Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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Our Gospel Meeting with Brother Tom Miller begins today.

You are invited to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room after morning worship and Bible classes.

"Learning from Jesus" 1 Peter 2:21

Sunday 9:30AM - "Jesus, Our Example"
Sunday Bible Study - "Learning to Worship"
Sunday 6:00PM - "Learning to Touch"
Monday 7:00PM - "Learning to Love"
Tuesday 7:00PM - "Learning to Forgive"
Wednesday 7:00PM - "Learning to Win Souls"

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 Hershman Rob Hoover William Hoover Kyle Inman Scott Johnson Todd Kirk **Everett Sams** Ray Sams **Paul Saunders Dwain Shears Keith Smith** Scott Smith Jeff Taberner **David Wadlington**

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PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Sheila Conner, De Fleak, Jane Pralley, Leonard Shears, Mike Stone

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Kenadie Barclay, Chlorie Burns, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Daniel Currey, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Barbara Elliott, Charlotte Frame, Chuck Gibbs, Zelma Grove, Rick Haddox, Nancy Hardman, Marjorie Hart, Anna Hicks, Kyle Hockenberry, Adam Hoschar, Helen James, Brenda Jones, Phillip Johnson, Linda Keller, Paul King, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Cybill Lockney, Frank Love, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Cathy Morrison, Carrie Nichols, Ann Owens, Robert Peters, Sharon Pugh, Scott Riser, Louise Rudolph, Darrell Sams, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Anne Spokes, Larry Stewart, Valerie Stevens, Alexander Trippett, Gary Vaught, Lisa Wagner, Carol Weekley, Angel White

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

HOSPITAL

Sheila Conner is a patient in Chattanooga Memorial Hospital (Room 181).

Her address is: 2625 Desales Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37404

Marietta Memorial

Marjorie Hart (Room ICU)

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Delbert Beach in the passing of his sister, Leah Cameron Lemasters. Her funeral was yesterday at Leavitt Funeral Home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR GOSPEL MEETING WITH BROTHER TOM MILLER

Our Gospel Meeting with Brother Miller begins today and concludes Wednesday evening. We are so glad to have Tom and Sierra with us. Invite your friends and family and plan to be here each time.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY

The monthly Fellowship Lunch will be today in the MP Room after morning worship and Bible classes. Care Group 3 will be in charge. Everyone is invited. Bring a covered dish item, desserts and beverages.

COLLEGE DINNER MEETING THIS EVENING

Our next college dinner will be this Wednesday. There will be a meeting in Room 112 after services this evening for those who would like to help.

LADIES LUNCH AT FORT BOREMAN PARK THURSDAY

All ladies are invited to bring their lunch and meet at Fort Boreman Park this Thursday at 12:00 Noon. We will enjoy the fall weather.

GOLDEN AGERS TRIP TO BOB EVAN'S FESTIVAL FRIDAY

Golden Agers will be going to the Bob Evans Farm Festival this Friday. Leaving at 9:00. Sign the sheet in the foyer if you plan to attend.

ANNUAL HAID'S SOUP BEAN DINNER SATURDAY

The Haid's annual soup bean dinner will be Saturday at 4:00 at the Haid's cabin. Bring your chairs and covered dishes to go along with the soup beans. The sign up sheet is in the foyer.

MEN'S MEETING AND BIBLE BUSTERS NEXT SUNDAY

The Men's meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00 and Bible Busters at 5:30.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER OCTOBER 17

MNFTM will meet next Monday evening at 5:45 for dinner and 6:20 for devotional and work projects. Sign up sheets are in the foyer.

TUESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS OCTOBER 18

The Tuesday Evening Ladies class will meet next Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00 in the MP Room.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLASS BEGINS OCTOBER 19

The Wednesday afternoon class will begin October 19 at 1:00. It will be a study of Joshua and Judges.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Our annual trunk or treat will be Wednesday, October 26 after services on the parking lot across from the MP Room. Refreshments will be served in the MP Room after the children collect their goodies. Bring finger foods and beverages. See Julie Taberner or Natalie Haught for details.

RALPH & SHEILA CONNER'S ADDRESS

Ralph is staying with their son, Michael. The address is: 7812 Legacy Park Court Chattanooga, TN 37421.

Dana's Direction Danger Signals of Apostasy

It has long been said that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Many diseases are easier to prevent than they are to treat. The same is true of unfaithfulness. It is often easier to prevent a person from apostasy than it is to restore him to faithfulness. Early detection of spiritual problems can lead to early treatment and prevention of apostasy. With this principle in mind, consider these danger signals of apostasy:

- 1.) Loss of appetite for the Word of God. When a Christian quits hungering and thirsting for the Word of God, serious spiritual malnutrition can and will result.
- 2.) Neglecting to engage in prayer. Prayer, like physical exercise, requires a daily regimen marked by discipline and determination.
- 3.) Absenteeism from worship assemblies. Worship assemblies create a sense of brotherhood and encourage good works.
- 4.) Noninvolvement with the local church program. There is often a direct relationship between a person's involvement in the local program of work and his continued faithfulness as a Christian.
- 5.) A critical spirit. A critical, judgmental spirit is damaging to both the individual Christian and the church of which he is a part.
- 6.) Lack of respect for the truth. A person who is liberal in matters of faith or dogmatically conservative in matters of opinion fails to have a healthy respect for the truth.
- 7.) Absence of concern for others. One who is cold, insensitive and is lacking in genuine love for others ought to be concerned that apostasy is not far away.

If any of these problems persists in your life, seek the Great Physician and get back on the road to spiritual wholeness.

John Tracy Pulpit Helps



NOTES

PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Any kind of breakfast cereal, canned fruit, canned carrots, canned potatoes, and cough drops.

Items may be left in the library.

Weekly Bible Reading

October 9 - Ephesians 5, Isaiah 20-23

October 10 - Ephesians 6, Isaiah 24-26

October 11 - Philippians 1, Isaiah 27-29

October 12 - Philippians 2, Isaiah 30-32

October 13 - Philippians 3, Isaiah 33-36

October 14 - Philippians 4, Isaiah 37-38

October 15 - Colossians 1, Isaiah 39-41

THANK YOU NOTES

- ▼ Thank you for the anniversary cards. We appreciate each and every one of them. Allen and Billie Coe
- ♥ A special thank you to all who sent us cards for our birthdays. We enjoyed them all.
 Love, Avery and Jo Ann Goldsmith
- Thanks to all who attended my 80th birthday party and to all those who sent me cards.
 Ray Johnson
- Thank you so much for your thoughts, kind words, visits, the flowers, prayers and wonderful food during the death of my Dad. All of you mean so much to Pam and I. In Christian Love, Mike and Pam Bayer
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. I enjoyed them all. In Christian Love, Korey Inman
- Thank you bunches for the cards, gifts and beautiful flowers helping me celebrate my 29th (HA!) birthday. Appreciate your kindness. Each made my day even more special. Much Love, **De Sams (Fleak)**



These are two words that can strike fear into the hearts of even the best students. Even hearing the phrase "pop quiz" can make some adults who have been out of school for years cringe. Yet we cannot deny the good example of the Christians in Berea.

These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so. (Act 17:11 NKJV)

With that in mind....it is time for a 'pop quiz'. See if you know the answers.

- 1. What is the Old Testament book about 'beginnings'?
- 2. What New Testament book can be called a 'book of conversions'?
- 3. What Old Testament book tells the story of a Jew who became a queen?
- 4. Name a gospel that begins with a genealogy.
- 5. What New Testament book tells us of the conversion of a runaway slave?
- 6. Who was the last of the judges?
- 7. What passage in the Bible talks about repentance?
- 8. What chapter in the Bible can we find the qualifications of elders?
- 9. What chapter in the Bible can we establishment of the Church?
- 10.Can you quote Acts 2.38?



"Do Gospel Meetings Count?"

The story is told about a man who was waiting his turn on Judgment Day. He was at the end of a vast multitude of people when he heard a great commotion at the front of the line. As the noise gradually made its way down the line, the man anxiously asked those in front of him, "What is it? What's it all about?" Those in front joyfully passed the word back: "They're not counting attendance at Gospel meetings!"

We chuckle because we know some who would be relieved to hear such news. In every congregation there are those whose spiritual thirst is easily quenched by an hour on Sunday morning. Rarely, if ever, do they participate in any of the other services of the church.

Although the question may be sincerely asked, "How many times do I <u>have to come?</u>" the real issue is priorities, not performance.

We come to encourage others and to be encouraged by them (Hebrews 3:13). We attend to grow spiritually because church is a place where we are encouraged to be less like the world and more like Christ (I Corinthians 3:10-13). We come because we hunger and thirst after righteousness (Matthew 5:6).

As you decide what you will be doing each evening this week (October 9-12), please consider coming to hear Brother Miller.

(Portions adapted from an article in a flyer from the Norval Park congregation.)

Minute of Meditation Heard on 91.0 WLTP

In his book "The Death of Outrage", William Bennett observes that there are things happening in our country today that ought to cause outrage. But, according to the media, it's not happening! Is it because we have lost our sense of shame?

Have we, as a people, grown to accept things that are sinfully outrageous? There is no shame any more to having babies out of wedlock - just read the birth notices in the paper!

Unmarried couples live together without an ounce of shame. Shame is a warning mechanism to keep us from veering off course, but it can be overridden. Immorality, profanity and lying have become "normal" and acceptable on our society today just as it was in the days of the prophet Jeremiah. And that kind of attitude destroys shame. As in Paul's day, there are those who have "no fear of God before their eyes" (Romans 3:18).



Yes, there is a right and a wrong, and it is found in God's Word. **Read** about it - Understand it - Obey it!

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of mediation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where **you** are <u>always</u> welcome.

MEN SERVING OCTOBER 16

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Inman

DEACON IN CHARGE - Doug Hershman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught

PM - Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Dennis Keller

Close - Ryan Gaston

6:00 PM - Chris Tallman

Close - Barry Mills

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ryan Logston

PM - Drake Logston

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Leon Hupp

PM - Russ Alton

Keith Smith

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

Facts and Figures

October 2, 2011

AM Service.....286

Bible Study.....232

PM Service......210

Wednesday.....202

Contribution......\$9267.56

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2011

Baptisms.....4

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....7

Placed Membership....3

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Shears crew.



They include Steve Allen, Mike Bayer, Cody Hoover, Korey Inman and Dwain Shears.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

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

PM Worship......6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study......7:00

Area Events

October 9-13

Salem Church of Christ Speaker: Rick Tincher

October 16-19

Lubeck Church of Christ Speaker: Joe Wells

October 16-20

Harmar Hill Church of Christ Speaker: Phil Grear

October 17-21

Crum Ridge Church of Christ Speaker: Sam Bartrug

Details for these events are on the bulletin boards in both fovers.

Opportunities to Serve Today ELDER IN CHARGE - Stan Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Ethan Ash

PM - Rick Stanley

PRAYER

9:30 AM - David Lamp

Close - Marion Goldsmith

6:00 PM - Bill Mills

Close - Todd Kirk

SCRIPTURE

AM - Bill Hoover

PM - Donovan Walton

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Mike Wade

PM - Kody Inman

Donovan Walton

DOOR GREETERS

AM (Doors Listed)

1 - Jack Newberry

2 - Ron Riddle

4 - Ray Sams

PM

- 1. Sarah Gray & Calle Logston
- 2. Sheila Deems & Sonya Hescht
- 3. Bill & Sherry Hoover
- 4. Jenny Ware & Connie Hickman
- 5. Mary Daniel & Peggy Dearth
- 6. Leon & Judy Hupp

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



UPCOMING TOPIC
October 16
THE CROSS



FRIDAY NIGHT SING

The Friday Night Sing is at the Belpre congregation.