

# Azalea City Church of Christ

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*A Place for Families, A Place for You™*

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## He Holds the Keys

For many people, the keys to a car signify two things that they hold dear to their heart: (1) Independence and (2) Freedom. When a family tells an aging father or mother that they can't drive any longer, it would be humiliating and hard to surrender the cherished privilege of traveling when and where they like.

I read where, at the age of 26, a Lieutenant in the Air Force gave up his keys after surgery for a brain tumor, which left him with epileptic seizures. During a period of six months, he went from flying supersonic jets to having his driver's license revoked because of the seizures. He mourned his loss of ability, but his faith enabled him to embrace these limitations as a means of knowing Christ more intimately. As you will learn in our lesson today, he came to understand that his relationship with Jesus was **more than just some abstract facts** about the Lord, but his relationship was more important than any **privilege or possession** (see point 2 in your lesson outline) in his life.

It's the Lord who holds the key to our salvation and blessings. In the Book of Revelation, Jesus identified Himself to the church in Philadelphia as **"He who has the key to David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens"** (Revelations 3:7). One day we will lay down our rusty keys, and then realize that our keys do not compare to the eternal keys that our Lord holds, and we will bow at His feet in worshipful acceptance for eternity. **What does Jesus mean to you? Jesus alone unlocks the door to everything that really matters.**

David

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## 2008 Theme: "KNOWING HIM"

MISSION STATEMENT

We exist to EXALT Christ, EVANGELIZE the lost, EDIFY the saved, and be an EXAMPLE to our community.

# YOUTH GROUP

Jason Killough - Youth Minister  
(334) 322-6052- cell

## UPCOMING EVENTS

November 17- MNFTM - 6-8

November 18- Tween After School Unwind in the Multi-Purpose Building

November 20- Teen Open Gym and After School Bible Study 3:30-5:30

November 21- Teen Lock-In. Starts at 8, Pick up is at 8 AM on Saturday morning

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Dylan Davidson for getting "A" Honor Roll and for receiving the "Star Student Award."

## WAY TO GO!

## BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:27-28

## INFO ABOUT EXPOSURE YOUTH CAMP

- Dates: December 27-30

- Where: Huntsville AL

- Cost: \$100, includes hotel, food while we are there, hockey game.

- The only other money needed is a meal on the way up and a meal on the way back

- \$50 deposit is due by November 30

## YOUTH GROUP MISSION

To grow into one of the strongest, God fearing, neighbor loving, cross centered, Bible studying youth ministries in the world today.

## THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Announcements	Kevin Crowell
Video Media	Claude Thompson
Ushers	A.M. James Graham
	P.M. Justin Thompson
Song Leader	A.M. Steve May
	P.M. Steve May
Scripture Reading	A.M. Jacob Kirby
	P.M. Joey Crowell
Opening Prayer	A.M. Terry Cagle
	P.M. Jeff May
Closing Prayer	A.M. Frank Nelson
	P.M. Billy Allsup
9th Man	Bob Williams

### Men to Serve the Lord's Table - November

Tim Russell	Chris Helms	John Allsup
Drew Nelson	Larry Dye	Ken Murphy
James Galloway	Bobby Campbell	

Lord's Table PM - Ray Campbell

### Communion to Shut-Ins

Ken Murphy

### Greeters for November

Front: Roy & Iris House Side: Phillip Odom

### Nursery Attendants

A.M. Terra Thompson P.M. Melisa Kirby  
Toddler Training Room: Tanya Eubanks

Children's Bible Hour: David & Melisa Kirby

### Men to Serve Wednesday, November 19th

Song Leader: George Spurlock Prayer: James Graham  
Lock up Building for month of November: Skip Garner

Prepare Communion: Lou Holland

Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved: Lou Holland

## ELDERS

Kevin Crowell James Graham  
Mike Eubanks

## STAFF

David Myers - Pulpit Minister  
Terry Cagle - Associate Minister  
Jason Killough - Youth Minister  
Glenda Carpenter - Secretary  
Carra Deck - Secretary

## THE RECORD YOU HELPED MAKE

Bible Study	165
Morning Worship	250
Evening Worship	118
Wednesday Bible Study	172
Contribution (Regular)	\$8,162.93

## UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY:

**NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP SUPPER** tonight after our evening service - please bring finger foods and stay to help honor and celebrate with our newest members

Nov 17th - **MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER** dinner at 6:00, activities at 6:25; please sign up on your white registration card.

Nov 18th - **LADIES' BIBLE CLASS** at 10:30

Nov 19th - **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER** at 6:00

Menu: Soup (please sign up to bring soup)

Cooks: Everyone!

Desserts: Need Volunteers

Clean Up: Mary Ella Crowell, Sandra Richardson,  
Juanita Sanders, and Joann Gibbon

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON YOUR WHITE REGISTRATION CARD**

Nov 21st - **PIONEER GAME NIGHT** at 6:00

Nov 23rd - **CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** at 5:30

Nov 25th - **MID-WEEK SERVICE**

Nov 27th - **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Dec 4th - **FOOD DISTRIBUTION** 9-11

Dec 6th - **ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Dec 7th - **MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST** at 8:00

Dec 7th - **ELDERS/MINISTRY LEADERS MEETING** at 4:30

Dec 9th - **SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

Dec 13th - **HOMEBUILDERS' CHRISTMAS PARTY**

## SUNDAY NIGHT SERIES

Confronting Our Culture - The Silencing of God  
DVD Series by Dave Miller  
November 16th-December 7th

It's very important that we support this Sunday night series so we can learn how we can make a difference in our secular culture. Let's prayerfully make a commitment to be present for each service and invite our friends to attend.

## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We will have several Thanksgiving baskets to give to needy families this year. If you know of anyone who needs a helping hand this Thanksgiving,, please turn in their name, address, and telephone number to the office. We would like to incorporate this with Monday Night for the Master so we can visit them when we give them the basket. Please turn in the information by Wednesday, November 19th. Thank you.

## SENIOR CITIZENS' LUNCHEON

Our Annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Luncheon is planned for Tuesday, December 9th. The menu lists are in both foyers. If you can prepare a dish for this event, please sign up! Once again, the ACCS K3 & K4 kids will be singing.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAYER TEAM** sign up sheets are in both foyers. The prayer team will be called upon whenever there is a specific need. Please see Dean Simmons for more information.

**CRAYONS FOR CHILDREN:** We have placed bags of crayons and coloring sheets in the front foyer. If you have small children who want to draw, please have them draw on these instead of the attendance cards. Please return the crayons to the front foyer after church.

**COMMUNION TO SHUT INS** is available for anyone who might need it. If you need to have communion brought to you (or know someone who does), please contact the church office.

Our Church Website Address is [WWW.AZALEACITY.ORG](http://WWW.AZALEACITY.ORG). On the website, you will find an updated pictorial directory in the members area (see a staff member for ID and password). If you have access to the internet, please go online and take a look!

The **HURLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST** is hosting a series of life skill classes in November. These classes are designed for all ages. Sign up sheets with more information are in the side foyer.

## THANKSGIVING SONGFEST 2008

The 13th Annual Thanksgiving Songfest is planned for Sunday night, November 23rd, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. at Creekwood. Jonathan Brooks, Tommy Dozier, Ed McGaughy, and Eddy Stephens will lead the singing. Please pray for and plan to attend Thanksgiving Songfest 2008!

## NEW ADDRESS

Danny and Holly Crowell  
208 Autumnwood Circle  
Columbia, TN 38401  
251-802-4639 (Danny)  
dhcrowell@gmail.com

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Dear Azalea City Christian Family,

We would like to thank all who helped out with donating items to the yard sale and for helping with the yard sale. It was a success and raised \$4,800.00. We are very blessed to have such a caring congregation.

In Christian love, ACCS Staff

## SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

We are offering four Sunday morning adult Bible classes:

1. David Myers is teaching in the Auditorium on the New Testament book of John.
2. Bob Williams has begun a new class in the Fellowship hall entitled, "The Extraordinary Life of the Spirit-Filled Christian".
3. Bill Pierce is teaching his "Fundamentals of Faith" class in the library.
4. Terry Cagle's class on the subject of Marriage for Young Marrieds is in the Family Room in the Multi Purpose Bldg.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

Christina Blankenship - Severe migraine  
Rufus Rush - On hospice care at his son's home, bedridden but seems to be improving  
Conrad Carpenter - Home, improving daily  
Sue Andrews  
Jean Fogle  
Deborah Moody - Will not be able to have back surgery for several months  
Ruth Rush  
Dorothy Taylor  
James & Esther Bell - Many health issues  
Clara Frost  
Linda Lockler  
Michele Wheeler - On medication for brain tumors  
Beverly Hall - Lymphedema in leg

## OUR MILITARY

Randy Pierce -Marines- basic training (Rudy & Nita's grandson)  
Kenneth Andrews - In Germany for 12 months (Terry & Sue's son)  
Aaron Allsup - Stationed at Eglin AFB (John & Ruby Allsup's grandson)  
Jacob Pierce - In Baghdad  
Matthew Geroux - Stationed in Arkansas  
Keith Moss - Marines (Skip Garner's son-in-law)  
Matthew Reitz - Iraq (friend of Geci's)  
Joshua Reynolds - Afghanistan  
Dewayne Nix - Navy, stationed in Corpus Christi, TX  
Manuel Baldwin - Iraq (Natasha Polk's-member at Univ COC-fiance')

## EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Jamie Goleman (January 23, 2009)  
Kim Holland Claunch (March 09)

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

To the Layton family in the loss of their 18 year old nephew, Richard Hamilton. Richard was in a car accident Tuesday evening and passed away Thursday morning. Please pray for his mother, Lina Nasser. The funeral was yesterday.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

Loretta Vaught - Cancer, not doing well (Tricia Pierce's mother)  
Cubby & Hannah Merrell - Bacterial Infection (Deborah Merrell's kids)  
Roger Rush - Providence, running tests (Brother Rufus' son)  
Maxine Rush - Roger's wife, taking care of Roger and Rufus  
Holly Lee Crowell - out of hospital (Danny's wife)  
Bob Williams' mother - Pacemaker installed  
Alden Douglas - Stroke (friend of Robert Stephenson's)  
Sherry Guy - Back problems, possible surgery (Kemp's daughter-in-law)  
Barbara Lee - Leukaemia, in Providence (friend of Ruby Allsup's)  
Katie Jones - Dellar Mosley's sister  
Jon Hackett, Jr - High blood pressure & other health issues  
H.L. Moss - Back in hospital, not doing well (friend of Bells')  
Irene Whitehead - Stroke, in Mobile Inf. (Melba Nash's sister)  
Michael Hornbuckle - Head injury (Jerry & Maggie's son)  
Paul Merrell - Various health issues  
Barbara Gollotta - Cancer (friend of Geci's)  
Caitlan Goode - Needs liver transplant - 14 yrs old (Kemp's great niece)  
Wendell Sawyer - Rare form of cancer, treatments in Houston  
J.T. Harrison's mother - Not doing well  
Harry Lloyd - Not doing well (Rebecca Harrison's father)  
Ronin White - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)  
Jeannine Webb - Pancreatic Cancer (relative of Margie Busby)  
Pam Prine - Breast Cancer (Brian Busby's cousin)  
Bob Brantley  
Dan Maples - Doing much better (Pat Woodard's brother)  
Marvin Fountain - Bone cancer & prostate cancer  
Hixon Nobles - Friend of David & Sarah Myers  
Marshall Eubanks - Cancer (Ruth Rush's son)  
Eric Braddock - Cancer (4th grade student) friend of Blankenships  
Granville Faries - Leukaemia (doing better)  
Deloris Lamaire - Aneurysm (Michelle's Aunt)  
Troy Vonada - Lymphoma in stomach and eyes (friend of Myer's family)  
Pauline Russell - Cancer  
Patricia Jones - Colon cancer  
Greg Lewis - Cancer (friend of David & Sarah Myers)  
Dylan Gibbon - Blood disorder (JoAnn Gibbon's young grandson in Calif.)  
Elders, preachers, missionaries, college students  
our Country & leaders

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