men.” (Philippians 2:6-7)

**Joseph and Mary lived their lives in \_\_\_\_\_ to God.** “So when they had performed \_\_\_\_\_ things according to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord...” (Luke 2:39)

**The foundation for Christian \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.** “And you \_\_\_\_\_, do not provoke your children to wrath, but \_\_\_\_\_ them up in the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4)

**Jesus understood his \_\_\_\_\_.** “Did you no know that I must be about My \_\_\_\_\_ business? (Luke 2:49)

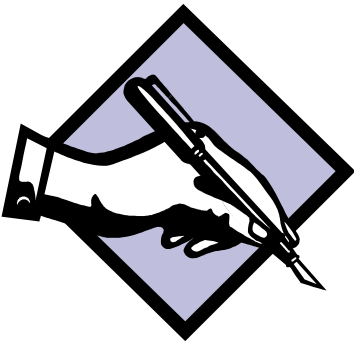
**Decisions about serving God should \_\_\_\_\_ in Childhood.** “Remember now your \_\_\_\_\_ in the days of your \_\_\_\_\_.” (Ecclesiastes 12:1) **Children submitting to parents is God’s \_\_\_\_\_ of things. It prepares us to have a \_\_\_\_\_ with God.**

**Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ to his \_\_\_\_\_.** “Children \_\_\_\_\_ your parents in the Lord, for this is \_\_\_\_\_. Honor your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, which is the first commandment with \_\_\_\_\_.” (Ephesians 6:1-3) “Though He was a \_\_\_\_\_, yet He learned \_\_\_\_\_ by the things that He \_\_\_\_\_. And having been \_\_\_\_\_, He became the author of eternal \_\_\_\_\_ to all who \_\_\_\_\_ Him.” (Hebrews 5:8-9)

**The results of How Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_.** “And Jesus increased in \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ and in \_\_\_\_\_ with God and \_\_\_\_\_.” (Luke 2:52)

**Wisdom: \_\_\_\_\_ Stature \_\_\_\_\_ Favor with God \_\_\_\_\_ Favor with men \_\_\_\_\_.**

**The home is where \_\_\_\_\_ education takes place.** “Train up a \_\_\_\_\_ in the way that he should go, and when he is \_\_\_\_\_ he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)




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## A NOTE FROM JIM GALLOWAY, ELDER

### GOOD NEWS

“Good News Today” is overseen by the elders of the White Oak Church of Christ in Chattanooga, TN and produced in the studios of Gospel Broadcasting Network. It has national TV coverage. GBN airs on more than twenty cable systems, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

As of January 2, 2011, GBN is sponsoring “Good News Today,” on Dish Network’s Channel 267, DirecTV’s Channel 376, and Sky Angel’s IPTV Channel 136, Sundays at 7:30AM. It is also airing at the same time on GloryStar’s Channel 117, which reaches 4.5 million households.

This is the first of its kind among churches of Christ. “Good News Today” is a magazine-format program, featuring James Watkins’ popular segment, “Preaching the Gospel.” There are also commentaries on current events, guest interviews, and a devotional consisting of a *cappella* singing, scripture reading, and a Bible study.

Jim Dearman is the preacher of the White Oak congregation. He is also the program director for Gospel Broadcasting Network and the host of “Good News Today.” He was formerly a professional commercial broadcaster and news director. Brother Dearman says, “Considering the moral and spiritual challenges facing our society, America needs ‘Good News Today’...and everyday!”

With God’s blessings and the help of GBN, we are getting that news potentially to nearly 38 million households and other satellite subscribers. If you would like to support this good work, you can check their website at [www.gbntv.org](http://www.gbntv.org) or by calling 1-866-535-4677.




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Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
“teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.” Amen.

**Matthew 28:19-20**



## DANA'S DIRECTION

### “And you – fathers”

A man I knew had a military background. He ruled over his family with an iron fist. In a counseling session with him and his wife, he demanded that I tell her “the Bible teaches that I am the head of the house!” “Actually,” I told her, “you’re not.” We read together from I Corinthians 11:3. **“But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.”** It’s true that God holds a man accountable for his family and gives him the authority to oversee it – **but the head of every family is Christ!**

The most important role that God gives to fathers is the **spiritual leadership of their family**. I thank God for Christian mothers. The truth is that many homes would have no Christian influence or training if it was not for them. Often, they are the ones who see to it that the children are taken to Bible study and church. They are the ones who tell the children Bible stories and listen to their prayers at night. I know many women who have raised faithful Christian children without the help of a husband and father. But, it is difficult and not the way God intends for it to be.

In Ephesians 6:4 Paul makes a very direct charge to dads: **“and you, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in training and admonition of the Lord.”** How does God measure my faithfulness to Him? One way is by the way I lead my family in following Him. In Genesis 18:19, we read one of the reasons Abraham was approved by God. **“I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, that they keep the way of the Lord, to do righteousness and justice.”**

As fathers, we must provide leadership for our families. It is up to us to determine what our family believes and stands for. As Joshua challenged Israel **“Choose you this day whom you will serve, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!”** (Joshua 24:15) How can we, as fathers be a spiritual leader in our home?

**First, by teaching.** God commanded fathers to make His will known to their children. (Psalm 78:5-6; Isaiah 38:19). He told the fathers of Israel to lay up His words in their hearts and to **“teach them to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.”** We share things we enjoy with our children. We talk to them about sports, we teach them to drive a car and to hunt. But are we training them in the way of the Lord? Christian fathers must study God’s word and teach it to their children!

**Second, by example.** In Deut. 32:7, we are told **“ask your father, and he will show you.”** Our own example is the strongest leadership there is. Do you pray with your children? Are you taking an active role in the church? As your children observe you day in and day out, do they know you to be a man of integrity – honest in all of your dealings? Pure in your language, attitudes, and habits?

Fathers, God has given us a tremendous responsibility! It’s time for all of us to say **“as for me and my house – we will serve the Lord!”**





## What If We Used The Bible As We Use Cell Phones?

### What If . . .

We carried it around in our pockets or purses?

We turned back to get it if we forgot it?

We accessed it several times a day?

We used it to received text messages?

We treated it as if we couldn't live without it?

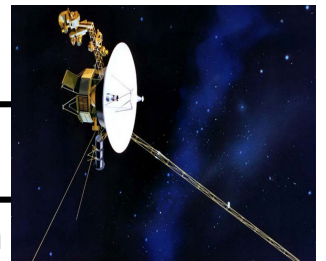
We gave Bibles to our children as gifts?

We used it when traveling?

We used it in the case of an emergency?

Tipp City Church of Christ bulletin  
Bob Vincent

## Minute of Meditation 910 WLTP



In 1977, the United States launched a rocket into space. On board was a small craft called Voyager I, a probe that was sent into space to explore the planets. After Voyager finished sending back photos from the planet Jupiter, it didn't stop working. It just kept going.

Today, over 34 years later, that tiny vehicle is still going--traveling at a speed of over 38,000 miles per hour. And it's nearly nine billion miles from the sun! Brilliant scientists have sent a ship to the edge of our solar system. It seems astounding!

But it's absolutely puny when compared to what God has done! We have barely begun to explore the vastness of God's creation.

Think of this: While we have left the realm of one star with a spaceship, the Creator of the stars calls "them all by name" (Isaiah 40:26). After all, He made them--didn't He! Exploring the universe is amazing. But exploring the God who made it all--that is beyond amazing!

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue Church of Christ where YOU are ALWAYS welcome.

**MEN SERVING APRIL 3**

**ELDER IN CHARGE— Gary Herridge**

**DEACON IN CHARGE - Bill Hoover**

**SONG LEADERS**

AM—Rick Stanley

PM—Scott Smith

**PRAYER**

9:30 AM—Paul Saunders

Close—Todd Kirk

6:00 PM—Barry Mills

Close—Larry Wigal

**SCRIPTURE**

AM—Glenn Snider

PM—Leon Hupp

**COMMUNION TABLE**

AM—Kody Inman

PM—Brian Haught

Scott Johnson

**PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway**

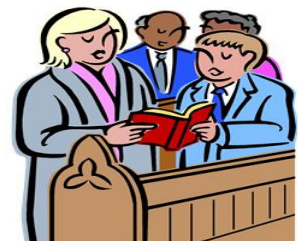


Watch "IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY" every Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP-TV.

**UPCOMING TOPICS**

April 3  
God Our Father

**Friday Night Sing**



The Friday Night sing this week is at the North End congregation.

**AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS**

**March 27-31**

Chandlersville Road congregation

Speaker: Randy Baker

**April 3-6**

Little Hocking Church of Christ

Speaker: Willie Franklin

**April 3-8**

Salem Church of Christ

Speaker: Emanuel Daugherty

**April 3-6**

Bridge Street Church of Christ

Speaker: Terry Jones

**April 10-13**

Our Gospel Meeting with Gary Vaught

**April 17-20**

North End Church of Christ

Speaker: Earl Edwards

**April 24-27**

Sixth & Washington Street Church of Christ

Speaker: Clarence DeLoach

**Facts and Figures**

March 20, 2011

AM Service.....312

Bible Study.....261

PM Service.....236

Wednesday.....179

Contribution.....\$8257.54

**OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2011**

Baptisms.....1

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership....2

**Schedule of Services**

**Sunday**

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....10:45

PM Worship.....6:00

**Wednesday**

Bible Study.....7:00

Details are posted on the bulletin boards in both foyers.