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Weekly Bulletin

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A Thought From Mark...

What is better, more desirable? Efficiency, or effectiveness? Would you rather be efficient or effective? Neither is a totally undesirable trait, to be sure, but is one better than the other?

It is said that in footraces of ancient Greece, the winner was not always the runner who crossed the finish line first. "Wait," you say, "were they into this everybody gets a trophy thing too?" No, not exactly.

The explanation is that there was an additional element to their races – the carrying of a torch by the competitors. Perhaps we see it still in our relay races where a baton is carried by the runner. Anyhow, the winner in these races was the first to cross the finish line with their torch still burning. Ah, there is a difference there, isn't there? I sort of like the idea, don't you? There was more to it than sheer foot-speed - although certainly speed was a vitally important factor as well.

Efficiency sometimes is all about getting things done as fast as possible. Effectiveness is about getting the right stuff done in a timely manner.

Our Lord was sometimes criticized because of perceived delays in doing what needed to be done. Sometimes Jesus wasted time – at least in the minds of those who observed him. Taking time away alone for prayer and communion with God? Taking time to sit with a woman at a well and engage in conversation?

But Jesus knew things we sometimes forget. To be effective, he needed to be connected with his Heavenly Father. To accomplish his mission, he needed to connect with real people who would become real disciples.

Jesus was supremely effective! Now certainly he was efficient – after all, look at all he accomplished in 3 ½ years! But his efficiency was a result of his effectiveness. All of it was a result of his faithfulness.

Let us resolve to be effective in 2017!

- Mark Mason

SAVE THE DATES

- Area-Wide Worship Service January 8th
- ♦ 36th St Love & Care Service January 8th & 12th
- ◆ YAH Planning Breakfast @Shoney's January 19th
- ♦ Winter Training Series @ Dewey Ave January 5th 26th

Open the Front Doors...

The church is one of the greatest blessings God has given to His people. It is a refuge from a Godless world, filled with friends who believe the same things and have the same goals. We can exhort and encourage each other, bear each other's burdens, and help each other daily to live in such a way that God is glorified.

But we must be careful that we do not begin to consider ourselves an exclusive club. Being comfortable with our current membership might be a barrier to growth if it makes us uncomfortable with the idea of adding new people. Hopefully we don't think of ourselves as "too good for those sinful people," but there are attitudes we sometimes develop that produce the same results.

Sometimes we are afraid that certain people might not fit in. We must remember that God wants all people to hear the gospel and to be saved. God makes no distinctions when he adds people to His church, so neither can we. In fact, the wider the variety of personalities and abilities present in a group, the stronger and better equipped it can be to fulfill its mission.

Another fear that stunts our growth is that new people will bring in new ideas and false teachings. The warnings to be alert for false teachings and to avoid false teachers were not intended to make us afraid of welcoming new converts. If the church is teaching and living the truth, then wrong ideas, misunderstood concepts and false teachings will be corrected before they become a problem.

Jesus Christ is our example. He was filled with compassion for the lost. His purpose for living and dying was to seek and to save the lost. If we have this same attitude, our congregations will grow as we never thought possible. True Christians will never hide behind closed doors.

Dennis



NEW MEMBERS:

Gregory and Randi Michael 1105 Ashby Ridge Road Parkersburg, WV 26104

<u>Children</u>: (son) Sean Michael, age 29 (attends Reno CofC)

(daughter) Mandy Michael, age 24

(son) Evan Michael, age 20



Mid Ohio Valley

2017 Area Wide **Worship Service**

TODAY - 2:30 PM Ohio Valley University Alumni Gym

Host: Lynn Street Church of Christ Speaker: Ron Laughery

"A Visit To The Upper Room"

OVU PRESIDENT HAROLD SHANK AUTHORS **BOOK ENTITLED "GODWORKS"**

Ohio Valley University President Dr. Harold Shank recently authored a book entitled "Godworks: Joining Jesus on the Journey".

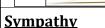
In Godworks, Dr. Shank celebrates his fifty years of ministry by sharing personal stories that seek to inspire others to join Jesus on their own journey of service. "Like the narratives in the Bible, we all fill our lives with stories. As we look back over our own stories we see how God makes himself known, and how He draws people to faith. Like the people whose stories appear in Scripture, we too have experiences that arise out of our faith. God works in us," says Dr. Shank.

The book is dedicated to the Ohio Valley University board of trustees and was illustrated by his wife, Sally Shank. It is currently available through the Ohio Valley University Bookstore and the 21st Century Christian Publishing catalog.

"Shank's lifelong love of God, scripture, and people shines through the repertoire of his ministry stories. You will cry, smile and be inspired by the testimony of these real life vignettes of God's power and grace in people's lives," says Dr. Lynn McMillon, President and CEO of the international Christian publication The Christian Chronicle.

Dr. Shank has authored several books including Listening to His Heartbeat: What the Bible Says About the Heart of God; Loosening Your Grip; Up Close and Personal: Embracing the Poor; Children Mean the World to God; The Minor Prophets, Vol. 1, The College Press NIV Commentary; and It's All About God.

More details about his books and ministry can be found on his blog www.HaroldShank.com.



Michael Johnston (Adam Johnston's brother) passed away December 28th. A memorial service will be held at 3:00 PM on January 15th at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Parkersburg.

prayer Requests

Hospital

Ron Nonamaker - Cleveland Clinic had surgery last Tuesday to remove a blood clot from his lung. He is out of ICU and in a stepdown unit - Room J51-09. He is battling some infection and still has a feeding tube in, but overall is making progress. Sharon's address (note a new room number) is on the bulletin boards. Keep sending cards!

Praver List

- Dale Dotson Worthington Nursing & Rehab -Room W33A transferred from MMH for further evaluation
- **Bill Butterfield** will have a nodule removed from his lung on January 19th.
- **Mary Case** spent time in the E.R. in Belpre last week and was transferred to Highland Hospital for diagno-
- Dave Shreve will have major brain surgery at Cleveland Clinic this Tuesday, January 10th.
- Kathy Lancaster (Bruce & Sandy Goodno's daughter) will have surgery at Camden Clark this Thursday, January 12th.
- Walter Wigal spent time in the hospital for pneumonia, but is now back at the Willows (Room 202).

Genesis 1:26-27

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.

²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.





"In Search of The Lord's Way" (WTAP-TV Sundays @ 7:30 AM)

January 15, 2017 "PREPARE YOUR HEART"

The future is always approaching faster than we imagine for our children. We must be a generation that prepares our own hearts and the hearts of our children to serve the Lord and not be fooled by the ways of the world.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

MOV Traveling Youth Group Little Hocking Church of Christ Sunday, January 29 - 6:30 PM

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OVU Homecoming/EXPRESSIONS Weekend

February 9-11, 2017

Sun— Jan 8	Mon — Jan 9	Tues — Jan 10	Wed — Jan 11	Thurs — Jan 12	Fri —Jan 13	Sat — Jan 14
LOVE & CARE SERVICE 2:30 PM AREA WIDE WORSHIP SERVICE 2:30 PM	(OVU Classes begin) Elders, Deacons, & Ministers Meeting 7 PM	LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10 AM	Bible Study (1 PM - Bill Butterfield 7 PM - Bill Butterfield)	LOVE & CARE SERVICE 7:00 PM		
Sun — Jan 15	Mon — Jan 16	Tues — Jan 17	Wed — Jan 18	Thurs— Jan 19	Fri — Jan 20	Sat— Jan 21
Early Men's Class 7:30 AM		LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10 AM	Bible Study (1 PM - Dennis Menear 7 PM - Dennis Menear)	YAH Planning Breakfast @ Shoneys 9:30 AM		

- Thank you to the Ladies Bible Class for the "Christmas Gift Bag". Your thoughtfulness was much appreciated. Much love for you all, Fred and Martha Nulter.
- Dear Bible Class Ladies I would like to thank you very much for my Christmas bag that was full of all types of goodies. There was every thing in that bag.. It was wonderful. Hope to see you real soon. Lots of love and hugs, your sister in Christ, Becca M. Simons
- Thank you for the birthday wishes and cards. Each one made my day a beautiful one filled with love, smiles, and friendship. Love, Sarah Shuman
- * Winter Training Series at Dewey Avenue Church of Christ in St. Marys, WV Thursdays 7:00-8:00 PM January 5 January 26 (Presenters: Rick Tincher, Terry Jones, Steve Haguewood, and Ed Melot).
- * The Adult Bible Classes (Auditorium & early MP Room on Wednesday) will finish studying 2 Kings and will tentatively begin studying the Gospel of Mark on Wednesday, January 18th.
- Mark began a new Wednesday Evening class on January 4th: "ACTS: WHAT REALLY HAPPENED IN THAT FIRST CHURCH".
- New Address for Danny and Wanda Darnold: 3001 Fairview Avenue Parkersburg, WV 26104. Phone number remains the same.
- * Reminder to Young at Heart: Don't forget to send your monthly cards to a shutin or Long Term Care Resident. (The complete addresses for these members were listed in the bulletin Dec. 18th & 25th - we can also provide you a copy of the list if you need it).



SOME DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2017:

Monday, February 27, 2017 - 36th Street Hosts Monday Night Merge Youth Devo Sunday, March 5, 2017 - 36th Street Hosts Traveling Youth Group (4 PM) Tuesday, April 11, 2017 - 36th Street Hosts Senior Saints Day (tentative) April 23-26, 2017 - 0VU Lectureship "Beginnings - Consequences of Creation" Saturday, April 29, 2017 - MOV Ladies Inspiration Day at Camden Avenue Friday, June 11, 2017 - 36th Street Friday Night Sing (tentative) June 18-23, 2017 - 19th Annual MOV Work Camp Saturday, July 22, 2017 - KidFest (tentative)



Young at Heart Planning Breakfast

Thursday, January 19, 2017 - 9:30 AM

 $Shoney's\ Restaurant\ -\ Parkersburg,\ WV$

(Plan to attend for fellowship and to help us plan activities for 2017)



TODAY'S SERMONS - January 8, 2017

A.M.— "How's Your Image?" Mark Mason Sermon Series: "Turning Points In HIS Story"

(Text: Genesis 1:26-27)

(Reading: John 1:43-51)

P.M. — "Some Unanswered Questions" . . . Mark Mason

(Text: Romans 8:31-39) (Reading: Romans 8:26-30)

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ELDERS Our Long Term Care Residents: Terry Garner

Betty Bibbee (Eagle Point Rm127)

Edna Cain (The Willows Rm115)

Glenda Hendrickson (The Heritage -St. Marys Rm 1)

Lois Miller

Jerry Page

Peggy Smith (Marietta Care & Rehab Rm408)

> Walter Wigal (The Willows Rm202)

Myra Zinn

MINISTERS

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Iack Long

Mike Moss

Jim Shuman

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John Garner

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YOUTUBE CHANNEL: 36th Street Church of Christ

(Ravenswood Care Ctr Rm12)

(Eagle Point Rm334)

(Cedar Ğrove Rm W60)

Our Military:

Chris Depuy & wife Melanie U.S. Air Force (son of Jeff & Julie Depuy)

Brad Gibbs & wife Amber U.S. Navy Reserve (grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs)

Joshua Rebholz U.S. Marines (grandson of Hiram & Nina Rebholz & Fred & Martha Nulter)

Chad Williamson & wife Julie U.S. Marines (grandson of Pat Williamson)

Anthony Worst U.S. Marines (nephew of Michelle Hershman)

Steven White U.S. Navy (fiance of Ashley Chichester)

Our Homebound Members:

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION

Sunday AM Bible Class Sunday AM Worship

Sunday PM Service

Wed. 1 PM Class

Wed. 7 PM Class

Offering

Week of 01-01-2017

\$4,586.45

160

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Ruth Brookover Ron & Jo Kress Ben Colantoni Laura Menear **Becca Simons Gladys Frohling** Jim Hart **Robin Wilson**

Those with Cancer:

Marilyn Kellar, Chuck Doyle, Jo Kress, Walter Mincks (Dan's father), Delena Joy (Judy Beckett's friend), Ron Robey (Judy Beckett's brother), Donna George (Eva Leonhart's neighbor), Dorothy Saunders (friend of Martha & Dave Berger), Faye Williams (Glenda Hendrickson's niece). Brenda Nulter (Fred Nulter's sister-in-law). Marv Thompson (friend of Shirley Gilchrist), Emily Friar (10 yr. old niece of Jim & Rita Taylor), Troy Rae and Brandon Lynch (Mary Lamp's nephews), Josh Beckett (Judy's great nephew), Mike Taylor (Cousin of Sarah Shuman), Donald Kelley (Jim's brother), Jon Gregg (husband of Sarah Shuman's niece, Adreama), James Nonamaker (Ron & Bud's brother).

Ongoing Health Issues:

Dale Dotson, Ron Nonamaker, Bill Butterfield, Marv Beth Full, Bob Schott, Helen Sweeney, Ruth Brookover, Ben Colantoni, Don Bibbee, Ron Kress, Jim Kelley, Ken Lamp, Norma Craig, Glenda Hendrickson, Betty Miller, Jim Hart, Ed Lemley, Bud Nonamaker, Lois Miller, Peggy Smith, Jody Boone, Ann Grimm, Cathy Deem, Robin Wilson (Mary Simon's daughter), Becca Simons (Mary's granddaughter), Joyce Dotson, Kathy Lancaster (Bruce & Sandy Goodno's daughter), Carter Nichols (Curkendall's Grandson), Wayne & Sherry McCray (Brother and sister-in -law of Judy Curkendall), Marybelle Ice (Mother of Martha Berger), Tracy Sullivan & Tina Nichols (Lois Miller's daughters), Travis Parsons (friend of Shirley Gilchrist), Wayne Hall (Karen Case's brother), Ed Porter (brother of Bill & cousin of Judy Curkendall), Kimberly Kellar Kirk (niece of Judy Curkendall).

Join Us for Worship:

Sunday Morning **Bible Study** 9:30 AM **Sunday Morning** Worship 10:30 AM **Sunday Evening** Worship 4:00 PM Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 PM During Standard Time (Nov-Feb), there is also a Wednesday Afternoon Bible Class at 1:00 PM in the Multipurpose Room

Privileged to Serve - Week of 01/15/2017

Announcements: Dennis Menear, Mike Moss **Visitor Table:**

Sarah Shuman

<u>Ushers</u>: Jerry Lemley*, Dwain Hartley, Mike Hale, Duane Smith

Communion Table (Front): Tim Collins, Gary Grimm, Gary Carothers, Eddie Gray

Communion (Rear): Paul Butterfield, Bob Hill, Mark Carpenter, Mike Kerby, Aren Lappin, Dave Berger

	SUN 1/8 AM	SUN 1/8 PM	WED 1/11
Drive Var	N/A	N/A	John Garner
Song	Charles	John	Zack
Leader	Morris	Eckhart	Jones
Prayer	Dan	Kelly	Mark
	Mincks	Gibbs	Mason
Table	Jim	John	
Speaker	Shuman	Garner	
Table	Jeff	Ethan	
Assist	Poling	Kirl	
Read Scripture	Read Ted Cramer		
Closing Prayer			