Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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Christian New Year's Resolutions

How can I use the New Year To better serve my Lord? I'll read my Bible every day. And be more in accord. I'll find new ways to serve others; I'll love my neighbor, too. I'll focus on "give" instead of "get" In everything I do. I'll forgive the people I'm upset at; Angry feelings I'll discard; I'll try to love my enemies. Even though it's hard. In the new year, I'll lift people up, Instead of putting them down. I'll fill my heart with love and joy, And never wear a frown. I'll let go of my worries; I'll put it all in His hands; I'll repent and try to sin less, And obey all His commands. These new year's resolutions Are difficult, at best. Be there's something I can do each day That will put my soul at rest: I'll love my Lord with all my heart, With all my mind and soul, And if I do that essential thing,



All the rest will be in control.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
Brian Haught
Paul Inman
Stan Inman
John Life
Ron Riddle
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Dearll Vincent

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A million dollars and a bale of hay will be worth the same on Judgement Day! Kathleen Albright C/O Willowbrook Christian Home (Room 143) 55 Lazelle Road Columbus, OH 43235



Remember our church family in your prayers.

Kathleen Albright, Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Margaret Dawkins, Gloria Frazier, Sallie Hinzman, Dustin Hughes, Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Bill Lemley, Myrtle Metz, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell, Ray Sams, Ruth Wells

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Betty Adams (Relative of Calvin and Jean Martin), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Delana Blizzard (Harvey & Mary Caplinger's daughter), Kelly Boyce, Edna Drillien (Chelsea Inman's grandmother), Jim Fitcher, Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Harold Haid, Tony Haid (Len's son), Larry Hays (Madeline Gregg's brother), Anne Kaiser, David Newberry, Lisa Osbourne (Steve Moser's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Rick Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's son-inlaw), Rosemary Vincent (Dearll Vincent's sister-in-law), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt), Pam Wilson

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



- ★ Chelsea Doonan thanks everyone for the numerous cards, letter and prayers on her behalf. Still no good news to report so please keep them coming.
- ✔ I want to thank you for the holiday cards and gifts. You made my Christmas that more special! I thank God you are my church family. May God bless you all. Love, Jo Langler
- ▼ Thank you one and all for the thoughtful "goodies" basket and the many beautiful holiday cards. I am truly blessed. In Christian love, Jane Pralley

Thank you to Colleen Ash, Dustin Hughes and Keith and Eloise Smith for the scrumptious cookies and candies delivered to the church office.



LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES MEETING

There will be a LLL meeting this evening after services in Room 109 for everyone involved.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 2 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

AREA WIDE SERVICE

The area wide service will be held here next Sunday, January 10 at 3:30, hosted by the Grand Central congregation.

DANA'S ANNUAL "I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S NOT A HOLIDAY" DINNER

Dana invites everyone to his annual "I Can't Believe It's Not A Holiday" dinner at Western Sizzlin' Tuesday, January 12 at 5:30PM. Sign-up sheet on the counter for attendance count.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

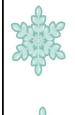
Care Group 1 will conduct the services at Love and Care Sunday, January 24 at 2:30 and Thursday, January 28 at 7:00PM.

HELPING THOSE IN NEED FORMS

We are updating the <u>Helping Those In Need</u> information. Forms are available in the foyers. Completed forms may be left in the office or give to Rob Hoover.

HOLIDAY CARDS

Please check the tables in the rear of the auditorium for your holiday cards.



Daily Bible Reading

January 3—Matthew 3, Genesis 6-7 January 4—Matthew 4, Genesis 8-10 January 5—Matthew 5:1-20, Genesis 11-12 January 6—Matthew 5:21-48, Genesis 13-15 January 7—Matthew 6:1-15, Genesis 16-18 January 8—Matthew 6:16-34, Genesis 19-20 January 9—Matthew 7, Genesis 21-22 January 10—Matthew 8, Genesis 23-24

Watch

"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP, WCWP local Sunday at 7:30AM, Dish Channel 239 Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM.

<u>Upcoming Topic—January 10</u> THE GRACE OF GOD



DANA'S DIRECTION "A Wonderful Message"

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I received a very thought-provoking article from an unlikely source - the late comedian George Carlin. In this writing, he illustrated the misdirection of the society that we live in today, and encouraged us to focus on the things that are really important. Read and give thought to what he has written. May it help all of us to start off the New Year right! -Dana

The Paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider Freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are the days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, and one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill. It is a time when there is much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom. A time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or just hit delete....

Remember, spend some time with your loved ones, because they are not going to be around forever.

Remember, say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

Remember, to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember, to say "I love you" to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again.

Give time to love, give time to speak! And give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

Happy New Life (Psalm 1:1-6)



The Blessedness of	he righteous man. (What he does not do) (Psalm 1:1-3)	
	an who not in the counsel of the" in the path of"	
"Nor	in the seat of the "	
(What he does)		
"But his	is in the of the Lord"	
"In His law he	day and night."	
(The results of such	a life.)	
"He shall be like	planted by the of water"	
"That brings forth	its in its season, whose also shall not withe	er."
"And whatever he	does shall"	
The condition of the (Psalm 1:4-5)	unrighteous man. (Their end is not like that of the righteo	us)
"But are like the	which the wind drives away."	
	shall not in the judgment, i _ in the of the righteous."	nor
The final contrast be	ween two ways of life. (Psalm 1:6)	
"The Lord	the way of the righteous."	
"But the way of the	shall perish."	



How Long Has It Been Since You...

- ▼ Took the time to go see someone who lives alone?
- ♥ Wrote a letter or sent a card to someone who crossed your mind?
 - ♥ Sent a card to our shut-ins?
 - Made a visit to the nursing homes or hospitals?
 - Encouraged each other, both young and old?
 - ♥ Read the Bible to someone?
- Encouraged someone who was having a hard time being a Christian?
 - ♥ Showed appreciation to our elders, Dana, the deacons?
 - ♥ Prayed earnestly for someone who was faltering?
 - ▼ Tried to have a Bible study with someone?
 - ▼ Told a teen that you were proud of their efforts to live for Christ?
 - ♥ Spent more time on your knees praying than on your phone?
 - ▼ Informed your family of your love and appreciation of them?

EVERY CHRISTIAN CAN DO SOMETHING TO ENCOURAGE SOMEONE ELSE!





Thank you to everyone that helped prepare and distribute the goodie baskets.

A special thank you to Dwain Shears for donating the goodies.





Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Enthusiasm cannot be purchased, but it can be created. Once created, it becomes one of your greatest assets. Did you know that when you possess enthusiasm, you possess power!?

Enthusiasm is contagious. Enthusiasm can be as powerful as dynamite and as contagious as measles.

Enthusiasm inspires confidence of others in you. Isn't it refreshing to listen to someone who sounds like they really believe in what they are saying!

Enthusiasm helps you to overcome obstacles. It helps you climb mountains. It clears away roadblocks. It does away with feelings of discouragement. It causes people to want to share your dreams and your goals and makes them willing to cooperate with you. The bottom line—enthusiasm works wonders!

Solomon so wisely put it in Ecclesiastes 9:10 when he said, "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might."

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, January 10

ELDER IN CHARGE—Stan Inman
DEACON IN CHARGE—Kyle Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM—Gary Alton PM—Kody Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Jim Galloway Close—Mike Fleak 6:00 PM—Bill Hoover Close—Dwain Shears

SCRIPTURE

AM—Donovan Walton PM—Braden Hesselrode COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Jim Hinzman PM—Jimmy Galloway Delmas Carr

PA SYSTEM—Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM Door

1—Dave Nulter

2-Bob Smith

4-Lois Nulter

PM Door

- 1. Kevin & Becky Inman
- 2. Rick & Kay Stanley
- 3. Sherry Wilcox & Susan Anderson
- 4. Brian & Ann Knotts
- 5. Ira Kimes & Richard Cozad
- 6. Jim & Rose Merrill

Facts and Figures

December 2	7, 2015
AM Service	269
Bible Study	206
PM Service	219
Wednesday	163
Contribution	\$6478.00
MEMBERSHIP	FOR 2015

Baptisms......8
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....6
Placed Membership....9

Schedule of Services

<u>Sunday</u>

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

<u>Wednesday</u>

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



New Years Prayer

Dear Lord,
In the new year, we pray
that You will guide us each new day
in paths that are pleasing to You.
Lord, the new year gives us another chance
to rededicate our lives to You,
to study Your word
so that we know right from wrong
and to act in accordance with Your commands.
Thank you for the sense of
direction, purpose and peace we get
from aligning our lives with Your Holy will.
We pray for the strength and the will to obey
You

each and every day of the new year, and when we fall, we pray for Your mercy, Your compassion, Your grace and Your love. Help us in the new year to be Your faithful servants.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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Winter Training Series

January 7—January 28 (Thursdays 7:00-8:00PM)

Dewey Avenue congregation

<u>Marriage and the Family</u>—Roger Rush <u>Sermons from Songs</u>—Andy Robison <u>Bible Geography</u>—Ed Melott <u>1 Thessalonians</u>—Randy Baker

Flyer on the foyer bulletin boards.

