

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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## Pray For Election Day

by Margaret Cagle

Election Day is upon us  
In America once more.  
We will choose candidates  
And vote as we have before.

What a responsibility!  
For wisdom, we must pray  
And make the right choices  
As we vote on Election Day.

Please don't be indifferent  
And say, "What'll be will be."  
Try to make a Godly choice  
For leaders for you and me.

Prayer makes a difference  
In who wins each race,  
So Christian, we must pray  
And seek God's holy face.

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Pat Barclay  
Jim Galloway  
Gary Herridge  
Paul Inman  
Stan Inman  
John Life  
Bill Mills  
Ron Riddle  
Dearll Vincent

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Delmas Carr  
Marion Goldsmith  
Leonard Haid  
Doug Hershman  
Rob Hoover  
William Hoover  
Kyle Inman  
Scott Johnson  
Todd Kirk  
Ray Sams  
Paul Saunders  
Dwain Shears  
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Please keep the following folks  
in your prayers.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Mary Ann Barclay, Jean Buckley, De Fleak, Bob and Lillie Fox, David Frazier, Zandra Holleron, Jo Langler, Ted and Rebecca Miller, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Jim VanCamp

## OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Ken Burton, Ronnie Dye (Brenda Dougherty's uncle), Glenn Jones (Tammy Kerns' father), Betty Morris, Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), Susie Smith ( Kay Stanley's cousin), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

In order to keep our prayer lists current, names will appear on our Prayer Lists for a few weeks. You may call the office and update or add names.

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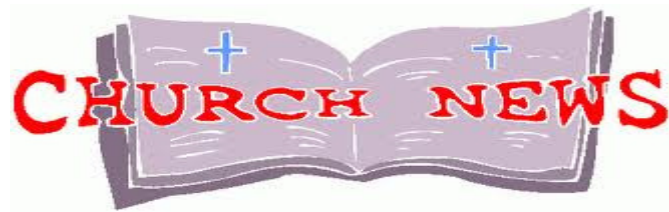
We extend our sympathy to **Jean Martin** and family in the passing of her mother, Helen Wilson.

She passed away last Friday morning.

Her funeral was held at Sunset Funeral Home Tuesday, October 23.



- ♥ Thank you for the wonderful birthday cards I received. **Gwen Lucas**
- ♥ Special thanks for all of the Birthday cards and gifts. You brighten my day. **Janet Cook**
- ♥ Thanks so much for the anniversary cards and Earl's birthday cards. They were all so nice and pretty. Thanks again. **Earl and Donna McConnell**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. **Megan & Ashley Ware**
- ♥ Thank you for all of the love and consideration shown at the passing of my mother. I appreciate all acts of kindness. The cards, prayers, and visits to the funeral home meant so much. Love, **Jean Martin**
- ♥ Thank you all for the birthday cards. I don't enjoy growing older but I do appreciate the cards you gave me. **Russ Alton**
- ♥ A special thank you to **Peggy Riddle** for baking the communion bread this month and to **Debbie Tallman** for preparing it last month.



## **BAPTISMS**

We rejoice that Carl Curtiss was baptized Monday morning by Dana. His address is 4732 Lost Pavement, Parkersburg, WV 26101. Telephone: 304.428.7246. He will be in Care Group 3. Also, Cody Britton and Cody Kelley were baptized Sunday evening by Kody Inman. Cody Kelley's address is 300 East 9th Street, Williamstown, WV 26187 and Cody Britton's address is 104 Kibler Lane, Williamstown, WV 26187. They will be in Care Group 1. A big, warm welcome to the Camden Avenue family.

## **MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER**

Steve and Rose Allen have transferred their membership to the Mineral Wells congregation.

## **DEACON'S MEETING**

The Deacon's will meet today at 5:00.

## **LOVE & CARE SING**

The monthly sing at Love and Care will be tomorrow evening at 7:00. The residents enjoy the fellowship and worship time together.

## **EVANGELISM MEETING**

Everyone is invited to attend the Evangelism meeting Tuesday at 6:30 in the MP Room.

## **LOVE AND CARE SERVICES**

Care Group 4 will be in charge of the service at Love and Care next Sunday at 2:30 and Thursday, November 8 at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## **WVCYC CD'S AVAILABLE**

West Virginia Christian Youth Camp CD's are also available on the counter. They are \$15.00 each. Checks need to be made payable to the West Virginia Youth Camp (WVCYC) and given to Ron Riddle or any of the Elders.



*Faith is not believing that  
God can.*

*It is knowing that He  
will.*



**October 28** - I Tim 2, Jer 11-13  
**October 29** - I Tim 3, Jer 14-16  
**October 30** - I Tim 4, Jer 17-19  
**October 31** - I Tim 5, Jer 20-22  
**November 1** - I Tim 6, Jer 23-24  
**November 2** - 2 Tim 1, Jer 25-26  
**November 3** - 2 Tim 2, Jer 27-29  
**November 4** - 2 Tim 3, Jer 30-31



## **DANA'S DIRECTION**

### **“Vote and Pray”**

Well, we are down to the final days before the 2012 presidential election. By all accounts, this election appears to be one that will be decided by a very narrow margin. I have never, in nearly 40 years of preaching, made what could be construed as “political” statements. I understand that I have brethren that are supportive of the Republican Party, and other brethren who support the Democratic Party. But this year the importance of our choice seems to be greater than ever before.

There are several moral/social issues that are crucial, not only to our nation, but to the role that we, the church, will be permitted to influence our society for God, issues such as **abortion and the right to life, the sanctity of marriage versus homosexual unions, and the freedom to practice our faith in God without the interference of government that wishes in many ways to silence any who seek to point out that we are “one Nation Under God.”**

There has never been a time, in my life-time, that Americans have seemed so divided. The tactics of fear have been used to line up votes for candidates by those who would never support their stand on these moral issues that will define the nature and the future of our nation. The fact that there are those seeking to lead this nation that will say anything and use any fraudulent method to get elected, casts a pall of doubt on the results the election even once the votes have been cast.

I heard a preacher recently proclaim “the outcome of this election will ultimately be determined by prayer.” Do we have the faith in God to say “Amen” to that statement? We must remember that God is in charge. **“There is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.”** (Romans 13:10) **“The Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He will.”** (Daniel 4:17) I cannot say what God has determined is best for this country. I know that whenever Israel forgot Him, God allowed other nations to seize them, in order to persuade them to repent. But I also know that we have been commanded to, **“Pray for kings and all who are in authority that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior.”** (1 Timothy 2:1)

Maybe, if our election turns out in such a way that compromises our faith, and takes our nation further from God, it will be because we didn't care enough to spend the time leading up to it on our knees! Yes, VOTE - but remember that the greatest power we have to wrestle against the principalities and powers of this world - is the power of prayer.

**God bless you! God bless our nation!**

# “Let Us Not Grow Weary”

(Galatians 6:7-10)

I) **Doing \_\_\_\_\_ is the basic nature of the \_\_\_\_\_ life.** “Let us not grow weary while doing \_\_\_\_\_.” (Galatians 6:9). **Jesus had a \_\_\_\_\_ of doing good.** “I must \_\_\_\_\_ the works of Him who sent me while it is day; for the \_\_\_\_\_ is coming when no man can work.” (John 9:4) “God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit with power, who went \_\_\_\_\_ doing good.” (Acts 10:38)

**Jesus taught that doing \_\_\_\_\_ is the basis for our \_\_\_\_\_.** “Come you blessed of My Father, \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was \_\_\_\_\_ and you gave Me food; I was \_\_\_\_\_ and you gave me \_\_\_\_\_; I was a \_\_\_\_\_ and you took me in; I was naked and you \_\_\_\_\_ me; I was \_\_\_\_\_ and you visited me; I was in prison and you \_\_\_\_\_ to me.” (Matthew 25:34-36) “Assuredly I say to you, inasmuch as you \_\_\_\_\_ it to one of the \_\_\_\_\_ of these my brethren, you did it to \_\_\_\_\_.” (Matthew 25:40)

II) **Sometimes we are going to get \_\_\_\_\_.** “Let us not grow \_\_\_\_\_ while doing good.” \_\_\_\_\_ is a classic case of \_\_\_\_\_. “But he himself went a days journey, and came and sat down under a \_\_\_\_\_ tree, and he \_\_\_\_\_ that he might \_\_\_\_\_, and said “It is \_\_\_\_\_! Now Lord \_\_\_\_\_ my life.” (I Kings 19:4)

III) **Anyone who \_\_\_\_\_ God is subject to growing \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**Elders can grow weary.** “Obey those who \_\_\_\_\_ over you, and be \_\_\_\_\_, for they watch out for your \_\_\_\_\_, as those who must give \_\_\_\_\_. Let them do so with \_\_\_\_\_ and not with \_\_\_\_\_, for that would be unprofitable for you.” (Hebrews 13:17)

\_\_\_\_\_ **grow weary.**  
**Christian \_\_\_\_\_ grow weary.**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **and \_\_\_\_\_ grow weary.**

IV) **What we need to \_\_\_\_\_ to keep us from \_\_\_\_\_.** **The principle of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.** “Do not be \_\_\_\_\_, God is not mocked; for whatever a man \_\_\_\_\_, that he will also reap.” (Gal. 6:7) “For he who sows to his \_\_\_\_\_ will of the flesh reap \_\_\_\_\_, but he who sows to the \_\_\_\_\_, will of the Spirit reap \_\_\_\_\_ life.” (Galatians 6:8) **The sowing principle; it is \_\_\_\_\_ we will \_\_\_\_\_.** “Therefore be \_\_\_\_\_, immovable, \_\_\_\_\_ abounding in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord, knowing that your \_\_\_\_\_ is not in vain in the Lord.” (I Corinthians 15:58)

**Reaping is not always \_\_\_\_\_.** **The \_\_\_\_\_ is coming.**  
**We can know that we will enter into a \_\_\_\_\_.** “Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_ who die in the \_\_\_\_\_...that they may \_\_\_\_\_ from their \_\_\_\_\_, and their \_\_\_\_\_ follow them.” (Revelation 14:13)

# Going the Extra Mile

~Paul Nygard



I often get questions sent to me in my email. Here is one that I would like to share with you. How would you answer this person?

Q. Where can I find verses on going the extra mile and what does Jesus mean by saying this?

The primary verse people think of concerning *going the extra mile* is found in Matthew 5.41-42.

Take a moment to look at the principle Jesus was teaching in this passage. Verses 38-39 say:

(38) "You have heard that it was said, 'AN EYE FOR AN EYE AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.' (39) But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.

Jesus is teaching that it is better to not resist an evil person than it is to fight back and cause further strife. Anger and fighting back just makes the problem bigger. If we let revenge get into our heart, then we are no better than that evil person.

This does not mean we have to let people abuse us or take advantage of us. Joseph ran from evil when Potiphar's wife tried to seduce him. Paul tells Timothy to flee evil things (I Tim 6.11, II Tim 2.22).

Jesus does not want His people to harbor hate or revenge in their hearts toward others. Instead, He wants us to show others love and kindness. This is why he tells the Jews, And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two. (Mt 5.41). Even if a cruel Roman soldier made them carry a heavy pack for a mile, volunteer to go two. Wow! I wonder what that soldier would have thought when someone showed that kind of love and cooperation.

In verse 42, Christ instructs His people to give to those in need, *without expecting anything in return*. This is the attitude of a person who goes the extra mile.

Some other verses to consider:

- Jesus teaches forgiveness to those who are wicked (Lk 23.34).
- Stephen follows the example of Christ (Acts 7.60).
- Luke records Jesus teaching love and going the extra mile (Lk 6.27-31), Proverbs 19.17, Rom 12.17-21

# Youth Section

## 6th - 12th Grade Devo.

6th - 12th graders are invited to a devo. in the MP Room November 4 after evening services.

## Rake and Run

Saturday, November 10 (Sign up sheets in the foyer: To rake and to have your yard raked.)

## Widows & Widowers Luncheon

November 12

## Bridgeport Youth Rally

November 16 - 17

## K- 5th Grade Devo.

The K - 5th graders will have a devo. following evening service November 18.

## 6th - 12th Grade Devo.

Devo. at the home of Saunders' at 7:00PM  
November 30.



## DYNAMIC DEACON SEMINAR

A seminar for Elders, Deacons, Ministers, and Servant-Hearted Saints

The seminar will be held in the MP Room  
November 2 and 3.

Aubrey Johnson will be the speaker.

### Friday, November 2

Registration at 6:30PM

7:00 - 8:00PM - Knowing Your Purpose

8:00 - 9:00PM - Increasing Your Influence

### Saturday, November 3

Saturday - Refreshments at 8:30AM

9:00AM - Improving Your Performance

10:00AM - Supporting Your Team

11:00AM - Renewing Your Incentive

## Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Here's some sobering news: Many Christians fail to consider their biblical values when voting, often choosing candidates whose positions are at odds with their beliefs, convictions, and values. Our faith in God should influence our values in life, and that includes the political arena. We shouldn't be timid about injecting notions of right and wrong into public debates. These ideas come from our moral standards, which are essential to a free society such as ours, to prevent us from slipping into social chaos. People of faith, grounded in moral truth from God's word, must be prepared to determine which candidates are best able to uphold these moral values. It is absolutely critical that Christians be registered to vote, be informed, and

vote their values. As Christians, we have a duty to be involved in the free election of our leaders. Election day is fast approaching, and there is much at stake. In many ways, the future of our nation hangs in the balance. We encourage all Christians to pray for our nation, and **VOTE** for those candidates who will support our values!

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



## Opportunities To Serve Sunday, November 4

**ELDER IN CHARGE** - John Life  
**DEACON IN CHARGE** - Bill Hoover

### SONG LEADERS

AM - Ethan Ash  
PM - Josh Barclay

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Kyle Inman  
Close - Barry Mills  
6:00 PM - Paul Inman  
Close - Marion Goldsmith

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Gary Herridge  
PM - Jeff Taberner

### COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Jim Galloway  
PM - Jimmy Galloway  
Kody Inman

**PA SYSTEM** - Steve Gray



Remember the following in your prayers  
and with cards of encouragement.

### Adeline Grimm

Parkersburg Care & Rehab. Center  
1716 Gihon Road  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Raymond & Bonnie Life

Wyngate Senior Community  
(Room 114)  
1 Wyngate Drive  
Parkersburg, WV 26102

### Gypsy Newberry

The Arbors (Room 2B)  
400 7th Street Marietta, OH 45750

### Louise Hickman

The Willows  
723 Summers Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Eleanor Slingluff

Love & Care  
PO Box 1512  
Parkersburg, WV 26102

### Marie Boso

809 Hillcrest Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Jean Buckley

4211 Jefferson Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Oren & Erma Gore

2101 Belmont Road  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Kim Ledsome

909 Maple Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Jane Pralley

3411 Beech Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Mary Vaught

510 Turkey Foot Road  
Mineral Wells, WV 26150

### Dorothy Weaver

4206 Powell Street  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

★ **THANK  
YOU!**

A special thank you to the  
lawn crews this year.

★ We appreciate your hard work. ★

## Facts and Figures

October 21, 2012

AM Service.....272  
Bible Study.....214  
PM Service.....206  
Wednesday.....279  
Contribution.....\$5285.03

### OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....11  
Restored or Requested  
Prayers.....6  
Placed Membership....13

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

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

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....11:00AM & 7:00PM

## Gospel Meetings

- October 28 - 31  
6th & Washington Streets congregation in Marietta  
Speaker: Stan Mitchell
  - October 28 - 31  
Hopewell congregation  
Speaker: Jerry Pence of King, NC
  - October 28 - November 1  
Dewey Avenue congregation  
Speaker: Steve Stevens
  - October 29 - November 2  
Shinnston congregation  
Various Speakers
- Ladies' Day**
- November 3  
North 10th & Clairmont Avenue congregation  
Speaker: Arlene Summers  
Theme: "Come to the Well"

Details of these events are on the bulletin boards in the foyers.

## Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave  
Friday at 6:30 for the  
Rockport congregation.

Watch "IN SEARCH OF THE  
LORD'S WAY" Sunday  
mornings at 7:30 on WTAP-TV.



### UPCOMING TOPIC

November 4  
*MAKING DECISIONS*