

# 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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## A TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH MACK LYON

Joseph Mack Lyon was born November 19, 1921 to Earl C. Lyon and Inez Weatherby Lyon in Muskogee, Oklahoma. He departed this life at his home August 5, 2015 at the age of 93.

He was a graduate of Coalgate, Oklahoma High School. He attended Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson, Tennessee and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Oklahoma some years later.

Mack was preceded in death by his father and mother, his sister Earlene Adams, his brother Bill Lyon and his sister Erma Siegworth. Also, his wife of fifty-three years Golda Eaton Lyon passed away in 1996.

He is survived by his wife Lois Duncan Lyon, daughter Jo Ann Lyon of Oklahoma City, son Chris Lyon and daughter-in-law Glenna Lyon of Van Buren, AR, son-in-law and stepdaughter Butch and Jill Wallace of Tallahassee, FL, stepson and daughter-in-law Tim and Kayla Duncan of Orlando, FL. He is also survived by numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews.

Mack began preaching in Coalgate, OK November 12, 1939 at the age of 17 and he never looked back. He and his family spent almost three years as missionaries in Perth, Western Australia in the 1960s. After returning home he continued local ministry and in the 1980's he began IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY, a television/media ministry now overseen by the Edmond, OK church of Christ, with outreach around the globe.

He loved the Bible passage: "And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry." 1 Timothy 1:12

His memorial service was held Wednesday at the Edmond church of Christ.

## Elders:

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

## Deacons:

Delmas Carr  
Marion Goldsmith  
Leonard Haid  
Brian Haight  
Doug Hershman  
Rob Hoover  
William Hoover  
Kyle Inman  
Scott Johnson  
Todd Kirk  
Paul Saunders  
Dwain Shears  
Keith Smith  
Jeff Taberner  
David Wadlington

## Minister:

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**CHRISTIANS:**  
keep the  
faith...but not  
from others!



Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by  
prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let  
your requests be made known to God...  
Philippians 4:6-7

## Remember our church family in your prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Ed Collins, Peggy Cowdery, Jim Dailey, Gary Farris, Lillie Fox,  
Gloria Frazier, Bill Lemley, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell, Carol Vincent,  
Teresa Wade

## Prayers requested for family and friends:

Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Delana Blizzard  
(Harvey & Mary Caplinger's daughter), Kelly Boyce, Ona Jean Brundy (Eloise Smith's  
sister), Gary Caplinger (Woody Wagoner's stepfather), Diane Conrad (Caplinger's  
neighbor), Treva Daggett, Edna Drillien (Chelsea Inman's grandmother), Jim Fitcher,  
Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Michael Hart (Susan Swackhammer's brother), Steve  
Hartzler (experiencing serious health issue, requested by Brenda Dougherty), Bob  
Jarell (Brother-in-law of Len Haid. He needs prayers for comfort.), Sue Jones (Teresa  
Wade's mother), Lisa Melrose (Member at Sunrise congregation), Lisa Osbourne  
(Steve Moser's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Susie Smith (Kay  
Stanley's cousin), Rick Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's son-in-law), Randy Ware  
(Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's  
aunt)

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

**Carol Vincent's** health is improving as she continues to recuperate.  
Remember her with prayers and cards. No visits at this time, please.

**Jim Dailey** and **Gary Farris** are also home recuperating. They would appreciate prayers  
and cards.

Our condolences to Patty (Cotton) Sayre and Gala (Bob) Miller and  
their families in the passing of their mother, Jo Florence.

She passed away August 9. Her service was held Wednesday at the  
church building.

Sister Florence was a wonderful Christian example. She had been a  
member here for many years and will be sadly missed.

Keep this family in your prayers at this difficult time.



## THANK YOU NOTES

- ♥ Thank you for the cards for our 52nd wedding anniversary. **Keith and Eloise Smith**
- ♥ I really appreciate all of the birthday cards and gifts. My birthday was wonderful from the start to the end of the day. Thanks for helping make it a special day. **Phyllis Johnson**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards for Leah Faye. She enjoyed them. **Cody, Kristi and Leah Hoover**
- ♥ Thank you to all the members at Camden Avenue for the love, prayers, cards and visits to the funeral home. A special thank you to Dana for the wonderful job at Hazel's service. **Richard Cozad**
- ♥ I would like to thank everyone for the beautiful birthday cards. Thank you for thinking of me. **Ron Riddle**

# Church News and Announcements

## MEN'S MEETING/BIBLE BUSTERS TODAY

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

## LADIES' LUNCHEON

All ladies are invited to Ruby Tuesdays Restaurant at noon Tuesday, August 18. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

## MIDWESTERN CHILDREN'S HOME WORK DAY

Sign-up and information sheets are on the counter regarding the work day scheduled at Midwestern Children's Home Saturday, August 22. See Jeff Taberner for more details.

## DEACON'S MEETING

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

## GOLDEN AGERS TRIP

A trip is being planned for Thursday, August 27 to Harrisville, WV (Berdine's 5 & 10, Antique Mall, and other shops) with a buffet lunch at North Bend State Park Lodge. The cost will be \$17.00. Leaving at 8:30AM and returning around 2:30PM. Sign-up sheet and flyers are on the counter.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, August 29 at 8:30 in the MP Room. Sign-up sheet is on the counter,

## GOSPEL MEETING CD'S AND DVD'S

CD's and DVD's of our Gospel Meeting with Brother John Miller are available on the counter outside Door 6.

## 29th ANNUAL BIBLE BOWL

Mark your calendar for the 29th Annual Bible Bowl September 19. We have teams hard at work preparing.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. & MRS. JASON MCCONNELL!

Jason McConnell and Melanie Knight were married at the church building August 10. They will reside at: 1059 River Hill Road, Apt. 4 Washington, WV 26181. They are in Care Group 2. We wish them well.

**Phil Deem**  
PO Box 41  
Smithville, WV 26178



Remember them in  
your prayers and with  
cards of  
encouragement.

**Lole Johnson**  
1718 29th Avenue  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

**Dorothy Weaver**  
4206 Powell Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26104

## Daily Bible Reading

**August 16**—Romans 8:18-39, Psalms 37-38  
**August 17**—Romans 9, Psalms 39-43  
**August 18**—Romans 10, Psalms 44-47  
**August 19**—Romans 11:1-21, Psalms 48-51  
**August 20**—Romans 11:22-36, Psalms 52-56  
**August 21**—Romans 12, Psalms 57-61  
**August 22**—Romans 13, Psalms 62-66  
**August 23**—Romans 14, Psalms 67-69





## DANA'S DIRECTION

### “When You Miss a Service – You Miss a lot!”

Years ago, I used to listen to the daily program of a news commentator on the radio. During the day, the program was promoted by the catch line “if you miss a day – you miss a lot.” If that is true of a radio program, it is certainly true of every opportunity that we have to be in the services of the church!

When asked “Why a Christian should faithfully attend the worship services of the church?” the best answer that many can give is “because it is commanded.” Well, it is true that God expects us to be faithful to the assembly of the saints. “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much more as you see the Day approaching.” (Hebrews 10:25) But, is the fact that it is commanded our highest motivation?

Asking if “Christians **have to** attend all of the services of the church?” is, sort of kin to asking “do I **have to** go home and have dinner with my family each night?” If one has a loving family at home, where else would they want to be? Yes, God has said not to forsake the assembly, but for the conscientious Christian, who loves the Lord and his brothers and sisters in Christ, where else would they want to be? I have been asked, “Where does it say that I **have to** attend on Sunday night or on Wednesday night?” I like to look at the example of the early church (Acts 2:46-47) and ask “Where does it say that we should no longer be together daily?”

When we miss any service of the church, Sunday morning, Sunday night, Midweek Bible study, Gospel Meetings, etc., - we really do miss a lot! Consider the following things you miss when you fail to assemble with your Christian family:

- \* When you miss the Lord's Day, you miss being with the Lord and your brethren as they surround the Lord's table. Jesus told us when He instituted the supper that He would take it with us in the kingdom. (Matthew 26:29)
- \* When you miss any service, you miss the opportunity to be with the Lord in a unique and special way. He also said “Where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.” (Matthew 18:20)
- \* You can sing by yourself (although it is doubtful that you do), but you miss the opportunity to join your voice with others being taught and admonished by the words that you sing. (Ephesians 5:19)
- \* You miss the opportunity for an organized and prepared study of the scriptures.
- \* When you don't attend, you fail to receive the encouragement of other Christians as they admonish one another and “stir one another up to love and good works.” (Hebrews 10:24)
- \* When you forsake the assembling of the saints, can it be truly said that you are “seeking first the kingdom of God and His righteousness?” (Matthew 6:33)

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\* How can you “let your light shine before men” (Matthew 5:16) and “be an example to the believers” (I Timothy 4:12) if the church isn’t more important than the things of the world that keep many away.

When you, without any true cause, forsake the assembling of the saints, you are actually guilty of committing a “willful sin.” (Hebrews 10:28) Consider your choices in light of James 4:17 “Therefore to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.”

**When you miss a service – You miss a lot!**

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## Sermon Notes





Mack Lyon who became known all over the world for his religious TV program “In Search of the Lord’s Way”, passed away August 5, 2015.

Mack Lyon’s son, Chris Lyon, said his father’s Edmond based television/radio ministry was the fulfillment of a promise he made to the Lord.

He said growing up in Coalgate, his father and his family regularly listened to a wind powered radio. Chris Lyon said his dad converted to Christianity when he was about 17 years old after listening to the powerful preaching of a Dallas-based Church of Christ evangelist on the radio.

“He told the Lord that if He would allow him to live to be a man, he would use the media to preach the Gospel, and he did,” Chris Lyon said.

He and Mack Lyon’s longtime friend, Phil Sanders said “In Search of the Lord’s Way” is now available in all TV markets in the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska, plus places such as Korea, Mexico, Iceland, Canada and New Zealand.

The TV show’s broad reach, plus radio and Internet segments, made Mack Lyon one of the most visible televangelists in the world and a prominent figure within the Churches of Christ. Sanders said, “In Search Of The Lord’s Way” is the largest media ministry in the history of the Churches of Christ. “Today, more than 100 million households can see it,” he said.

Chris Lyon, who is the ministry’s director of operations, said his father’s show became popular because of his preaching. “What he said was always backed by Scripture. His whole life was based on reaching out and telling people the simple message of Jesus Christ,” Chris Lyon said.

Sanders, who succeeded Mack Lyon on “In Search of the Lord’s Way” in 2009, said his mentor didn’t try to be anything other than a minister imparting the Gospel.

Adapted from article by Carla Hinton. Edited due to limited space.

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## September Birthdays and Anniversaries

- September 1**—Lole Johnson, \*Calvin & Jean Martin
- September 2**—Grayson Harper
- September 4**—\*Paul & Barbara Saunders
- September 5**—Wilma Lewis, Harold Shank
- September 6**—Kylie Wadlington
- September 7**—Steve Moser
- September 8**—\*Kody & Chelsea Inman
- September 9**—Delmas Carr, Alice (Ali) Cochran
- September 10**—Gloria Frazier, Zoe Merrill
- September 12**—Bill Fleak
- September 14**—Sally Shank, Brenden Smith, \*Steve & Holly Sprout
- September 16**—Patty Sayre
- September 17**—Jenny Reynolds
- September 18**—Ray Johnson, Braidon Knotts, Kyle Knotts
- September 20**—Colton Rouse, Valeria Sprout
- September 21**—Connie Hickman
- September 22**—Nancy Inman, Dave Wadlington
- September 23**—Jo Goldsmith
- September 24**—De Fleak, Sandy Keller, \*Harvey & Mary Caplinger
- September 25**—Avery Goldsmith
- September 26**—Alisha Hershman, Chole McCloskey
- September 27**—Gilbert Hardman, Sean Plant
- September 28**—Carl Curtiss
- September 29**—Chery Logston
- September 30**—Naomi Carr



\* Anniversary

If your (children/grandchildren) birthday and/or anniversary is not on this list and you would like it to be on the church calendar, please call the office this week.



# Youth Event

## ROCKPORT CHURCH OF CHRIST WORSHIP/SPORTS/BONFIRE

Saturday, August 29

3:00PM—?

Sign-up sheet on the counter



We hope you have a good week at school.

Remember always look to God and be a good example to others.

We are proud of our young people at Camden Avenue.



THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR  
HELP!

## THANK YOU!

Thanks to all the blood donors. We ended up with credit of 26 out of a goal of 39. The church family was only responsible for 15 of the 26 collected.

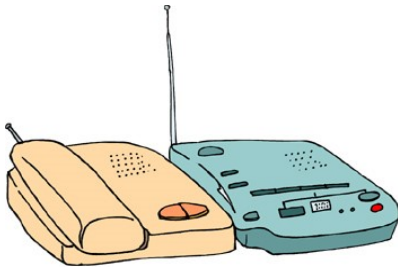
We need more help! Please consider helping at our next blood drive in February.

Special thanks to those who helped serve: Linda Camp, Betty Lamb, Bill and Mary Lemley, Sallie Hinzman, Karen Life, Joann Goldsmith and Holly Haught.

Also, thanks to the Hershman's for the cookies.

*Marion Goldsmith*

## Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP



Telephone answering machines can be helpful, but it's often frustrating to call someone you need to talk to only to hear a recorded voice saying, "I'm sorry I can't take your call right now, but please leave your name and phone number and I'll get back to you." Disappointed and frustrated, we leave our message, hoping this other person will get it and eventually call back.

But isn't it wonderful that even in our hi-tech world, we know that when we call out to God, we get straight through to Him! No recordings, no busy signals, just a one-on-one conversation between you and the creator of the universe. Yet for some reason, we often keep God waiting. Our continual lack of prayer can only give God the repeated message that we won't answer His call to pray now, but we'll get back to Him later.

What keeps you from praying every day? Do you think you are too busy or too ashamed to go to God? Start praying today and you will enable that two-way love that your heavenly Father is longing to enjoy with you!

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, August 23

**ELDER IN CHARGE**—Stan Inman  
**DEACON IN CHARGE**—Marion Goldsmith

### **SONG LEADERS**

AM—Ben Haught  
PM—Brian Haught

### **PRAYER**

9:30 AM—Gary Herridge  
Close—Jimmy Galloway  
6:00 PM—Bill Merrill  
Close—Walter Morgan

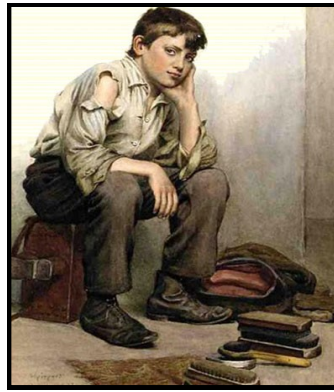
### **SCRIPTURE**

AM—Bob Smith  
PM—Gary Alton

### **COMMUNION TABLE**

AM—John Life  
PM—Kody Inman  
Kevin Cochran

**PA SYSTEM**—Todd Kirk



## WE MUST NOT FORGET

A little shoeshine boy with ragged clothes and worn out shoes was shining the shoes of a wealthy man one day. While he worked he sang, “Jesus loves me, This I know. . .”

The man stopped the boy and asked “If Jesus loves you so much, why doesn’t he tell people to buy you some shoes and clothes?”

The little boy, with tears in his eyes, replied: “Jesus did tell them, Mister, but they forgot!”

Don’t we often forget the things Jesus has told us to do? Jesus said to “love your enemies” and many forget (Matthew 5:44). Jesus says, “Don’t be anxious,” and we forget (Matthew 6:25-33). Jesus says to follow His example of humility and some forget (1 Peter 2:21-2).

Have you forgotten lately something the Lord has told you to do?

Bulletin Digest

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



They include  
Austin Hennen,  
Gregg Hennen,  
Jon Hescht and  
Kyle Inman.

## Facts and Figures

August 9, 2015

AM Service.....271  
Bible Study.....205  
PM Service.....220  
Wednesday.....193  
Contribution .....\$7440.00

### **MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015**

Baptisms.....5  
Restored or Requested  
Prayers.....4  
Placed Membership....3

## OVU FIGHTING SCOTS GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, August 17  
Parkersburg Country Club

Flyer on the foyer bulletin boards



## Schedule of Services

### **Sunday**

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

### **Wednesday**

Bible Study.....7:00PM

### Watch “IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY”

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP,  
WCWP local Sunday at 7:30AM, Dish  
Channel 239 Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT  
TV channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local  
cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN  
Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM,  
Thursday 5:00PM.

### **UPCOMING TOPIC**

August 23—THE HOLY SPIRIT

## Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave  
Friday at 5:45 for the sing at  
the Pursley congregation.