# **Camden Avenue Church of Christ**

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

### "Where you are always welcome"

Bible Call 304.420.2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

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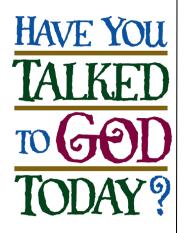
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# In Our Prayers

### Our church family in need of prayers

Russ Alton, Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Jim Dailey, Gary & Melva Farris, Paula Franklin, Gilbert Hardman, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Donna McConnell, Helen Miller, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Gene and Peg Phillips, Betty Porter, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, June Schultz, Theresa Steed, Sue VanCamp, Lenore Vaught, Dearll Vincent, Ruth Wells

#### Prayers requested for family and friends

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), Becky Ash (Tammy Kern's sister), Bob Bell, Mark Berry, Delores Boyce (friend of Jo Langler), Kelly Boyce, Joe & Pat Connell (Mike Wade's sister & brother-in-law), Clarence Deloach, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Beth Ferguson, Jeff Fitcher, Ernie & Peggy Guererro (friends of Charlotte Deem), Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Judy Hall, Blaine Hescht, Steve Higginbotham, Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Brenda Jones (friend of Rosemary Merrill), Chennie Jonas (Cousin of Sandy Hughes), Tom Little (Mark's uncle), Roger Oliver (friend of Clayton Huber), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), John Rockhold III, Chris Scott (Ron Riddle's nephew), Michele Scherer, Gina Seller's (Coworker of Susan Anderson), Candice Shaffer (Sandy Keller's niece), Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise's son), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Shawn Stephens, Seth Waggoner, Marv Williams, Susan Williams, Dan Wilson (Cindy Huxley family)

#### New Prayer Requests this week...

- ♥ Jim Dailey in Heartland.
- ♥ Rachel Long, Mark's 25 year old cousin- In hospital with Covid.
- ♥ Sharon Armstrong- home.
- $\checkmark$  Kay Mills recovering from surgery last week.
- Sheila Deems- on oxygen & having health issues.
- Betty Porter
- igvee Jan Collins, Norma Vaughts sister had back surgery last week.
- Glenn & Karen Morrell- Linda Moncrief's sister and brother -in-law. Karen has pneumonia and fell and broker her pelvis



We extend our sympathy to the friends and family of Don Gaston. The funeral was held last week.

# Announcements

<u>WVCYC CD's</u>- are still available in the office. There is a \$20 requested donation for each CD.

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u>- One day VBS, July 10. Theme: Flood. More information to be announced. See Mark T. if you have any questions.

LOVE AND CARE- Is looking for a new administrator. Resumes are due by March 15, 2021. There is more information on the bulletin board.

MOV LADIES DAY- April 17, 2021 at Barlow-Vincent church of Christ. Sign up on the bulletin board by March 31st if you plan on attending due to preregistration.

<u>CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE-</u> If you are interested in receiving a years subscription to the Christian Woman Magazine delivered to your house. The cost is \$21.50. Checks should be made out to Robin Anthony by March 17.

ELDERS, DEACONS, PREACHERS MEETING - Sunday, March 7 at 4pm in the M.P. Room

**DEACONS-** Monthly reports are due to the elders by March 5<sup>th</sup>.

HELPER NEEDED- Wednesday nights for the 3rd-5th grades beginning in March.

# Youth News

MONDAY NIGHT MERGE- "Called to be Different" 7:00pm Nightly

March 8- Rockport church of Christ March 15- Ohio Valley University March 29- North End church of Christ

NORTH END YOUTH RALLY- March 20th at 9:30am. Keynote speaker Reed Swindle. Due to Covid North End will be limiting the number of people coming from the surrounding area to 125. If you plan on attending contact Jeff Taberner.

"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."

# Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

### <u>"The Awesome Word"</u> by Charles Hodge

We have reduced the church to a counseling center helping people cope! God made the church a salvation center teaching people how to live. We do not merely need therapy - we need the WORD! We don't just need Bible scholars - We need Bible lovers! If you honor the Word, God will bless you!

You must read 2 Timothy 3:15-17. This bulletin will preach!

- 1) The Bible teaches us "How to be saved." Timothy, from the cradle, had been steeped in scripture. His teachers? Mama! Granny! Paul! The Word produces salvation. Why preach anything but Jesus? There is nothing else to preach! Brethren are starved for basic Bible preaching. Start with the Bible...stick with the Bible...stay with the Bible.
- 2) The Bible teaches us "How to grow up." The Word is doctrine, reproof, correction, instruction, perfection. Biblical ignorance and spiritual immaturity are "Killers"! These are always the two problems threatening the church. Hebrews teaches us to start with milk then grow to meat! Men cannot be spiritual apart from the Word, truth. Doctrine precedes practice. One must know the truth before living the truth. The Word, like electricity, is BOTH negative and positive. That which condemns equally encourages. God can be trusted...the Bible can be believed...the church can be loved.
- 3) The Bible teaches us "How to be useful." This is usually overlooked. The Word is practical. The Word totally completes us to every good work! We are too blinded by potential, talent, looks, IQ, degrees! This may not equip us (Eph. 4:12). The Word edifies to make us useful. The Word allows us to minister as the Body in the body for the body. Spirituality is not individuality ... it is corporate. God calls us in the body. We must learn to be "We" before "I".

The church is the "pillar and ground of the truth."

"...and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:15-17

# Today's Sermon Notes

AM & PM Sermon: Steve Fuchs NOTES

# Doug's Discussion

### Share the Cup

In a land far away (as in it only exists in my own mind) a certain villager was given a cup. He was told by the old, bearded man who gave it to him that anyone who drinks from this cup would be made well from whatever afflicted them. Right after saying this the old man mysteriously vanishes. The villager can't believe his good for-

tune! His first thought is: "I am never going to be ill again! No matter what illness or injury comes my way all I'm going to have to do is drink from this cup." The villager then locks the cup away in the safest spot in his house, intending to only bring it out when it was needed for personal use. Even though the next time he walked through the neighborhood he noticed many who were coughing, lame, blind, and even dying he hardened his heart and decided helping these people wasn't worth the risk. The end.



What did you think of my story? It's not the way the typical fairy tale goes – I'll give you that. The story may, however, reflect reality more than we would like to admit. Our God has given each and every one of us incredible gifts. Perhaps the gift is not as dramatic as a magical cup. Even so, I imagine your gifts may be more powerful than you realize. Your gift may have the power to bring smiles, encourage the hurting, provide for another minister, maybe even show people the way to heaven! "Each one of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in it's various forms" (1 Peter 4:10).

I don't know what all your gifts are, but I do know that you have at least one. And that gift has a purpose beyond just serving yourself. We are quite happy to use our talents to get money or get people to like us. How excited are we to use those same gifts to benefit others in God honoring ways? If that's not something we're interested in we are just like the villager who hoarded the cup. God has filled YOUR cup – and what you have can bless people greatly. That is, it could bless people if you brought it out and used it. Is that hard? Is there risk? Sure. But in all God commands the benefit far outweighs the cost. Serve others. Administer God's grace. Share that cup!



## **BIBLE CALL**

304.420.2416 www.Biblecall.info 24 hours a day - 7 days a week. Brochures are in the foyers. Distribute them to family, friends, neighbors, And co-workers.

### HOW MUCH DO YOU STUDY?

- 1. One must study to have light (Psa. 119:130).
- 2. One must study to have understanding (Psa. 119:130).
- 3. One must study to acquire knowledge (Prov. 2:6).
- 4. One must study to show himself approved unto God (2 Tim. 2:15).
- 5. One must study the Word before he can abide in the Word (John 8:31-32).
- 6. One must study the Word before the Word can dwell in him (Col 3:16).
- 7. One must study before he can live by every word (Matt. 4:4).
- 8. One must study the Word before he can receive the Word (James 1:21).
- 9. One must study to know what sin is (Rom. 7:7).
- 10.0ne must study to persevere (James 1:3-4).
- 11.One must study God to love God (John 14:15; 15:14).
- 12.0ne must study God to know God (1 John 2:3).

Since Bible study is so important, and since so much depends on it, how could a person be so negligent and indifferent toward it? How many minutes per week do you average studying your Bible?

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The Bible reading bookmarks for this year are still available on the table in the foyer.

# In 2021 I commít to...

- Continue reading the Bible through each year.
- Being a better Christian example.
- Studying the Bible more.
- Showing my love of God to Him better.

What do you commit to doing this year? Leave a note in the collection plate or under the office door, these will be listed here anonymously.

## Serving In Worship March 7, 2021

**ELDER IN CHARGE** - Clayton Huber **DEACON IN CHARGE - Steve Gray** 

#### SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught PM - John Life PRAYER 9:30 AM - Cody Hoover Close - Jimmy Galloway 6:00 PM - Kyle Inman Close - Levi Wells SCRIPTURE AM- Chris Hofmann PM -Dave Nulter COMMUNION AM - Paul Inman PM - Kody Inman



Service Times

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#### Sundav

AM Worship.	
Bible Class	15 minutes after worship
PM Worship.	6:00
Wednesday	
Bible Study	11:00am
Bible Study	

In Search of the Lord's Way Sunday mornings at 7:30 on WTAP

> March 7 "When You Are Tempted"



## A Think Story

A little boy once asked his dad what a "Christian" was. The dad replied that a Christian is a person who loves and obeys God. He loves his friends and neighbors and expresses his appreciation for other Christians. He even loves his enemies and prays for them that they might be blessed. He prays often and blesses God's holy name in reverent worship. He is kind, considerate, gentle, courteous in his speech and in his selfless attitude. He lives a life that is pure and holy and is a Christian through and through.

The little boy thought for a moment and then asked another question, "Daddy, have I ever seen one?"

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#### **Facts and Figures** February 21, 2021

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#### **MEMBERSHIP FOR 2021**

Baptisms..... Restored or Requested Prayers.... Placed Membership.....

## **Daily Bible Reading**

March 1: Deuteronomy 26-28

- March 2: Deuteronomy 29-31
- March 3: Deuteronomy 32-34

March 4: Joshua 1-4

March 5: Joshua 5-7

March 6: Joshua 8-10

March 7: Joshua 11-13