

# 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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Everyone is invited to **Monday Night For The Master** tomorrow evening in the MP Room 5:45 dinner and 6:30 work assignments.

Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count and food items.

### **Elders:**

Pat Barclay  
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Brian Haught  
Paul Inman  
Stan Inman  
John Life  
Ron Riddle  
Paul Saunders  
Dwain Shears  
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Delmas Carr  
Kevin Cochran  
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Steve Gray  
Leonard Haid  
Doug Hershman  
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 **Too Blessed...  
to be stressed!**



# FALL is Here!

- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards and thank you to Don and Mary Nesselroad for the delicious cookies. **Gloria Frazier**
  - ♥ We want to thank you all for the birthday, anniversary and get well cards. **Keith and Peggy Cowdery**
  - ♥ Thank you to Alisha Hershman for the communion bread this month.
  - ♥ Thanks to Jo Goldsmith and Annette Kirk for decorating the foyer bulletin boards.
  - ♥ Herb Wright thanks Judy Hupp, Stan and Debi Inman, Colleen Ash and Sharon Herridge for helping serve at the Bible Bowl.
- Thank you, Herb for the delicioussssss food! The hotdog sauce is always superb!



### **Remember our church family in your prayers.**

Kathleen Albright, Sharon Armstrong, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Peggy Cowdery, Gloria Frazier, Ray Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Bill Lemley, Gene and Peggy Phillips, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell, Cotton Sayre, Tammie Wilson

### **Prayers requested for family and friends:**

Betty Adams (Relative of Calvin and Jean Martin), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Melissa Burgess (Friend of Robin Anthony), Bill and Linda Butterfield, Cindy Cleninger, John Curd, Lisa Melrose (Member at Sunrise), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Tessie Rose (Gwen Lucas' niece), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Margaret Snider (Linda Hall's mother), Willow Slayton (Infant great granddaughter of Cotton and Patty Sayre), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt), Margaret Wilcox (Requested by Sherry Wilcox)



### **DEACON'S MEETING**

Deacon's meeting today at 5:00.

### **BIRTHDAY - ANNIVERSARY GET-TOGETHER**

Everyone is invited to the Birthday-Anniversary get-together in the MP Room this evening after services. Please bring snack foods, desserts and beverages.

### **MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER**

Everyone is invited to MNFTM tomorrow evening in the MP Room 5:45 dinner - 6:30 work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items and attendance.

### **LOVE AND CARE SING**

Everyone is invited to the sing at Love and Care tomorrow evening at 7:00. This is a wonderful time of worship and fellowship with the residents.

### **THE GREAT DEBATE 2016**

We will be providing transportation to the debate Tuesday, September 27 at the Mershon Auditorium on The Ohio State University campus. Flyers are on the foyer bulletin boards. Sign-up sheet is on the counter. See Dana for tickets.

### **HANDBAGS OF HOPE**

We will be sending the new or gently used (purses) handbags to the ladies and teen girls in the WV flood area. The handbags should include some items (in the purses) such as travel-size hand sanitizer, hand lotion, Kleenex, lip gloss, small pocket calendar, pen/paper, gum/mints, hair spray, comb, brush, mirror are just a few ideas. Handbags need to be left in the container in the parking lot foyer by September 30. If you have any questions, see Charlotte Galloway or Jo Goldsmith.

### **WIDOWHOOD WORKSHOP**

A Widowhood Workshop will be held at OVU Saturday, October 1 from 9:00AM-3:00PM. It will be helpful to those who have lost their mates as well as to others who hope to become more prepared to minister to them. The goal is to grow and to serve. An announcement is posted on the bulletin boards. See Dana if you are interested in attending.

### **PANTRY NEED**

Our church pantry is in need of peanut butter and/or jelly. Items may be left in the library.

#### **Daily Bible Reading**

September 25 - 2 Corinthians 10, Proverbs 26-28  
September 26 - 2 Corinthians 11, Proverbs 29-31  
September 27 - 2 Corinthians 12, Ecclesiastes 1-3  
September 28 - 2 Corinthians 13, Ecclesiastes 4-6  
September 29 - Galatians 1, Ecclesiastes 7-9  
September 30 - Galatians 2, Ecclesiastes 10-12  
October 1 - Galatians 3, Song of Solomon 1-4  
October 2 - Galatians 4, Song of Solomon 5-8



If you have not received your new church directory contact your care group leader or Steve Gray.

Also, if there are any corrections or updates to the directory, contact the church office.

# DANA'S DIRECTION

“Watch your eyes, your ears, your lips, your hands, your feet”



When I was growing up, I loved the things at church that were done for children; the Bible classes, pew-packers, VBS, and Christian youth camp. It is amazing that after all these years I can still remember so much about my teachers and the lessons we were taught. I especially loved to sing and I can remember most of the songs. One of my favorite (probably because of the hand motions) was “There’s a Father up above.” It was admonition to remember that whatever we think or do, God is watching! It is still important for Christians to watch our eyes, our ears, our lips, our hands, and our feet!

**Watch your eyes, what they see.** In the times we are living this takes constant diligence! The “lust of the eyes” (I John 2:16) is one of Satan’s primary weapons against us. Though movies, television, and the internet we are bombarded by images intended to create lust within us. We need, like Job to “make a covenant with my eyes” not to. (Job 31:1)

**Watch your ears, what they hear.** Gossip and tale bearing is a scourge among people, especially in the church. One of the things God hates is the sowing of discord among brethren. (Proverbs 6:19) Don’t participate in gossip by lending an ear! (Proverbs 20:19)

**Watch your lips, what they say.** There are more warnings about the misuse of the tongue in scripture than nearly any other thing, because, as James says “for we all stumble in many things, if anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.” (James 3:2) We must be on guard against lies, gossip, harsh unloving criticism, and corrupt communication. Jesus said “for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.” (Matthew 12:36-37)

**Watch your hands, what they do.** We are all tempted to follow after the lusts of our flesh and our eyes, by doing things that are contrary to God’s will. We all have the choice of using our time, and talents, and physical strength selfishly serving our flesh or devotedly serving God. Paul said “Do not present your members (bodies) as instruments of sin . . . but as instruments of righteousness to God.” (Romans 6:13)

**Watch your feet, where they go.** We are warned not to “follow the crowd” when the crowd is doing wrong. (Exodus 23:2) As Christians we should be aware not only of the temptations of being in places where evil behavior is taking place, but also the effect that it will have on our influence and reputation. Even worldly people know what kind of behavior a Christian should and should not engage in. As Christians we are told “abstain from every appearance of evil.” (I Thessalonians 5:22)

Our motive for watching our eyes, our ears, our lips, our hands, and our feet? **“There’s a Father up above, looking down in tender love,”** and we want to do those things that are pleasing to Him. (I John 3:22) Solomon teaches a similar lesson:

**“Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life. Put away from you a deceitful mouth, and put perverse lips far from you. Let your eyes look straight ahead, and your eyelids look right before you. Ponder the path of your feet...do not turn to the right or the left; remove your foot from evil.”** (Proverbs 4:23-27)



# Footsteps of Jesus (I John 2:3-6)

“For to this you were \_\_\_\_\_, because \_\_\_\_\_ also suffered for us, leaving us an \_\_\_\_\_, that you should \_\_\_\_\_ in His \_\_\_\_\_” (I Peter 2:21).

**Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ for our lives.** “He who says he \_\_\_\_\_ in Him, ought himself to \_\_\_\_\_ just as He \_\_\_\_\_” (I John 2:6).



**#1) Following the footsteps of Jesus will lead us to \_\_\_\_\_ God.** “Did you not \_\_\_\_\_ that I \_\_\_\_\_ be about My \_\_\_\_\_ business?” (Luke 2:49) “Thus it is fitting to \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_” (Matthew 3:15). “So He came to \_\_\_\_\_, where He had been brought up. And as His \_\_\_\_\_ was, He went into the \_\_\_\_\_ on the Sabbath day” (Luke 4:16). **Jesus leaned upon God for \_\_\_\_\_ and strength.** “And he went up into a mountain by \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_” (Matthew 14:23). “As He was \_\_\_\_\_ in a certain place... His \_\_\_\_\_ said to Him, ‘Lord \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_’” (Luke 11:1). “Oh My Father, if it is \_\_\_\_\_ let this \_\_\_\_\_ pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I \_\_\_\_\_, but as \_\_\_\_\_ will” (Matthew 26:39). “Father, \_\_\_\_\_ them, for they \_\_\_\_\_ not what they do” (Luke 23:34).

**#2) Following the footsteps of Jesus, We will \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ life.** “Where two or three are \_\_\_\_\_ together in My name, I am \_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:20).

**#3) Following in the footsteps of Jesus will lead us to \_\_\_\_\_ about others.** “Who went about doing \_\_\_\_\_” (Acts 10:38). “Let your \_\_\_\_\_ so shine before \_\_\_\_\_, that they may see your good \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:16). “I have come to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ that which was lost” (Luke 19:10).

**#4) Following the footsteps of Jesus will lead us to the \_\_\_\_\_.** “If anyone desire to \_\_\_\_\_ after Me, let him \_\_\_\_\_ himself and take up his \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Me. For whoever desires to \_\_\_\_\_ his life will \_\_\_\_\_ it, and whoever \_\_\_\_\_ his life for My sake shall \_\_\_\_\_ it” (Matthew 16:24-25).




## ***Life Chain 2016***

Sunday, October 2  
2:00-3:00

It's hard to believe another year has come and gone, and still the slaughter of innocent children continues in our nation's abortion clinics. Since last year over 100,000 children have died at the hands of abortionists. Our presence on Grand Central in Vienna can make a difference as we silently remind those who pass by that the unborn have a right to live!

Sunday, October 2 we will be joining close to a million people in approximately 800 American cities standing in support of those unborn babies.

Please plan to join us next Sunday from 2:00-3:00. We will meet in the Sam's Club parking lot.



### **COAT DRIVE**

Keep warm this winter with a new or gently used coat from Hopewell church of Christ. If you, or anyone you know, is in need of a coat, please go to:

**Hopewell church of Christ**  
**Thursday, October 6th**  
**6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**PICK-UP LOCATION**  
Hopewell church of Christ  
6985 Harris Hwy  
Washington, WV 26181

We will be collecting coats for the give-away at the Hopewell congregation.

Coats of all sizes may be left in the box in the parking lot foyer by Wednesday, October 5.

Also, if you or anyone you know is in need of a coat, please go to the Hopewell congregation Thursday, October 6 from 6:00PM-8:00PM.

See Cody Hoover for details.



### Today

Traveling youth group at Waverly. We will leave here today at 6:00 for their service at 6:30. Let Jeff know if you plan to go.

### Wednesday, October 26

Deadline to pay \$30.00 CYC registration for 6th grade and above. CYC will be February 24-26.

### October 28 - 29

Bridgeport Youth Rally for 6th grade and above. Let Jeff know by October 5 if you plan to go.

### Sunday, October 30

Traveling youth group at Lower Paw Paw. We will leave here at 5:45 for their 6:30 service.

### Friday, November 4

Tentative bonfire after the PHS-South game for 6th grader and above

### Friday, November 11

Widow-Widowers-Veterans Dinner

### Saturday, November 12

Rake and Run

### Sunday, November 27

Traveling youth group at Newport. We will leave at 5:30 for their service at 6:30.

## Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

The newspaper editor studies the sketches handed to him by a young man, and then shook his head. He told the aspiring artist he simply had no talent. The artist did not give up, yet he met the same result in each attempt he made with other editors. He finally decided to free-lance and eventually he found a market.

Walt Disney was the man's name. He simply would not accept another man's evaluation of himself. Because of his persistence, Disney went on to develop his well-known animated characters to the delight of the whole world.



In a similar way, people who believe God, will rarely regret the decision to "stick with Him" through the thick and thin. We all have God given talents, just not the same talents. We must be persistent in finding and using the talents God has given us.

Jesus made this very clear when he said, "For everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance;..." (Matthew 25:29).

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



## Area Gospel Meetings and Events

### October 2-5

Rockport congregation  
Speaker: Eddie Cooper

### October 2-5

Bridgeport congregation  
Speaker: John Board

### October 9 -12

Oxford Street congregation, Sistersville  
Speaker: J D Conley

### October 9-13

Salem congregation  
Speaker: Bob Vincent

## Ladies Inspiration Day

### October 1

Norval Park congregation in Zanesville, OH  
Bev Lucas

### October 15

Sardis congregation  
Brenda Speer

Flyers for these events on the foyer bulletin boards.

### Round Robin Gospel Meeting - 7:00PM each Monday

<u>October</u>	<u>Congregation</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
3	Sandyville	Elvis Galbreath	One in Spirit
10	Sunrise	Jeff Dorton	One in Purpose
17	Mineral Wells	Robert Notgrass	One in Hope
24	Lubeck	Larry Wigal	One in Destiny

### Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:30 for the sing at the Barlow/Vincent congregation.

**Everyone invited!**

### 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, Tuesday 7PM on Dish Channel 267 and Direct channel 376.

## Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, October 2

ELDER IN CHARGE - Ron Riddle

DEACON IN CHARGE - Len Haid

### SONG LEADERS

AM - Jon Hescht  
PM - Breck Hesselrode

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Scott Johnson  
Close - Cody Hoover  
6:00 PM - Scott Smith  
Close - Dearll Vincent

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Russ Alton  
PM - Mike Wade

### COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Brent West  
PM - Mike Fleak  
Stan Inman

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Inman crew.



They include  
Austin Hennen,  
Gregg Hennen,  
Kody Inman,  
Kyle Inman and  
Brandon Sheppard.

## Facts and Figures

September 18, 2016

AM Service.....	269
Bible Study.....	198
PM Service.....	211
Wednesday.....	198
Contribution .....	\$6198.00
<b><u>MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016</u></b>	
Baptisms.....	7
Restored or Requested	
Prayers.....	8
Placed Membership....	11

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

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

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00