

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

*We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.*

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Items are needed for the LLL picnic. The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to send students to the LLL convention, please see Bill Mills or Todd Kirk.

The convention will be in Louisville, KY March 25-27.

**Elders:**

Pat Barclay  
Jim Galloway  
Brian Haught  
Paul Inman  
Stan Inman  
John Life  
Ron Riddle  
Paul Saunders  
Dwain Shears  
Dearll Vincent

**Deacons:**

Delmas Carr  
Kevin Cochran  
Marion Goldsmith  
Steve Gray  
Leonard Haid  
Doug Hershman  
Jon Hescht  
Rob Hoover  
Bill Hoover  
Kevin Inman  
Kyle Inman  
Scott Johnson  
Todd Kirk  
Chris Mullins  
Keith Smith  
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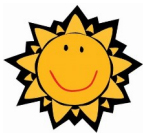
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Everyday may not be  
good, but there is  
something good in  
Everyday.



there is sunshine  
in my soul today

**Marietta Center**

Eleanor Slingluff

**Address:**

117 Bartlett Street, Marietta, OH 45750

Walter Morgan is home recuperating following foot surgery.  
Keep him in your prayers and remember him with a card.  
130 Morningside Circle, Parkersburg, WV 26101

**Remember our church family in your prayers.**

Kathleen Albright, Russ Alton, Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery,  
Margaret Dawkins, Gloria Frazier, Walter Morgan, Gene and Peggy Phillips,  
Jane Pralley, Ray Sams

**Prayers requested for family and friends:**

Betty Adams (Relative of Calvin and Jean Martin), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Delana Blizzard (Harvey & Mary Caplinger's daughter), Bob and Mike Boyce, Cindy Cleninger, Treva Daggett, Edna Drillien (Chelsea Inman's grandmother), Jim Fitcher, Bill Goodwin, Harold Haid (Len's brother), Jeff Jones (Holly West's father), Anne Kaiser, 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), Margaret Wilcox and Carolyn Wilcox (Health issues; Requested by Sherry Wilcox)



Congratulations to Jimmy and Brooke Galloway in the birth of their son, **Elic Franklin Galloway**. He arrived Wednesday, March 9 weighing 8 pounds and 20.5 inches.

Proud grandparents are Jim and Charlotte Galloway.



### **FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following worship and Bible classes.

### **VBS MEETING TODAY**

The VBS meeting will be today at 5:00 in Room 109.

### **BASEBALL TRIP MEETING**

There will be a meeting this evening after services in Room 109 for anyone interested in the annual baseball trip in August to Cleveland. See Rick Stanley for details.

### **MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY**

Men's meeting, Ladies' meeting and Bible Busters will meet next Sunday at 4:00. The LLL Showcase will be in the MP Room afterwards.

### **MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER**

Everyone is invited to MNFTM March 21 in the MP Room. Dinner at 5:45 with work assignments at 6:30. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count and food items. Please sign if you plan to attend.

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

The Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, March 26 at 8:30 in the MP Room. Sheet is on the counter for attendance count.

### **MARCH BIRTHDAY - ANNIVERSARY GET-TOGETHER**

Everyone is invited to the monthly Birthday-Anniversary celebration in the MP Room following evening services March 27. Please bring finger foods, snacks and desserts. Care Group 4 will be in charge of the clean up.

### **BAPTISM**

Jodriana Barclay was baptized last Wednesday evening at the North End congregation by her father. We are happy for her and her decision to become a Christian.

**May 21 - 22**

Family Seminar with Chip Pugh

**September 11-14**

Gospel Meeting with Clarence DeLoach

### **Daily Bible Reading**

March 13 - Mark 12:28-44, Numbers 27-28

March 14 - Mark 13:1-23, Numbers 29-30

March 15 - Mark 13:24-37, Numbers 31

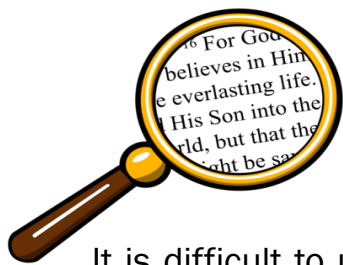
March 16 - Mark 14:1-21, Numbers 32-33

March 17 - Mark 14:22-52, Numbers 34-35

March 18 - Mark 14:53-72, Numbers 36

March 19 - Mark 15:1-20, Deuteronomy 1-2

March 20 - Mark 15:21-47, Deuteronomy 3-4



## DANA'S DIRECTION

### *"The folly of Procrastination"*

It is difficult to understand why so many people hear the gospel for years and yet refuse to obey it. They need to realize that each time they reject the Lord's invitation their heart becomes further hardened until the gospel seems to have no effect on them at all.

The following article is a true story as told by Moses E. Lard, a gospel preacher of a generation ago. Brother Lard graduated from Bethany College, preached and participated in many debates for over sixty years. You may recognize his name as the author of the commentary on Romans in the Gospel Advocate Commentaries.

Brother Lard had a friend who was a successful businessman and who was well-respected in the community. This man was very ill and had been told that he would not live long. He sent for brother Lard, and said to him: "Mr. Lard, I would not have you think that I have sent for you with the idea that you will help me in any way. I know that soon I shall die, and that I will be in torment ere long." Brother Lard asked "Why don't you feel there is any hope for you?"

"Hope, Mr. Lard? Don't talk to me about my having any hope. For a quarter of a century I have understood the gospel of Christ and my duty concerning that gospel and my soul, but I have refused to obey the gospel of the Lord, though I knew the truth fully. I therefore, am lost! Eternally lost! I sent for you because I do want you to preach my funeral. I am asking you now to tell all my friends that I was not a Christian, and that as you are preaching the funeral that I am in torment. I want you to tell them that I asked you to so inform them. They may be a warning to others that a life of disobedience is fatal. Still, it may not move others to obedience, but I do not want to die without making an effort to be of service to others who are as careless as I have been. This is a request of a dying friend. Please grant it."

Satan knows that one sure way to cause people to lose their soul is to discourage their obedience to the gospel of Christ. A decision to delay obedience to the gospel is the same as the decision to reject the gospel. Satan works to persuade the young and the old, that putting on Christ in baptism is something they can do some day – but it is not necessary today. In **Ecclesiastes 12:1**, Solomon encourages "*Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say 'I have no pleasure in them.'*"

The writer of Hebrews admonishes "*Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.*" (**Hebrews 4:17**) To the wavering Christian, he adds "*Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today' lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.*" (**Hebrews 3:12-13**)

Whatever would keep you from standing justified before God in Judgment – take care of it today. Don't procrastinate. Don't delay.

# Genuine Brotherly Love (Romans 12:9-16)



Love must be genuine. “Let love be without \_\_\_\_\_”(Romans 12:9). “With \_\_\_\_\_ love” (Romans 12:10).

The command began with Jesus: “A new \_\_\_\_\_ I give to you, that you \_\_\_\_\_ one another; as I have \_\_\_\_\_ you, that you also love one \_\_\_\_\_. By this will all \_\_\_\_\_ that you are My \_\_\_\_\_, if you have \_\_\_\_\_ for one another” (John 13:34-35).

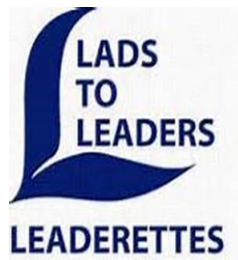
Genuine love is better \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_. “My little \_\_\_\_\_, let us not love in \_\_\_\_\_ or in tongue, but in \_\_\_\_\_ and in truth” (I John 3:18)

I. Genuine Brotherly love has kind \_\_\_\_\_ for one another. “Be kindly \_\_\_\_\_ to one another with \_\_\_\_\_ love.” (Romans 12:10) “A man that has \_\_\_\_\_ must show himself \_\_\_\_\_; and there is a \_\_\_\_\_ that sticks closer than a brother” (Proverbs 18:24).

II. Genuine Brotherly love in honor \_\_\_\_\_ one another. “In \_\_\_\_\_ giving preference to one another” (Romans 12:10). “In \_\_\_\_\_ of mind, let each esteem \_\_\_\_\_ better than himself” (Philippians 2:3-4). **All members are \_\_\_\_\_.** “Esteem then \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_ for their \_\_\_\_\_ sake” (I Thessalonians 5:13). “For they \_\_\_\_\_ for your souls as those who must give \_\_\_\_\_. Let them do so with joy and not \_\_\_\_\_ for that would be \_\_\_\_\_ for you” (Hebrews 13:17).

III. Genuine Brotherly love shows no \_\_\_\_\_. “Be of the same \_\_\_\_\_ toward one another. Do not set your mind on \_\_\_\_\_ things, but associate with the \_\_\_\_\_” (Romans 12:16). “If you show \_\_\_\_\_ you commit \_\_\_\_\_” (James 2:9).

IV. Genuine Brotherly love is \_\_\_\_\_. “Rejoice with those who \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ with those who weep” (Romans 12:15). “Let each of you look out not only for his own \_\_\_\_\_ but also for the interests of \_\_\_\_\_” (Phil. 2:4). **True brothers love and care for one another.** “Bear with one \_\_\_\_\_ and so \_\_\_\_\_ the law of \_\_\_\_\_” (Galatians 6:2). “As we have \_\_\_\_\_, let us do \_\_\_\_\_ unto all, especially those of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_” (Galatians 6:10).



This week I would like to take a different look at how our kids have grown over the years. As a group our kids are involved in over 120 events for the upcoming convention. There is a wide range of what our kids are diligently working on. Many of these events will be completed before we go to convention. Also we have most of our kids preparing for presenting their work at the convention. No matter what the event is, our kids have continued the process of growing into Godly Christian leaders! Once again I would like to say **thank you** to the congregation for all of the support we receive. We could not do this without your help. Come join us next Sunday afternoon for the Lads/Leaderettes Showcase. We have this right after the Men's meeting.

Todd Kirk

**Emma Hershman**

Hostess Volunteer  
Art Says It - Drawing/Sketching  
Art Says It - Photography  
Bulletin Board - Informative/Decorative  
Bulletin Board - Teaching  
Bible Bowl Test  
Bible Bowl Team  
Debate  
Good Samaritan  
Mass Media - Video Presentation  
Mass Media - PowerPoint  
Group Scrapbook  
Songs of Praise - Winner Circle  
Year Round Songs of Praise  
Speech - Winner Circle  
Group Banner  
Keepers

**Danielle Mullins**

Good Samaritan  
Keepers

**Holly Haught**

Art Says It - Photography  
Bulletin Board - Teaching  
Bible Bowl Test  
Bible Bowl Team  
Debate  
Group Scrapbook  
Songs of Praise  
Year Round Songs of Praise  
Speech

**Claire Moser**

Bible Bowl Team  
Bible Bowl Test  
Know the Books  
Good Samaritan  
Speech

**Haylee Smith**

Art Says It - Drawing/Sketching  
Bible Bowl Test  
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# Youth Events

## March 17

5th grade and younger are asked to meet in the MP Room at 4:30 to assemble items to distribute to Love and Care.

## March 18-19

Stark County Youth Rally

## March 24 - 27

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes

## Saturday, April 2

The Mineral Wells congregation will have a youth day for teens from 9:30-3:00 April 2. Speakers include Ryan Currey, Terry Jones and Andy Robison.

We are proud of the youth at Camden Avenue!

Thanks for all that you do!



## What's In Your Bucket?

If you were walking from the well carrying a bucket of water and someone jostled you, there would be spilled from the bucket only what it contained.

As you walk along the way of life, people are constantly bumping into you. If your life is full of ill-nature, bad temper, and ugly disposition, those things will be spilled from it. If it is full of Christian spirit, you will spill a smile or some pleasant remark. You can spill from your bucket only that which it contains.

Borrowed

## Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Did you know that a child's eyes see his mother and father differently as they age:

At age 4: "My parents can do anything!"

At age 8: "There might be a few things they don't know"

At age 12: "Naturally, they don't get it"

At age 14: "I never realized how hopelessly old fashioned they are!"

At age 21: "You would expect them to feel that way. They are so out-of-date"

At age 25: "They get an idea now and then"

At age 30: "I wonder what Mom and Dad think?"

At age 40: "Let's wait until we discuss it with our parents"

At age 50: "What would Mom or Dad think about it?"

At age 60: "I wish I could talk it over with them one more time"

How do you see your parents? I hope you are wise enough and mature enough to see them as God would have you see them! As Paul made so clear when writing to the Ephesians, "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise." (Ephesians 6:2)



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



## April Birthdays and Anniversaries

- April 2 - Macey Dean  
 April 3 - Pam Bayer  
 April 4 - Oren Gore, John Hall, David Mullins  
 April 5 - Edwin Hoover  
 April 6 - Calle Sheppard, Mike Wade, \*John & Linda Hall  
 April 8 - Alex Saunders  
 April 9 - Little Patrick Davis  
 April 10 - Delbert Beach, Bev Rine, Sharon Smith,  
                   Sarah Wilcoxon, \*Dave & Lois Nulter  
 April 11 - Kasen Inman  
 April 12 - Deanna Hilliard  
 April 13 - Steve Gray  
 April 14 - Pat Burkey, Jimmy Galloway, Jed Parmer  
 April 15 - Chris Hofmann, \*Doug & Alisha Hershman  
 April 16 - \*Brian & Ann Knotts  
 April 17 - Dustin Hughes, Peggy Phillips  
 April 18 - Terry Hofmann  
 April 19 - Zoe Byrum  
 April 20 - Bob Miller  
 April 21 - Breck Hesselrode, Lauren Proffitt, Carly Taberner,  
                   \*Chris & Terry Hofmann  
 April 22 - Henley Hoover  
 April 24 - Lizzy Hoover, Lois Porter  
 April 27 - Mandy Camp, \*Gilbert & Lucille Hardman's 70th  
                   Anniversary  
 April 28 - Carolyn Davis  
 April 29 - Sarah Buckley

\* Anniversary

If you birthday and/or 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, March 20

ELDER IN CHARGE—John Life  
DEACON IN CHARGE—Todd Kirk

### SONG LEADERS

AM—Breck Hesselrode  
 PM—Jon Hescht

### PRAYER

9:30 AM—Kevin Cochran  
 Close—Gary Herridge  
 6:00 PM—Barry Hupp  
 Close—Mike Fleak

### SCRIPTURE

AM—Tim Proffitt  
 PM—Scott Smith

### COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Jeff Taberner  
 PM—John Hall  
           Ted Miller

PA SYSTEM—Steve Gray

### DOOR GREETERS

AM Door       1—Mike Wade  
                   2—Ray Sams  
                   4—Bonnie Sams

### PM Door

1. Mike & Pam Bayer
2. Brent & Holly West
3. Richard Cozad & Ira Kimes
4. Jay & Nina Cheuvront
5. Dearll & Carol Vincent
6. Mike & Teresa Wade

## Facts and Figures

March 6, 2016

AM Service.....268  
 Bible Study.....194  
 PM Service.....177  
 Wednesday.....191  
 Contribution .....\$6776.00

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016

Baptisms.....1  
 Restored or Requested  
 Prayers.....1  
 Placed Membership...4

### 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

March 20 - YOUR SALVATION

## Friday Night Sing

Transportation will leave at 5:30  
 for the sing at the Chapel Hill  
 congregation in Gallipolis, OH.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Sing schedules are in the foyers.

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

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

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....11AM & 7PM