

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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26th Wood County Life Chain

Sunday, October 6

2:00PM - 3:00PM

Grand Central Avenue

Transportation will leave here next Sunday at 1:30 to attend the Wood County Life Chain.

We will assemble at the Sam's - Lowe's curbside, along Grand Central Avenue.

Signs will be supplied. Umbrellas, lawn chairs and strollers are welcome.

The Wood County Life Chain will always be a peaceful, quiet and prayerful witness that abortions kill children.

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
Rob Hoover
Kevin Inman
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
Keith Smith
Jeff Taberner

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A church that will
not **CONFRONT**
sin, will
eventually end
up **CONFORMING**
to sin.



Whoever does not love,
does not know God,
because
GOD IS LOVE.

I John 4:8

Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey,
Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Len Haid, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Jo Langler,
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

Mark Berry, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother),
Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents),
Brian and Judy Hunter (Kelly and Sandy Sheppard's neighbors), Ted Riddle
(Ron Riddle's brother), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother)

**We update our Prayer List periodically, removing names if we have no recent updates
on that person. Update the office of any changes.**

Dearll Vincent

Continue to remember him and Carol in your prayers and with cards.

Encompass Health - Jo Langler (Room 224)

*God makes things beautiful in
His time.*



- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards for Ellie! She enjoyed each one!
Cody and Kristi Hoover
- ♥ I want to say "Thank you to all" who sent me birthday cards. I enjoyed
each and every one. **Connie Hickman**

Thank you to **Alisha Hershman** for preparing the communion bread this
month.

News and Announcements

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

We will be hosting the Traveling Youth Group at our service this evening. The young men will conduct our service. Following services, snacks will be provided in the MP Room. Let's all welcome them.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Everyone is invited to MNFTM October 7 at 5:45 dinner ~ 6:30 work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter.

HAID'S SOUP BEAN DINNER ~ RESCHEDULED

Len and Susan Haid invite everyone to their annual Soup Bean Dinner at their cabin Saturday, October 12 at 4:00. A new sign-up sheet is on the counter. Bring items with go with the soup beans and hamburgers. Also, bring lawn chairs. Maps are also on the counter.

CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY

The Clothing Give-Away will be Tuesday, October 15 and Thursday, October 17 at 6:00--8:00PM.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Photos will be taken **October 24, 25 and 26** for our new church directory. Sign-up sheets are on the counter. With each photo session, you will receive a free 8x10 photo, printed directory and will have the opportunity to purchase additional photos. You must get your photo taken to receive a free directory. See Steve Gray for more information.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 3 will conduct the services at Love and Care Sunday, October 27 at 2:30 and Thursday, October 31 at 7:00PM.

STOP THE BLEED PRESENTATION

We, along with Camden Clark Medical Center, will host *Stop the Bleed* at 7:00PM Tuesday, October 29. This is a national campaign being taught in schools that encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer. The deadline to sign up is next Sunday. If you have any questions see Rob Hoover.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY

Our Friends and Family Day will be Sunday, November 10. A Fellowship Lunch will held in the MP Room following worship and Bible classes. Invitations are in the foyers. Invite your family and friends!

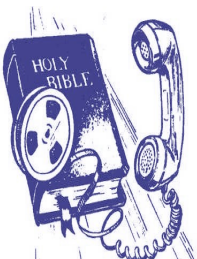
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Keep up the good work of telling others about this program. Brochures are in the foyers.

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



Daily Bible Reading

September 29 - Galatians 1, Ecclesiastes 7-9
September 30 - Galatians 2, Ecclesiastes 10-12
October 1 - Galatians 3, Song of Solomon 1-4
October 2 - Galatians 4, Song of Solomon 5-8
October 3 - Galatians 5, Isaiah 1-2
October 4 - Galatians 6, Isaiah 3-6
October 5 - Ephesians 1, Isaiah 7-8
October 6 - Ephesians 2, Isaiah 9-11

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

What Visiting Does

by Neal Pollard



V It verifies the words we speak. When we tell somebody we care about them, we back that up by showing up in time of need or to lend a hand. It validates the person, telling them they mean something to somebody else. It vanquishes barriers. It is so much easier to get to know a person—to be at ease with them—through the intimate contact a visit provides.

I Visiting illuminates (Matt. 5:14; cf. John 8:12). It is a tangible way for us to shine the light. It also inspires. It is infectious. Seeing and hearing about others engaged in visitation will motivate others to do the same. The more people inspired to visit, the more people visited and the more good done. It influences people. It influences non-Christians to study the Bible. It influences visitors to return. It influences weak and wayward Christians to come home.

S Such strengthens others. The Hebrews writer urges us, “Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees...” (Heb. 12:12). Visiting does that. People ready to give up may keep going, simply by a visit you make. It also saves souls. Ask those who have obeyed the gospel. Some of them are in Christ today because someone else took the time to knock on their door, sit on their furniture, and share their lives. Visiting substantiates. It is proof of what tangible Christianity involves.

I This effort improves. It strengthens the one visiting and the one visited. It improves the church’s image. It improves congregational morale. Visitation also initiates friendships. Finding our common ground with others, as we often do through visiting, has sparked many long-lasting friendships. Visiting is inclusive. It lets people “into” our lives. It tells others we want them to be a part of us.

T Visiting teaches. It informs us about other people, but we also learn about ourselves. We learn how vital visiting is to our own growth and happiness. It is thrilling. It truly is usually one of the more enjoyable commands given to us by God. Rarely will you end a visit feeling down and depressed, but rather uplifted. It touches others. It bonds us together. It warms the very heart of God!

Visiting: It’s not just for preachers and elders. It is needed. It is enjoyable. It can touch the eternal.

What do you want your tombstone to say?

Text: Hebrews 11:4



What do you want your tombstone to say?

A. Hebrews 11:4, "By faith _____ offered to God a more acceptable _____ than Cain, through which he was commended as _____, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he _____, he still _____."

I. How the _____ will be remembered.

- A. _____: Gen. 5:24; Heb. 11:5
- B. _____: James 2:23
- C. _____: Acts 13:22
- D. _____: Acts 9:36
- E. _____: Acts 11:24
- F. _____: 2 Tim. 4:6-8

1. These all finished life _____.

II. How the _____ will be remembered.

- A. _____: Gen. 19:26
- B. _____: 2 Kings 9:36-37
- C. _____: Mt. 26:25
- D. _____: 2 Tim. 4:10
- E. _____: Luke 12:16-21
- F. _____: Acts 24:25
- G. _____: Acts 26:28

1. These all did _____ finish well and will have their punishment.

III. How will _____ be remembered?

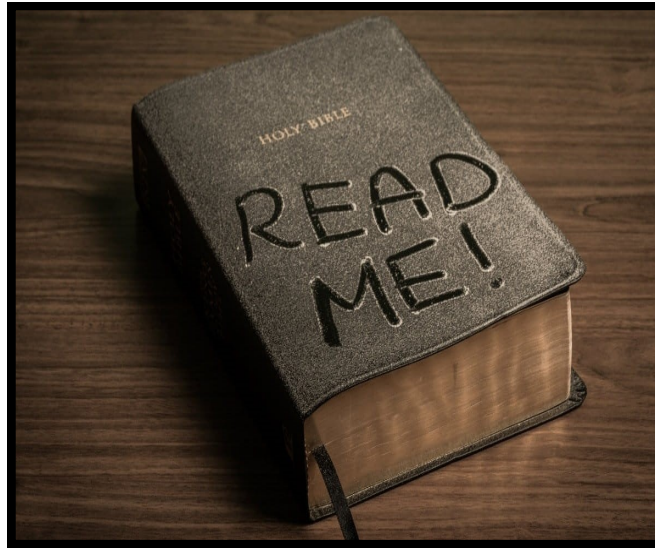
A. We only have two choices:

- 1. Remembered as _____.
 - a. 1 Cor. 15:18 _____.
 - b. Rev. 14:13 _____.
 - c. Mt. 25:21 _____.
 - d. Mt. 25:34 _____.
 - e. Remembered as an _____ Christian or one who never _____ the Lord.
 - f. Rev. 2:4 _____.
 - g. 1 Tim. 1:9 _____.
 - h. Mt. 7:21-23 _____.
 - i. 2 Pt. 2:20 _____.
 - j. 2 Thess. 1:1-8 _____.

Finally,

If you were to die right now, what would your tombstone say?

DOUG'S DISCUSSION

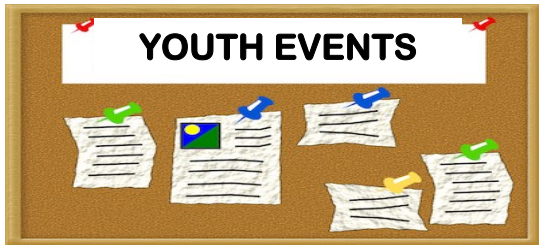


Whatever it Takes to Read It

“But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers” (Psalm 1:2-3). We all know that we ought to be reading our Bible. Somewhere in the depths of our soul we know that we need to make time in Scripture one of our daily habits. Doing so will help us stand strong and prosper in the Lord. Unfortunately, what we know and what we do is not always the same thing.

If you don't already have the habit of reading the Bible daily it's going to take a little work to gain that habit. Most people need some level of accountability to make that happen. And that's why I love Bible Bowls! I want to personally thank everyone who chose to participate in the Camden Avenue Bible Bowl this year. This sort of thing takes some courage, doesn't it? You know that you're going to have to go up in front and answer Bible questions. You know that all those days you didn't read are going to come back to bite you. It is that knowledge that encourages you to read the Bible every day. By doing so you are gaining a prize greater than any ribbon or trophy.

I don't know what it will take for you to gain this discipline. Maybe you can put your Bible by your coffee pot. Maybe you could set a reminder on your phone. Maybe you could tell your kids that they can ask you any time after 6PM whether you have read your Bible or not, and if the answer is “no” they have your permission to spray you with cooking spray. Or maybe you just need to sign up for Bible Bowl next year. Whatever is necessary to make this happen is worth it. We need to continue our tradition of being a “people of the Book.” I want the Church of Christ to continue to be known as a group of people who have Bible answers for all the important questions. Don't you think that's worth being coated with cooking spray?



Bridgeport Youth Rally

The Bridgeport Youth Rally for the 6th-12th graders will be October 25-26. Let Jeff know by next Sunday if you plan to go.

Challenge Youth Conference

CYC will be February 28 - March 1. The \$30 registration is due by next Sunday.

Let's all welcome the Traveling Youth Group as they will be conducting our service this evening. Snacks will be served in the MP Room following evening services.



Wednesday October 30 will begin the regular morning classes until March.

Mark will be presenting a survey of the books of Acts through Revelation.

Everyone is welcome.

As always, we will continue to have the 7:00 Wednesday evening Bible study.

Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

A man's wife constantly harassed him about dieting as she urged him to lose weight.

He said, "Don't you know what the Bible says, "Eat what is set before you and give no thought to what you shall put on?"

His application of Biblical truth was about equal to the man who said his congregation built a nursery for infants because the Bible says, "We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed."

The expression that "one can prove anything by the Bible" comes to mind. If so, it would be a misuse of the Bible as we see in these two illustrations, rather than a proper use of it.

We need to understand that the Scriptures must be "rightly divided" (2 Timothy 2:15) for our spiritual needs to be met. For this to happen, God's word must be treated with respect and accompanied by a faithful and honest heart.

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



Serving In Worship

Sunday, October 6

ELDER IN CHARGE - Clayton Huber

DEACON IN CHARGE - Todd Kirk

SONG LEADERS

AM - Kyle Inman

PM - Gary Alton

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Jeff Taberner

Close - Stan Inman

6:00 PM - Dennis Keller

Close - Dwain Shears

SCRIPTURE

AM - Mike Wade

PM - Kevin Cochran

COMMUNION

AM - Ray Peters

PM - Patrick Rine

Bill Hoover

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Allen Coe

2 - Dave Nulter

3 - Lois Nulter

PM

1. David & Christine Epler

2. Ron & Peggy Riddle

5. Scott & Gwen Johnson

6. Keith & Eloise Smith



Happy Belated Birthday to Gilbert Hardman!

He celebrated his 96th Birthday September 27!

We love and appreciate Gilbert and Lucille very much.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Facts and Figures

September 22, 2019

AM Service.....253

Bible Study..... 163

PM Service.....195

Wednesday.....194

Contribution.....\$7853.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested Prayers...2

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

~ Ladies' Inspiration Days ~

October 5

Norval Park Ladies' Inspiration Day

Speaker: Leachelle Moore

October 19

55th Ladies' Inspiration Day

National Road Church of Christ - Wheeling, WV

Flyers are on the foyer bulletin boards

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.

October 6

Raising Faithful Children

Friday Night Sing



Transportation
will leave Friday
at 6:30 for the
sing at the
Barlow-Vincent
congregation.

Everyone welcome!