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.

Bible Call 304.420.2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

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THAT'S MY JOB

Sometimes it becomes easier in life to pass our responsibilities to someone else. We justify it with statements like, "Well, they are better at it than me" or, "I really do not like doing that sort of thing and he does." But does finding a surrogate really relieve us of our responsibility in that instant? I would say that it does not. You would not expect your boss to excuse you from the desired quality of work just because you let someone else do your job for you.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7, "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

I ask you, "Whose job is it to teach your family God's word?" I cannot leave such an important task up to Bible school teachers who my children see once per week. It is my job to be certain my children learn the discipline and instruction of the Lord. As your children bring papers home from Bible class be sure you help them understand those papers, their lessons, and the Bible passages associated with them.

It is your job to help your children get to heaven. The church is here to help you but cannot do it for you.

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Next time you're tempted to put someone down, put them down on your Prayer List first.



Belpre Landing - Dearll Vincent (Room 318)

No visits, please.

Address: 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714

Let's shower him with cards and keep him in your prayers.

We are so thankful that his health is improving.

Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Ben Haught, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Annette Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Gene and Peg Phillips, Bill Porter, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Tammie Wilson

Prayers requested for family and friends

Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother), Mark Berry, Deloris Boyce, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Sherry Haddox, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Bennet Haught (Brian Haught's father), Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Dolores Kemp (Friend of Mary Nesselroad), David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Shirley Packard, Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Randy Townsend



Continue to remember our sister, Sue VanCamp in your prayers and with cards and she recuperates at her home.

Also, pray for Bob Armstrong as he recuperates from recent surgery and remember him with cards.

John Rockhold's health continues to improve. Remember him with prayers and cards. Address: 128 Windsor Drive, St. Mary's, WV 26170

Let them know they are loved and missed at Camden Avenue.

News and Announcements

ADULT BIBLE BOWL CLASS

The adult Bible Bowl class will begin today in Room 155 and will cover Luke chapter 1 (NKJV). We thank Bill Mills for his diligent work with this class each year.



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 3 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 4 will conduct the services at Love and Care today at 2:30 and this Thursday at 7:00PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening in the MP Room 5:45 dinner/6:20 work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter. Please sign if you plan to eat dinner. There is also a sheet for food items.

APRIL 21 MEETINGS CANCELLED

The Elders, Deacons, Preacher meeting and the Men's meeting scheduled for next Sunday have been cancelled.

INFORMATION FOR SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

Ryan Davis, a missionary we help support in Cusco, Peru will be speaking at the 9:30 service next Sunday and during the 11:00 Bible class in the auditorium. All classes 6th grade and above will remain in the auditorium. David Epler will be speaking at the evening service.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 11:00 AM CLASS

Everyone is encouraged to attend the 11:00 Wednesday morning class April 24. We will go to Western Sizzlin' for lunch following the class for anyone that would like to join us. Attendance count sheet is on the counter.

NEW DAY OVU WORKSHOP

Everyone is invited to a workshop at Ohio Valley University May 1-2 featuring evangelism. Lectures and classes for everyone. Special events for teen and college age students Thursday. No costs involved. Flyers on foyer bulletin boards.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MATERIAL

VBS teachers and those helping with VBS need to have your order forms returned to Mark T. <u>by Sunday, May 5</u>. This will allow time to order the material. See him for more information.

Bible Call ~ 304.420.2416

Hear Recorded Information on Hundreds of Bible Subjects
There were 272 calls in March with about 27 hours of Bible study.

Continue to use Bible Call. Give flyers to others.

Reach out to others personally and via mail.

Any questions, contact David Epler 616.554.0990.

Keep up the good work of calling and telling others about Bible Call.

Daily Bible Reading

April 14 - Luke 11:1-28, Judges 3-4
April 15 - Luke 11:29-54, Judges 5-6
April 16 - Luke 12:1-21, Judges 7-8
April 17 - Luke 12:22-40, Judges 9-10
April 18 - Luke 12:41-59, Judges 11-13
April 19 - Luke 13:1-17, Judges 14-16
April 20 - Luke 13:18-35, Judges 17-19

April 21 - Luke 14:1-14, Judges 20-21

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery



"So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart" (Neh.4:6).

Few tragedies scar as does a raging fire. The devastation is complete. The desolation is mournful. Such was the disaster of the city of Jerusalem when God judged His holy hill with the torch of Nebuchadnezzar. On the day Jerusalem fell, the Edomites cried, "Tear it down...tear it down to its foundations!" (Psa.137:7).

In God's mercy, at last a remnant returned to rebuild their beloved city. And the city began to rise from its ashes. Yet, when some later visited Nehemiah, yet in Persia, they told of Jerusalem's continuing anguish: "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire" (Neh.1:3). Hearing this, Nehemiah "...sat down and wept" (Neh.1:4).

The Persian monarch, Artaxerxes, moved by Nehemiah's sorrow, commissioned him to return to rebuild the city. After a quiet tour "by night" with some of the local leaders to evaluate the ruins, Nehemiah urged: "You see the trouble we are in. Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace. 'I also told them about the gracious hand of my God upon me. They replied, 'Let us start rebuilding. 'So they began this good work" (Neh.2:17-18).

The task was formidable-after 70 years of abandonment. Enemies "mocked and ridiculed" them, demanding, "What is this you are doing ...Are you rebelling against the king?...What are those feeble Jews doing? Will they restore their wall?...Will they finish in a day? Can they bring the stones back to life from those heaps of rubble-burned as they are" (Neh.2:19; Neh.4:2).

The story of the wall's restoration from rubble is a thrilling one. Each family had its own segment of the wall to rebuild. As enemies threatened, some would "serve as guards by night and workmen by day" (Neh.4:22). And finally, "the wall was completed on the 25th of Elul, in 52 days. When all the enemies heard about this...(they) lost their self-confidence, because they realized that this work had been done with the help of our God" (Neh.6:15).

When God's people today, together "work with all their heart," amazing achievements will likewise be celebrated-to the glory of our God. (Author Unknown)

Tomorrow night at Monday Night for the Master we will have an opportunity as God's people to gather together and work. There is much to do, visits to make, cards to send, building maintenance to attend to, classrooms to prepare for Bible Classes, and many other things we can do to help with the Lord's work. Please come out at 5:45 p.m. for a meal, followed by a devotional and work assignments at 6:20p.m. Please sign the sign-up sheet so we can have a count for the meal. God Bless you and hope to see you tomorrow night.



SERMON NOTES

Four Roads We Must Travel With Christ! Scripture Reading: Luke 10:30-37



(Luke 10:30-37)
(Luke 23:26-56)
(Luke 24:13-35)
(Acts 9:1-18)

DOUG'S DISCUSSION



Right Hand on Base

Being "it" can be a challenge when you're playing a game of tag. When I play with my kids they like to have a base (a spot where they are safe from being tagged). Well . . . really they like to have about fifteen bases but I'm usually able to negotiate that down to one. And one is plenty, because I'll start going after a kid and then they just go stand next to the base. Then I stare at them, waiting for them to move. Often at that point the game becomes a little silly. The kid might move off base like four inches, smile at me, and then immediately put their hand back on base. Why? Because they know that the base is safety. They know that the further they get away from the base the more likely it is that they will be caught.

This concept is so easy that even very young children can understand! Don't get too far from what is keeping you safe. Perhaps this is why many children experience such anxiety when they are separated from their parents at the mall or at the zoo. They know where safety is and they don't want to be too far away. If only we could all apply this child-like understanding to our relationship with God! Near God is safe. Far from Him is dangerous. Very dangerous. One of the psalmists says about God: "Those who are far from you will perish" (Psalm 73:27). He goes on to say, "But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge" (Psalm 73:28).

Have you made God your refuge? If a longer than usual time goes by before you are back on your knees in prayer do you become concerned? If the Word stays on the shelf for a few days, ignored, do you realize the danger? Blessed are those who are able to say: "Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand" (Psalm 73:23). Those who are wise know that it's best to keep one hand on base. The wise know that it is dangerous to stray too far from the Father, and they keep checking to make sure that they are near. Don't risk everything by trying to set out on your own. Near God is safe. Near God is spiritually blessed. Surely God is good.



Everyone is invited to the LLL Showcase today at 4:30 in the MP Room.

If you would like to donate items for the LLL picnic, see the sheet on the counter.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to LLL, see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

Remember our group in your prayers as they travel to the LLL Convention in Louisville, KY.

They will leave Thursday morning and return Sunday.

April 18-21

WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILTY?

What is Your Responsibility will be the theme of our Youth - Parenting Seminar. All ages

May 3-5

Speaker: Lonnie Jones

Friday, May 3

6:30 Singing
7:00 Responsibility of Christian Youth
Activities to follow - including hotdogs by a bonfire

Saturday, May 4

4:00 Responsibility of Christian Parents 5:00 Meal 6:30 Singing 7:00 How Do You Raise Godly Children?

Sunday, May 5

9:30 Priorities For the Family, What Needs to Come First? 11:00 What Immorality and Drugs Are Doing To the Family (6th Grade and above will remain in the auditorium.) Covered dish Fellowship Meal after worship and Bible study.

Invite your family and friends.

Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

The annoying housefly is one of the most talented flying creatures on the planet - superior to any bird, bat, or bee. According to a British scientist, "a housefly can make six turns a second, fly straight up, fly straight down, fly backwards, do somersaults, land on the ceiling, and perform various other show-off maneuvers. And it has a brain smaller than a sesame seed."



Flies are also loaded with sensors, In addition to their compound eyes, which permit panoramic imagery and are excellent at detecting motion, flies have wind-sensitive hairs. They also have three light sensors, on the top of their heads, which tell them which way is up. Roughly two-thirds of fly's entire nervous system is devoted to processing visual images. - by Joel Achenbach, "Fly Like a Fly," *National Geographic* (June 2006)

If God put so much wisdom into ordinary houseflies, imagine what it means to know that we humans are "fearfully and wonderfully made."

I am Mark T. Tonkery with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.



Ladies Tea Sixth & Washington Street, Marietta, OH Speaker: Sue Darby

April 28 - May 1

Gospel Meeting North End Church of Christ Speaker: Phil Sanders

April 28

Friends and Family Day Marysville Church of Christ Speaker: Jeff Darby

May 5-8

Gospel Meeting Sunrise Church of Christ Speaker: Dr. David Lipe

May 7

Senior Saints Day Sunrise Church of Christ Speaker: Dr. David Lipe

May 11

YOUTH FORMAL NIGHT RIVERBOAT CRUISE Ages: 9th - 12th Grade Hosted by the North End church of Christ (More details on bulletin board by the office)

Flyers are posted on the bulletin boards in the foyers.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Watch

"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"

will air each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP, Dish Channel 239, Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV Chan-nel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM.

April 21

Dealing With Discouragement

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 5:30 for the sing at the South Logan congregation.

Join us!

Serving In Worship

Sunday, April 21

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders DEACON IN CHARGE - Jon Hescht

SONG LEADERS

AM - Clayton Huber PM - Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Scott Johnson Close - Jim Galloway 6:00 PM - Paul Inman Close - Walter Morgan

SCRIPTURE

AM - Donovan Walton

PM - Stan Inman

COMMUNION

AM - Chris Tallman PM - Patrick Rine Bill Mills

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

1 - Paul Inman

2 - Doug Hershman

3 - Alisha Hershman

PM

- 1. Todd & Annette Kirk
- 2. Ryan & Cheryl Logston
- 5. Sherry Wilcox & Barbara Cramlet
- 6. Brian & Natalie Haught

Facts and Figures

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MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Baptisms	0
Restored or Requested Prayers	
Placed Membership	1

Services Times

Sunday

AM Worship	9:30
•	min. after worship
PM Worship	6:00
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Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM