

Camden Avenue Church of Christ
2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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**14th Annual Area Wide
Worship Service**

January 13, 2013

3:30

Hosted by the Barlow Vincent
Congregation

Speaker: Nathan Greene

**Invite your family and friends for a
time of worship together!**



PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Mary Ann Barclay, Jean Buckley, Chelsea Doonan, De Fleak, Bob and Lillie Fox, David Frazier, Marion Goldsmith, Zandra Holleron, Linda Moncrief, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Jim VanCamp

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Gabbi Cook, Don Gault (Mildred Gault's son), Betty Morris, Linda Perry (Mike Wade's co-worker), Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

You may call the office and update or add names to the Prayer Lists.

Camden Clark Memorial Hospital

Ed Porter (Room 126)

We extend our sympathy to John Life and Jenny Ware and families in the passing of their father, Raymond Life. His funeral was held Monday at the Kimes Funeral Home. Please keep this family in your prayers as their mother and our sister in Christ, Bonnie Life passed away
December 13.

We also extend our sympathy to Dave Nulter in the passing of his daughter, Cheryl Nulter. She passed away December 30 in Bradenton, FL. A memorial service will be held there January 12 at the 53rd Street congregation.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
Gary Herridge
Paul Inman
Stan Inman
John Life
Bill Mills
Ron Riddle
Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Josh Barclay
Delmas Carr
Marion Goldsmith
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
Rob Hoover
William Hoover
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
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Thank You Notes



- ♥ Thanks for the birthday cards and all the many Christmas cards. May each and everyone have a healthy and prosperous New Year. Thanks, **Bob and Penny Eddy**
- ♥ Thanks so very much for the beautiful cards. Very much appreciated!
Bonnie and Ray Sams
- ♥ A warm and friendly THANK YOU to those who remembered our wedding anniversary through words and cards! Love to you, **Cotton and Patty Sayre**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. **Jordan and Annette Kirk**
- ♥ Thanks to all from Jenny Ware, John, Jim, and Jeff Life and our families for the continued support you have shown us in the passing of our Dad and Mom this past month. We appreciate the visits, calls, notes, and the meals provided after their funeral services of our parents, Raymond and Bonnie Life.
- ♥ Sack the pulpit was a huge success. Thank you to everyone that contributed. We are reopening the pantry and that means helping others.

LLL MEETING

There will be a meeting this evening after services in Room 109 for anyone participating in LLL.

TUESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS TO MEET JANUARY 15

The Tuesday Evening Ladies class will not meet this week. They will meet next Tuesday, January 15 at 7:00 in the MP Room.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 2 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room. Please bring covered dish items, desserts, and beverages.

JANUARY AREA WIDE SERVICE

The area wide service will be held here Sunday, January 13 at 3:30, hosted by the Barlow Vincent congregation. Topic: From The Lips Of Children (Matthew 21:12-17)

GOLDEN AGERS SOUP BEAN DINNER/GAME NIGHT

The annual Golden Agers soup bean dinner and game night is being planned for Monday, January 28 at 6:00 in the MP Room. Sign-up sheets for food and attendance count are on the counter. We will have an evening of fun, food, and fellowship! Delicious soup beans prepared by Herb Wright and Len Haid.

DAN RICH MISSION TRIP

Dan Rich will be going on a mission trip January 11-18 to Costa Rica with his father, Jeff Rich who preaches for the Beallsville congregation. If you would like to make a contribution, please see the Elders or Dan.

HOLIDAY CARDS

Please check the tables in the rear foyer for your holiday cards.

UPDATING CHURCH OFFICE RECORDS

We are updating our database as to what you would be willing to do. Please complete a Men/Women's Information sheet located in the office. Completed forms may be left on the counter in the office. Also, if you would like to receive the bulletin via email or be included/removed from the telephone calling system, please let Kimberlee know.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Dearll and Carol will celebrate their anniversary on January 17. Please update your church calendar.

Daily Bible Reading

January 6 - Mat 5:21-48, Ge 13-15
January 7 - Mat 6:1-15, Ge 16-18
January 8 - Mat 6:16-34, Ge 19-20
January 9 - Mat 7, Ge 21-22
January 10 - Mat 8, Ge 23-24
January 11 - Mat 9:1-17, Ge 25
January 12 - Mat 9:18-38, Ge 26-27
January 13 - Mat 10:1-15, Ge 28-29



Watch
"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"

Sunday mornings at 7:30 on
WTAP-TV.



SEARCH
OF THE LORD'S WAY

UPCOMING TOPIC

January 13
MEANT FOR GOOD

DANA'S DIRECTION

Proclamation 5018 - Year of the Bible, 1983

Thirty years ago, President Ronald Reagan made the following proclamation declaring 1983 as the "Year of the Bible." In reading these words, I cannot but be impressed by how the political climate of our country and the attitudes of people have changed over the past three decades. I also am more impressed than ever of the truth of these words.

Of the many influences that have shaped the United States of America into a distinctive Nation and people, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible.

Deep religious beliefs stemming from the Old and New Testaments of the Bible inspired many of the early settlers of our country, providing them with the strength, character, convictions, and faith necessary to withstand great hardship and danger in this new and rugged land. These shared beliefs helped forge a sense of common purpose among the widely dispersed colonies - a sense of community which laid the foundation for the spirit of nationhood that was to develop in later decades.

The Bible and its teachings helped form the basis for the Founding Fathers' abiding belief in the inalienable rights of the individual, rights which they found implicit in the Bible's teachings of the inherent worth and dignity of each individual. This same sense of man patterned the convictions of those who framed the English system of law inherited by our own Nation, as well as the ideals set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

For centuries the Bible's emphasis on compassion and love for our neighbor has inspired institutional and governmental expressions of benevolent outreach such as private charity, the establishment of schools and hospitals, and the abolition of slavery.

Many of our greatest national leaders - among them Presidents Washington, Jackson, Lincoln, and Wilson - have recognized the influence of the Bible on our country's development. The plainspoken Andrew Jackson referred to the Bible as no less than "the rock on which our Republic rests." Today our beloved America, and indeed, the world, is facing a decade of enormous challenge. As a people we may well be tested as we have seldom, if ever, been tested before. We will need resources of spirit even more than resources of technology, education, and armaments. There could be no more fitting moment than now to reflect with gratitude, humility, and urgency upon the wisdom revealed to us in the writing that Abraham Lincoln called "the best gift God has ever given to man... But for it we could not know right from wrong."

The Congress of the United States, in recognition of the unique contribution of the Bible in shaping the history and character of this Nation, and so many of its citizens, has by Senate Joint Resolution 165 authorized and requested the President to designate the year 1983 as the "Year of the Bible."

Now, Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, in recognition of the contributions and influence of the Bible on our Republic and our people, do hereby proclaim 1983 the Year of the Bible in the United States. I encourage all citizens, each in his or her own way, to reexamine and rediscover its priceless and timeless message.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this third day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty three. Ronald Reagan

The Bible is Unique: (II Timothy 3:14-17)

#1) The Bible was unique in its _____. The Bible contains _____ books, was written by _____ different authors, in _____ languages and different literally styles, over a period of _____ years.

It is the product of one Divine Mind. “No prophecy of _____ is of any _____ interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of _____, but holy men of _____, spoke as they were moved by the Holy _____.” (II Peter 1:20-21)

#2) The Bible is unique in its _____. The Bible is totally _____ in its Historical and _____ facts. **The Bible reveals amazing _____ foreknowledge.** **The shape of the earth:** It is He who sits above the _____ of the earth.” (Isaiah 40:22) **Astronomy:** “He stretched our the north over the _____ space; He hangs the earth on _____.” (Job 26:7) **Biological/Medical:** “And He has made from one _____ every nation of _____ to dwell on the face of the earth.” (Acts 17:26) **Atomic Structure:** “The things which are _____ were not made of things which are _____.” (Hebrews 11:3) **Prophecy fulfilled in Scripture:** There are over _____ verses of predictive prophecy in the Bible; _____ regarding Jesus.

#3) The Bible is unique in how it has been _____ and _____. The Bible remains unchanged and _____. “Heaven and earth shall _____ away, by My _____ shall _____ pass away.” (Mark 11:3)

#4) The Bible is unique in its _____. **God’s _____ not _____.** “My _____ are not your _____, nor are My _____ your ways says the Lord. For as the _____ are higher than the earth, so are My ways _____ than your ways, and My thoughts _____ than your thoughts.” (Isaiah 55:8-9)

#5) The Bible is unique in the _____ it has had on the world. The Bible changes _____ by changing individual _____. “The word of God is _____ and _____, sharper than any two-edged sword, _____ even to the division of soul and _____, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the _____ and _____ of the heart.” (Hebrews 4:12) **The Bible makes us wise unto _____.** “From childhood you have known the Holy _____, which are able to make you _____ for salvation through _____ which is in Christ Jesus.” (II Timothy 3:15) “Repent, and let everyone of you be _____ in the name of _____ for the remission of your sins.” (Acts 2:37-38) “For I am not ashamed of the _____ of Christ, for it is the _____ of God unto salvation to all who _____; the Jew first and also to the Greek.” (Romans 1:16) “Therefore..... receive with meekness the implanted _____ which is able to _____ your souls.” (James 1:21)



Trust In Your Security

~With permission from Joe Wells

Security systems in the home are wonderful inventions. Like a high tech maze, technicians place sensors and wires in all the heavy traffic areas that are most likely to be the point of entry for any unwanted

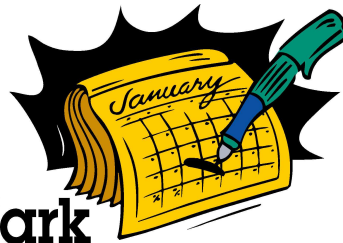
guests who assume your house is an open market. Alarm pads are added to the décor in the master bedroom as well as in the entryway for quick access just in case the blaring siren decides to go off either intentionally or by accident, waking all your neighbors and causing the dogs in the area to join in a chorus of howling.

They truly are wonderful inventions; however, it's not because of all the fancy bells and whistles they have. Rather, it's because of the sense of security they provide as the Bible is read and prayers are prayed before settling little heads on pillows for a night of sweet dreams. That safeguard is priceless. To be able to have a sense of assurance and safety causes us all to relax and to be able to enjoy what and whom we have been blessed.

In Romans chapter 8, by using a succession of questions that need no verbal answer, the apostle Paul clearly explains where lasting security is found. With the last questions of this particular chapter division bringing to the surface human concerns, as well as the question of security, he asked, "*Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?*" (v. 35) Being focused on the seriousness of human hurt, Paul settles the Christians by reaffirming that there is no level of suffering or persecution that can rob them of the security found in the love of God realized in the sacrifice of Christ Jesus. (See also Romans 5: 8)

If you're a Christian today, I have good news for you – as long as you continue to walk in the Light, trusting in the grace of God – ***You Have Security!*** Trust in it and live every day with perfect peace.

Submitted by: Paul Nygard



Mark Your Calendar!

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

January 12 - 6th-12th grade devo. at the home of Mike & Kelly Fleak 6:30-9:30

January 19 - 6th-12th grade devo. at the home of Todd & Annette Kirk

January 20 - K-5th grade devo.

January 26 - K-12th grade Ice Skating in South Charleston

SIGN UP SHEETS FOR THE JANUARY EVENTS ARE ON THE COUNTER.

February 2 - K-12th grade to OVU basketball game

February 3 - K-12th grade Super Bowl party

February 4 - Winter youth devo.

February 11 - Winter youth devo.

February 18 - Winter youth devo.

February 22-24 - Challenge Youth Conference in Gatlinburg, TN

February 25 - Winter youth devo.

More details to follow on these events.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP



A lady walked into a pharmacy and asked the Pharmacist if he had a cure for hiccups. The pharmacist said, "I sure do," and immediately and unexpectedly yelled, "BOO!" at the top of his lungs. This nearly scared the lady half to death! She looked at the pharmacist and asked, "Why in the world did you do that?" The pharmacist said, "Because a good scare will rid a person of the hiccups." The lady said, "But I don't have the hiccups! My

husband does and he's sitting out in the car!"

OOPS! Now there's an illustration of how assumptions can be costly. However, the greatest costs regarding assumptions occur in the spiritual realm. How many people assume they are believing and practicing the things that please God? How many people believe things that they have never bothered to read and study for themselves? How many times do you think God will hear someone say in the day of judgment, "But I thought....."?

The Bible says to "prove all things; hold fast to that which is good" (I Thessalonians 5:21).

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

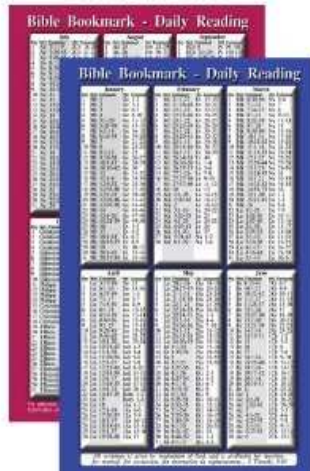


American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, February 11, 2013

In the MP Room

Sign-up sheets will be available.



Don't forget to pick up a new Daily Bible Reading Schedule.

They are located in both foyers.

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, January 13

ELDER IN CHARGE - Bill Mills

DEACON IN CHARGE - Leonard Haid

SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught

PM - Josh Barclay

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Rick Stanley

Close - Len Haid

6:00 PM - Chris Tallman

Close - Doug Hinzman

SCRIPTURE

AM - Jim Hinzman

PM - Daniel Nygard

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Ethan Ash

PM - Keith Smith

Dan Rich

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM Door 1 - Paul Inman

2 - Lois Nulter

4 - Dave Nulter

PM

1. Jim & Sallie Hinzman
2. Doug & Alisha Hershman
3. Kevin & Becky Inman
4. Cody & Kristi Hoover
5. Ray & Bonnie Sams
6. Zoe Byrum & Linda Camp

Facts and Figures

December 30, 2012

AM Service.....289

Bible Study.....220

PM Service.....212

Wednesday.....221

Contribution.....\$5613.09

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....13

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....6

Placed Membership....41

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

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