

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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AREA WIDE TEEN DEVOTIONALS

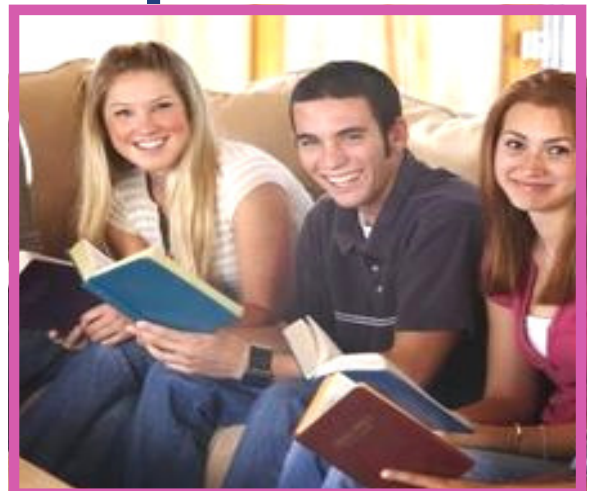
February 6 - Camden Avenue

February 13 - Mineral Wells

February 20 - North End

February 27 - Hopewell

7:00 - 8:30PM



Transportation will leave here at 6:30
each week starting February 13.

Please plan to attend and invite your
friends!

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
Brian Haught
Doug Hershman
Rob Hoover
William Hoover
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
Everett Sams
Ray Sams
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Keith Smith
Scott Smith
Jeff Taberner
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PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, Harvey Caplinger Jr., Jay Cheuvront, Sheila Conner, De Fleak, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Leonard Shears, and Mike Stone

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Jamie Atkinson, Kenadie Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Chlorie Burns, Karen Caplinger, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Margaret Cowdery, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Lidia DiConcilis, Owen Dulaney, Barbara Elliott, Tim Fought, Charlotte Frame, Chuck Gibbs, Rick Haddox, Nancy Hardman, Anna Hicks, Kyle Hockenberry, Adam Hoschar, Helen James, Brenda Jones, Loreen Jones, Phillip Johnson, Paul King, Julia Knight, Kenny Kreaps, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Cathy Morrison, Carrie Nichols, Ann Owens, Robert Peters, Jack Plumley, Sharon Pugh, Dale Putnam, Scott Riser, Louise Rudolph, Darrell Sams, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Anne Spokes, Larry Stewart, Valerie Stevens, Alexander Trippett, Lisa Wagner, Carol Weekley, and Angel White

Please notify the office of any updates in our PRAYER LIST.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Cecil McCutcheon and family in the passing of his sister, Mary Bibbee.

She passed away Thursday morning.

We have no arrangements at the time of this printing.



THANK YOU NOTES

- ♥ I want to thank everyone for the beautiful birthday cards and gifts and Pam Bayer for the good dinner. All was enjoyed. Love, **Betty Lamb**
- ♥ Thank you for all of the birthday cards that I received. They sure brightened my day! **Joyce Wright**
- ♥ Thank you so much for the cards, food, visits, and most of all your prayers with the passing of my mother, Zelma Grove. **Madonna Smith and family**
- ♥ For everything you've done and for being the special people that you are. Thank you so very much. In Christian Love, **Jane Vaught and Family**
- ♥ Thank you for the get well wishes during my recent eye surgery. A special thanks for the birthday cards. They certainly made my day. **Gala Miller**

COLLEGE DINNER PLANNING MEETING THIS EVENING

There will be a meeting this evening after services in Room 112 for anyone willing to help with the next college dinner.

AREA WIDE TEEN DEVO. TOMORROW EVENING

The area wide teen devo. will be held here tomorrow evening 7:00-8:30. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for food items. All teens are invited to attend and bring a friend.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH NEXT SUNDAY

Care Group 3 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room following morning worship and Bible classes. Bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

LADIES LUNCHEON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

All ladies are invited to lunch at Rubi's Restaurant Monday, February 13 at 1:00. Bring a baby picture, also an unaddressed Valentine's card (with an encouraging note) to give a sister.

YOUTH AND GOLDEN AGERS GAME NIGHT AT LOVE AND CARE

Our youth and Golden Agers are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship at Love and Care on Friday, February 24 at 6:00. Bring finger foods, snacks, desserts, and beverages. (We will need some sugar free items.) There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for this event.

CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE

It is once again time to submit or renew your subscription to Christian Woman magazine. The cost is still \$15.98. Checks need to be made payable to Robin Anthony by February 19. (Also, if you have had a change of address, see Robin.)

HAPPY FIRST BIRTHDAY TO KELSEY COX

Kelsey will celebrate her first birthday February 26. Please update your church calendar.

LADS TO LEADERETTES CONVENTION

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

ANNUAL BASEBALL TRIP

If you are interested in tickets to the annual baseball game Friday, August 17 in Cincinnati, see Rick Stanley.



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

UPCOMING TOPIC

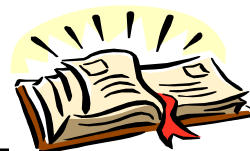
February 12
FAITH ALONE?



2012 FRIDAY NIGHT SINGS

The first Friday Night Sing will be February 17 at the 6th and Washington Street congregation.

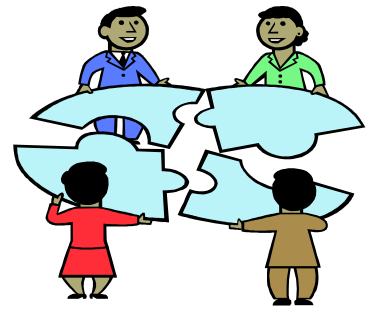
Friday Night sing schedules are available in the foyers.



Weekly Bible Reading

February 4 - Mat 22:23-36, Ex 24-25
February 5 - Mat 23:1-22, Ex 26-27
February 6 - Mat. 23:23-39, Ex 28-29
February 7 - Mat. 24:1-28, Ex 30-31
February 8 - Mat. 24:29-51, Ex 32-33
February 9 - Mat. 25:1-13, Ex 34-35
February 10 - Mat. 25:14-46, Ex 36-37
February 11 - Mat. 26:1-13, Ex 38-39
February 12 - Mat. 26:14-35, Ex 40

PRESSING ON TOWARD MATURITY



“Be ye perfect, even as your father which is in heaven is perfect”
(Matthew 5:48).

Our Lord does not expect Godlike perfection, but growth toward perfection - maturity. The Greek word is TELEIOS. The idea is that we must grow up, close the gap between who we are and who God wants us to be. TELEIOS speaks of the difference between a man and a child (cf. I Corinthians 14:20). Just how mature are we?

Maturity is the ability to control our anger and settle differences without violence or spreading the hurt to third parties.

Maturity is the capacity to face unpleasant moments, frustrations, discomfort and defeat, without complaint or collapse.

Maturity is the ability to make a decision and then stand by and apply that conviction to life.

Maturity is confession being big enough to say, “I was wrong.” And, when right, it has no need to become self-righteous.

Maturity is having the desire and discipline to change, to repent. It is one thing to admit our sins, it is another to leave them and move on toward conforming to the image of His son.

Maturity is dependability, showing up, always keeping our word, coming through, even in the time of crisis. The immature are masters of the alibi and excuses!

May God guide and assist us into a deeper awareness of what genuine maturity is!



Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men. Matthew 4.19

The greatest work of the Lord's Church is _____.

The Son of Man has come to _____ (Luke 19.9-10)

In God's word, we can find motivation to aid our individual evangelistic work.

The Love of God

How can we know God Loved us?

How do we prove our love for God?

Compassion For Lost Souls

Jesus showed compassion in many ways.

Compassion can create a desire to _____ and will help overcome
_____.

A Sense of Purpose

What was Jesus' purpose on earth? _____

Faithfulness involves more than _____

The Joy That is Set Before Us

Why did Christ endure the Cross? _____

Why do we then endure hardship? _____

The Terror of The Lord

Jesus warned of the _____ (Mark 9.43-48).

Do you think Paul welcomed God's judgment? Why or why
not? _____



The Sign Said Stop

~Paul Nygard

The sign said STOP. I didn't. So I said to the judge...

"I feel that everyone has the right to choose their own interpretation of this word."

"My father never stopped. If I stopped, I would be condemning him."

"My family has always refused to stop. If it was good enough for them, then it is good enough for me."

"I have gone so long without stopping. I just don't think I can start now."

"My preacher says I don't have to stop."

"What about those who have never seen a STOP sign?"

"My parents made me stop when I was young, so I just don't do it now."

"I believe that only going is important. Stopping is optional."

"How do you know that the word really means today what it meant when it was written?"

"I'll stop when my spouse decides to stop. It will mean more if we do it together."

"It's not anybody's business whether I stop or not."

"I feel that as long as we are all sincere that you, the judge, will accept us no matter what we do."

The scripture said, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins;" (Acts 2.38)

I didn't...so I said to THE JUDGE...

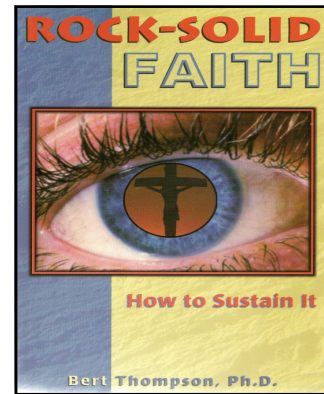
**Cold Hands,
Warm Hearts.
Donate Blood.**



**American Red Cross
Blood Drive
Monday, February 20
1:00PM - 6:00PM
In the MP Room**

**Sign up sheets are on the
counter in the foyer.**

FEATURED BOOK OF THE WEEK . . .



As Christians, faith is an expression of our relationship with our Savior. It needs to be built, nurtured, and matured. Often we ignore faith then find it inadequate in time of distress. Burt Thompson provides thirteen chapters for **Rock-Solid Faith, How to Sustain It.**

This book would serve an individual reader, a family study, or as a class guide, especially for a high school class or for the novice Christian.

Because of faith's importance, make an investment in yourself, read this book.

These featured books were donated in memory of Betty Rockhold and will be available in our church library.

John Rockhold III

Minute of Meditation Heard on 91.0 AM WLTP



The English language has some interesting twists. Did you know that the word "live" spelled backwards is "evil"? Just like the twist in words, there is no better way to describe many people, than to say that they are living in reverse. In the Bible, Paul describes these kinds of people as "opposing themselves."

Jeremiah spoke of many who ran from "evil to evil." Some are described as inventors of evil things." Isaiah condemned those who "called evil good and good evil." One of the saddest statements in the Bible says, "And your children.....who today have no knowledge between good and evil." (Deuteronomy 1:39)

Evil is defined as, "anything that impairs welfare, deprives people of goodness, or leads us away from God. Any action which will cause spiritual harm, or will lead us away from God is evil. That is why any person who will attempt to lead us away from God must be avoided. "Be not deceived, evil companions corrupt good morals," (I Corinthians 15:33)

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

Opportunities to Serve Today

ELDER IN CHARGE - Gary Herridge

SONG LEADERS

AM - Josh Barclay

PM - Ethan Ash

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Paul Inman

Close - Dave Wadlington

6:00 PM - Dwain Shears

Close - Brian Haught

SCRIPTURE

AM - Bill Hoover

PM - Marion Goldsmith

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Todd Kirk

PM - Dennis Keller

Cody Hoover

DOOR GREETERS

AM (Doors Listed)

1 - Valeria Sprout

2 - Stan Inman

4 - Debi Inman

PM

1. Paul & Nancy Inman

2. Susan Anderson & Robin Anthony

3. Debbie Beaver & Sarah Gray

4. Gary & Sharon Herridge

5. Colleen Ash & Janet Cook

6. Tammy Kerns & Hannah Shears

MEN SERVING FEBRUARY 12

ELDER IN CHARGE - Stan Inman

DEACON IN CHARGE - Keith Smith

SONG LEADERS

AM - Rick Stanley

PM - Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Kyle Inman

Close - Rob Hoover

6:00 PM - Don Gaston

Close - Cody Hoover

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ethan Ash

PM - Clyde Yoho

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Leonard Haid

PM - Barry Mills

Bill Mills

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

Door Greeters

AM Door 1 - Jim VanCamp

2 - Dearl Vincent

3 - Lenore Vaught

PM

1. Josh & Felicia Barclay

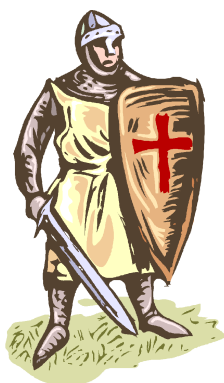
2. Ed Collins & Jack Newberry

3. Mary Daniel & Peggy Dearth

4. Herb & Joyce Wright

5. Keith & Peggy Cowdery

6. Pat Burkey & Zoe Byrum



I AM A SOLDIER

I am a soldier in the army of God. Jesus is my commanding officer. The Bible is my code of conduct. I am a volunteer in this army, and I am enlisted for eternity. I will either retire in this army at the Lord's return or die in this army, but I will not get out, be talked out, or pushed out. I am a soldier.

I AM A SOLDIER... I am not a baby. I do not need to be pampered, petted, pumped up, or picked up. **I AM A SOLDIER.**

No one has to call me, remind me, write me, visit me, entice me, or lure me. **I AM A SOLDIER.**

No one has to send me flowers, gifts, food, cards, candy, or give me handouts. **I AM A SOLDIER.**

I do not need to be cuddled, cradled, cared for, or catered to. I am committed. **I AM A SOLDIER.**

I cannot have my feelings hurt bad enough to turn me around. I cannot be discouraged enough to turn me aside. I cannot lose enough to cause me to quit. **I AM A SOLDIER.**

When Jesus called me into this army, I had nothing. If I end up with nothing, I will still come out ahead. **I WILL WIN!**

"You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ"
(II Timothy 2:3)

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Facts and Figures

January 29, 2012

AM Service.....287

Bible Study.....240

PM Service.....209

Wednesday.....231

Contribution.....\$6317.97

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership....1

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Early Bible Study.....11:00

Evening Bible Study.....7:00