

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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Monday Night for The Master will meet
March 11 at
5:45 for dinner, 6:15 devotional, and
6:30 work assignments.

Sign-up sheets are in the foyer for food and
attendance count.

There is something for everyone to
do...visitation, work around the building, filling
attendance cards/pencils, and much more.

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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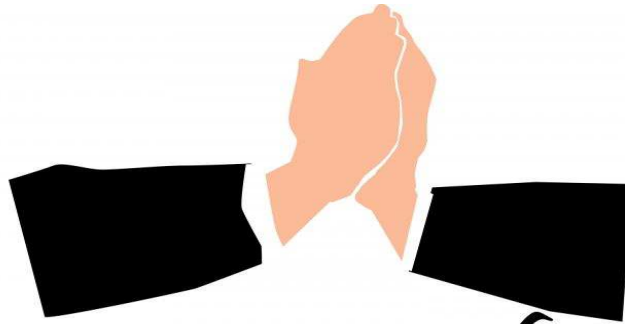
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♥ Thanks everyone for all the birthday, holiday, and get well greetings we received from all of you. We appreciated every one of them. By the way, we both finally turned **49!** Love to all of you, **Ira and Nancy Kimes**



Prayers please

Remember our church family in your prayers:

Mary Ann Barclay, Lee Edwards, Bob and Lillie Fox, Marion Goldsmith, Zandra Holleron, Sharon Midkiff (broke her ankle), Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell, Jim VanCamp, Mary Vaught

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Patricia Blackman (Family friend to Mary Daniel), Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Gabbi Cook, Linda Crum (Herridge's friend), David Dillion (Sharon Smith's nephew), Arlene Galloway, Billy Ginter (Sarah Inman's brother), Nola Hardbarger (Ruth Fox's sister), Tammy Hatfield, Kenny Henderson (Sharon Smith's cousin), John Huxley (Cindy Huxley's brother-in-law), Donna Ludwig, 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.

Lee Edwards and Marion Goldsmith are home.

No visits at this time, please.

Ed Porter is also now home.



CARE GROUP LEADERS MEETING THIS EVENING

All care group leaders are asked to meet this evening after services in Room 109.

COLLEGE DINNER PLANNING MEETING

Anyone willing to help with the next college dinner please meet this evening after services in Room 112.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Everyone is invited to come and go 90th birthday celebration for Virginia McCutcheon Wednesday, March 6 from 2:00-4:00 at the Cedar Grove Personal Care facility. (This will also be a 71st birthday celebration for Gary Herridge.)

"I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S NOT A HOLIDAY" DINNER

Dana and Cindy Slingluff invite everyone to the annual I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S NOT A HOLIDAY dinner at Western Sizzlin' Thursday, March 7 at 6:00. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

CARR-LLOYD RECEPTION

Delmas and Naomi Carr are hosting a reception for their daughter, Melissa and her husband, Scott Lloyd Saturday, March 9 from 2:00-4:00 in the MP Room. Everyone is welcome.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 4 is hosting the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room following Bible classes. Please bring covered dish items, desserts, and beverages.

TUESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS

The Tuesday ladies class will meet next week at 7:00 in the MP Room.

NEW MEMBERS DINNER

All new members are invited to the New Members dinner Saturday, March 16 at 5:00 in the MP Room. Please RSVP by March 8.

LADIES LUNCHEON

All ladies are invited to meet at Shoney's Tuesday, March 19 at noon.

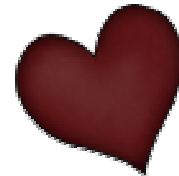


Daily Bible Reading

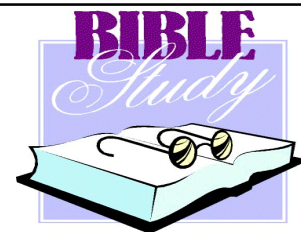
March 3—Mk 7:24-37, Nu 8
March 4— Mk 8:1-21, Nu 9-10
March 5—Mk 8:22-38, Nu 11-13
March 6—Mk 9:1-29, Nu 14
March 7—Mk 9:30-50, Nu 15-16
March 8—Mk 10:1-31, Nu 17-18
March 9—Mk 10:32-52, Nu 19-20
March 10—Mk 11:1-14, Nu 21-22

*Study to shew thyself approved unto God,
a workman that needeth not be
ashamed...II Timothy 2:15*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, MIKE & GWEN!



Mike and Gwen Lucas
celebrated their 37th
wedding anniversary
February 26.



WEDNESDAY 11:00 CLASS CONCLUDES MARCH 6.

This Wednesday will
conclude the 11:00 class.
We will continue to have the
7:00 evening Bible study.



DANA'S DIRECTION

“And you visited me”

Beginning next week (March 11th), we will be meeting every other Monday this spring for MNFTM. An important component in this program is visitation.

The word “visit” appears ten times in the New Testament with five of those referring to people visiting one another. The word translated as “visit” in scripture means much more than just making a social call. It means to go to another person with the intention of helping. Those are those who have physical problems and needs and there are those who have spiritual problems and needs – and there are those who have both. There are those who are simply lonely and in need of human interaction. There are those who are struggling and need encouragement. All of these situations can challenge one’s faith and leave them vulnerable. A visit and an encouraging word can do wonders! Here are some reasons why we as a congregation and as individual Christians should commit ourselves to “visiting” for the Lord.

Visitation is effective. Many surveys have been taken to determine why people have chosen to affiliate with a particular church. The greatest factor, by far, is the interest that has been shown to them by other members. When members of the church visit – the church will grow. Visits by elders, preachers and other church leaders will impress some – but they are somewhat expected. On the other hand, visits by other members are seen as genuine expressions of those who just want to get to know them. Truly, people will come when we go!

Visitation is essential. Visitation is necessary for many reasons – the most important being that God has told us to. (James 1:27; Matthew 25:41-46) Visitation shows that we care. Visitation is how we “bear one another’s burdens and so fulfill the love of Christ.” To visit is to “do unto others as we would have them do to us.”

Visitation is evangelistic. Visitation is essential because “the fields are white unto harvest.” Every newcomer to our community or visitor to our assembly is a soul in need of the gospel. Visiting is the first step toward “going into all the world and preaching the gospel to every creature.” Visitation is also evangelistic because it is part of the process of “keeping the saved, saved.” There are many who were once faithful to the Lord who have fallen away. If immediate and genuine concern had been shown, their loss could have been prevented. Jesus said the reason for His coming was to “seek and to save that which was lost.” He expects us to accept His mission as our own. Unfortunately, as Jesus also said, “the laborers are few.”

Visitation is every Christian’s responsibility. Years ago, brother Ivan Stewart wrote a book about evangelism entitled “Go ye, means Go me!” We each have the ability and the need to show interest in the salvation of others. We will each stand before the Father who “without partiality, judges according to each one’s work.” (1 Peter 1:17)

Visitation is encouraging. I believe everyone who is involved in visitation for the Lord comes to the same conclusion, “it does more for me than it does the one I am visiting.” There is joy because we know we have done the will of the father. Joy because someone’s day has been brightened or burden has been lifted. (Galatians 6:2) There is joy in knowing that we, by encouraging a weak or erring brother, have “helped to save a soul from death.” (James 5:19-20) There is joy in knowing that by serving others we are “laying up for ourselves treasures in heaven.” **Think of the good that would be done, if each of us would determine that we can reach out to one person each week!**

Forgiving – As we have been forgiven.

(Matthew 18:21-35)



“Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to _____ times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say unto you up to seven times, but up to _____ times _____.” (Matthew 18:21-22)

“Then the master of that servant was moved with _____, _____ him and _____ him the debt.” (Matthew 18:27)

“But that servant went our and found one of his _____ servants who _____ him... and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat saying _____ me what you _____.” He said ‘be _____ with me and I will pay you all.’ And he would _____, but went and threw him into _____ until he should _____ the debt.” (Matthew 18:28-30)

“Should you not also have had _____ on your fellow _____, just as I had _____ on you?” (Matthew 18:33)

“And his master was _____, and delivered him to the _____, until he should _____ all that was due him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his _____, does not _____ his brother his trespasses.” (Matthew 18:35)

THE PARABLE OF THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT:

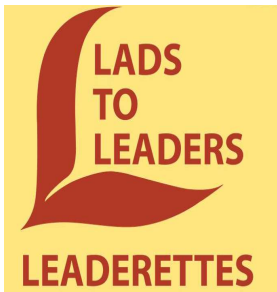
The first servant represents _____.

The second servant represents _____.

The moral of the story _____.

“For if you _____ men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will so _____ you. But if you do not _____ men their trespasses, _____ will your Father _____ your _____.” (Matthew 6:14)

“And when you stand _____, if you have _____ against _____, forgive him that your Father may also forgive your _____.” (Mark 11:25)



Later this month we will be on our way to Louisville for the Lads/Leaderettes convention.

This is the final update to recognize the youth group and their activities. As the students finish their preparations for the convention we have a few activities to complete.

We are planning the Lads/Leaderettes showcase for Sunday, March 24 in the MP Room at 4:30. This is a great opportunity to see what they have been working on. There will also be a sign-up sheet for items needed for the picnic as we travel. Your support in each of these would be greatly appreciated.

Todd Kirk

Emily Saunders

Hostess Volunteer
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Know the Books
About My Father's Business
Good Samaritan
PEARLS Test
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise—Winner Circle
Year Round Songs of Praise
Speech—Winner Circle
Group Banner

Kelsey Wadlington

Art Says It—Drawing/Sketching
Songs of Praise
Year Round Songs of Praise

Evan Fleak

Good Samaritan
Song Leading—Winner Circle

Darlene Pickering

Art Says It—Photography
Good Samaritan

Jordan Kirk

Art Says It—Drawing/Sketching
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Oral Bible Reading
GIFTS II
Good Samaritan
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise—Winner Circle
Year Round Songs of Praise
Speech—Winner Circle
Group Banner

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help with the cost of sending students to the LLL convention, please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

The convention will be March 28-31 in Louisville, KY.



Monday Area Wide Devotionals

All youth and parents are invited to the area wide devotionals. 7:00-8:30
Bring your Bible.

March 4 - Area wide youth (*Camden Avenue*) **7:00**
March 11— Area wide youth (*Dewey Avenue*) **Leaving at 6:00**

Please sign the sheet(s) on the counter and indicate if you need a ride or if you are meeting us there.

March 22-23—Canton Youth Rally
(Speaker: Lonnie Jones, from CYC)

Cost: \$15.00—Your completed medical form is required. Information must be to Paul Saunders by next Sunday, March 10th. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer.



Minute of Meditation— Heard on 910 AM WLTP

They like to refer to us as senior citizens, old fogies, and in some cases dinosaurs. Some of us have been retired for some time. We have worked hard, raised our children, worshiped our God and grown old together. But before writing us off completely, there are a few things that need to be taken into consideration:

We **WON** World War II, and fought in Korea and Vietnam. We can quote “The Pledge of Allegiance”, and know where to place our hand while doing so. We know the words to the “Star Spangled Banner” and “America the Beautiful” by heart and you may even see some tears running down our cheeks as we sing and we feel no obligation to apologize to anyone for America.

God has blessed our nation more than any other nation that has ever existed on the face of the earth. But if that desire to obey our Lord disappears, what can we expect will happen to this wonderful nation that we love? “Fear God and keep His commandments for this is the whole duty of man” (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

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

Opportunities To Serve Sunday, March 10

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life
DEACON IN CHARGE - Dave Wadlington

SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught
PM - Rick Stanley

PRAYER

9:30 AM - John Hall
Close - Cody Hoover
6:00 PM - Ryan Gaston
Close - Marion Goldsmith

SCRIPTURE

AM - Don Gaston
PM - Donovan Walton

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Ethan Ash
PM - Chris Tallman
Kody Inman

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM Door 1 - Mike Bayer
 2 - Wes Cochran
 4 - Pam Bayer

PM

1. Gwen Lucas & Jenny Ware
2. Bill Camp & Wes Cochran
3. Connie Hickman & Janet Looney
4. Cody Young & Evan Fleak
5. John Rockhold & Bill Pralley
6. Mike & Teresa Wade

Facts and Figures

February 24, 2013

AM Service.....280

Bible Study.....215

PM Service.....201

Wednesday.....205

Contribution\$5882.61

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....0

Placed Membership....5

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

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



Warren Christian Apologetics Center CHRIST, LIFE, AND AMERICAN CULTURE

Four week seminar series presented by:
Warren Christian Apologetics Center

March 21 & 28

April 4 & 11

Registration 6:30-7:00 Program 7:00-8:30

To be held at:

Ritchie County High School Auditorium

Details are on the bulletin boards in the foyers.

Estate Planning Service at Ohio Valley University

Over 70% of Americans die without a will. Most Americans spend less than two hours planning what will happen with their finances after their death. The vast majority take more time to plan summer vacations than to prepare their estate.

Without preplanning, the government decides how an individual's funds are handled at death.

OVU recently secured the services of a Christian estate planner to help Christians plan their end of life finances.

The Christian estate planners are available to assist Christians in making sure their estate continues to support the concerns they cared about in this life. Contact Harold Shank (304.452.2842) or Keith Stotts (304.488.1219) for more information. The initial consultation is free.

Watch
"IN SEARCH OF THE
LORD'S WAY"

each Sunday morning at
7:30 on
WTAP-TV.



UPCOMING TOPIC

March 10
THE BLESSED MAN

Friday Night Sing



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