

# Camden Church of Christ

Christ Centered ~ Bible Based



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**Schedule of Services**

**SUNDAY**

Bible Study 9:00 am  
Morning Worship 9:50 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm

**WEDNESDAY**

Bible Study 7:00 pm

**The Perfect Example of Evangelism**

by Sam Willcut

Jesus not only preached to masses of people throughout His ministry here on earth, but He also knew the importance of teaching the individual. In seeing Him as the perfect example of evangelism, notice several lessons from Him in His contact with a Samaritan woman and other Samaritans from Sychar in John 4. First, Jesus showed compassion. In leaving Judea for Galilee, the text reads that “he must needs go through Samaria” (John 4:4).

Since many of the Jews traveling from Judea to Galilee circumvented Samaria on the eastern road through Jericho, Christ’s need to travel through Samaria was spiritual and not geographical. When Jesus confronted the Samaritan woman after sending His disciples for food, she was perplexed that He would have dealings with her because of her race and gender. Christ’s contact with a hated race was enough to impress her with His compassion. If I am to follow His example of evangelism (cf. 1 Cor. 11:1), then I must be compassionate to others.

Second, Jesus introduced the gospel with the gift and the giver (John 4:10, 14). We are living in a world of sin. People do not need a “watered-down” gospel. Rather, the world needs to hear about the gift and the giver (Rom. 6:23). The gospel we are commanded to teach should involve both, and any other gospel is accursed (Gal. 1:8). Thus, if I am to follow the example of Jesus in evangelism, then I must introduce the gospel with both the gift (salvation) and the giver (Jesus).

Third, Jesus was interested in all souls, and He looked for more opportunities to share the gospel. After she inquired about receiving everlasting life, Jesus asked her to call her husband. Certainly, He already had in mind the opportunity to prove His deity, but He was not only interested in her soul, but the souls of her family as well. Later, the Samaritan woman brought many from Sychar to see Jesus, who then believed in Him (John 4:39). We should open our eyes and look for opportunities to spread the gospel to as many as we can. We must be interested in all souls! (*Continued on last page*)

**A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS.**  
*Please fill out a white visitor card, including your mailing address and email address, and drop it in the collection plate. We are so glad we can worship together today.*

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**We Need Your Help** – Please take a moment to look around you and see if someone is missing. If you notice someone, please check on them or let somebody else know. Thanks!

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**Communion** – There is a new sign-up sheet on the board for those who can help us take communion to our shut-ins.

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**Second Harvest** – We are volunteering at the Second Harvest Food Bank on Mondays from 3:30–6:00 PM. We invite you to join us! We are collecting **dry cereal** for the month of February. If you would like, you can drop that in the box by the office.

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**Nursery Attendants**

- February 9: Glenda Sparks.
- February 16: Katrina and Madison Holder.

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**Care Groups** – Care groups **A** and **C** meet **next** Sunday (Feb 16).

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**Apologetics Press** – Kyle Butt (with Apologetics Press) will be here Saturday, March 7 (6 p.m.), and Sunday, March 8 (9 a.m., 9:50 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.), to speak about Christian evidence and the inspiration of the Bible. Please plan to attend if possible. And invite friends!!

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**Blood Drive** – We will be having a Red Cross blood drive here at the building on February 14, from 12–6 p.m. If you can help sign people in for this, please let Daniel Cook know.

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**Wednesday Night Devotionals** – If any of our men would like to give a 4 or 5 minute devotional on a Wednesday evening, please sign the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

**Please Continue to Pray for:**

**Cancer:** Betty Hyde, Phyllis Sanders, Margaret Turner, Rex Wynn, Margaret Joyner, Wayne Johnson, Richard Fry, Hope Whetherford, Bill Cargle, Doug Rains, Joe Swearingen, Brian Cunningham, Robert Blackstock (a friend of Greg Matlock), Charlotte Loggains (LaBriska Blow’s mother), Larry White (a friend of Greg Matlock), Angela Henry (Nancy Curtis’s niece), George Smith (brother of Brenda Travis), Marsha Hatley, Jace Jones (a friend of William Holder), Jimmy and JoAnn Arnold (friends of Tracy Tolley), Darlene Tunnel (Dwayne Robinson’s sister), Cindy Lomax (a friend of Mike Wilson), Wendell Cary (member at Westport congregation), Lisa Lowry (a co-worker of Michelle Ballard), Bryant Allen (Michelle Ballard’s brother), Loman Ballard (Stacy’s father), Becky Orr (John Taylor’s Aunt), and Lora Pettigrew (Glenda Sparks’ aunt).

**Others:** Elton Hatley, Luke Crossett, Joan Ballard, Eva Maiden, Dorothy Redden, Tarry Stockdale, Jewel Hatley, Susie Brackins, Tracy Tolley, Linda Hams, Tammy DeBruce, Lynn White, Lisa Haynie, Vickie Cox, Shirley Overby (a friend of Greg Matlock), Ann Dinkins (Angela Hick’s mom), Janet Holland (friend of Rebecca Whitfield), Dorothy and Pete Chappell, Johnny (Susie Brackins’ brother), Rita Hatler, David Taylor, Larry Fisher (Jana Ulderich’s step-father), Walter Bryant (a friend of Ross Cole), Tommy Hams (the brother-in-law of Greg Matlock), Beau Griffin, Chesney Bell, Louise Holder (Jim’s mom), Russell Holmes, Aaron Roberts (a friend of Garrett Todd and Shawn McDowell), Donnie Cuthbertson (a friend of Ross Cole), Bonnie Fleischman (Georgia Lashlee’s daughter), Jeff Homan (a nephew of Emma and John Dawson), Brian Melton (a friend of John and Cindy Lumpkin), Buddie Webb, David Nowlin (a friend of Joan Phillips), Jessie Robinson, Larry Yarbrow (Grandfather of Mark and John Yarbrow), Thomas Little (a friend’s grandson of Wanda Horner and Marge Phillips), Sue Bell, Ray Frazee and family, Mildred Hedge (J.C. Hedge’s widow).

**Sympathy:** C. H. Hardin, Reba Berry (Jarry Berry’s aunt), Ray Tubb (Reba Berry’s son-in-law), Jimmy Thorton, Charles Wyatt, Rodney Ivey (John Ivey’s dad), Marvin Phipps (Doug’s father), and Danny Coy Weatherly (Debbie Larkins’ cousin).

**Military:** Mallory Pratt Triplett, US Marine Corp; Joshua Melton, US Marine Corp; Austin Riley, US Navy

## Special Donations

- Given to the building fund in memory of **F.B. Cain, Karen McDowell, C.H. Hardin, and Marvin Phipps** by m/m Sid Osment.
- Given to the building fund in memory of **Marvin Phipps** by Anita Boyd.
- Given to the building fund in memory of **F. B. Cain, Karen McDowell, C.H. Hardin, and Charles Wyatt** by m/m Johnny Lumpkin.
- Given to the building fund in memory of **Karen McDowell** by Betty Hyde.
- Given to the building fund in memory of **Karen McDowell** by m/m Bob Curtis.
- Given to the building fund in memory of **C.H. Hardin & Charles Wyatt** by m/m Thomas Ray Townsend.

*Our caring remembrances are gratefully appreciated by the families and by the church.*

## Most Recent Prayer Requests

- **Joey Horton**, a friend of Sid Osment has heart failure and is waiting for a transplant.
- **Janice White** is at Paris Rehab (room 117).
- **Myrt McLarty** is back home after having stents put in recently.
- Marlina Branch's mother, **Vernice Lynn**, is at Life Care Center of Bruceton.
- **Keith Hamm**, a friend of Greg Matlock, needs our prayers.
- **Debra Bates** had surgery on her left hand this past Thursday.
- **Susan Webb** plans to have a heart ablation in 2 to 4 weeks at Vanderbilt
- **Johnny Lumpkin** had a procedure done on his back recently, but he is going to need another surgery in the near future. The date for that has not been confirmed at the time of this printing.
- **Leslie Hicks'** cancer has returned after being cancer free for almost 6 years. She is a teacher at the Jr. High.
- We are asked to continue to remember **Johnny, Annette, Kelly, and Daniel Belisle** in our prayers.
- **Lesia Jordan**, a friend of Susie Belisle, is on Chemo, but it has been suspended for a few weeks due to her blood levels.
- **Tracy Tolley** will be meeting with her surgeon soon.

## FROM THE ELDERS

*The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, we would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.*

## NEXT WEEK February 16, 2020

*SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS*

### Morning Prayers

Tom Ulderich  
Matt Blow

### Evening Prayers

Emory Florence  
Britt Johnson

### To Serve at the Lord's Table

Tim Plunk  
Ross Cole  
C.J. Baker  
Emory Florence

Bryan Larkins  
Jim Holder  
Austin Sparks  
Matt Blow

### Alternates

Michael Laux, Tell Laux, Aden Hardin  
(Nursery)

### Evening Communion

David Ulderich Bill Jarnagin

### Door Greeters

**North** Frank and Mary Belisle  
**South** Jeff and Susie Belisle

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*If unable to serve, please tell William Blow.*

## FOR THE RECORD

*Week of February 2, 2020*

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| Sunday School          | 122 |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 198 |
| Sunday Night Worship   | 110 |
| Wednesday Night        | 99  |

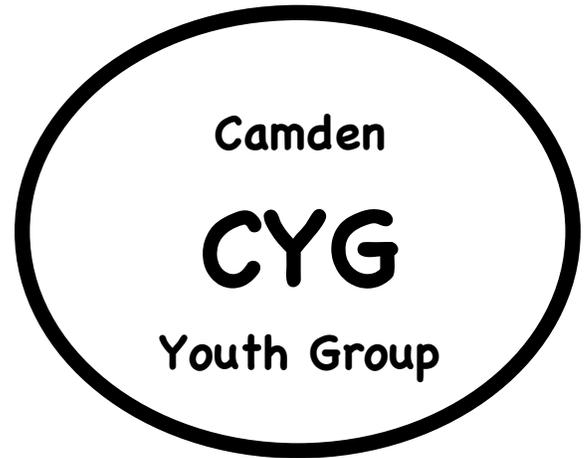
*(Continued from the front cover)*

Fourth, Jesus taught her properly the truth. He corrected her concept of worship ([John 4:19-24](#)), not giving her any idea that she was worshipping properly. He did not commend her sincerity. To be more precise, he said, “Ye worship ye know not what” ([John 4:22](#)) and then taught her the proper method of worship according to both spirit and truth ([John 4:24](#)). Sometimes, teaching the gospel in an evangelistic manner requires some tearing down before building (cf. [Jer. 1:10](#)). We cannot overlook the need to deal with false doctrines; we must teach people properly the truth, for only it can save (cf. [John 8:32](#)).

Fifth, Jesus continually realized the importance of soul winning ([John 4:35](#)). Although the disciples questioned His involvement with this woman and tried to urge Him to eat, He was interested in the harvesting of souls. What more of a purpose statement do we need as Christians? Evangelism ought to be as much a part of our lives as breathing air! To follow the example of our Lord in evangelism, we ought never to let down in looking for opportunities, realizing its great importance.

Sixth, Jesus understood the concept of preparation in soul winning. Many of the Samaritans believed in Him from this account ([John 4:39-42](#)). A short time later, Philip would come to Samaria and baptize many of them ([Acts 8:12](#)). Possibly, some of the Samaritans that heard Philip remembered the day they heard Jesus. Many times, we get discouraged in soul winning because we cannot see the immediate fruits of our labor. However, just because we do not see immediate success does not mean that we have not been successful in preparing the soil for another to reap the harvest. For us to follow the example of Christ in evangelism, we ought to rejoice when others can build upon the work we have done in teaching the gospel. We ought to be patient when we do not see an immediate harvest. We ought to be selfless, occupied in our task and willing to rejoice when others reap the harvest.

Seventh, Jesus knew the correct way to teach was exclusively from the word of God ([John 4:42](#)). When we teach the world, not with creeds or doctrines, but from the holy word of God, then God will add many saved souls to His kingdom. Therefore, let us all apply these wonderful principles of evangelism from the example of the greatest soul-winner, and thereby gain more success in our endeavors!



**Monday, February 10th:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Food Bank from 3:30-6

**February 19<sup>th</sup>:** FEED. 6pm. All ages

**February 28th-March 1<sup>st</sup>:** CYC. Challenge Youth Conference

**March 7<sup>th</sup>:** Kyle Butt speaking

**March 28<sup>th</sup>:** Skating Trip. All ages

## Scripture Readers

February 9<sup>th</sup> AM Hunter Sparks

February 9<sup>th</sup> PM Paul Ulderich

February 12<sup>th</sup> Micheal Laux

February 16 AM Austin Sparks

February 16<sup>th</sup> PM Garret Todd

February 19<sup>th</sup> Bill Jarnagin

February 23<sup>rd</sup> AM Aden Harden

February 23<sup>rd</sup> PM Cameron Ballard

February 26<sup>th</sup> Elijah Brewer

March 1<sup>st</sup> AM Joel Sisco

March 1<sup>st</sup> PM John Dawson

March 4<sup>th</sup> CJ Baker

March 8<sup>th</sup> AM Paul Ulderich