

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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**Our Gospel Meeting with Clarence DeLoach
begins today.**

Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Lunch in the
MP Room today after worship and Bible classes.

**Please make plans to attend our Gospel
meeting this week to study God's word.**

Elders:

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

Deacons:

Josh Barclay
Delmas Carr
Marion Goldsmith
Leonard Haid
Brian Haught
Doug Herselman
Rob Hoover
William Hoover
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
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We extend our sympathy to the family of Sheila Conner. She passed away Tuesday in Chattanooga, TN.
A memorial service will be held here at the building on May 19 at 10:00.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Mary Ann Barclay, Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, Harvey Caplinger Jr., De Fleak, Bob Fox, David Frazier, Marion Goldsmith, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Leonard Shears, Jim VanCamp, Kelsie Wadlington

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Jamie Atkinson, Kenadie Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Chlorie Burns, Karen Caplinger, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Margaret Cowdery, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Lidia DiConcilis, Owen Dulaney, Barbara Elliott, Sharon Fluharty, Tim Fought, Charlotte Frame, Nancy Hardman, Anna Hicks, Kyle Hockenberry, Adam Hoschar, Helen James, Brenda Jones, Glenn Jones, Lorean Jones, Phillip Johnson, Bob and Colleen Keister, Paul King, Julia Knight, Kenny Kreaps, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Betty Morris, Cathy Morrison, Jamie Moyers, Carrie Nichols, Ann Owens, Robert Peters, Jack Plumley, Sharon Pugh, Dale Putnam, Scott Riser, Louise Rudolph, Darrell Sams, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Anne Spokes, Valerie Stevens, Lisa Taylor, Alexander Trippett, Gina Uhl, Lisa Wagner, Carol Weekley, Angel White

Please notify the office of any updates in our PRAYER LIST.



- ♥ I would like to thank everyone who kept me in their prayers during my recent illness. Also, to everyone that took time to visit me, call me and send such beautiful cards. A special thank you to Garrie Miller for the beautiful afghan. **Mary Ann Barclay**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards, prayers, and all acts of kindness shown during the recent illness and passing of Sheila. **The family of Sheila Conner**
- ♥ I appreciate the birthday cards and well wishes. **Bob Miller**
- ♥ I would like to thank everyone for the well wishes and nice birthday cards I received for my birthday. **Calvin Martin**



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY

The Fellowship Lunch will be hosted by Care Group 2 today in the MP Room following morning worship and Bible classes. Bring covered dish items, desserts, and beverages.

HARMAR HILL GOSPEL MEETING THURSDAY

Transportation will leave here Thursday evening at 6:15 for the Gospel Meeting at the Harmar Hill congregation. The speaker is Robert Taylor from Ripley, TN.

The topic is: Where will we be in eternity?

POSTAL FOOD DRIVE SATURDAY, MAY 12

Volunteers are needed for the postal food drive Saturday, May 12. The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

GOLDEN AGERS TRIP TO AMISH COUNTRY, TUESDAY MAY 15

Golden Agers will be going to the Amish Country Tuesday, May 15. Sign the list in the foyer if you plan to attend.

YOUTH RETREAT AT TOMLINSON RUN STATE PARK

We have been invited to the youth retreat at the Tomlinson Run State Park May 18-20 (Friday-Sunday). Cost: \$20.00 The sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

LADIES TEA AND LUNCH - JUNE 2

The ladies' tea/luncheon (formerly the mother-daughter banquet) will be **Saturday, June 2** at 12:00 in the MP Room. It has been three years since we have hosted a day for our ladies of all ages. This will not be fancy, just a couple of hours of fellowship and fun surprises are being planned. Please sign the new list in the foyer.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP AT CAMP HERVIDA

They are asking for food donation from the local congregations to hold the campers fee to a minimum. The list is on the counter in the foyer. Also, if you would like to make a monetary donation with camp costs, see one of the elders by Wednesday.



Daily Bible Reading

May 6 - Luke 22:24-53, I Sa 30-31
May 7 - Luke 22:54-71, II Sa 1-3
May 8 - Luke 23:1-25, II Sa 4-6
May 9 - Luke 23:26-56, II Sa 7-10
May 10 - Luke 24:1-12, II Sa 11-12
May 11 - Luke 24:13-35, II Sa 13-14
May 12 - Luke 24:36-53, II Sa 15-16
May 13 - John 1:1-34, II Sa 17-18



Happy Anniversary to Bob and Gala Miller!

THEY WILL CELEBRATE
THEIR FIRST ANNIVERSARY
ON MAY 14.

Update your church calendar.



There will be a family hosted
baby shower for Cody and
Kristi Hoover Saturday, May
12 at 5:00 in the MP Room.

Everyone is invited.

A SUCCESSFUL GOSPEL MEETING DEPENDS ON US!



1. IT DEPENDS ON OUR ATTITUDE!

Are we looking forward to it? Do we realize its potential for good? Are we excited about the cause of Christ?

2. IT DEPENDS ON OUR ATTENDANCE!

Some meetings fail because 50% of the members do not attend any service except Sunday and Wednesday. Will we clear our schedule so we can be present at every service?

3. IT DEPENDS ON OUR INVITATIONS!

Regardless of all the advertising done through printed announcements, visitors will usually attend only if personally invited by a Christian friend. How many do you plan to invite?

4. IT DEPENDS ON OUR FRIENDLINESS!

Do our visitors feel welcome and wanted in our services? How many of us make a special effort to greet visitors and invite them back?

5. IT DEPENDS ON OUR PARTICIPATION!

Nothing “kills” a worship service more than members refusing to sing praises unto God.

6. IT DEPENDS ON OUR PRAYERS!

Are we praying for the preacher, song leader, and those who need to respond?

7. IT DEPENDS ON OUR ENCOURAGEMENT!

A word of love and encouragement to one who needs to respond to heaven’s invitation means so much. Words of appreciation to those who work in behalf of the meeting to help insure success.

Yes, Christian friends, a successful Gospel meeting depends on us. Let’s do our part!



Speaker: Clarence DeLoach
from Cookeville, TN

Sermon Notes

Topics (May 6-9)

Sunday 9:30 - The Fruit of the Spirit is JOY

Sunday Bible Class 11:00 - The Fruit of the Spirit is LOVE

Sunday PM Service 6:00 - The Fruit of the Spirit is PEACE

Monday 7:00PM - The Fruit of the Spirit is PATIENCE

Tuesday 7:00PM - The Fruit of the Spirit is KINDNESS

Wednesday 7:00 PM - The Fruit of the Spirit is FAITHFULNESS



Encouraging Missionaries

~P. Nygard

Every month I get a bulletin from Brett Rutherford, a missionary in Devonport, Tasmania. Here is a small excerpt from his latest report.

On the twelfth of April we celebrated twelve years of working with the church in Devonport. This work has been very challenging, but it has also been very rewarding. We have never regretted our decision to establish the church in this Tasmanian city. One of our members, Brian Hooper, constantly reminds me of the significance our decision to start a congregation in Devonport. He often remarks that he would have never known the truth if we had not made the decision to evangelize the northwest coast of Tasmania. I am certainly grateful to all of you who have made it possible for us to reach people like Brian through your support and prayers.

It is encouraging to hear from missionaries such as Brett or Roger Shepherd, and Joe Worndle. These men and their families make untold sacrifices so that the Gospel of Christ can be taken to the lost. Their eternal inheritance from God will be great indeed.

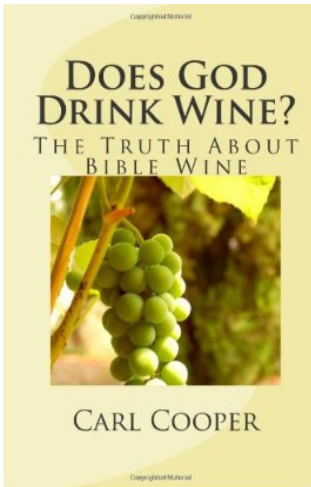
Jesus told His disciples that they would be witnesses to Him beginning in Jerusalem, then in all Judea, Samaria, and then to the ends of the earth (Acts 1.8). The gospel is like a small stone dropped into the middle of a calm pond. The ripples begin in a small circle and eventually spread to cover the entire surface.

Brothers and sisters, we have been given a task by Jesus Himself. His command to us is born of love for all of mankind. *Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation (Mk 16.15).*

How will the lost be saved if we do not teach? How will the world learn the love of God if we are not the example? How can we say we love God, if we do not love our neighbor as well? The gospel light must shine from all of us, beginning in the center of our small pond.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (Mt 5.16)

FEATURED BOOK OF THE WEEK...



In the church today, there seems to be two attitudes that rear their heads in discussions of obedience to God. First, “What is the least I can do?” (i.e. church attendance, giving, etc.) Secondly, “How much can I be like the world and still be saved?” Usually connected to this question is an effort to find Biblical authority, such as drinking alcohol.

Carl O. Cooper faces the question of wine drinking in his very small, yet very provocative book, **Does God Drink Wine?** the truth about Bible wine.

If you are looking for support for drinking, this book will not interest you. Some chapters that will challenge your thinking are: “The Parable of the Wineskins”, “Communion Wine”, “Why Do People Drink”, “The Alcoholic”.

There are sixty-seven pages that will educate, challenge, and strengthen.

These featured books were donated in memory of my mother, Betty Rockhold and will be available in our church library.

John Rockhold III

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP



Have you ever tried to buy your way out of trouble? Do you think that enough money can solve any problem that you face? I’m afraid that in our materialist society, that is what many of us rely on to “make things right in our lives.” But it doesn’t necessarily make things better.

But then some of us, when all else fails and we have no one or nothing else to turn to, decide that maybe we should pray to God for help. This is a good practice, but very poor timing! Many of us pray only when we are struggling. However, Jesus taught is to pray when we are succeeding! The bottom line is that we need to pray regularly to God, not just when everything is going wrong. If we talk to God in prayer when everything is going RIGHT in our lives, just imagine how much more comfort and hope we will receive when we pray during our struggles! God loves us and He wants to hear from us.

Don’t make “prayer less” decisions. Talk to God and He will help guide you in the right way!

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Next Sunday, May 13

ELDER IN CHARGE - Ron Riddle
DEACON IN CHARGE - Jeff Taberner

SONG LEADERS

AM - Rick Stanley
 PM - Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Dearll Vincent
 Close - Ira Klmes
 6:00 PM - Ryan Gaston
 Close - Dave Nulter

SCRIPTURE

AM - Neil Russell
 PM - Doug Hershman

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Scott Smith
 PM - Kyle Inman
 Scott Johnson

PA SYSTEM - Todd Kirk



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

May 7 2:00 - 7:00
 Lubeck Church of Christ

AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS

- Sunrise congregation
 May 6-9

Speaker: Charles Aebi

- Cairo congregation
 May 6-10

Speakers: Larry Wigal and Van Sprague

Ladies Inspiration Day

Beallsville congregation
 May 8

Speaker: Karen Tucker

Ladies Inspiration Day

National Road congregation in Wheeling, WV
 May 12 9:30 - 1:00

Speaker: Brenda McCreary

Warren Apologetics Center presents

THE SECOND ANNUAL SPRING APOLOGETICS LECTURES
 ENGAGING MORAL PHILOSOPHY FOR CONTEMPORARY
 APOLOGETICS

Speaker: Rolland E. Pack, PhD.

May 10, 2012 9:00-3:00

Grand Pointe Conference Center in Vienna, WV

**The Lawn Crew for
 this week is the
 Taberner crew.**



They include Josh Barclay, Korey
 Inman, Kyle Inman, Scott Johnson, and
 Jeff Taberner.

Facts and Figures

May 6, 2012

AM Service.....293

Bible Study.....239

PM Service.....213

Wednesday.....216

Contribution.....\$10751.44

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....4

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....2

Placed Membership....9

*** Details are on the bulletin boards in both foyers. ***



Thank you for choosing to worship
 with us today.

Your presence has been a blessing.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Evening Bible Study.....7:00

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



UPCOMING TOPIC

May 13

A PRISONER TO SIN

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave at
 6:15 Friday for the sing at
 the Dewey Avenue
 congregation.