



Azalea City Church of Christ

“A Place for Families, A Place for You”

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Life Isn't Fair

It doesn't take a person long to discover in this life that life doesn't treat everyone the same. This is a hard lesson for some to accept. Even though we live in a country that believes that we have certain “inalienable rights” and “all men are created equal”, this doesn't mean that life will always be fair. Life's inequities show up on many levels.

- Cancer ravages the body of a child, while a hard-drinking chain smoker lives to a ripe old age.
- Some people enjoy good health, others don't.
- Some have no handicaps, while others have severe limitations.
- Some work hard and remain poor; some are born to wealth or seem to have a series of lucky breaks.

When Jesus informed the apostle Peter that he was going to die as a martyr for his faith, Peter asked what would happen to John (**John 21:21**). He seemed to think that it wouldn't be fair if John didn't die the same way. But Jesus told him that what happened to John was none of his business (concern). That was God's prerogative. (*We will study this subject under point number three in today's lesson.*)

What was Peter's responsibility? He was called to be a follower of Christ. It's very easy to look at the blessed life of others and feel resentful about the unfairness of life which has a tendency to change our focus. Remember you were called to follow Jesus, and how life treats you should not change your mind about that calling. Like storms, life's inequities are only for a little while. “Perfect fairness will be ours to enjoy forever in heaven” (J. Johnson).

David

MISSION STATEMENT

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

2009 THEME: WALKING WITH HIM

“To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps.” **1 Peter 2:21**

YOUTH GROUP

Jason Killough - Youth Minister
455-6443- cell

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 26-30- Mission Trip to Rainbow Omega. We will leave Sunday morning after services. Please pray for us to have a safe trip.

August 7- Tween Devo at Terry and Michelle's at 6pm

August 8- Conquerors

August 9- Teens take communion to Shut-ins

August 14-16- Southern Evangelism Conference. Please sign up by August 2. The cost is \$30

August 19- Sing His Praises

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Psalms 95:1

A NOTE FROM JASON

I want to say thanks to the teens who came to our Lunch Bunch this past Thursday. They worked to clean out some of the flower beds around the building. We really have some great young people, make sure you give them a pat on the back when you get a chance. I hope you have enjoyed the summer, It has been a blast.

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		Theo Blankenship
Ushers		Jacob Durham
		Alex Layton
Song Leader	A.M.	Steve May
	P.M.	Steve May
Scripture Reading	A.M.	Phil Massey
	P.M.	William Busby
Opening Prayer	A.M.	Mike Eubanks
	P.M.	Michael Davidson
Closing Prayer	A.M.	Robert Oliver
	P.M.	Gerald Copeland

9th Man

Tim Russell

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - July

Tom Deck	Larry Tart	Ray Campbell
Larry Dye	Todd Cagle	Lindy Wright
Jason Killough	James Galloway	

Lord's Table PM: Ken Murphy

Communion to Shut-Ins: Claude Thompson

Greeters for July

Front: Tammy Cade & JoAnn Brown **Side:** David Myers

Information Booth: Michael & Margaret Istre

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Brandie May **P.M.** Julie Cameron

Toddler Training Room: Rachel Myers

Children's Bible Hour: Sarah Myers

Men to Serve Wednesday, July 29th

Song Leader: John Allsup **Prayer:** Kevin Crowell

Lock up Building for month of July: Tom Deck

Prepare Communion: Tom & Carra Deck

Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved: Marion Barnette

ELDERS

Kevin Crowell	Mike Eubanks
Stan Holland	Rudy Pierce

STAFF

David Myers Pulpit Minister

Terry Cagle Associate Minister **Jason Killough** Youth Minister

Carra Deck Secretary **Glenda Carpenter** Secretary

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.

THE RECORD YOU HELPED MAKE

Bible Study	159
Morning Worship	281
Evening Worship	367 (VBS)
Wednesday Bible Study	387 (VBS)
Contribution (Regular)	\$6,909.34
Weekly Contribution Need	\$8,607.80

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY: VBS VIDEO & ICE CREAM SUPPER

July 26th-29th - VBS AT UNIVERSITY 630-830

July 27th - VOLLEYBALL 6:00

July 31st - PIONEER GAME NIGHT 6:30

Aug 1st - HOMEBUILDERS' SHRIMP BOIL 5:00

Aug 1st - VBS AT CENTRAL 9-1 Ages 2-12th grade

Aug 2nd - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 8:00

Aug 2nd - CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 5:30

Aug 3rd - VOLLEYBALL 6:00

Aug 6th - FOOD DISTRIBUTION 9-11

Aug 8th - HOMEBUILDERS' ACTIVITY

Aug 14th - PIONEER GAME NIGHT 6:30

Aug 28th - PIONEER GAME NIGHT 6:30

Aug 31st - MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER starts back

Sept 20th - FAMILY DAY

HOMEBUILDERS' SHRIMP BOIL

The homebuilders are having a shrimp boil on Saturday, August 1st at 5:00 in the multi purpose building. The cost is \$9 per plate and you must sign up and give your money to Michael or Jessica Davidson by this Wednesday. The plates include 1 pound of shrimp, corn, and potatoes. The sign up sheet is in the side foyer. This is being sponsored by the homebuilders but everyone is welcome to attend!

VBS VIDEO & ICE CREAM SUPPER

We will have our annual ice cream supper tonight after we watch the VBS highlight video. Please plan to come back tonight to enjoy in the festivities. Please bring ice cream (homemade or store bought), cakes, and soft drinks.

BABY GIFT BASKET

We have placed a basket in the hallway outside the church office for Tara Moss (Jerry & Patricia Medders' daughter). She is having a boy on August 3rd. We will keep the basket out for the next two weeks so you can place any gifts for her and the baby in it.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS DIRECTORY

Sun FHall Various Teachers - Lessons From the Heart
Sun Aud. David Myers - The Book of John
Sun MPB Terry Cagle/Bill Pierce - Fundamentals of Faith
Wed Aud. David Myers - "Choose Your Attitude, Change Your Life"
Wed FHall Ladies' Class - Various Topics

REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE, WWW.AZALEACITY.ORG

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

60 Years

1949
August 6th
2009

*You are cordially invited by the children and
Grandchildren of
Mr. And Mrs. Rudolph N. Pierce
To a dessert reception to celebrate their
Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary
August 9, 2009*

Following the six o'clock evening worship service

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Your presence is the only gift requested

VOLLEYBALL

We will be playing volleyball tomorrow night at 6:00 in the multi purpose building. All ages are welcome to attend!

2010 MINISTRY SHEETS

Ministry Leaders, your ministry sheets to fill out for 2010 are ready to be picked up. You can see David or Terry to pick up these forms and for more information.

FROM THE MAILBOX

Azalea City Teachers,

We want to thank everyone for their thoughts & prayers & concern for J.D. He is really doing good. We are so grateful that he has so many people who care about him. We would like to give a special thanks to Mrs. Katie & Ms. Tosha & Ashley for the card and basket and the K4 class for all the great cards. Thanks to Mrs. Evelyn for calling every day to check on him. He misses everyone so much! He talks about school every day. Thanks to everyone for being so good to our baby.

We love y'all! The Jones Family

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

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

Gabriel Blankenship - Had tonsils removed Friday, doing fine
Tammy Odom - Had surgery Thursday, recovering well
Billy Allsup
John Allsup - Aneurysm in stomach, will not have surgery
Trez Rudder - Surgery to be scheduled soon
Polly Wright - Recovering from foot surgery
Nita Mae Eubanks
Bill & Eunice Day - Health problems
Audrey Anderson - Thyroid problem, on medication
Jean Fogle
Cubby Merrell - Lots of health problems (Paul & Debora's grandson)
Brenda Odom - Health issues
Rainie McInvale - Spinal block scheduled
James & Esther Bell - Health problems, James needs a bone marrow transplant
Deborah Moody
Paul Merrell - Various health issues
Linda Lockler

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Terra Moss (August 3)
Holly Crowell (September 09)
Terra Thompson (October 09)

OUR MILITARY

Jason Odom - Iraq (Phillip & Tammy's nephew)
Chris Campbell - Navy
Randy Pierce - Marines, Fort Pendleton (Rudy & Nita's grandson)
Kenneth Andrews - In Iraq (Terry & Sue's son)
Aaron Allsup - Stationed in Italy (John & Ruby Allsup's grandson)
Jacob Pierce - Back in the States
Matthew Geroux - Will be in Turkey 8/09-2/10 (Phillip & Tammy's son-in-law)
Keith Moss - Marines (Skip Garner's son-in-law)
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)
Layne Ortiz - Afghanistan & **Ryan Ortiz** (Beverly Hall's niece and her husband)
Shaun Christian - Afghanistan (Phillip & Tammy Odom's nephew)

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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

Doris Moss - Pacemaker surgery went well, home, still weak (Bob's mother)
Brenda Long - Has a melanoma on her head (Larry Dye's sister)
Elaine Murff - Tupelo hospital, losing blood (Eleanor Kemp's sister)
Caitlan Goode - Had liver transplant, doing well-14 yrs old (Kemp's great niece)
Freddy Corina's father - Health issues
Patricia Fletcher - Recovering from infection (Kim Helms' mother)
Toni Lucas - Lyme Disease (Perry & Donna's daughter-in-law)
Mary Bauer - Cancer, starting chemo (Tom Deck's aunt)
Lee Hankins - Heart problems (Bob's father)
Icleatus Albritton - home
Jean Molsbee - Cancer, bad prognosis (wife of employee of Mays & Eubanks)
Christopher Crosby - Broke his neck (friend of David Wheeler's)
Temple Anderson - Cancer (elder at Opelika Church)
Lamar Andrews - Health issues, staying with Don & Sara (Don's dad)
Jessica Weller - Rare form of cancer, 13 yrs old (friend of the Roberts family)
Mary-Kathryn Harrison - Has Gorlin's Syndrome
Glenn & Donna Corley - Many health issues
Carley Stewart - Colon cancer, on chemo (Iris House's brother)
Clara Williams (Bob's mother)
Crystal Galloway's grandmother - Has COPD & not doing well
Michelle Epperson & Darian Guy
Donald Thrower - Various health issues (Glenda Wilkes' brother)
Breanna Moore - 18 mth old, incurable disease (friend of Blankenships)
Brynn Woods - Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma (3½ yrs old)
Wanda Lloyd - Will be starting radiation & chemo soon (Rebecca's mother)
Marley Nix - Bacterial infection in lower colon (Hornbuckles' granddaughter)
J.T. Harrison - Back problems
Ethan Stokes - 21 mth old, has had a limp, drs can't find cause
Ann Weaver - Cancer (friend of Glenda Warren)
Charlie Peterson - Cystic Fibrosis (child) (Mac & Jamie Goleman's friend)
Billy Jones - Mother is battling ovarian cancer (Kevin Crowell's friend)
Jerrold Eubanks - Prostate cancer
Michael Hornbuckle - Head injury, another 6 months of recovery
Loretta Vaught - Cancer, chemo is going well (Tricia Pierce's mother)
Teddy Mears - Bone cancer
Michele Wheeler - On medication for brain tumors
Morgan Lee - Leukemia, graduate student at USA (friend of the Dyes)
Sherry Guy - Back problems, possible surgery (Kemp's daughter-in-law)
Ronin White - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)
Pam Prine - Breast Cancer, responding to treatment (Brian Busby's cousin)
Hixon Nobles - Friend of David & Sarah Myers
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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

Today - JoAnn Brown
Monday - Jeff & Brandie May
Tuesday - Darian Guy, Jennifer Wright
Wednesday - Mary Nelson
Thursday - Rebekah Cagle
Saturday - Carl Blankenship, Freddy Corina,
Kelly Russo

