

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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The Parenting Youth Seminar that was scheduled for April 13-15 with Lonnie Jones has been cancelled.

Brother Jones is experiencing health issues.
We plan to reschedule the seminar.

Friday, April 13

Everyone is invited to the youth sing and devotional at 7:00PM. After this devotional, pizza will be served in the MP Room followed by bowling at Emerson Lanes.

Sunday, April 15

We will have regular worship, Bible study and evening services. Fellowship Lunch in the MP Room after worship and Bible study.

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Every day is a new
beginning. Take a
deep breath and
start again.
Look to God for
help.



♥ We are happy that Colleen Ash has been able to return to Love and Care.

Our church family in need of prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Pat Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Peggy Cowdery,
Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, 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), 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), Dorcas Stanley (Sally Hinzman's mother),
Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece)

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

We extend our sympathy to:

- Dorothy Weaver at the passing of her daughter, Linda Wires of Edmond, OK. Also to Susan Haid and Richard Marshall in the passing of their sister.
- Teri Cox in the passing of her father-in-law, Bill Cox. His service was Monday.
- Ron Riddle and Dennis Keller in the passing of their aunt, Winifred Eddy. Her service was Thursday.

Keep these families in your prayers.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR CHURCH CAMP.

Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp at Camp Hervida brochures are
available in the foyers.

Senior Week (June 10-15), Jr. Week for ages 11-14 (June 17-22),
Intermediate Week for Ages 8-11 (June 24-29).



Helping others. . .

If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously;

if it is to lead, do it diligently;

if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Romans 12:8

PLACED MEMBERSHIP

We welcome Marvin and Arrahwanna McMasters as they placed membership with us. They will be in Care Group 3. Give them a warm Camden Avenue welcome.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 1 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING

There will be a VBS meeting next Sunday in Room 109 after evening services.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet April 16 in the MP Room. 5:45 dinner followed with a brief devo. then the "work" will begin around 6:30. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count, food items and team assignments. Please sign-up if you plan to attend.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

If you would like to donate Care Package items to our college students and those in Mark's OUV college class, please see the sign-up sheet on the counter. Items need to be left in the bin in the parking lot foyer by April 22. If you would like to help assemble the care packages, please meet in the MP Room April 22 after evening services. A sign-up sheet is on the counter for volunteers.

BIBLE CLASS PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following Bible class students for Perfect Attendance this quarter: 2 year olds (Wednesday) - Addie Inman, 3 year olds (Sunday) - Henley Hoover, Kasen Inman and Maci Inman, (Wednesday) - Henley Hoover, 4-6 year olds - Leah Hoover, 3rd-5th grade (Wednesday) - Ali Cochran, Alex Inman, Sophia Moser.

32nd ANNUAL BIBLE BOWL

Gary Herridge has announced that the Camden Avenue Bible Bowl will be September 15. It will cover the book of Exodus, NKJV. (Note: 1st-6th grade will only cover the first 20 chapters of Exodus. The teens and adults will cover the entire book of Exodus.) Flyers were mailed Tuesday to other congregations.

Daily Bible Reading

April 8 - Luke 8:40-56, Joshua 15-16
 April 9 - Luke 9:1-27, Joshua 17-18
 April 10 - Luke 9:28-45, Joshua 19-20
 April 11 - Luke 9:46-62, Joshua 21-22
 April 12 - Luke 10:1-20, Joshua 23-24
 April 13 - Luke 10:21-42, Judges 1-2
 April 14 - Luke 11:1-28, Judges 3-4
 April 15 - Luke 11:29-54, Judges 5-6

I Stand
for the flag.

I Kneel
at the cross.



Daily Bible Class Reading

April 9 - 1 Kings 21:1-11, 16-19
 April 10 - 1 Kings 22:29-40
 April 12 - 1 Kings 16:29-33; 17:1-24
 April 13 - 1 Kings 18:17-39
 April 14 - 1 Kings 19:1-4, 10, 15-18



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

People of Purpose

If we are to reach people for Christ, we need people with passion and power. But we also need people with a purpose.

In the late 1800's, no business matched the financial and political dominance of the railroad. Trains dominated the transportation industry of the United States, moving both people and goods throughout the country.

Then a new discovery came along - the car - and incredibly, the leaders of the railroad industry did not take advantage of their unique position to participate in this transportation development. The automotive revolution was happening all around them, and they did not use their industry dominance to take hold of the opportunity. In his video tape *The Search for Excellence*, Tom Peters points out the reason: The railroad barons did not understand what business they were in. Peter's observes that "they thought they were in the train business. But, they were in fact in the transportation business. Time passed them by, as did opportunity. They couldn't see what their real purpose was."

If the railroad barons at the turn of the century had understood that they were in the transportation business and not the train business we would all be driving a Gould and not a Ford. The same thing happened in the watch and clock industry. The Swiss had dominated time keeping. They controlled 90% of all revenues made in their industry. They made the most precise gears and springs in the world. Their watches and clocks were perfect.

Then something new happened called the Quartz movement - LCD readout. Guess who invented it. A Swiss man. But because it had no gears or knobs or springs it was rejected. They failed to recognize that they were in the business of helping people tell time not making precision gears. They lost their dominance in the industry. They now control 20% of all revenue. Seiko is the dominant leader.

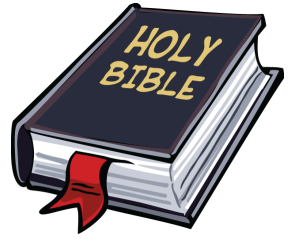
"If Sports Illustrated magazine understood it was in the sports information business, not the publishing business, we would have the Sports Illustrated Channel, not ESPN."

And if we in this congregation, forget that our purpose is making disciples for Jesus Christ (Mt. 28:18-20) we will also become obsolete. If we lose our focus and get distracted by tradition, habit, custom, ritual, routine, we will go the way of the trains, the Swiss, and Sports Illustrated. We must remember our basic identity (Mt 16:18). We must-whenever, however, wherever-fulfill our basic purpose.

I want to be part of the church whose sole purpose is to win people to Jesus Christ. What about you?

SERMON NOTES

Parents and the Bible Part 1 Scripture Reading: Joshua 24:15



So what does the Bible state about making our families strong?

- I. First we must express _____ for each other.
 - A. Ephesians 4:29, “Do not let any _____ talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for _____ others up according to their needs, that it may _____ those who listen.”
 - B. Hebrews 3:13, “But _____ one another _____ day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
 - C. Proverbs 16:24, “_____ words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.”
- II. Second families must spend _____ time together.
 - A. Eli’s family is a negative example. 1 Samuel 2:12–32
 - B. Proverbs 3:27–30 _____
 - C. _____
- III. Third, we must _____ our children the _____.
 - A. Deuteronomy 6:4-9 _____
 - B. Ephesians 6:4 _____
 - C. 2 Timothy 1:5 _____

P.M. Sermon: Parents and the Bible Part 2 Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:1-4

Notes:

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

May 2 - Calvin Martin
May 3 - Susan Anderson, Kristi Hoover
May 5 - Belinda Buckley
May 7 - Don Gaston, Jim Hinzman, *John & Karen Life
May 10 - Dwain Shears
May 11 - Austin Hennen, Herb Wright
May 12 - Kiley Goldsmith, Jenny Ware, *Chris & Teri Cox
May 14 - Bill Pralley, *Bob & Gala Miller
May 15 - Dave Nulter, Brady Sheppard
May 16 - Leonard Haid. Paul Mullins
May 19 - *Gene & Peggy Phillips
May 20 - Jay Cheuvront, Rick Stanley
May 22 - *Mike & Kelly Fleak
May 23 - Cindy Huxley, Bre Tonkery
May 24 - Cameron Moore
May 26 - Kaleb Cochran, Klay Cochran, *Delmas & Naomi Carr
May 29 - John Rockhold III
May 30 - *Mark & Laura Tonkery
May 31 - Lewis Lee



If you birthday and/or anniversary is not on this list and you would like it to be included on the church calendar, please call the office this week.



Remember our shut-ins in your prayers and with cards.

Love and Care

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BE PREPARED

Is the need real for church security? You might ask, "Why do we need security in a church"? Consider this. Prior to 1963 there had never been a mass murder (4 or more deaths) tied to a faith based property. As of 11/5/17, Southerland Springs, TX was the 14th such incident. Since 1/1/1999 there have been 1705 Deadly Force Incidents tied to faith based organizations. Something they all probably had in common was they never thought it would happen to them.

On Tuesday, May 1st at 7PM Brady Stephens will be here to talk about why every congregation should consider security and how to respond to an armed threat. Brady served as a full time law enforcement officer for 13 years, first as a deputy sheriff and later as a city policeman. He also has more than 25 years of pastoral service and has been an adjunct professor at OVU for the criminal justice program. He brings together these backgrounds for an interesting discussion on the topic.

Everyone is invited to this workshop to hear him speak on the topic. The class will be approximately 2 hours with Q&A. There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you plan to attend please sign the sheet. If you don't sign up you can still come but we would like to have an approximate idea of the how many to expect. If you have any questions on the workshop please contact Rob Hoover.

Submitted by Rob Hoover

Thank you for worshipping with us!
Have a great week in the service of our Lord!



Teacher's Devotions

Some people make it difficult to be kind to them. But, regardless, we have God's command, "Be kind to one another!" And He does not command what He will not enable.

Few have ever had more reasons to treat another harshly, even violently, than David had toward Saul. Yet, David had more of the Spirit of God than he had the spirits of anger, resentment, and vindictiveness. Ah, there was his secret! As the Spirit left Saul, Saul became more and more suspicious, jealous, angry. But as the Spirit of God claimed more and more of David, David became more and more forbearing, forgiving, and gracious.

The Spirit of Christ is kind. The fruit of the Spirit is kindness.

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, April 15

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life

DEACON IN CHARGE - Bill Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - John Life

PM - Ben Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Brian Haught

Close - Bill Merrill

6:00 PM - Len Haid

Close - Ron Holleron

SCRIPTURE

AM - Jeff Taberner

PM - Cody Young

COMMUNION

AM - Todd Kirk

PM - Jon Hescht

Kyle Inman

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Paul Inman

2 - Rick Stanley

3 - Dennis Keller

PM

1. Brian & Ann Knotts

2. Marion & Jo Goldsmith

* Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended *

5. Bob & Gala Miller

6. Bill & Rosemary Merrill

Facts and Figures

April 15, 2018

AM Service.....296

Bible Study.....166

PM Service.....228

Wednesday.....196

Contribution\$9169.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership.....2

Services Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study...15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS



GOSPEL MEETINGS

April 8 - 11 - Mineral Wells congregation

Speaker: Jeff Dorton

April 8 - 11 - South Main at Smith Street (New Lexington, OH)

Speaker: Willie Franklin

April 8 - 11 - West Union congregation

Speaker: Terry Jones

April 15 - 19 - West Ripley

Speaker: Andy Robison

April 22 - 25 - North End congregation

Speaker: Ralph Gilmore

April 22 - 25 - Lancaster congregation

Speaker: Willie Franklin

OTHER EVENTS

* April 8 - 11 - OVU Lectureship *

April 13 and 14 - Day of Edification

Chapel Hill congregation in Gallipolis, OH

April 14 - 30th Annual Golden Agers Day

New Concord congregation

Speaker: Willie Franklin

April 27 - 28 - 2018 Men's Retreat

Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp in Bergholz, OH

Registration due by April 13

April 27 - 28 - Youth Rally

Lubeck church of Christ

April 29 - Friends and Family Day

Sixth & Washington Street congregation in Marietta

Speaker: Clay Brown

May 1 - Senior Saints' Day

Lubeck congregation

Speaker: Eddie Cooper

LADIES' EVENTS

April 14 - Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day

at the Belpre congregation

April 28 - Ladies Tea

Sixth & Washington Street congregation

Speaker: Jennifer Brown

April 28 - 59th Annual Stepping Stone Convention at OVU

Flyers on foyer bulletin boards for these events

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.

UPCOMING TOPIC

April 15 - *ENDURING THE CROSS*

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday
at 6:15 for the sing at the
6th & Washington congregation.

Please join us!