# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101 We welcome you to the church of Christ that meets at Camden Avenue.

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# Friends & Family Day

October 13, 2013

# Gospel Meeting

October 13-16, 2013



**Guest Speaker:** 

Tom Butterfield

Over 50 years in ministry, Director of Church Relations at Ohio Valley University

We need you to help support our Gospel Meeting and invite your friends and family.

#### **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 Scott Johnson Todd Kirk **Paul Saunders Dwain Shears Keith Smith** Jeff Taberner **David Wadlington** 

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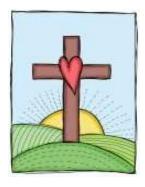
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# THANK YOU NOTES

- ▼ I would like to thank everyone for the birthday cards I received. Also, thanks for the FB messages. Connie Hickman
- ▼ Thank you for the beautiful birthday cards and gifts for my 90th. Gilbert Hardman
- ▼ Thanks to all who attended my birthday party and thanks so much for all the cards and gifts. I had a great time. Much love to all. Thanks, Valeria Sprout
- ▼ Thank you for the cards and gifts. I appreciate them very much. It was really nice. Madeline Gregg
- ♥ Thank you for all of the cards and warm birthday wishes. I enjoyed each one of them. Thanks, **Alisha Hershman**
- ▼ A special thank you to those who sent cards on our birthdays. We enjoyed each and every one. Love, Avery & Jo Goldsmith



# Please keep our church family in your prayers.

Mary Ann Barclay, Patty Dawson, Chelsea Doonan, Lee Edwards, Bob Fox, Susan Haid, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell, Jim VanCamp (Macey Dean as she is spending a semester in Strasbourg, Yugoslavia.)

# Prayers requested for family and friends:

Anna Barnes, Gert Barnes (Jo Langle's aunt), Tisha Beaver (Breck Hesselrode's sister), Lindsay Campbell, Max Cowdery (Keith's brother), Linda Crum (Herridge's friend), Mrs. Cummons (Friend of Ray & Phyllis Johnson), Brittany Elliott, Arlene Galloway, Billy Ginter (Sarah Inman's brother), Alice Hale, Wanda Hammett (Patty Sayre's friend), Nola Hardbarger (Ruth Fox's sister), Joann Haddox (Daughter of Gwen Lucas), Tammy Hatfield, John Lowther, Donna Ludwig, Olivia McFee (Jenny Reynolds neice), Robert Metz, Lillian Paulson (Carrie's grandmother), Judy Peters (Doug Hershman's co-worker), Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), George Simpson (Brenda Doughterty's uncle), Patty Smith (Mike Lucas' sister), 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 add/delete names on the Prayer Lists.

### LIFE CHAIN TODAY

We are invited to join others along Grand Central Avenue in Vienna to participate in the national Life Chain against abortion today from 2:00-3:00. See back page for more details.

### **COLLEGE DINNER PLANNING MEETING**

There will be meeting this evening after services in Room 109 to plan the College Dinner. Everyone is invited to the dinner this Wednesday at 5:45. (Mexican theme)

### CANVAS THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY

Tomorrow evening at 5:00 we will canvas the neighborhood to distribute invitations for Friends and Family Day. We will have pizza in the MP Room afterwards. Please sign-up if you can help. The sheet in on the counter.

### TUESDAY LADIES CLASS

The Tuesday Ladies class will meet at 7:00 this week in MP Room.

### LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are invited to meet at the Olive Garden Restaurant Thursday, October 10 at noon. The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

### SOUP BEAN DINNER AT HAID'S CABIN

Everyone is invited to the soup bean dinner at the Haid's cabin Saturday, October 12 at 4:00PM. Please bring items to go with soup beans. Also, bring lawn chairs. Sign the sheet on the counter if you plan to attend.

### OUR GOSPEL MEETING/FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Our Gospel Meeting with Brother Tom Butterfield will begin next Sunday, October 13-16. Next Sunday will also be Friends & Family Day. Invitations are available in both foyers. (If you would like to provide Tom and Nina Butterfield with dinner an evening, please sign the sheet on the counter.)

# **GOLDEN AGERS AMISH COUNTRY TRIP**

The Golden Agers Amish Country trip will be Tuesday, October 22. Leaving the building at 8:00AM. The sign-up sheet is on the counter with agendas.

# <u>TRUNK OR TREAT</u>

Trunk or treat will be Wednesday, October 23 in the parking lot by the MP Room after services. Please bring snacks to share in the MP Room following the trunk or treat.

## **CARD REQUEST**

Bobbie Rockhold Davis, a former member, is having health issues and would enjoy receiving cards. Her address is: 1716 Beaver Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101.

# **Daily Bible Reading**

October 6—Ephes 2, Isa 9-11 October 7—Epes 3, Isa 12-15 October 8—Ephes 4, Isa 16-19 October 9—Ephes 5, Isa 20-23 October 10—Ephes 6, Isa 24-26 October 11—Philipp 1, Isa 27-29 October 12—Philipp 2, Isa 30-32 October 13—Philipp 3, Isa 33-36



...I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Jesus Christ.

Philippians 3:13,14



# DANA'S DIRECTION

# "When Does Life Begin?"

About the only way people have been able to make the practice of abortion palatable to society is to mask the fact that the unwanted and aborted child is different only by the degree it is developed to the cute little bundle welcomed and placed with loving arms in the hospital nursery. Because the random murder of babies would be unthinkable, the term "fetus" is used to dehumanize the unborn. What exactly is a "fetus?" Just as unformed mass of tissue? Is it not any more significant for a pregnant woman to "choose" to have a fetus removed than it would be to remove a cyst or other tumor?

Over thirty years ago, I ran into my first Christian who challenged my teaching on abortion. They said, that while they did not advocate abortion, the Bible was silent on the issue and that one could not really determine when life actually began. On the other hand, I certainly believe that the Bible does reveal the time God recognizes life and condemns specifically those who would "shed innocent blood." (Proverbs 6:17)

James wrote, "For as the body without the spirit is dead..." (James 2:26) I realize that James was speaking of the role of faith and works, but he illustrated that by comparing it to the known fact—a body without a spirit within is dead. Since an unborn baby (fetus) is obviously alive, it has a it has a spirit within. Since there is not time in the fetus's development when it is not living or not human, we conclude that the time "God forms the spirit within man" (Zechariah 11:1) is at conception. An even stronger statement of this fact are the words of Solomon, "As you do not know how the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything." (Ecclesiastes 11:5 RSV)

The idea that a baby is spiritless for nine months is an insult to God who created man "in His own image" (Genesis 1:26). The unborn baby is human life, made so by the soul that God created and placed within the forming body. As God said to Jeremiah, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." (Jeremiah 1:5)

Isn't the only issue the fact that some children are wanted and some are not? The same fetus that is born premature, and with the help of modern medical technology grows to be a normal child and healthy adult can be legally aborted and thrown out with other "medical waste." "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed; for God made man in His own image." (Genesis 9:6) Surely, it was more than a tumor in Elizabeth's body who "leaped in her womb for joy." (Luke 1:44)

\* Today is Respect For Life Sunday. This afternoon from 2:00-3:00 we will be participating in the national Life Chain in Vienna. If you would like a ride, transportation will leave our building at 1:30PM.



# SERMON NOTES: "Baptism Saves Us."

(I Peter 3:18-22)

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# WHO ARE MY NEIGHBORS?

- N is for neighbor. Many of us have neighbors who are not actively involved in church or Sunday School.
- E is for employees or employers. Are all the people you work with actively involved in a church?
- is for interesting people. Every day we meet a lot of interesting people who are not actively involved in church or Bible study.
- **G** is for general contacts—people at the bank, spa, classroom, service station, or grocery store.
- H is for hobby friends—people who share our interest in antiques, needlecraft, stamp collecting, etc.
- B is for baby. Babies are born daily, and this is a natural time for parents who have been inactive to get involved in church again.
- O is for occupational friends—people on the workplace who admire and respect you.
- R is for relatives—children, parents, brothers, in-laws, etc.



This will be a great time to invite your "NEIGHBORS" to Friends and Family Day and our Gospel Meeting with Tom Butterfield beginning next Sunday (October 13-16).



# PICNIC ON THE CHURCH GROUNDS

Monetary donations are needed to purchase ham and chicken for the Friends and Family Day picnic.

Please give your donation to your Care Group leader by Wednesday, October 9.

Care Group 1—Mike Bayer/Kyle Inman
Care Group 2—Jeff Taberner/Rick Stanley
Care Group 3—Marion Goldsmith/Len Haid
Care Group 4—Dwain Shears/Bill Hoover

Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

Everyone is invited to the picnic next Sunday on the church grounds following worship and Bible classes.



All K-12th graders and their parents are invited to the annual Hotdog Roast at the home of Marion and Jo Goldsmith Saturday, October 12 at 4:30PM.

Hotdogs, buns and beverages will be provided. Please bring items to go with hotdogs such as baked beans, potato salad, chips, and desserts. Also, please bring lawn chairs.

(Cancelled in the case of rain.)

Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

# Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Just when you Thought you Knew Everything here are a few things to ponder:

- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches two to six years of age.
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds. Dogs only have about ten.
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.
- $\sqrt{\ }$  If the population of China walked past you in single file, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  Our eyes are always the same size, but our nose and ears never stop growing.
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  The cruise liner, QU2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel fuel that it burns.
- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  The name of all the continents end with the same letter that they start with.
- $\sqrt{\text{"Typewriter"}}$  is the longest word made using letters on only one row of the keyboard.
- √ The Bible does not say there were three wise men; it only says there were three gifts!

  I hope you feel that you have learned something new today! Have a great day!!

  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 13

**ELDER IN CHARGE** - Gary Herridge **DEACON IN CHARGE - Dwain Shears** 

#### SONG LEADERS

AM-John Life

### PM-John Life

#### **PRAYER**

9:30 AM-Don Gaston Close—Dustin Hughes 6:00 PM-Paul Nygard Close-Bill Hoover

#### **SCRIPTURE**

AM—Kevin Cochran PM—Doug Hershman

### **COMMUNION TABLE**

AM-Jim Hinzman PM—Keith Smith Richard Cozad

PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway

### The Lawn Crew for this week is the Barclay crew.

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

### College Student Pick-Up Schedule

10/9—Dana Slingluff 10/13—Mike Bayer, Doug Hershman 10/16—Kyle Inman

# Facts and Figures

September 29, 2013 AM Service......334 Bible Study.....241 PM Service.....241 Wednesday.....217 Contribution ......\$6817.00 **MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013** 

Baptisms.....3 Restored or Requested Prayers......7 Placed Membership...17

## Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

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

Wednesday Bible Study......7:00PM



# Today is Respect For Life Sunday.

We are invited to join others along Grand Central Avenue in Vienna today from 2:00-3:00 to participate in the national Life Chain against abortion. Our area is in front of O'Reilly Auto Parts on Grand Central Avenue.

You may make your own sign or pick up one at Home Depot or Vienna Walmart Sunday.

Transportation will leave our building at 1:30 or meet in front of the O'Reilly Auto Parts store.



Parenting Workshop:

# Parenting on Purpose

October 25-26, 2013 Friday 6:30-8:00PM, Saturday 10:00AM-3:00PM Lunch will be provided. Lubeck church of Christ Speaker: Rick Stanley

Details on the bulletin board in both fovers.

Area Gospel Meeting and Ladies Inspiration Day flyers are also on the bulletin boards in both fovers.

# Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 5:15 for the sing at the New Concord, OH congregation.

### Watch "IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"

each Sunday at 7:30AM on WTAP-TV, Dish Channel 259, DIRECT channel 364, and 6:30AM on local cable channel

