

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

“Where you are always welcome”

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*The
Grace
of our
Lord Jesus Christ
be with you*

1 CORINTHIANS 16:23

In Our Prayers

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Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Patty Dawson, Ralph Fox, Paula Franklin, Sandy Graham, Carolyn Henry, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Linda Moncrief, Merilee Morgan, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Bill Porter, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Cotton Sayre, Theresa Steed, Dorothy Stevens, Jim Stoops, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Joyce Wright

Prayers requested for family and friends

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), Becky Ash (Tammy Kern's sister), Mark Berry, Jeff Bigler (Becky Inman's father), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Delores Boyce (friend of Jo Langler), Kelly Boyce, Kevin Britton (Cody Hoovers Cousin), Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle), Roy Clark, Megan Bailey Daugherty, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Jeff Fitcher, Scott Gordon, Charles (Bill) Haid, Judy Hall, Steve Higginbotham, Mike Hill (friend of Mike & Pam Bayer), Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Brenda Jones (friend of Rosemary Merrill), Chenie Jonas (Cousin of Sandy Hughes), Greg Kirkbride (friend of Paul Saunders), Allison Kirkland (friend of Gwen Johnson), Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells' mom), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece), Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister), Dave Nicholson (friend of the Hofmanns), Michael Parsons (friend of Billie Coe), Kathy Plant, Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend), John Rockhold III, Korbin Schaner (Great-Grandson of the Eplers), Michele Scherer, Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise's son), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Shawn Stephens, Frank & Hazel Terry (Eloise Smith's family), Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams, Joe Wilson

Updates to the prayer list this week:

- John Hescht
- Megan Dougherty- Is scheduled for surgery on July 19.
- Jeff Fitcher is preparing for his stem cell transplant.
- Eloise Smith- will have another appointment in Morgantown July 13.
- Ben Deem- Charlotte Deems grandson
- Justin- Cindy Huxley's nephew recovering from injuries from a boating accident.
- Helen May- Verna Huber's mother is in Encompass Health for rehabilitation following her stroke.
- Lois Nulter
- Mildred Gault

Please give any updates for the prayer list to the office.

Announcements

VISITORS- We are happy you can be with us today! Please complete a visitor card and place it in the basket on the communion table.

BIBLE BOWL- The Camden Avenue Bible Bowl October 8, 2022, over Ezra and Nehemiah.

KINGS ISLAND TRIP- will be August 8. It is \$35.00 per person. Please give the money for the trip to Doug Wells by July 17th. There will be a meeting today, July 10 after morning Bible class by door 6 for all planning on going.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE- August 15, 12:00-6:00pm in the multi purpose room. There is a sign up sheet on the counter.

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC- August 13th at Dupont Park.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL- Care Group 3 invites everyone to the fellowship meal next Sunday, July 10 after morning worship and Bible class.

VBS TEACHERS- Please return your jump drives and any registration forms to the office.

BOOK OF THE MONTH- The July book of the month is Nahum. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board after you have completed the reading.

MEN'S MEETING- July 17 at 4:00pm in the multipurpose room.

ADDRESS UPDATE- Todd and Annette Kirk's new mailing address is P.O. Box 115 Washington, WV 26181.

OTHERS THAT READ MICAH IN THE MONTH OF JUNE- Great Job!

Jim Hughes

Keith Smith

Sandy Hughes

Eloise Smith

Bill Mills

Jim Stoops

Kay Mills

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24 HOURS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK.

BROCHURES ARE IN THE FOYERS. DISTRIBUTE THEM TO FAMILY, FRIENDS,
NEIGHBORS, AND CO-WORKERS.



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

BENEFITS of Bible Bowl

Bible facts are learned. The Bible is the only source of study. Students learn the assigned materials thoroughly.

Foundations of faith are enlarged. Knowledge of God's Word serves as the foundation for building Christian faith and character.

The kingdom of God is strengthened. By reinforcing each student in Bible knowledge and skills, the Bowl dedicates itself to the improvement of the church both now and in coming generations.

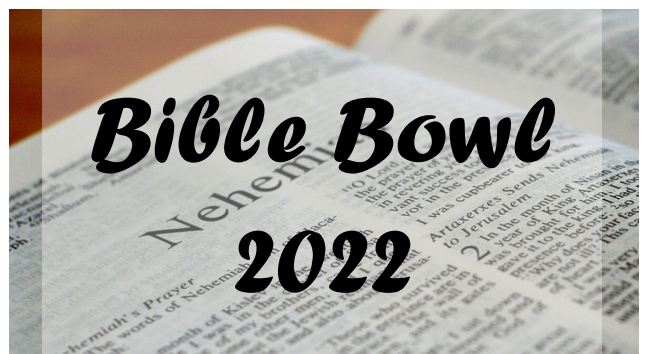
Results are long-lasting. Youth is the prime time for determining life's priorities. Knowledge of the Scriptures equips young people for Christian service throughout their lives.

Peer appeal accompanies Bible learning. Bible Bowl is a high point of the year for participants, combining fun, travel, fellowship and learning.

Christian fellowship is promoted. Young people enjoy fellowship with hundreds of other Christian young people from wide geographical areas.

Family Bible study is encouraged. The program provides an excellent opportunity for family interaction in the study of the Bible.

Churches of all sizes may participate. Churches of all sizes and of varying social and economic backgrounds realize benefits.



(Author Unknown)

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Today's Sermon Notes

AM Sermon: Doug Wells

People of Babel

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:3-4

- 1: Why do you think people build towers that reach into the heavens? Mark 13:1

- 2: Compare Genesis 9:1 and 11:2-4. Where is the conflict between God's plan and man's plan?

- 3: When people oppose God are they safer when they group with other people who are opposing God? Why or why not?

- 4: What similar strategy did God use to defeat the allied army opposing Jehoshaphat and the people gathered in Shinar?

- 5: How is the kingdom of Babylon like the people at Babel?

- 6: When God gives you a command, when should you stop?

- 7: What should you do if someone tries to recruit you as an ally against God?

- 8: When is it better to scatter than gather?

- 9: What good is a city and a tower if it is done without God?

- 10: What will you resolve to build instead?

PM Sermon: Doug Wells

What Do You Have That You Did Not Receive?

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:7

Doug's Discussion

Guard the Weak Points

A wall was an excellent defense for a city in ancient times, but it did tend to have a weak point. I suppose it isn't practical to expect everyone to climb the wall on a lowered ladder, so there did have to be an opening for people to get in. How strong this opening was determined how difficult it was to get into the city. That's why people put a lot of time and effort thinking about how to reinforce gates. Multiple gate systems were used, there were openings to fire projectiles at people attacking the gates, sometimes there were even recessed rooms to house guards inside the gate complex. We can see the wisdom in guarding a city this way. Are we equally as enthusiastic about guarding our hearts? "Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life" (Proverbs 4:23).

Samson had a weak point. The first thought we have of him is perhaps his supernatural strength. However, as strong as he was, a woman defeated him because she knew the attack that would work. One thousand Philistine soldiers? Not a problem. Beautiful immoral woman who cares enough about money to maintain a sustained verbal barrage? Problem. "With such nagging she prodded him day after day until he was tired to death. So he told her everything" (Judges 16:16-17). If the man who could lift the city gates up a hill had a weakness I think it's safe to say that we do as well.

Let's take a minute and walk around the wall. Where are the gaps where the enemy is most likely to get in? Where are the doors that are easiest to kick down? If you are so proud that you think you are unassailable then defeat is assured. The wiser among us understand that there are weak points and they will take measures to defend them. What if



"Guard your heart."

your weakness is you have a hard time picking virtuous companionship, like Samson? Then set a guard. Have a Christian friend or parent come along and get to know the person as well so you have an independent assessment. What if your weakness is spending money on frivolous things that you really can't afford? Then bar the gates. Chop up the offending credit card. You know you better than I do, so you know what kind of things will help keep the enemy from getting a foothold. You can save yourself a lot of pain when the attack comes by doing those things.

Thank You

- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. You are a special people. Stan Inman
- ♥ The family of Belinda Buckley appreciates the visits, encouragement, cards, flowers and the services that our friends and family at Camden Ave. has provided during the illness and recent passing of Belinda, you have been a blessing and comfort to us. We Thank you All.
- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful cards, notes and online wishes as we celebrated our 32nd wedding anniversary! You are special! Love & Hugs, Ron & Peggy Riddle

THE MOST

THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE HABIT.....	WORRY
THE GREATEST JOY.....	GIVING
THE GREATEST LOSS.....	LOSS OF SELF-RESPECT
THE MOST SATISFYING WORK.....	HELPING OTHERS
THE UGLIEST PERSONALITY TRAIT.....	SELFISHNESS
THE MOST ENDANGERED SPECIES.....	DEDICATED LEADERS
OUR GREATEST NATURAL RESOURCE.....	OUR YOUTH
THE GREATEST "SHOT IN THE ARM"	ENCOURAGEMENT
THE GREATEST PROBLEM TO OVERCOME.....	FEAR
THE MOST EFFECTIVE SLEEPING PILL.....	PEACE OF MIND
THE MOST CRIPPLING FAILURE DISEASE.....	EXCUSES
THE MOST POWERFUL FORCE IN LIFE.....	LOVE
THE MOST DANGEROUS PARIAH.....	A GOSSIPER
THE WORLD'S MOST INCREDIBLE COMPUTER.....	THE BRAIN
THE WORST THING TO BE WITHOUT.....	HOPE
THE DEADLIEST WEAPON.....	THE TONGUE
THE TWO MOST POWER-FILLED WORDS.....	I CAN
THE GREATEST ASSET.....	FAITH
THE MOST WORTHLESS EMOTION.....	SELF PITY
THE MOST BEAUTIFUL ATTIRE.....	SMILE
THE MOST PRIZED POSSESSION.....	INTEGRITY
THE MOST POWERFUL CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION.....	PRAYER
THE MOST CONTAGIOUS SPIRIT.....	ENTHUSIASM

Serving In Worship July 17, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - Ryan Highman

PM - Doug Wells

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Jeff Taberner

Close - Doug Hershman

6:00 PM - Mark Tonkery

Close - Dennis Keller

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ron Riddle

PM - Bill Hoover

COMMUNION

AM - Todd Kirk

PM - Mike Wade



Camden Avenue Church of Christ

Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Class...15 minutes after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00pm

Facts and Figures

July 3, 2022

Sunday AM Service.....200

Sunday Bible Class.....145

Sunday PM Service.....169

Wednesday PM Service.....142

Contribution.....\$8977.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Baptisms.....4

Restored or Requested Prayers.....1

Placed Membership.....3



Mowing Group for July 14-16

Team 3

Ken Barnes

Doug Hershman

Ryan Highman

Glenn Snider

Upcoming Local Events

There is more information available on the bulletin board

SURPRISE VALLEY YOUTH CAMP- Senior Week July 10-16, All-Age Week July 17-23. Registration forms are on the youth board.

WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP (WVCYC)- Intermediate Week July 10-15, Junior Week July 17-22, All Age Week July 24-29 and Singing Week July 31-Aug. 5. Registration forms are on the youth bulletin board.

NORTH CENTRAL OHIO BIBLE LECTURESHIP- Held in Lorain, Ohio. August 7-10

WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP GOLF BENEFIT- Saturday August 13 at Mingo Bottom Golf Club.

VACTION BIBLE SCHOOL- Bridgeport church of Christ August 13, 9:30-12:00. Theme: Digging into God's Word.

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING LECTURESHIP- October 23-27, 2022

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings

at 7:30 on WTAP

July 17

"Help Me Pray"



IN
SEARCH
OF THE LORD'S WAY

Daily Bible Reading

July 11: Acts 12 & Ezra 7-8

July 12: Acts 13:1-31 & Ezra 9-10

July 13: Acts 13:32-52 & Nehemiah 1-3

July 14: Acts 14 & Nehemiah 4-5

July 15: Acts 15:1-21 & Nehemiah 6-7

July 16: Acts 15:22-41 & Nehemiah 8-9

July 17: Acts 16:1-15 & Nehemiah 10-11

"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."