

# 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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## Ten Thoughts to Start the Day

*from Psalm 116 and 118*

1. This is the day the Lord hath made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.
2. I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation.
3. The Lord is on my side; I will not fear; what more can man do unto me?
4. The Lord is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.
5. I love the Lord, because He hath heard my voice and supplications.
6. Because He hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon Him as long as I live.
7. I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.
8. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people.
9. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.
10. You are my God, and I will praise You; You are my God, I will exalt You.

Bulletin Digest

We can start each day right by turning our thoughts to the Lord as soon as we awake - starting with a prayer for God's blessings and guidance for the day's activities.

### Elders:

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

### Deacons:

Kevin Cochran  
 Marion Goldsmith  
 Steve Gray  
 Leonard Haid  
 Doug Hershman  
 Jon Hescht  
 Bill Hoover  
 Rob Hoover  
 Kevin Inman  
 Kyle Inman  
 Scott Johnson  
 Todd Kirk  
 Keith Smith  
 Jeff Taberner

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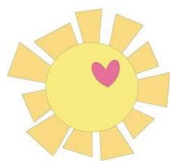
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Today is a good  
 day.  
 Simply because  
 God made it!



### HOSPITAL

Randy Ware  
 (Jenny's husband)  
OSU James Cancer Center  
 460 W 10th Avenue  
 Columbus, OH 43210

**Let's shower him with cards and  
 keep this family in your prayers.**

### Our church family in need of prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Pat Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Peggy Cowdery,  
 Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Charlene Donahue, Jim Henry, Phyllis Johnson,  
 Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad,  
 Jane Pralley, Van and Nancy Putnam, Bob Smith, Tammie Wilson

### Prayers requested for family and friends

Patty Alton, Gert Barnes, Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Eli Clark, Travis and Alisha Doyle  
 (Hardman's granddaughter), Casey Freeman (Friend of Brenda Dougherty),  
 Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Malissa Hackathorn (Jerry and Shelly Todd's  
 friend), Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Judy Hughes (Melva Farris' sister),  
 Joe Johnson (Scott's father), Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law),  
 Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Anthony Thornabar (Phil Sturm's  
 son-in-law), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece),  
 Debbie Westfall (Gene Phillip's daughter), Susan Williams (Brenda Dougherty's  
 friend)

*Please inform the office of changes, updates and additions.*

*Names will appear on the list for three weeks if no update is received.*

**Belpre Landing** - Colleen Ash (Room 101), Nancy Putnam (Room 301)  
 Address: 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714

Please continue to pray for Eli Clark and remember him with cards.  
Address: 499 Montgomery Hill Road, Walker, WV 26180  
 His birthday is March 7.



♥ I want to thank these people that came through the rain and snow to view my brother, Robert Lyons at the funeral home: Walter Morgan, Dave and Lois Nulter, Ron and Peggy Riddle, Paul Saunders, Keith and Eloise Smith, Rick and Kay Stanley, and Dearll Vincent. Thank you for all the beautiful sympathy cards. That was thoughtful. Love, **Donna McConnell**

♥ Special thanks to all who sent me Birthday cards. I know you just had to remind me that I'm getting older. **Marion**

Thank you to **Sandy Hughes** for preparing the communion bread this month.



### DEACON'S MEETING

Deacon's meeting today at 5:00.

### MARK'S SUNDAY MORNING CLASS - FIRST PRINCIPLE'S

The First Principle's class that has been meeting in Room 151 will move back to Room 112 starting today.

### LOVE AND CARE SING

Everyone is welcome to the sing at Love and Care tomorrow evening at 7:00.

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - FAREWELL TO DANA AND CINDY

Care Group 3 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages. This will be a farewell to Dana and Cindy.

### TEACHER'S MEETING

Teachers are asked to meet next Sunday at 5:00 in Room 109 to receive your new material.

### LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 4 will conduct the services at Love and Care Sunday, March 18 at 2:30 and Thursday, March 22 at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

### CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE

If you would like to purchase *Christian Woman* magazine (home delivery), please make checks payable to Robin Anthony by Sunday, March 11. Each subscription is \$17.50. This is an excellent magazine devoted to Christian women.

### SECRET SISTER

Thanks to all the ladies that made our Secret Sister program a success! A big **THANK YOU** to Laura for a fun get-together last Tuesday! We will be restarting Secret Sister soon. Details will be in next week's bulletin.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SING

Friday night sing schedules and our bus schedules are available in both foyers. Please join us!

*If you would like to make a monetary donation to help send students to the LLL convention, please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.*

### Daily Bible Reading

February 25 - Mark 4:26-41, Leviticus 26  
February 26 - Mark 5:1-20, Leviticus 27  
February 27 - Mark 5:21-43, Numbers 1-2  
February 28 - Mark 6:1-29, Numbers 3-4  
March 1 - Mark 6:30-56, Numbers 5-6  
March 2 - Mark 7:1-23, Numbers 7  
March 3 - Mark 7:24-37, Numbers 8  
March 4 - Mark 8:1-21, Numbers 9-10



### Bible Class Reading

February 26 - 1 Samuel 26:7-8, 11-12  
February 27 - 1 Samuel 26:12-14, 17-18  
February 28 - 1 Samuel 26:21-23  
March 1 - 1 Samuel 27:1-2, 4, 6-7  
March 2 - 1 Samuel 30:1-4



## BROTHERLY KINDNESS

When I think of brotherly kindness I think of Jesus Christ. If the truth were known, his acts of kindness would be numberless. But the Scriptures do attempt to give us a picture of this virtue on the life of our Lord. Brotherly kindness was shown when Jesus fed the hungry multitudes; when he healed the lame and blind; when he showed compassion in raising the son of the widow of Nain from the dead; when he cried at the tomb of Lazarus.

As great as these acts of kindness were, his greatest act was the sharing of his saving message to the world which he made possible by dying at Calvary. Without that one act of kindness, we would still be lost in sin.

It goes without saying that we should always demonstrate this virtue in our lives. Most of us can be kind as long as things go smoothly. It's when we're tested that we know whether or not we have the virtue.

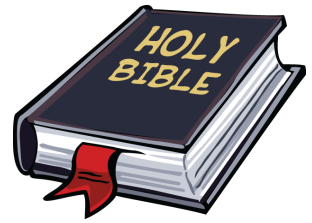
If you truly have brotherly kindness you:

1. Will not respond negatively to another's offenses, but you will turn the other cheek.
2. Will not take revenge into your own hands because it belongs to God.
3. Will not spread damaging gossip about others whether it is true or not!
4. Will not hold grudges, but will forgive and forget.
5. Will give your brother the benefit of the doubt.

As Paul put it, showing brotherly kindness is "bearing with one another, and forgiving each other . . . Just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you" (Colossians 3:13).

# “Getting Back to the Bible”

Nehemiah 8:1-12



“Now all the people gathered together as one \_\_\_\_\_ in the open square that was in front of the \_\_\_\_\_ Gate; and they told \_\_\_\_\_ the scribe to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Law of Moses which the Lord had \_\_\_\_\_ Israel.” (Neh. 8:1) “And Ezra \_\_\_\_\_ the book in the sight of all the people, for he was \_\_\_\_\_ above all; and when he opened it all the people \_\_\_\_\_ up.” (Nehemiah 8:5)

**Two Characteristics found in every revival:** Straightforward, powerful \_\_\_\_\_. An active \_\_\_\_\_ to that preaching. Results: church \_\_\_\_\_ and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.”

## Five Steps to Spiritual Revival:

**#1) They read the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.** “There can be no revival without \_\_\_\_\_. The only thing upon which we can be united is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Every true revival is a “\_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_” movement. “If anyone \_\_\_\_\_, let him speak as the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.” (I Peter 4:11) “For the time will come when they will not \_\_\_\_\_ sound \_\_\_\_\_, but according to their own desires, because they have \_\_\_\_\_ ears will heap up for themselves \_\_\_\_\_; and they will turn their ears from the \_\_\_\_\_ and be turned aside to \_\_\_\_\_.” (II Timothy 4:3-4)

Ezra read from the Law from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. The people were \_\_\_\_\_ to the Book of the Law...when he opened it all the people \_\_\_\_\_ up, then they answered “\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_!” (Nehemiah 8:2-6)

**#2) The word was preached \_\_\_\_\_.** “So they read \_\_\_\_\_ from the book, in the Law of God, and they gave the \_\_\_\_\_, and helped them to understand the \_\_\_\_\_.” (Neh. 8:7-8) **The word must be rightly \_\_\_\_\_ to be a \_\_\_\_\_ approved unto God.** “I am innocent of the \_\_\_\_\_ of all men, for I have not shunned to declare unto you the whole \_\_\_\_\_ of God.” (Acts 20:26-27)

**#3) Once the people read and understood – they responded in \_\_\_\_\_.** “The word of God is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.” (Hebrews 4:12) “The people \_\_\_\_\_ when they heard the words of the Law.” (Nehemiah 8:9)

**#4) When they got back to the Bible, they \_\_\_\_\_ lost \_\_\_\_\_.** “They found written in the Law, that the children of Israel should dwell in \_\_\_\_\_ during the feast of the seventh month.” (Nehemiah 8:13-18)

**#5) They rediscovered the \_\_\_\_\_ of being the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.** “The people \_\_\_\_\_ greatly, because they \_\_\_\_\_ the words that were declared unto them.” (Neh. 8:10-12) The Christian life is the most \_\_\_\_\_, most \_\_\_\_\_ life that one can live. “Restore me to the \_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation...Then I will teach \_\_\_\_\_ of Your ways and sinners will be \_\_\_\_\_ to you.” (Psalm 51:12-13)





# Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

## Monday Night for the Master begins March 19

There are many good works the church can do to help God's Kingdom to grow and be vibrant. One of those works that our elders have chosen for the congregation to participate in is Monday Night for The Master (MNFTM). This is a major congregational evangelistic program designed for every member here at the Camden Ave. Church of Christ.

One of the reasons I love MNFTM is because it puts Romans 12:4-5 into practice, notice what it states, "For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another."

MNFTM gives each member the opportunity to exercise their "function" and help the congregation to be the church it needs to be. This effort is aimed to help those in our community who are non-members and those who are members of the congregation.

MNFTM begins at the building with a meal at 5:45 p.m. for all workers and their children. The "work" begins around 6:30 p.m. after a brief devotional and prayer. Workers will work for an hour to two hours depending on their job assignments.

We will start MNFTM March 19. (MNFTM will continue the following Monday evenings: **April 2, April 16, April 30, and May 14**).

This spring at each MNFTM we will offer six teams. Each member is asked to sign up to participate in one of the teams that interests them. This will help in the planning of the work that can be done each evening.

The teams are as follows:

**The visitation team** - This team will visit those who are sick, shut-ins, new members, and visitors to our worship services.

**The encouragement team** - This team will send greeting cards to those who are homebound, those who need encouragement, visitors to our services, birthdays, and anniversaries.

**The maintenance team** - This team will work on the physical aspect of the church building.

**The Bible correspondence courses team** - This team is for those who would like to work to organize the Bible correspondence room and prepare and send Bible correspondence courses.

**Bible school teachers team** - All Bible school teachers are welcome to come to work in their classrooms, prepare Bible lessons, contact their students, and work in the teacher supply room. Paul Inman will be available in the Teacher supply room to help with any of the teacher's needs.

**Youth team** - All youth are invited to come as well to work on small service projects around the church building or help other teams.

*Everyone who attends will also need to sign-up to bring items for the meal.*

If one of these teams is of interest to you, please sign up in the foyer. Hope to see each of you on March 19 at 5:45 p.m. Please sign up! If you have any questions, please see Mark T.

# Youth Section

- \* Transportation will leave tomorrow evening at 6:30 for the Monday Night Merge at the Hopewell congregation. Let Jeff know if you plan to go.
  - \* The 5th grade and under will go skating at Skate Country Saturday, February 24 10:00AM - Noon with devo. to follow in the MP Room. (Bring \$2.00 for skate rental.) See Kyle for details.
  - \* Traveling youth group will be at the Rosemar congregation next Sunday for their 4:00 service. Bowling to follow.
  - \* North End congregation will hold a Youth Rally Friday and Saturday, March 9-10  
Flyer on the youth bulletin board
- If you would like to host a devo. for the 5th grade and under age children, there is a sign-up sheet on the counter and indicate which month.

Thanks to all who helped with the Blood Drive - Bev and Pat Rine, Patty Sayre, Tammy Kerns, Sandy Keller, JoAnn Goldsmith....and a special **THANKS** to Sandy Hughes for the cookies and Jim for his Spicy Crackers. Everybody loved them, Jim!

We were able to collect 21 units of blood. Much better than our last Blood Drive of only 12 units.

Thanks.

Marion

(A big **THANKS** to Marion for organizing and working this event. Also, **THANKS** to Jo for her hard work with the food, etc. We appreciate Marion and Jo so much!)



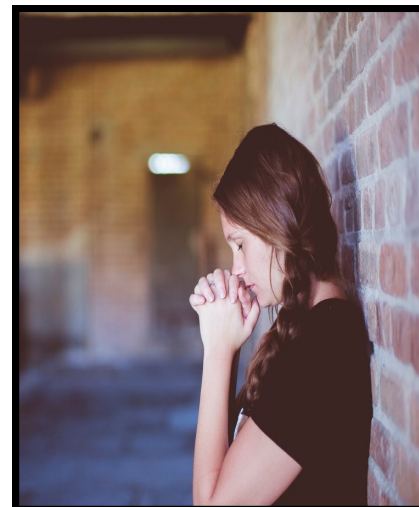
## Why Are You Afraid?

When Jesus and the disciples were caught in a storm on Galilee, they woke Him up, and He calmed the storm. He then said to them; "Why are you afraid? How is it that you have no faith?" (Mark 4:40).

The word for fear here is "deilos" - dread; timid; fearful, or cowardice (Never used in a good sense.) Fear of God is "phobas" - originally "flight." Sometimes we run into the storms of life and we react with "dread," which perhaps tells God we are lacking in faith.

He understands normal fear, but wants us to hold on to faith. God does not want us to be paralyzed with fear. He wants us to remember our faith when we run into problems.

May God help us to grow in faith.





## Gratitude

For sunlit hours and visions clear;  
 For all remembered faces dear;  
 For comrades of a single day  
 Who sent us stronger on our way;  
 For friends who shared the year's long road  
 And bore with us the common load;  
 For hours that levied heavy tolls,  
 But brought us nearer to our goals;  
 For insights won through toil and tears -  
 We thank the Keeper of our years.

Clyde McGee

### March 10

Ladies Inspiration Day  
 Main Street Church of Christ in Hurricane, WV  
 Speaker: Judy Roberts  
 Flyer on foyer bulletin boards

*Camden Avenue Church of Christ...*  
*where you are always welcome!*

### Friday Night Sing



Transportation will  
 leave Friday at 5:15  
 for the sing at the  
 Bridgeport  
 congregation.

**Please join us!**

Watch

### **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on  
 WTAP, 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.

## Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, March 4

ELDER IN CHARGE - Dwain Shears

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hooyer

### SONG LEADERS

AM - John Life

PM - Kyle Inman

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Patrick Rine

Close - Chris Hofmann

6:00 PM - Don Gaston

Close - Rick Stanley

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Josh Gray

PM - Stan Inman

### COMMUNION

AM - Kyle Inman

PM - Walter Morgan

Jimmy Galloway

PA SYSTEM - Clayton Huber

### DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Dearll Vincent

2 - Jeff Taberner

3 - Julie Taberner

### PM

1. Ira Kimes & Gary Alton

2. Mike & Pam Bayer

Doors 3 & 4 - Unattended

5. Chris & Terry Hofmann

6. Paul & Nancy Inman

## Facts and Figures

February 18, 2018

AM Service.....226

Bible Study.....174

PM Service.....185

Wednesday.....199

Contribution .....\$6258.00

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership...0

## Services Times

### Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study...15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

### Wednesday

Bible Study....11:00AM & 7:00PM