



# Azalea City Church of Christ

“A Place for Families, A Place for You”

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## Now is the Time to Invest

Is it hard for you to believe that some people openly declare they don't want to go to heaven? I remember one of my relatives telling me that she would rather be in hell than with the church-going crowd in heaven. Most people, however, say they hope to go to heaven when they die. I've often wondered what makes them think they would be happy there. Yes, it's true that heaven is available for everyone, but that doesn't mean they will make heaven their **new address** one day. (see *Matthew 7:13-14*) **Why is that sad but true?**

- They ignore Jesus Christ and want nothing to do with His Father.
- They show no interest in God's Truth (Bible) by reading it and desiring to follow it.
- They also show no interest in worshiping Him and praying to Him.

With that said, why would they suddenly enjoy fellowship with God on the other side **where God dwells?**

When one reads *Psalms 63*, it doesn't take long to realize that David has a deep longing for God. I'm a firm believer that the Godly attitude and actions we are nurturing in our lives **here and now** prepare us for heaven's enjoyment throughout eternity. That raises some heart searching questions for all of us today.

1. We say we want God in our lives, but how passionately do we seek fellowship with Him?
2. How much time do we spend reading His Word, praying, and worshiping?
3. How earnestly do we want to please Him?
4. Does our soul **thirst** for Him and our heart long for Him?

***Bottom Line: Now is the time to invest in eternity (Matthew 6:19-21).***

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

Today- Family Day. The Area-wide is at Regency tonight. I will not be taking the van because of Family Day, so I am encouraging families to go if you want to. They will eat at 5, worship starts at 6.

September 21- MNFTM

September 25- No Fifth Quarter

September 27- Parent Teen Devo in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods and drinks. This will be after p.m. services.

## BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

Psalm 19:7-9

## A NOTE FROM JASON

We had a great time of singing this past Wednesday Night. Thanks to all who were here. I am working on a junior and senior trip to Faulkner and Harding. More info will come soon. We are thinking about October 11-13. Please let me know if you are interested in going. I hope you 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
		Taylor Copeland
Song Leader	A.M.	Steve May
	P.M.	Family Day
Scripture Reading	A.M.	Jake Warren
	P.M.	Family Day
Opening Prayer	A.M.	Jason Killough
	P.M.	Family Day
Closing Prayer	A.M.	James Galloway
	P.M.	Family Day

### 9th Man

**Terry Cagle**

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

Harold Enke	Robert Oliver	Scott Jayroe
Don Jones	David Durham	Phillip Odum
Johnny McDonald		George Spurlock

**Lord's Table PM:** Ray Campbell

**Communion to Shut-Ins:** Ken Murphy

**Greeters for September**

**Front:** Youth **Side:** Youth

**Information Booth:** Youth

**Nursery Attendants**

**A.M.** Sandy Durham **P.M.** Family Day

**Toddler Training Room:** Glenda Carpenter

**Children's Bible Hour:** Family Day

**Men to Serve Wednesday, September 23rd**

**Song Leader:** Frank Nelson **Prayer:** Theo Blankenship

**Lock up Building for month of September:** Bill Pierce

**Prepare Communion:** Need Volunteer

**Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved:** Sarah Oliver/Frieda Bagwell

## 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	145
Morning Worship	245
Evening Worship	132
Wednesday Bible Study	151
<b>Contribution (Regular)</b>	<b>\$8,218.50</b>
<b>Weekly Contribution Need</b>	<b>\$7,115.16</b>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY: FAMILY DAY

Sept 21st - MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER dinner at 6, activities at 6:25 - please sign up on white registration card

Sept 22nd - LADIES CLASS 10:30

Sept 25th - PIONEER GAME NIGHT 6:30

Sept 26th - HOMEBUILDERS' CANOE TRIP

Sept 27th - FALL FESTIVAL MEETING after PM service

Oct 1st - FOOD DISTRIBUTION 9-11

Oct 3rd - ACCS/MCS BENEFIT FISH FRY - see any school employee to purchase your advance tickets!

Oct 4th - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 8:00

Oct 17th - FALL FESTIVAL WORK DAY

Oct 24th - FALL FESTIVAL

Nov 13th-14th - ACCS YARD SALE Please start bringing in your items for the school yard sale

## DAVID'S GUYANA TRIP

Once again, David will be traveling to Guyana, South America, to participate in campaign for Christ to the Amerindian village of Karandarnawan. He will be going with Jerry Davidson and 15 others from America and a host of Guyanese brethren to teach the gospel and establish the church of Jesus Christ for the first time in that village. Because the cost of this trip (\$2,500.00) is not fully budgeted for this year, the elders request that Azalea City members please consider contributing to David's travel fund. David and the campaign members to Guyana will leave October 13th and arrive back home on the 26th. Please pray for the success of this trip. You can make your checks to Azalea City Church of Christ, for Guyana trip.

## HOMEBUILDERS' CANOE TRIP

If you have signed up to go on the canoe trip this Saturday, there are information packets with maps on the table in the side foyer. Please pick one up so you'll know how to get there!

## CONGRATULATIONS!

To our newest grandparents, Kevin and Mary Ella Crowell. Danny and Holly's baby, Aiden, was born Thursday evening around 8:00. He weighs 8 lbs 5 oz and is 21" long. Both baby and mom are doing fine.

## ADULT BIBLE CLASS DIRECTORY

Sun Aud. David Myers - The Book of John  
Sun F'hall Terry Cagle/Bill Pierce - Fundamentals of Faith  
Wed Aud. David Myers - Hebrews: Beautiful Savior  
Wed F'hall Ladies' Class - Various Topics

**WE ARE TRYING TO COMPILE A LIST OF ADDRESSES FOR OUR MILITARY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE ON THE LIST, PLEASE MAKE SURE THE OFFICE HAS THEIR ADDRESS.**

## AREA EVENTS

**Fairhope Church of Christ** is having a gospel meeting from September 20th-23rd. Sunday service times are 9am., 10am, and 6pm with lunch following the morning service. Monday - Wednesday services are at 7:00. The speaker is Bobby Liddell.

**Rocky Creek Church of Christ** is having their ladies' day on September 26th beginning at 8:30. Their theme is "Be still and know that I am God". Lunch will be served at 11:00. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by September 20th to 601-947-2231.

**Chickasaw Church of Christ** is having a homecoming on Sunday, October 4th and a Gospel Revival October 5th-8th. The homecoming will be at 10:00 with lunch following and the Gospel Revival will be at 7:00 each night.

**Central Church of Christ** will have their ladies' day on Saturday, October 17th from 9:30-11:30. The theme is "This little Christian light of mine" and the speaker is Lynn Boyett.

More details on these events are located on the bulletin board by the church office.

## FROM THE MAILBOX

To Our Forever Family,

Thank you for the calls, cards, prayers, and especially to those who waited during my surgery. From the beginning of our time with you we knew that this was a special congregation. You have always been there when we needed you. We hold these memories dear in our hearts.

Robert & Sarah Oliver

To the Azalea City Church of Christ,

Thank you for supporting me on my mission trip to Ireland. I have always been able to depend on you to support me in my efforts, and this time is no different. There is a great work being done to teach the kids in Ireland, and with your support I was able to be a part of it. I pray for your continued support.

In Christian Love, Justin Lowery

Dear Friends and Family,

Azalea City Christian School wants to thank everyone for all the wonderful donations received for our first "pounding"... And the supplies are still coming in! Your generosity helped the start of our school year so much and our heartfelt thanks goes out to you all. Thank you also as you continue to support us by participating in our fund raisers: the pizza sales, our fish fry coming up soon and our yard sale. Don't forget to keep saving those Box Tops and now Caprisun and Kool Aid drink pouches.

Thank you again, ACCS

**REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE, [WWW.AZALEACITY.ORG](http://WWW.AZALEACITY.ORG)**

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

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

**Deborah Moody** - Home, still has pneumonia, not doing well at all  
**Stan Holland** - Had eye surgery Monday, went well  
**Jane Campbell** - Very sick with diverticulitis, on antibiotics  
**Lillie Marler** - Broke her leg last week, doing well (Kevin & Lisa's daughter)  
**John Allsup** - Home, still in a lot of pain had MRI Saturday  
**Ruby Allsup** - Bronchitis, hurt leg last weekend, must stay off of it  
**Moss Family** - All have flu (except Bob) - Belinda also has pneumonia  
**Myra Blizzard** - Having neck pain again, seeing Dr. next week  
**JoAnn Brown** - Knee and ankle problems  
**Robert Oliver** - Surgery went well, home  
**Brenda Odom** - Has a tumor, awaiting test results  
**Rod Kite** - Recovering well from back surgery  
**Dora Wright** - Tests, has been very weak, may need pacemaker  
**Bill & Betty Nichols** - Bill is on hospice care  
**Billy Allsup** - Feeling better  
**Jessica Mastin** - Bronchitis  
**Trez Rudder** - Will have surgery Nov. 12th at Mobile Infirmary  
**Nita Mae Eubanks**  
**Bill & Eunice Day** - Health problems  
**Audrey Anderson** - Thyroid problem, on medication  
**Cubby Merrell** - Lots of health problems (Paul & Debora's grandson)  
**Rainie McInvale** - Spinal block scheduled  
**James & Esther Bell** - Health problems  
**Paul & Debora Merrell**  
**Linda Lockler** - having to resume treatments for blood problem

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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**Madelyn Fetner** - 2 wks old, has neonatal diabetes (Ben & Jennifer's baby - members at Univ. COC)  
**Frances Davidson** - Been sick for long time, Drs don't know why (Jerry's wife)  
**Eugene Neese** - Home from hospital (Jeff Abrams' uncle)  
**Joe English** - Bad fall, is improving - Pensacola hospital (friend of Myers')  
**Lynn Snellgrove** - In hospital with scleroderma (relative of Cecilia McCain's)  
**Fred Roschen** - Cancer, not taking any more treatments (Margaret Istre's friend)  
**Gil Ludlam** - Blood clots in leg, on medication (Mandy Schmitz's father)  
**Barbara Leytham** - Had surgery, doing well (Juanita's daughter-in-law)  
**Cindy Buford** - Had leg amputated (Libby Phillip's neighbor)  
**Judy Lincoln** - Needs liver transplant (former member)  
**Martha Weaver** - Springhill hospital, not doing well (Paul Merrell's mother)  
**Larry Williams** - Needs kidney transplant (Easter's son)  
**Amy Dominques** - Cancer of lymph nodes (relative of Helen Jones)  
**DC Mosley** - Bone & blood cancer (Quincy & Pat Woodard's neighbor)  
**Gerald Ruiz** - Hit by tractor trailer 7/20, paralyzed from waist down, not doing well (address on bulletin board for cards) (Kathy Henebry's co-worker)  
**Doris Moss** - Doing better (Bob's mother)  
**Freddy Corina's father** - Health issues  
**Toni Lucas** - Lymes Disease (Perry & Donna's daughter-in-law)  
**Mary Bauer** - Cancer, on chemo (Tom Deck's aunt)  
**Icleatus Albritton** - home  
**Temple Anderson** - Cancer (elder at Opelika Church)  
**Jessica Weller** - Cancer free (friend of the Roberts family)  
**Mary-Kathryn Harrison** - Has Gorlin's Syndrome  
**Glenn & Donna Corley** - Many health issues  
**Carley Stewart** - Colon cancer, on chemo, doing well (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  
**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, got a good report (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)  
**Ronin White** - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)  
**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**

## EXPECTANT MOTHERS

**Terra Thompson** (October 09)  
**Geralyn Smith** (November 09)  
**Stephanie (Andrews) Lewis** (December 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** - Deployed to Kyrgyzstan, 6 mths (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 (Nataasha Polk's-member at Univ COC-fiance')  
**Michael L Burroughs** - Navy, in Iraq (Irene King's son)  
**Layne Ortiz** - London & **Ryan Ortiz** (Beverly Hall's niece and her husband)  
**Shaun Christian** - Afghanistan (Phillip & Tammy Odom's nephew)

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

To Ruth Rush, Eleanor Kemp, and other family members in the death of Ruth's daughter, Elaine Murph, who passed away last Sunday morning after a long battle with cancer. Her funeral was Wednesday.

## BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

**Today** - Michael Harville, Randy Warren  
**Monday** - Mike Wright  
**Wednesday** - Phillip & Tammy Odom  
**Friday** - Roy House  
**Saturday** - Margaret Istre, Lindsey Killough

