

Azalea City Church of Christ

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Forgiveness

Joe was dying, and he wanted to make everything right. He was at odds with Bill, who had been one of his best friends. They hadn't spoken to each other in months. Wanting to resolve the problem, he asked Bill to visit him. When Bill arrived, Joe told him that he was afraid to go into eternity with bad feelings between them, and he wanted to make things right. Then he reached out for Bill's hand and said, "I forgive you. Will you forgive me?" Bill said he would, but just as he was leaving, Joe shouted, "But remember, if I get better, this doesn't count!"

This story may bring a smile to your face, but what a clear picture this gives of the way we sometimes treat one another. The scriptures on forgiveness are so clear but so many times misunderstood or just ignored. There will be times in our Christian lives that we will have collisions with others for various reasons. Today in our study together we will discuss the subject of being misunderstood. It happened to the prophets, the apostles, first century Christians, and, most of all, Jesus.

Even though Jesus was misunderstood and mistrusted while he walked among those He came to save, He was able to genuinely forgive them (Luke 23:34). Jesus discussed this with His disciples in Matthew 18:15-22. They of all people needed to hear this truth about being at odds with those in the church. Forgiveness is a key part in re-establishing a broken relationship with someone. Many times the forgiveness we profess is superficial. When we forgive, it should be the kind of forgiveness that Paul spoke of in Ephesians 4:32. "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you." According to Paul, it counts.

David

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
(251) 455-6443- cell

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today - Area Wide at Creekwood. We will leave at 4:30 and should return around 8.

January 19- Monday Night for the Master 6-8.

January 21- Sing His Praises

January 23- Fun Friday Fellowship for the Teens. From 6 pm to 10 pm in the MPB.

February 15- Important meeting for all those going to CYC and their parents.

CONGRATULATIONS

- To Ashley Cagle for making "A/B" Honor Roll at Semmes Middle.
- To Justin Wilkerson for saying the prayer at the Semmes Elementary School PTO meeting and for making the "A" Honor Roll.
- To Mallory Helms for making "A" Honor Roll at Mobile Christian.
- To Garland Helms for making "A" Honor Roll at Mobile Christian.
- To Joseph McDonald for making "A" Honor Roll at Semmes Elementary. Joseph also had the Highest Accelerated Reading points in his 5th grade class and he has the highest GPA in the entire 5th grade. He received a \$50 savings bond from Century Bank as a congratulations for this accomplishment!

Keep up the good work!

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. **Acts 2:41-42**

A NOTE FROM JASON

I announced Wednesday Night that we have a Mission Trip on the calendar for the Summer. This trip will take place July 26-30. Please go ahead and make plans to attend. We will be going to Rainbow Omega and we will be doing some work around their campus. I will let you know more information as the time approaches. HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

In Him, Jason

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	Mike Eubanks
Video Media	Robert Stephenson
Ushers	Jacob Durham
	Terry Cameron
Song Leader	A.M. Steve May
	P.M. Steve May
Scripture Reading	A.M. Jake Warren
	P.M. Tyler Williams
Opening Prayer	A.M. Jason Killough
	P.M. Jeff May
Closing Prayer	A.M. James Galloway
	P.M. Terry Andrews
9th Man	O.B. Richardson

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - January

Harold Enke	Brian Busby	Scott Jayroe
Chris Helms	Don Jones	David Durham
Johnny McDonald	George Spurlock	

Lord's Table PM - Robert Cornelison

Communion to Shut-Ins

Ken Murphy

Greeters for January

Front: Evelyn Wright & Sandy Williams Side: Skip Garner

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Sandy Durham P.M. Melisa Kirby
Toddler Training Room: Tanya Eubanks

Children's Bible Hour: Tammy Miller

Men to Serve Wednesday, January 21st

Song Leader: Bill Pierce Prayer: Claude Thompson
Lock up Building for month of December: David Kirby

Prepare Communion: Glenda Carpenter

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
Carra Deck - Secretary
Glenda Carpenter - Secretary

THE RECORD YOU HELPED MAKE

Bible Study	145
Morning Worship	270
Evening Worship	Didn't Have
Wednesday Bible Study	135
Contribution (Regular)	\$7,040.62

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY:

BABY SHOWER for Mac and Jamie Goleman after PM service, sign up sheet in both foyers - they are having a GIRL

Jan 19th - **MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER** dinner at 6, activities at 6:25; Please sign up on white registration card

Jan 20th - **LADIES' BIBLE CLASS** at 10:30

Jan 21st - **LLL BOYS SONGLEADING PRACTICE** at 6:00 - all ages

Jan 21st - **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER** at 6:00; If you plan to come, please sign up on white registration card

COST: \$1 for kids; \$3 for teens and adults

MENU: Chili

COOKS: Sarah & Rachel Myers

CLEAN UP: Tammy Odom, Sara Andrews, Lee Staples, Jeanette Mears

DESSERTS: Lisha May & Need Volunteers

Jan 23rd - **PIONEER GAME NIGHT** at 6:30

Jan 24th - **SINGLES GET TOGETHER** at Port City Church of Christ at 6:00. More information on the bulletin board by the office.

Jan 25th - **CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** at 5:30

Jan 26th - **MNFTM**

Feb 1st - **MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST** at 8:00; we need men to sign up to cook! The sign up sheet is in the side foyer.

Feb 7th - **JESSE COATS' & PAUL SULLIVAN'S WEDDING** at 2:00 at Dalraida Church of Christ in Montgomery. The invitation is on the bulletin board by the office.

Feb 8th-11th - **SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT 2009** at Regency

Feb 12th - **MCS BOOSTER CLUB SPORTING CLAY SHOOT** at Bushy Creek Clays in Perdido. More information is on the bulletin board by the office. Entry forms are in the office if you're interested.

Feb 15th - **MEMORIAL SERVICE** for Rufus Rush after AM service

Feb 22nd - **SECRET SISTER REVEALING** breakfast at 8:00

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements are ready and are at the information booth in the front foyer. You can pick yours up at your convenience. Please note that they are in alphabetical order.

COOKBOOKS

Phi Lambda Social Club at Faulkner University is selling cookbooks with all proceeds going to breast cancer research. The cookbooks are \$12 and contain several recipes by Tanya and Lisha! Order sheets are in the side foyer. Orders (and payment) must be in by February 11th. Ashley May, Kristen Eubanks, Amanda Spurlock, and Jenny Myers are all club members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT 2009

February 8th - 11th at Regency Church of Christ

Theme: "Security in An Insecure World" - Studies in 1 John

Evening Speakers: Billy Lambert, Tracy Moore, Slate Moore, and Clark Sims (emphasis on the teens)

Special ladies speaker: Joanne Howe, author of *Change of Habit* and *From Nun to Priest*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Our Wonderful Winter Wednesday series has been put on hold for the time being. In the meantime, the ladies will continue their class in the Fellowship Hall. Bob Williams will teach in the Auditorium a class entitled, "Loving, Living, and Giving Like Jesus." All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

We are offering three Sunday morning adult Bible classes:

1. David Myers is teaching a class entitled, "Tough Questions: Biblical Answers" in the fellowship hall.
2. Bob Williams has moved to the auditorium and is continuing his class, "The Extraordinary Life of the Spirit-Filled Christian".
3. Terry Cagle is continuing his class on the subject of Marriage for Young Marrieds in the Family Room in the Multi Purpose Building.

Please make plans to attend one of these great classes.

Your presence will be a blessing to you and to others.

CHURCH WEBSITE UPDATE

The website is still changing. Make sure you check it out! We'll soon have the lesson handouts shown along with the audio sermon files.

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EMAIL NOTIFICATION

We still have the sign up sheets for email notification in both foyers. If you haven't already, please sign up to receive updates.

PICK UP YOUR DISHES

There are a lot of dishes in the kitchen that need to be taken home. If you have cooked for anyone recently and haven't picked up your dishes, they are on the counter in the kitchen. Thanks!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW OF ANY CHANGES IN THE PRAYER LIST

Trez Rudder - Mobile Infirmary, blood clots after surgery
Dylan & Alyson Davidson
Ruby Allsup - Feeling better
Myra Blizzard - Still recovering from her neck surgery
Sue Andrews
Deborah Moody - Will not be able to have back surgery for several months
Ruth Rush
James & Esther Bell - Various health issues
Linda Lockler
Beverly Hall - Lymphedema in leg

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

To Margie Busby and family in the death of her cousin's wife, Jeanine Webb. Jeanine passed away last Sunday from cancer.

To David Durham and family in the passing of his sister, Cindy Morris, on Tuesday. The visitation was yesterday at Gilman funeral home.

To Clarice Kite and family in the passing of her brother, Jack Chandler, on Wednesday. The funeral was yesterday at First Baptist in Bay Minette

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

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

OUR MILITARY

Chris Campbell - Navy, basic training in Great Lakes, MI
Randy Pierce - Marines, Fort Leonard Wood, MO (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 - Back in the States
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)
Michael L Burroughs - Navy, in Iraq (Irene King's son)

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.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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Marion Logan - Kidney cancer (friend of Skip Garner)
Bob Brantley - Pneumonia (in hospital in Kentucky)
Lee Hankins - Pneumonia (Bob's father)
Billy Ray Richards - Recovering from surgery (Ken Murphy's brother-in-law)
Charlie Peterson - Cystic Fibrosis (child) (Mac & Jamie Goleman's friend)
Billy Jones - Loss of wife & mother has cancer (Kevin Crowell's friend)
Jerrold Eubanks - Prostate cancer
Mary-Kathryn Harrison - Six cysts in jawbone, will have surgery soon
Leroy Beech - Colon cancer & other problems (Deborah Moody's uncle)
Kim Holland Claunch - Heart problem, baby due in March
Michael Hornbuckle - Head injury
J.T. Harrison - Back problems
Cathy Finch - Many health issues (Rhoda Carpenter's mother)
Loretta Vaught - Cancer, chemo is going well (Tricia Pierce's mother)
Teddy Mears - Bone cancer
Ms. Moss - Fell, hurt head (Bob Moss' mother)
Teresa Cleveland - Lung cancer (Melba's niece)
Morgan Lee - Leukemia, graduate student at USA (friend of the Dyes)
Holly Lee Crowell - Doing better (Danny's wife)
Irene Whitehead - Stroke, in physical therapy (Melba's sister)
Alden Douglas - Stroke (friend of Robert Stephenson's)
Sherry Guy - Back problems, possible surgery (Kemp's daughter-in-law)
Katie Jones - Dellar Mosley's sister
H.L. Moss - Back in hospital, not doing well (friend of Bells')
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 - Feeling better, in nursing home in Kentucky
Harry Lloyd - Improving! (Rebecca Harrison's father)
Ronin White - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)
Pam Prine - Breast Cancer, responding to treatment (Brian Busby's cousin)
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)
Troy Vonada - Cancer free!!!! (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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