Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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Welcome to our Gospel Meeting with Frank Higginbotham!

October 14 - 17

Time

Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday 11:00 AM Sunday 6:00 PM Monday 7:00 PM Tuesday 7:00 PM Wednesday 7:00 PM

Topic

Romans 12 Nehemiah, Intercessory Prayer We Preach Jesus Life Without God The Church You Read About Walking Circumspectly

Everyone is invited to join us today for a Fellowship Lunch downstairs in the MP Room following Bible classes.

Elders:

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

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Debbie Boso (a friend of Robin Anthony), Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Ken Burton, Ronnie Dye (Brenda Dougherty's uncle), Glenn Jones (Tammy Kerns' father), Arnold Marcum (Leonard Haid's friend), Betty Morris, Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), Angel White

In order to keep our prayer lists current, names will appear on our Prayer Lists for three weeks. You may call the office and update or add names.

Thank You Note

Special thanks to all for the cards, gifts, best wishes, and surprises
I received for my birthday. I appreciate your kindness so much.
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MIKE BAYER AND LILY KATE SPROUT!



Mike Bayer and Lily Kate Sprout will celebrate their birthdays October 22.



October 14 - Philipp 4, Isa 37-38 October 15 - Coloss 1, Isa 39-41 October 16 - Coloss 2, Isa 42-44 October 17 - Coloss 3, Isa 45-47 October 18 - Coloss 4, Isa 48-50 October 19 - I Thes 1, Isa 51-54 October 20 - I Thes 2, Isa 55-58 October 21 - I Thes 3, Isa 59-63



OUR GOSPEL MEETING OCTOBER 14 - 17

Our Gospel Meeting with Frank Higginbotham will start today, October 14 - 17. Hope you are planning to attend and invite your friends and family.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY

Care Group 3 will host the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room after Bible classes. Everyone is invited. Bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

TEACHERS TRAINING TODAY

The teachers training will be today at 2:00.

COLLEGE DINNER PLANNING MEETING THIS EVENING

There will be a planning meeting this evening after services in Room 109 for anyone willing to help with the next college dinner. The dinner will be Wednesday, October 17.

GOLDEN AGERS TRIP CIRCLEVILLE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

The next Golden Agers trip will be to the Circleville Pumpkin Show Thursday, October 18. We will leave at 8:00 and stop at Bob Evans in Lancaster, OH for breakfast. The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

MEN'S MEETING- BIBLE BUSTERS NEXT SUNDAY

The Men's Meeting will meet at 5:00 next Sunday with Bible Busters at 5:30.

LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are invited to meet at Logan's Steakhouse in Vienna Tuesday, October 23 at noon.

NEW ADDRESS

Dustin Hughes has a new address. It is 3106 Murdoch Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26104.

HEARING AID BATTERIES FOUND

Two packages of hearing batteries have been found. They are in the Tape Room.

CD'S AVAILABLE

CD's are available on the counter from the SEARCH Program regarding worship. The 2012 Summer Series CD's are available in the Tape Room. West Virginia Christian Youth Camp CD's are also available on the counter. They are \$15.00 each. Check need to be made payable to the WVCYC and given to Ron Riddle or any of the Elders.

Are Bible Classes a Waste of Time?



In the minds of some people Bible classes are not important. They may even consider them just "A waste of time." What should our attitude be toward them?

Why do we have Bible classes on Sunday and Wednesday? Do we have classes just because others have them? Do we have classes just so we can say that we are at least doing something? Until we come to learn the significance of them, we will not appreciate them as we should. If we appreciate them, then and only then will attitudes and attendance change for the better.

Bible classes are significant because they help promote the work of the church. The Bible classes are one avenue through which the Word of God can be taught. We certainly want to take advantage of every opportunity to teach and study from the Bible (2 Timothy 2:15; Psalm 1:1-3).

Bible classes are significant because they help provide a way for the elders "to feed" the flock. The apostle Paul in speaking to the Ephesian elders said, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood" (Acts 20:28). Peter declared to the elders, "Feed the flock of God which is among you" (1 Peter 5:2). Through our Bible classes we are helping the elders carry out their work.

Bible classes are significant because they help produce tomorrow's elders, deacons, preachers, and teachers. We want to encourage our young people to grow up being servants of God. In our Bible classes, we are training potential soldiers in the Lord's Army. The Bible classes are helping to train the young in the way they should go (Proverbs 22:6).

Bible classes are significant because they help prevent unfaithfulness in the church. We all need encouragement in living the Christian life. Through our Bible classes we can encourage and edify one another (Hebrews 3:13; 10:24-25) to be strong in the Lord.

Bible classes are significant because they help prepare one for eternity. Who is it that has doubts about the importance of studying the Bible? We must come to understand and know God's Will (John 8:32; 1 Timothy 2:4). The time we spend in studying the Bible in our classes is helping us to be prepared for eternity to come.

Are Bible classes a waste of time? I think not!!



We welcome Brother Frank Higginbotham! He will be delivering the Gospel to us this week.

Frank Higginbotham was born in New Martinsville, WV. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A.G. (Bus) Higginbotham. He graduated from Magnolia High School in New Martinsville and from Florida Christian College in Tampa, FL. His first located work was with the Columbia Street Church of Christ in Fairmont, WV. From there he worked with the church in Wellsburg and the West Street church in Weirton, WV. In 1964 he moved to the Virginia Avenue Church of Christ in Chester. WV and is currently on his 48th year with this congregation. Frank has done radio and TV preaching and has been preaching for 60 years. He was speaker for 'Bible Mediations" for 48 years. This 15 minute program was produced five days a week and was on the air since 1949. The program closed in September 2011. He preaches on various lecture programs and conducts six to seven meetings a year. Frank is married to Rose Marie (King) Higginbotham and they are the parents of three children. Donna (passed away in 1965), Janie Gallagher who is married to Brent Gallagher (the preacher for the Oakwood Road congregation in Fairmont), and Steve who preaches for the Karns congregation in Knoxville, TN. The Higginbotham's have seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

SERMON NOTES

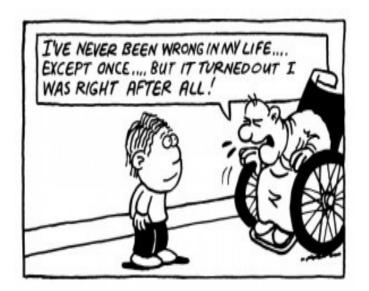
Mistakes in the Bible

~Written By Jason Hart

Some people fail to acknowledge the above written fact about the Bible. Some people deny that there are any mistakes in it at all. Others simply choose to ignore this obvious fact. Make no mistake; our Bibles are filled with them. From Genesis to Revelation, there's hardly a book that is without an abundance of mistakes. Here is a brief list of five mistakes in the first half of the book of Genesis alone:

- 1. Genesis 3:6-13 Adam and Eve made the mistake of disobeying God.
- 2. Genesis 4:1-15 Cain made the mistake of offering an unacceptable sacrifice to God and then made the mistake of killing his brother in jealously.
- 3. Genesis 6:1-8 the world made the mistake of thinking God didn't care how they conducted themselves.
- 4. Genesis 18:9-15 Sarah made the mistake of laughing at what God said was possible.
- 5. Genesis 18:16 Sodom and Gomorrah made the mistake of abandoning all that is right and pure.

There are still sixty-five books left in the Bible with more mistakes than we could possibly list. Perhaps, now that this has been cleared up, the next time someone says to you, "The Bible is full of mistakes," you can then reply, "I know it is!" Just be sure to explain to them what you REALLY mean by that. Perhaps these examples will help us in the future. Someone once said, "A fool learns from his mistakes. A wise man learns from the mistakes of others!"





Wednesday Morning Bible Class

Beginning Wednesday, October 24, Dana will be teaching a 11:00AM class entitled **David and His Psalms.** This will combine a study of the life of David and the Psalms he wrote that reflected on what was happening in his life when he wrote them.

A study guide for the class is available in the foyer.





<u>"Getting Ready for College" Workshop</u> Larry Lyons from OVU will conduct the workshop on October 17 at 6:00PM at the Grand Central congregation.

K - 12th GRADE GIRLS DEVOTIONAL

Friday, October 26 from 4:00PM - 10:00PM (Meet in the MP Room) The girls need to bring money for dinner at the Mall food court and an activity. Transportation will be provided to and from the Mall for the 4th-12th graders. The K-3rd grade girls will need parental transportation. See Annette Kirk or Barbara Saunders for details.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat will be Wednesday, October 24 after Bible classes in the parking lot by the MP Room. Bring snack foods and beverages to the MP Room for a fellowship after trunk or treat.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP



A man had just purchased a brand new Mercedes-Benz automobile, and while he was driving home he lost control of his car. His new car rolled over throwing him from the wreckage just before it plunged several hundred feet over a cliff. The driver looked over the cliff and said, "Oh no! My brand new Mercedes!"

At that point a man who had stopped to give him first aid said, "Mister, that's the least of your worries. You can always get a new car. You're lucky you're alive. Haven't you noticed that your left arm has been crushed in the accident?' To which the man said, "Oh no, NOT my Rolex too!"

This was not a true story, but it exemplifies the attitude some people have toward wealth and possessions. As Americans, we have been blessed with so much prosperity, yet we remain unsatisfied. Regardless of how much we have, our thirst is never quenched. We want more and more!

The Bible warns us against covetousness and greed, yet many people never see themselves as guilty. We need to shift the emphasis in our lives from SELF to the Lord! God will provide what we need if we trust Him and obey Him.

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, October 21

ELDER IN CHARGE - Stan Inman DEACON IN CHARGE - Kyle Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Josh Barclay PM - Jim Galloway PRAYER 9:30 AM - Jimmy Galloway Close - Chris Tallman 6:00 PM - John Life Close - Rob Hoover SCRIPTURE AM - Walter Morgan PM - Doug Hershman COMMUNION TABLE AM - Todd Kirk PM - Dearll Vincent Daniel Nygard

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Shears crew.



They include Steve Allen, Mike Bayer, Mark Dean, and Dwain Shears.

Facts	and	Figur	<u>es</u>

October 7,	2012		
AM Service	281		
Bible Study	214		
PM Service	219		
Wednesday	174		
Contribution	\$7840.60		
OUR MEMBERSHI	IP FOR 2012		
Baptisms	8		
Restored or Requested			
Prayers	5		
Placed Member	rship13		

Schedule of Services

<u>Sunday</u>

AM Worship......9:30 Bible Study......11:00 PM Worship......6:00 <u>Wednesday</u> Evening Bible Study......7:00



Thank you for worshipping with us today! Your presence has been a blessing. We hope you join us this week for the Gospel Meeting.

EVENTS AT AREA CONGREGATIONS

Gospel Meetings

• October 14 - 17 Sistersville congregation Speaker: Randy Cook

• October 14 - 17 Rockport congregation Speaker: Steve Haguewood

• October 14 - 18 Crum Ridge congregation Speaker: Dan Kessinger

October 14 - 19
 Spencer congregation
 Speaker: Tom Butterfield

October 21 - 24
Sandyville congregation
Speaker: Tim Hatfield

October 28 -31
 6th & Washington Streets congregation in Marietta
 Speaker: Stan Mitchell

Ladies' Day November 3 North 10th & Clairmont Avenue congregation Speaker: Arlene Summers Theme: "Come to the Well"

Details of these events are on the bulletin boards in the foyers.

October 21 - 25 WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING VICTORY LECTURESHIP <u>Various Speakers</u> Brochures available in both foyers.

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



UPCOMING TOPIC October 21 CHRISTIAN CITIZENS



The sing this week is at the Belpre congregation.