

# 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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- F** Always **Forgiving**. Always your **Friend**.
- A** Helps protect his family with an **Armor of God**. **Appreciated**.
- T** Being a **Teacher** and an example. **Thoughtful** and **Trusting**.
- H** A **Helper** in time of need or no need at all. **Honest**
- E** The memory of a father is **Everlasting**.
- R** A father is always **Respected**, **Responsible**, and **Reliable**.

### **Elders:**

Jim Galloway  
Clayton Huber  
John Life  
Paul Saunders  
Dearll Vincent

### **Deacons:**

Kevin Cochran  
Marion Goldsmith  
Steve Gray  
Leonard Haid  
Doug Hershman  
Jon Hescht  
Bill Hoover  
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Scott Johnson  
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Dad-

Your life was a  
blessing  
your memory a  
treasure...

You are loved beyond  
words and missed  
beyond measure.



**Dearll Vincent - Belpre Landing (Room 201)**

Keep him in your prayers and remember him with cards. No visits, please.

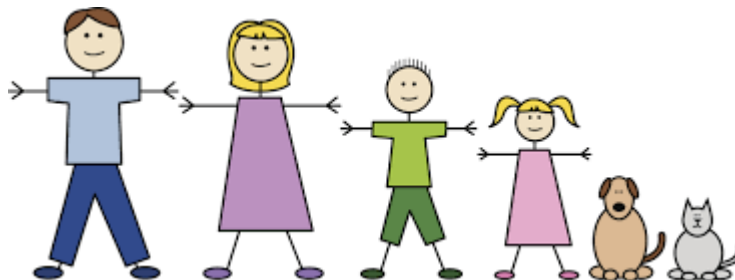
Address: 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714

### **Our church family in need of prayers.**

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Mary Caplinger, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Gary Farris, Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Bill Lemley, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent

### **Prayers requested for family and friends**

Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother), Mark Berry, Don & Sheri Blackwell, Bob Crawford, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Sherry Haddox, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Sydney Harvey and baby (Friend of Don & Brenda Dougherty), Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter)



**This is the day the LORD has made;  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

- ♥ **John Rockhold III** thanks everyone for the cards and prayers. His health is improving as a result of your prayers.
- ♥ I appreciated the birthday cards so much. Thank you. **Cindy Huxley**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards, prayers and thoughts at the passing of my dad. **Brian Haught and family**
- ♥ Thank you for sharing out 67th wedding anniversary Friday, June 14th. It was nice and appreciated. **Walter and Merilee Morgan**



## Vacation Bible School

July 8 - 10

6:30 - 8:00 each evening

Cradle Roll - Adults

Invite your family and friends!

### MEETINGS - JUNE 23

The Elders, Deacons, Preachers meeting will be next Sunday at 4:00 with the Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting at 5:00.

### LOVE AND CARE SING

Everyone is welcome to attend the sing at Love and Care Monday, June 24 at 7:00PM.

### MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet in the MP Room July 1 at 5:45. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for dinner attendance count and food items. Work projects will include distributing VBS flyers, mailing invitations, and other jobs focusing on VBS. Everyone is encouraged to attend!

### MISSION TRIP DATE CHANGE

We will be helping with VBS August 2, 3 and 4 at the Northeast congregation in Galena, OH where Dana Slingluff preaches. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

### BIBLE BOWL COACH NEEDED

A Bible Bowl coach is needed for our 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade team. Let Mark Tonkery know if you can help.

CHURCH PICNIC - August 17 (More details to come.)

### POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME COIN BANKS

Coin banks are available in the foyers. You are asked to take a bank and fill it. A Potter representative will be here November 17 to collect them.

### ZOE BYRUM

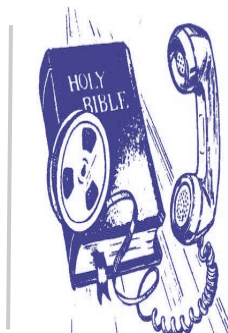
Please continue to remember Zoe in your prayers and with cards. Her address : The Ashford at Sturbridge, 3700 Sturbridge Court, Hillard, OH 43026 (Zoe Byrum- Room 151)

### 2019 WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP GOLF BENEFIT

Saturday, August 10 Mingo Bottom Golf Club in Elizabeth, WV ~ Flyer on foyer bulletin boards

### Daily Bible Reading

June 16 - John 18:25-40, 1 Ch 11-12  
June 17 - John 19:1-16, 1 Ch 13-15  
June 18 - John 19:17-42, 1 Ch 16-17  
June 19 - John 20:1-18, 1 Ch 18-19  
June 20 - John 20:19-31, 1 Ch 20-21  
June 21 - John 21, 1 Ch 22-23  
June 22 - Acts 1, 1 Ch 24-25  
June 23 - Acts 2:1-21, 1 Ch 26-27



### **Bible Call 304.420.2416**

*Hear Recorded Information on Hundreds of Bible Subjects*

*24 hours a day - 7 days a week*

Keep up the good work of telling others about this program.

**May report:** Camden Avenue mailed two carrier routes.

We had 237 calls = 31 hours of Bible teaching.

Brochures are available in the foyers.

Distribute to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.



# Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

## Helping our family

Imagine for a moment your business is failing or a project you are working on is not going the way it is supposed to; what would you do? My guess is most of us would do everything we could to correct the problems. We might contact someone who has experience in the area you are working and ask them to help you. A person might even go and get more training or education to help them to improve the situation. The point is most of us would just not let our business or project fail without trying our very best to correct the problems and improve the situation.

Now what about our families? What if our family is falling apart, what are we going to do about it? I find it interesting how little thought; we often give our families and marriages today in light of scripture. Shouldn't we put as much effort or even more than we would if it was our business or a project we might be working on?

The one thing that the Bible is clear on is that we should do what we can to help improve and strengthen our family relationships; after all family is a God designed institution as we see in Genesis 2:21-24.

In order to begin helping our families the first thing each family must do is to put God first. Matthew 6:33 teaches us to, "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." No matter how bad things may be with one's family the first step is always putting God first, start studying His Word, praying, and get involved with the worship and work of the church (Heb. 10:25).

Once God is in His proper place in our family the next thing to do is rekindle our relationship with our spouse. Again Genesis 2:21-24 reminds us that when a husband and wife come together, they are to leave their home of origin and cleave to each other. Adam in Genesis 2:23 also recognized that Eve was his lifelong love and mate. In Genesis 2:24 points out the couple become "one flesh" is only recognized in marriage and is pointing to sexual intimacy, the raising of children and the weaving together of two lives into one. All other forms of sexual intimacy, raising of children and the weaving of lives is either unlawful, ungodly, or made more difficult when God's design is avoided or ignored. The wisdom and warning in Proverbs 5:1-23 compares the way of immorality and the way of God's design for marriage and God's way is always the best.

But last when God and one's spouse are receiving the proper attention in the family, then children need to be helped. Malachi 2:15, instructs, "Did he not make them one, with a portion of the Spirit in their union? And what was the one God seeking? Godly offspring. So guard yourselves in your spirit, and let none of you be faithless to the wife of your youth." God desires godly offspring, and in this passage the implication is that the husband and wife play a major role in this.

Children need to be taught how to put God first in their lives, this does not come naturally. Children learn from observing, listening, and relating to their parents. Research tells us that, "parents are teaching their children about God's plan in their lives around the clock." If our children see us reading the Bible, praying, obeying the word of God in our daily life and wanting to be involved in the worship assemble, more than often our children will want to do these things as well.

If our families need help, will we put the effort into them to get them to be as God designed? Think about it.

Written by Mark T. Tonkery

**Happy Father's Day!**

# Five Faith Facts For Fathers

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 20:3–7



Proverbs 20:3-7, we find five facts for fathers. A good dad must be:

I. A \_\_\_\_\_ Man

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II. A \_\_\_\_\_ Worker

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III. A \_\_\_\_\_ Listener

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IV. A \_\_\_\_\_ Friend

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V. A \_\_\_\_\_ Soul

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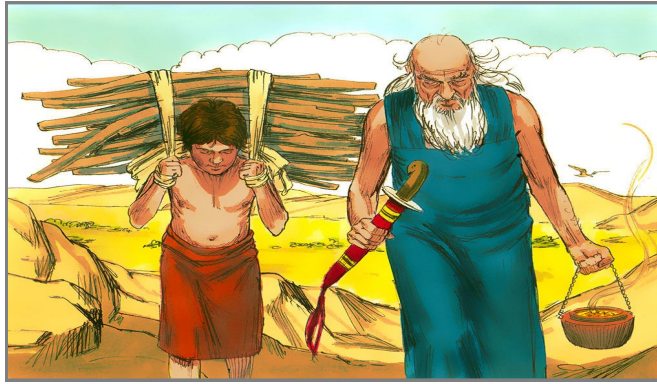
Finally

The promise at the end of Proverbs 20: 7 says that the children of such a man will be blessed.





# DOUG'S DISCUSSION



## Jesus and Isaac

I remember a teacher in college telling the class about his encounter with a foreign exchange student. The student had walked up to Dr. Keller (the teacher) and told him that he didn't think his God was worth believing in. Why is that? The student had just read Genesis 22: the account of Abraham being tested and asked to sacrifice Isaac. "Take your son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about" (Genesis 22:2). So the student confronts Dr. Keller: "no God worth believing in would ask Abraham to do that." The teacher confessed to the class that at the time he didn't have a very good answer, and sort of struggled through a reply.

We grew up with these Bible stories and have become comfortable with them. It's interesting to see what people think when they have no previous knowledge of the Bible and then read something like Abraham obeying the command to sacrifice his son, even to the point when the knife was only a couple of feet away! Looking at this from an outsider's perspective I can see how this would be shocking. Why would the Creator of all life want one of His chief servants to take the life of his boy? Here is Dr. Keller's current belief, which he shared with us: "I think God wanted Abraham to feel what the Lord God would one day feel about His Son." Unlike the exchange student we know, and Abraham knew, that whatever happened the Lord would make it right. What Abraham didn't know was many, many years later the Lord would be giving up His Son to be sacrificed on the cross.

We can admire Abraham's courage. I suspect there aren't many who would be willing to give God everything – even the thing they love the most. Abraham had waited many years for the miraculous birth of Isaac so I'm sure he wasn't thrilled at the idea of giving this gift back. But he was willing and God blesses him richly. Perhaps God's powerful words of blessing partially come from God being so glad that now there is someone who understands what He will go through, something He knew would be necessary since the beginning of time. Indeed, this is outrageous love. Who could love us enough that they would be willing to give their son, whom they love? It's shocking, but that is the love of God. God took his Son Jesus, whom He loved, and placed Him on a cross for us.



## What Makes A Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,

The majesty of a tree,

The warmth of a summer sun,

The calm of a quiet sea.

The generous soul of nature,

The comforting arm of night,

The wisdom of the ages,

The power of the eagle's flight,

The joy of a morning in spring,

The faith of a mustard seed,

The patience of eternity,

The depth of a family need,

Then God combined these qualities,

When there was nothing more to add,

He knew His masterpiece was complete,

And so, He called it...Dad.

Author Unknown



### WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

WVCYC at Pennsboro starts this week with College Week and goes through the end of July. You can check the dates and registration form at: <https://www.wvcyc.com/media/16>. Mark will be teaching and working All Age Week July 21-27. They would love to have as many campers as possible. Let Mark know if you have questions.

### OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP CAMP HERVIDA

Junior Week ~ June 16 - 21  
Intermediate Week ~ June 23 - 28  
Registration forms in the foyers.

### OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP FUNDRAISER AT HERVIDA

Pulled Pork Barbeque  
Sunday, June 23  
Worship 10:30AM - Lunch 12-2:00PM  
Christian Fellowship, Bible Study and Activities for Youth  
Details on foyer bulletin boards

The **Minute of Meditation** will continue in next week's bulletin.



## CLOTHING ROOM

The Clothing Rooms are now full. We are no longer able to accept adult clothing as we are to capacity at this time. We will accept children's and teens clothing until June 30.

We can still accept adult and children's size socks also, coats, winter hats and gloves for children and teens. All size blankets are also needed.

Please make sure donations are clean and gently used.

Monetary donations are used to purchase new undergarments.

Terry thanks everyone for all of the donations, especially the clothing hangers.

## Serving In Worship

Sunday, June 23

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life

DEACON IN CHARGE - Bill Hoover

### SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught

PM - Scott Smith

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Rick Stanley

Close - Todd Kirk

6:00 PM - Keith Smith

Close - Scott Johnson

### SCRIPTURE

AM - John Hall

PM - Dave Nulter

### COMMUNION

AM - Dwain Shears

PM - Steve Moser

Bill Camp

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway



## Vacation Bible School

July 8 - 10

6:30PM - 8:00PM

Classes for Cradle Roll through Adults

Theme: Faith Force - Heroes of Godly Living



## EVANGELISM - VISITATION CLASS PROGRAM JULY 15

The Wednesday evening Visitation/Evangelism class will take a new phase with class training and assignments for those interested in this work. The class will begin Monday, July 15 at 6:30PM in the MP Room. The class will focus on topics that aid in developing contacts, teaching the Open Bible study, and how to deal with the challenges of teaching the Bible to others. Everyone is invited to attend and learn more about the important work of visitation, teaching, edification and reconciliation.

Any questions, see Ron Riddle, David Epler or any of the Elders.

Our Summer Series will continue this Wednesday evening at 7:00.

Speaker: Doug Wells

Plan to attend and invite others!



## Facts and Figures

June 16, 2019

AM Service.....253

Bible Study.....166

PM Service.....188

Wednesday.....176

Contribution.....\$7281.00

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested Prayers...1

Placed Membership.....1

## Service Times

### Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study....15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

## Friday Night Sing



The sing this Friday will be hosted by the 36th Street, Vienna congregation at 7:00PM.

Everyone is welcome!

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 Channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM.

**June 23**  
*JESUS IS LORD*