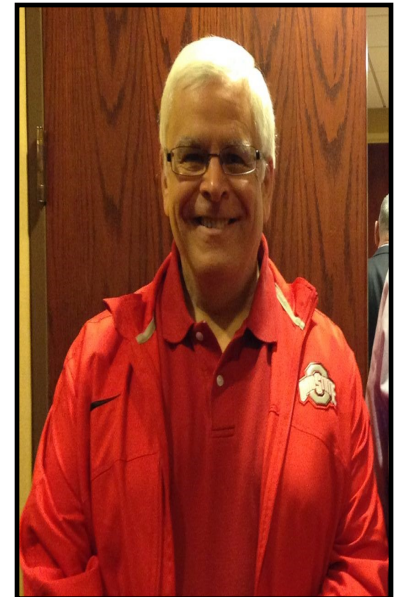


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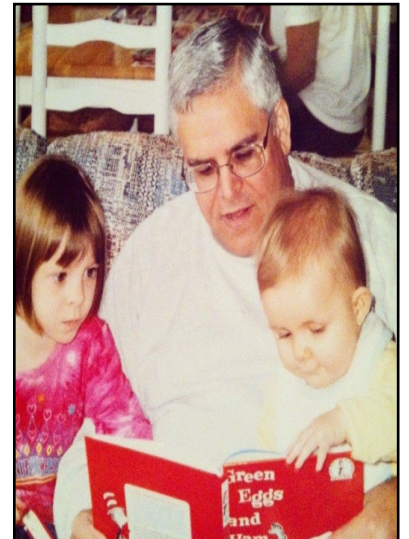
We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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**Thanks for the memories,
Dana!**

We love and appreciate you!
We will miss you!
It's been a wonderful 14 years!
May God continue to bless you!



Elders:

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

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Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
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WE WILL MISS YOU



Goodbyes are not forever. Goodbyes are not the end. They simply mean We'll miss you, until we meet again!

Prayer List

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, Markita Conner (Bill and Kay Mills' sister-in-law), 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), Tony Haid, Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Judy Hughes (Melva Farris' sister), Joe Johnson (Scott's father), David Newberry, Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Debbie Westfall (Gene Phillip's daughter)

* **UPDATE:** Judy Hughes has started chemotherapy, per Melva. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

*Please inform the office of changes, updates and additions.
Names will appear on the list for three weeks if no update is received.*

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

Birth Announcements

Chris and Macey Dean Davis are the proud parents of a daughter, Jenna Skye Davis. She arrived March 2. They reside in Scott Depot, WV. Congratulations to proud grandpa, Mark Dean.



News and Announcements



CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE

If you would like to purchase *Christian Woman* magazine (home delivery), please make checks payable to Robin Anthony today. Each subscription is \$17.50.

SECRET SISTER

If you would like to participate in Secret Sister's, see Laura or Kimberlee by next Sunday for an information sheet. We plan to restart Secret Sister's in a few weeks. Details are included with the form.

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. This is always a wonderful time of worship and fellowship. Please join us.

MEN'S MEETING - LADIES' MEETING

Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting next Sunday at 5:00.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will be next week - March 19 with a meal at 5:45PM in the MP Room. The "work" will begin around 6:30PM after a brief devotional and prayer. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count, food items and team assignments. *Please sign-up if you plan to attend.*

KATHLEEN ALBRIGHT'S BIRTHDAY - MARCH 28

Happy 90th Birthday to Mrs. Albright. Cards may be sent to: 681 Brackenridge Road, Vincent, OH 45784.

PARENTING - YOUTH SEMINAR

You are invited to the Parenting Youth Seminar we are hosting April 13-15. Speaker: Lonnie Jones (from Huntsville, AL). Invite your family and friends. See Mark for more information.

Save the Date

MOV LADIES' INSPIRATION DAY - Saturday, April 14 at the Belpre congregation

OUR VBS - July 2-4 at 6:30-8:00 each evening

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

Daily Bible Class Reading

2 Samuel 11:2-3
2 Samuel 11:14-17, 26-27
2 Samuel 12:1-7,9, 13-14
2 Samuel 12:15-16, 19
1 Kings 15:5; Psalm 51:1-2, 10-11



When
prayers go
up,
Blessings
come down.

Daily Bible Reading

March 11 - Mark 11:15-33, Numbers 23-24
March 12 - Mark 12:1-27, Numbers 25-26
March 13 - Mark 12:28-44, Numbers 27-28
March 14 - Mark 13:1-23, Numbers 29-30
March 15 - Mark 13:24-37, Numbers 31
March 16 - Mark 14:1-21, Numbers 32-33
March 17 - Mark 14:22-52, Numbers 34-35
March 18 - Mark 14:53-72, Numbers 36



DANA'S DISCUSSION

Finally, brethren, farewell!



It is hard to believe! fourteen years ago, Sunday March 21, 2004, I began my ministry with the Camden Avenue Church of Christ. It doesn't seem that long, but a casual glance at the church directory from that year leaves a humbling impression of traveling down the road of life together.

Fourteen years brings about a lot of changes! The babies being born at that time are 8th and 9th graders! Many of the teenagers from our youth group are still here – faithfully serving God with families of their own. Of course there has been the bitter-sweet realization that many of those who were older when I have arrived have gone on to their heavenly reward. Over 70 brothers and sisters in Christ pictured in the directory when I arrived have died in Christ. I have participated in most of their funerals.

There is much to rejoice about as well. There are many new faces in our midst. There are those who attended alone for many years have seen their mates baptized into Christ. Many of the little ones are now active young Christian men and women. Although we have seen some move to work with other congregations, we have also had many seek to be a part of the congregation here.

I am saddened that there are those who were once named among us are no longer serving the Lord. We need to do everything we can to help restore them to their first love.

I will tell you some of the things I have really enjoyed. Soon after arriving, we hosted the Ohio Valley Lectureship. Then, we celebrated our 75th anniversary as a congregation. We have had many wonderful gospel meetings with excellent preachers. We participated in an area-wide Campaign for Christ that took us door to door in our community.

Monday Night for the Master, baseball outings in the summer, traveling with the Golden Agers! Hosting the Area-Wide worship service, directing Junior and Immediate Weeks at Camp Hervida with many Camden Avenue kids attending. Speaking at the OVU lectureship, summer series with guest preachers from the area. My mission efforts that you have supported in Guyana and Romania. Vacation Bible School, youth devotionals. Lads to Leaders Conventions, and the Ark Encounter!

Junior-Senior banquets, men's breakfasts, cook-outs at the Haid's cabin, the annual "I Cannot Believe It Is Not A Holiday Dinner." Yes, it does seem that we have eaten a lot together!

My fondest memories are of people. Difficult times that I helped you through. Difficult times that you helped me through. Baptizing, marrying, burying – such are the milestones that mark our journey down the road of life together.

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Camden Avenue is about to go through an important transition. Two years ago, when the elders expressed their intention to add a second minister, I immediately thought of Mark Tonkery! He is a younger man with over twenty years experience in full time ministry. I expressed to our elders then, and I repeat this now, I was thinking about the future – not just my own but that of Camden Avenue as well. I feel about Mark in a similar way to the way Paul felt about Timothy. He said of him, ***“For I have no one like-minded, who will sincerely care for your state” (Philippians 2:20).*** Mark and I have worked closely for almost two years and we are like-minded. I am able to leave with confidence that Mark and his family will serve this congregation faithfully and successfully.

I would be remiss if I did not thank you for the opportunity you gave me to share the ministry of this fine congregation. I hope my efforts have in some way helped to strengthen and encourage you in your Christian life. I assure you that I have received much more than I have given.

I will conclude with the words Paul wrote to the church Corinth, ***“Finally, brethren, farewell. Become completer. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you” (2 Corinthians 13:11).*** Amen.



Thank you to Dana and Cindy!

Be here this evening as Mark will deliver the sermon.
P.M. Sermon title: Passing the Baton
Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:2
By: Mark T. Tonkery

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Onward Christian Soldier

It was 2007 when I first met Dana Slingluff at Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp, he helped at camp by being one of our Bible Class teachers. Although camp was the first time we met face to face, I had known of Dana for several years. I followed Dana at the 10th and Clairmont Church of Christ in Cambridge, Ohio; I came a few years after Dana had ministered there but there were many members who spoke well of Dana. Dana also was the minister for a short time where my in-laws attended at the Reynoldsburg, Ohio congregation. So, when Dana came to camp it was like old friends reuniting. Dana and I continued to work camp together for the next several years, in that time not only did Dana teach Bible class at camp, but we directed camp together, and he served on the camp board. During this time our friendship grew, and I developed a great respect for Dana.

When the opportunity came to work with Dana at Camden Ave. it was with great joy I accepted. For over nine years we had worked together at camp, I knew it would be a great blessing to work with him in local ministry.

For the past eighteen months it has been a great experience to work with and share in the ministry here at Camden Ave. with Dana. These past few months our friendship has grown, we have cried together, laughed together, challenged each other, and shared in every aspect of ministry. Dana has been my mentor, brother in Christ, and encourager.

Although I am very happy for Dana as he moves on to work with Willow Brook, I will greatly miss working with him here at Camden Ave.

Thank you for the precious memories Dana. Keep your eyes on the Lord and your knees on the ground! May the Lord bless you!

“The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.”

Num. 6:24-26

Your Brother in Christ,
Mark T. Tonkery

Youth Section

- ◆ Transportation will leave tomorrow evening at 6:30 for the Monday Night Merge at OVU. Let Jeff know if you plan to go.
- ◆ 5th Grade and under will meet Saturday, March 17 at noon in the MP Room to prepare Spring bags and cards for the Love and Care residents. See Kyle for more details.



As spring is on the way our youth are in the process of making final preparations for the Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes convention. We will be leaving for Louisville on Thursday March 29th and returning on Sunday April 1st. The theme this year is from 1 Corinthians 11:24-25. – “In remembrance of me”

This is the focus for all the work our children are doing. In the next few weeks there will be many opportunities to support our group. As always, the help we receive from the congregation makes this effort possible. This is somewhat of a transition time for our group. We have some of our older children moving on as they grow up. It is a little sad to see them move on but that is part of the process. We do our best to train them and then send them out into the world. The exciting part of this process is to see the next generation start their journey. We have many in our group that fall into this category. As I recognize our group I would like to focus on the younger children this week.

Todd Kirk

Kaleb Cochran
Art Says It
Know the Books
Good Samaritan
Junior Leaders
Teagan Hescht
Art Says It
Songs of Praise
Know the Books

Leah Hoover
Know the Books
Good Samaritan
Mackenzie Inman
Art Says It
Oral Bible Reading
Know the Books
Good Samaritan
Songs of Praise
Year-Round Songs of Praise

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

Minute of Meditation by Mark Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

There once was a church pouring new cement for the walkway to the meeting house. One of the young mothers of the congregation took her 2-year-old baby and imprinted his hand in the wet cement pointing to the door of the building. She wanted a constant reminder to herself and everyone else that she was going to do everything she could to direct her child's steps to the Lord.

In 2 Timothy 1:5 we are told that the faith of Timothy started with his grandmother and was past to his mother then to him, Timothy's faith may have never happened without a godly mother wanting to direct her child in the ways of the Lord.

This is how faith is often started. A godly mother or father teaching, leading, and showing their child the way to the Lord. Eph. 6:4 reminds Christians to bring their children up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Will you bring your family to worship and start a heritage of faith? A warm welcome awaits you at Camden Avenue.

I am Mark T. Tonkery with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.





Dear Camden Avenue family, We would like to thank all of you for 14 wonderful years! The going away dinner held in our honor was so very meaningful. The kind words and the well-wishes from so many touched us deeply. The food and the fellowship we enjoyed were wonderful. Thank you for the beautiful wood tray, the picture from the children, and the gift of money. The greatest gift of all is the precious memories we share of serving the Lord together. Look us up whenever you are in Columbus! May the Lord bless you and keep you.

With brotherly love, **Dana and Cindy**


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Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 5:30 for the sing at the Chapel Hill congregation in Gallipolis, OH.

Everyone invited!

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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.

UPCOMING TOPIC

March 18 - THE WAGES OF SIN

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, March 18

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - Ryan Highman

PM - Jon Hescht

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Keith Smith

Close - Stan Inman

6:00 PM - Jeff Taberner

Close - Todd Kirk

SCRIPTURE

AM - Dave Nulter

PM - Rob Hoover

COMMUNION

AM - Russ Alton

PM - Bill Merrill

Chris Hofmann

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Gary Herridge

2 - Doug Hershman

3 - Sharon Herridge

PM

1. Margaret Dawkins & Mary Daniel

2. Jennifer Thomas & Robin Anthony

* Doors 3 & 4 - Unattended *

5. John & Karen Life

6. Patrick & Bev Rine

Facts and Figures

March 4, 2018

AM Service.....289

Bible Study.....192

PM Service.....200

Wednesday.....170

Contribution\$12172.00

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.....7:00PM