

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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Mark your calendar . . .

The 27th Annual Bible Bowl will be held here
Saturday, September 21.

The Bible Bowl will cover the books of Mark
and Galatians (New Kings James Version).
(The 1st-6th grade teams will only cover the book of Mark.)

The three age divisions are: 1st-6th grades,
Junior and Senior High, and Adult.

Gary Herridge is the director.

Elders:

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

Deacons:

Joshua Barclay
Delmas Carr
Marion Goldsmith
Leonard Haid
Brian Haught
Doug Hershman
Rob Hoover
William Hoover
Kyle Inman
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THANK YOU NOTES WE RECEIVED. . .

- ♥ The happy birthday cards I received were all special. Thank you so much.
Jim Hinzman
- ♥ Thanks for the beautiful birthday cards and gifts. They were greatly appreciated. **Carolyn Davis**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. Each one was appreciated. **Len Haid** (We hope Len enjoyed spending his birthday at the Strawberry Festival!)
- ♥ Thank you one and all for the great cards and birthday wishes. You made #80 a very special day. Sincerely, **Bill Pralley**



Congratulations!

Anika Lee and Kendrick Grayson Rader were born May 2 to
Paul and Melinda Rader and family.

Anika weighed 6 pounds and 14 ounces. Kendrick weighed 6
pounds and 1 ounce.

Proud grandparents are Gary and Melva Farris and Uncle Lewis Lee.



Remember our church family in your prayers.

Mary Ann Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Keith Cowdery, Chelsea Doonan,
Melva Farris, Bob and Lillie Fox, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell,
Jim VanCamp

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Betty Akers (Don & Brenda Dougherty's neighbor), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Gabbi Cook, Bob, Janet and Todd Crugger (Glenn Snider's friends), 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, Lisa Miller (Damon Miller's wife), Betty Morris, Linda Perry (Mike Wade's co-worker), Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), David Smith (Friend of Bob Miller), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Mary Spence (Ruth Fox's aunt), Elaine Vincent (Margaret Dawkins' sister-in-law), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

Please call the office and update or add names to the Prayer List.



MEN'S MEETING—BIBLE BUSTERS

The Men's meeting will be today at 5:00 with Bible Busters at 5:30.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening in the MP Room at 5:45 for "Bring your own brown bag" dinner, 6:15 devotional and 6:30 work assignments. This will be the last MNFTM for this season.

LADIES' LUNCH

The Ladies' lunch will have a brown bag lunch Thursday, May 23 at 12:00 at Fort Boreman Park.

DEACON'S MEETING

The Deacon's meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

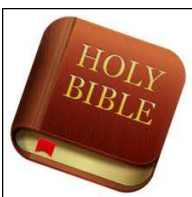
The Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, May 25 at 8:30 in the MP Room. Sign-up list is on the counter.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be June 9–12. Mark the date and plan to attend. See Todd Kirk for details.

27th ANNUAL BIBLE BOWL

The Bible Bowl will be September 21. Registration will be 9:00-9:30. The Bible Bowl will begin at 10:00. For more information, see Gary Herridge.



Daily Bible Reading

May 19—John 4:27-54, 1 Ki 4-5
May 20—John 5:1-18, 1 Ki 6-7
May 21—John 5:19-47, 1 Ki 8
May 22—John 6:1-24, 1 Ki 9
May 23—John 6:25-51, 1 Ki 10-11
May 24—John 6:52-71, 1 Ki 12-13
May 25—John 7:1-24, 1 Ki 14-15
May 26—John 7:25-39, 1 Ki 16-17

Bible Reading Schedules are available in the foyers.

Also, don't forget to add your name to the list on the counter to commit to reading the New Testament through this year.



Gabbi Cook 's 3rd birthday

Gabbi will turn three years old today, May 19th. Her family is asking if you would send a \$10.00 donation for cancer research. Gabbi will present the total donations to Dr. Rakesh Sindhi and the transplant team which will be given to the Research Foundation at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh the end of this month.

Donations may be sent to her great-aunt, Debbie Cook at 1902 Jamison Road, Fairview, WV 26570.

(Checks need to be payable to "Children's Hospital Research Foundation".)

She would also enjoy receiving cards.



DANA'S DIRECTION

"Bible Verses for Graduates"

This is the time of year that marks a great milestone in the lives of our young people—graduation. As a parent, I know, it seems almost impossible that the years have passed by so quickly. Even our kids are shocked that they have reached this age of independence and anticipate making choices that will set the course for their lives.

Are you looking for some "words of advice" to share with a special graduate in your life? The best possible source of such wisdom is God's word. Hopefully, these particular verses will allow them to appreciate the cross-roads of life at which they are standing.

Joshua 1:8-9 (NKJV)

"This book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success...Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Psalms 7:15 (NKJV)

"For you are my hope, O Lord God; You are my trust from my youth."

Psalms 119:9 (NIV)

"How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to Your word."

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths."

Proverbs 19:21 (NIV)

"Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

Romans 8:28 (NKJV)

"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

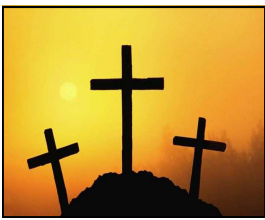
I Timothy 4:12 (NIV)

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity."

Ecclesiastes 12:1,13 (NKJV)

"Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth." "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all."

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES.
MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU!**



Victory in Jesus: (I Corinthians 15:51-58)

In Heaven a scene of Victory: “Now salvation, and _____, and the _____ of our God, and the _____ of His Christ have come, for the _____ of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been _____ down. And they overcame him by the _____ of the Lamb, and by the _____ of their testimony, and they did not love their _____ to the _____.” (Rev. 12:11-12)

“Who shall _____ us from the _____ of Christ? Shall tribulation, or _____, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or _____? For it is written: For Your sake we are _____ all day long; we are accounted as _____ for the slaughter. Yet in all things we are more than _____ through Him who loved us.” (Romans 5:35-37)

I. We can overcome Satan by the _____ of the _____. Blood has always been the _____ for sin. “Without the _____ of blood, there is no _____.” (Hebrews 9:22) **The Law required the sacrifice of _____.** “It is _____ that the blood of bulls and goats should take away _____.” (Hebrews 10:4) **Our salvation required the shedding of _____.**

When Jesus shed His blood: He brought into effect his new _____ and _____ for man. (Hebrews 9:15) He purchased the _____. (Acts 20:28) **By His blood we have _____ of our sins.** (Matthew 26:28) **Because of the blood of Jesus, we can be kept in a _____ relationship with God.** (I John 1:17)

How do we reach Jesus' blood? Jesus shed His blood in _____. (Col. 1:14,20) We are _____ into His death. (Romans 6:3-4) **Jesus shed His blood for the remission of _____.** (Matthew 26:28) **We are _____ for the remission of sins.** (Acts 2:38) **Our sins are washed away by the _____ of Jesus.** (Rev. 1:5) **Our sins are washed away when we are _____.** (Acts 22:16)

II. We can win a victory over Satan by the _____ of our testimony. “I John...was on Patmos for the _____ of God and for the _____ of Jesus Christ.” (Rev. 1:9) **Unless Christ is preached... We will never win a _____ over Satan.** “God into all the world and preach the _____ to every creature.” (Mark 16:15) “And the things that you have heard from me among many _____, commit these to _____ men who will be able to _____ others also.” (II Tim. 2:2)

III We can win a victory over Satan when we love _____ more than our life. “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his _____ and _____, wife and children, _____ and sisters, yes, and his own _____ also, he _____ be My disciple.” (Luke 14:26) “He who _____ his life will _____ it, and he who _____ his life for My sake, will _____ it.” (Matthew 10:39) **We must be _____ unto death.** (Revelation 2:10)

Jesus has already _____ the _____!

The Rest of The Story

~Unknown, via e-mail

Do you know who Joseph, called Barsabbas was? No? Doesn't ring a bell? Well then, let me ask you another question. Do you know who Matthias was? Ah, that you know. He was the man selected to replace Judas as an apostle. The other man who was not selected was Joseph, called Barsabbas.

Joseph, called Barsabbas was a man who was a disciple of Jesus. He was a disciple of Jesus from the time of Jesus' baptism till the day of his ascension. He therefore was with Jesus through thick and thin. Then Judas kills himself, and a vacancy for apostleship becomes open. His name is mentioned as a candidate. Can you imagine his excitement? The honor? The opportunity? The plans that must have run through his head? Then just like that, he is rejected and Matthias is selected. His dreams were dashed, his plans were trashed.

So now what? Does he pout? Does he become critical of the very ones he wanted to become a part of, especially Matthias? Does he become disillusioned and stop living for Jesus? I wish I could answer that question for you, however Scripture is silent about Joseph, called Barsabbas after this event. I want to believe that he took this disappointment in stride and continued to serve Jesus as a faithful disciple, who was at one time honored to even be considered as a possible apostle. Someday, maybe we'll get to know "the rest of the story" with respect to Joseph, called Barsabbas.

But now, what about you. What's the "rest of the story" you're writing with your own life? Ever been disappointed? Ever been overlooked? Ever been hurt and rejected? Of course you have; we all have. But how do you plan to deal with it? Quit? Withdrawal? Vilify those who hurt you? Or will you continue to be a faithful disciple of Jesus? How will the "rest of the story" be written with respect to your life? Give it some thought.

Submitted by P. Nygard

Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp (Camp Hervida)



OVCYC is asking for donations from local congregations to hold the campers fees to a minimum. This list of items needed is on the counter with details.

Also, if you would like to make a monetary donation to assist with campers fees, please give to one of the Elders by June 2. (Checks need to be made payable to Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp.)

Note: The OVCYC Board recognizes that the Wood County School System's calendar conflicts with the Senior week (June 9-14). The Board is unable to move the camp dates due to the campgrounds are rented from Camp Hervida and no other dates are available. Campers will be allowed to attend a partial week during Senior week at a reduced cost. That information is on the youth bulletin board by the office.

YOUTH EVENTS



Everyone is invited to a celebration for our High School graduates Sunday, June 2 in the MP Room after evening worship.

Please bring finger foods and desserts.

(Our graduating seniors: Ryan Caplinger, Paige Flanigan, Braidon Knotts, Kyle Knotts, Darlene Pickering, Lindsay Proffitt, and Emily Saunders.)



Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp (Camp Hervida), WVCYC, and Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp registration forms are on the Youth bulletin board by the office.

A NOTE FROM PAT BARCLAY

One area of evangelism that is growing enormously (thanks to the internet), is “teaching” English in many areas of the world, by using the Bible. One group that we work through is World English Institute, or WEI. If you noticed the “ ” around teaching, there is a good reason which will soon be made evident.

These students sign up to learn English, but that is somewhat a misuse of the word learn. They grow up in areas of the world where English is taught as a second language from kindergarten, so this is more like practicing English using the Bible.

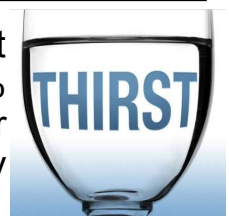
They read over a story, and then answer a series of questions based on the story/scriptures. Then WEI matches the student up with a teacher who grades the answers (correct answer provided) and makes a few comments, then releases the next lesson in the series.

Sound like a Bible Correspondence Course? That is what it is, and they need teachers/ graders. These are students from all over the world, but primarily those who grew up in Muslim, Jewish, atheist or agnostic environments. They practice English, and are exposed to the truth in the process.

If you are interested in helping in this great work, please see Mike Wade for information.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

You know, our physical bodies demand water. That shouldn't surprise anyone since 55% of our body mass is water. Our blood is 83% water and our muscles are 75%; even our bones are 22% water. Our survival depends on getting enough water, and just a 2% deficiency means we are dehydrated.



Thirst is a sensation we all experience but few can explain. All we know is that we're thirsty, we begin searching for something to drink.

How is your spiritual thirst? Jesus pointed to this reality: “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”

David also said, “As the deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God.”

Do you crave the righteousness of God, found in the pages of scripture? How long has it been since you've had a drink?

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



JUNE BIRTHDAYS—ANNIVERSARIES

- June 1—Dana Slingluff
June 2—Khadija Drake, Jansen Goldsmith
June 3—Glenn Snider, *Len and Susan Haid
June 5—Bill Mills
June 6—Jim Hughes
June 8—Peggy Dearth, Holly Haught
June 10—Ed Collins, Brenda Feick
June 11—Debbie Tallman
June 14—*Jim and Sandy Hughes
June 16—Cathy Ballengee, David Frazier, *Jim and Charlotte Galloway, *Kevin and Becky Inman
June 17—Larry Plant
June 18—Pat Barclay
June 21—*Kyle and Sarah Inman
June 22—*Greg and Cassie Hennen
June 23—Kyle Cox
June 24—Mary Ann Barclay, Wilma Davis, Jo Langler
June 25—Jodriana Barclay, Jennifer Thomas, *Todd and Annette Kirk (25th)
June 26—Dorothy Weaver
June 28—*Bill and Carolyn Davis
June 29—Daniel Nygard
June 30—Robin Anthony, Stan Inman, *Butch and Madonna Smith

* Anniversary

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

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, May 26

ELDER IN CHARGE - Ron Riddle
DEACON IN CHARGE - Jeff Taberner

SONG LEADERS

AM—Brian Haught
PM—Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Todd Kirk
Close—Brian Knotts
6:00 PM—Mike Wade
Close—Cody Hoover

SCRIPTURE

AM—Drake Logston
PM—Ira Kimes

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Bill Camp
PM—Jimmy Galloway
Kyle Inman

PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Barclay crew.



They include Josh Barclay, Jon Hescht, Kyle Inman and Daniel Nygard.

Facts and Figures

May 12, 2013

AM Service.....	290
Bible Study.....	205
PM Service.....	207
Wednesday.....	223
Contribution	\$6248.17
<u>MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013</u>	
Baptisms.....	1
Restored or Requested	
Prayers.....	0
Placed Membership....	8

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave this Friday at 6:30 for the sing at the Sunrise congregation.

Watch "IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY" each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP-TV.



UPCOMING TOPIC
May 26
A CHANGE OF HEART

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study.....11:00
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM