

Those Serving:

Feb 9th

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Ushers/Monitors: Rodney Ramsey, Melvin Truax

Communion: Brian Mercer, Hal Powell, Jesse Barnhart, Bill Dutton, Stephen Hays, Ed Wilson

Reading and Prayer: Camaron Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Thomas Kessinger

Door Greeters: Ruth Ann Keith, Shirley Hearn

Evening Worship:

Communion: Glenn Stewart

Reading & Prayer: Larry Butcher

Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Wednesday:

Song Leader: Joe Elrod

Prayer: Dave Parks

Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Feb 16th

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Ushers/Monitors: Don Archer, Tom Becker

Communion: Larry Butcher, Gerald Burns, Karson Elrod, Ethan Davis, Richard Lee Davis, Elmer Burns

Reading and Prayer: Thomas Kessinger

Closing Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Door Greeters: Rodney & Debbie Ramsey

Evening Worship:

Communion: Lew Wilson

Reading & Prayer: Clay Perkins

Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Wednesday:

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Prayer: Gerald Burns

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Church Sign: February-- Ramsey's, March--Darren Parks

Worship Coordinator: February-- Darren Parks, March--Hal Powell

Prepare Communion: February-- Elmer Burns March-- Gerald Burns

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Beneficial or Sinful?

By Dale Parsley

Gossip is a sin so common we probably don't even realize when we do it. We're exposed to it daily through friends, at work, on TV and in the Tabloids. Gossiping is a multi-million-dollar business!

Last year, the Mayor of Binalonan, Phillipines implemented a law for his small-town banning gossip. Idle chat, he notes that often gets worse in the summer time when residents gather under palm trees, can carry an offense of 500 pesos, as well as picking up trash for an afternoon.

Even though such a law would be very difficult to fairly enforce; and could make it easier for the government to cover up corruption, it still may remind those who seek to follow Jesus to be watchful of what they choose to hear and repeat.

What does the Bible say about gossip? For starters, it admits gossiping is entertaining and interesting. Proverbs 18:8, "The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body." Yet it does much harm to others: Proverbs 16:28, "A dishonest man spreads strife, and a whisperer separates close friends;" as well as self, "Whoever meddles in a quarrel not his own is like one who takes a passing dog by the ears" (Proverbs 26:17).

When is negative information repeated about another sinful or beneficial? Before we repeat something, consider the golden rule (Matthew 7:12). Would I want someone to repeat such information about me? Is it in the best interest of another? In other words, what is my overall intent? Is it for advice? Is it out of love? Proverbs 17:9, "Whoever covers an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter separates close friends." There are times out of love we must warn others for their benefit (Romans 16:17-18). Love is the greatest motive as to when something should be revealed or hidden.

Remember, "Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble" (Proverbs 21:23). That's why God warns about even associating with one who goes about slandering others (Proverbs 20:19). And just because we hear something, does not mean we have to repeat it. Proverbs 26:20, "For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases."

References: Small town in Phillipines banning gossip, 6abc.com/5272769/

N E W S & N O T E S



Upcoming Events

****Upcoming Meetings posted in the auditorium.**

Feb 9: Elders/Deacon Meeting

Feb 10: Monday Night Merge @ Lubeck 7pm.

Feb 15: Girls Devo @ Paige Cook's home 6pm.

Feb 23: Church-Eat-Church will also host our Soup Outreach. Bring your favorite crockpot of soup!

*Secret Sister forms are in the back of auditorium. Please fill out and put it in the purple folder on the table.

*4th,5th, 6th grade class is accepting twin sized blankets to donate to the Potter Children's Home. You can place them in the class room by Feb 16th. Any questions contact Marci Davis.

*Ashley Leber is having twins! Baby Shower will be Feb 15. at Jeremiah's Coffee House in Marietta at 2pm. Everyone is welcome! Please RSVP to Tom Becker.

**If you or someone you know would like to receive the bulletin via email, please let Darren Parks or email to: office@deweyavechurchofchrist.org*

**The church is offering valet parking to any in need.*

** Any updates for the bulletin, please drop off in box by office door or contact: Terri Parks (304) 299-1650, terrinalzelrod@hotmail.com.*

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Prayer Meeting: 6:00 p.m. First Sunday of the month only

Worship: 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00

Prayer List

*Buzz Williams is in MMH not doing well at this time.

*Grayson Parsley is much better after having a rough week.

*Louise Perkins is home and feeling better after a brief hospital stint.

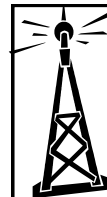
*Cheryl Talkington is home recovering from her recent heart surgery.

*Donnis Trader continues to have treatments and was able to attend last week.

*Dan Kessinger is in Kenya on mission work.

*Many battling the flu and/or other viruses.

Ruth Eddy, Lorraine Dutton, Louise Perkins, Pat Hays, Bob Crawford, Bob Bradford, John Rockhold, Cheryl Talkington, Rodney Ramsey, Dick Hall, Sue Clark, Evelyn Hall, Betty Bills, Charlotte Wilson, Colleen Kiester, Jeff Fitcher, Cindy Wilson, Geraldine Stewart, Madeline McFadden, Seth Dennis, Clint Perkins



R a d i o a n d T V P r o g r a m s

Good News of Peace: Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRRR 93.9 FM

Gospel Broadcasting Network: Dish Network Channel: 9407 (noon); Direct TV Channel: 376 (7:30 AM)

In Search of the Lord's Way: 7:30—Channel 4, Parkersburg; 7:30—Channel 15, Parkersburg; 8:00— Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg