



Azalea City Church of Christ

“A Place for Families, A Place for You”

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Your Future Self

Have you ever wondered why the first month of the year is called January? The month of January is named after Janus, the Roman god of beginnings. This Roman god symbolized a man with two faces, one looking back and the other looking ahead.

Do you sometimes have trouble looking ahead? Maybe it's hard for some to look ahead because they keep looking back and dwelling on the mistakes of the past. We all make mistakes and commit sins along life's journey, which sometimes causes us to have a negative outlook towards the future. "Crying over spilt milk" is not the answer. Nothing will be gained by continually grieving over the past (2009).

Now that we are into our first full week of 2010, let's all remember our theme for the year and commit to focusing on things that count.

- Begin by confessing your sins to the Lord and accepting the gracious forgiveness He offers. *(1 John 1:9-10)*
- Begin my making right what needs correcting, and then "forgetting those things which are behind, pressing onward with confidence, and trusting in your heavenly Father". *(Philippians 3:13-14)*
- Begin by proclaiming that "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me". *(Philippians 4:13)*
- Begin by refusing to live in the shadow of yesterday, walk in the light of today and the hope of tomorrow. *(1 John 1:7)*

Both Paul and John understood and lived these truths and they worked. If it worked for them, it can (by faith) work for us in 2010 and every year thereafter. So, on this 10th day of the new year, let's stop looking back and brooding over past failures. Rather, let's have a forward looking attitude, and move ahead with hope and joy in the Lord *(Philippians 4:4)*.

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- Meeting for all those attending GULF in the fellowship hall, right after am services.

-Teens take communion to Shut Ins. Bring Money for Lunch. We will be done by 2.

January 15-17- GULF Youth Experience.

January 20- Sing His Praises

CONGRATULATIONS

To Nathan Myers, who recently won a regional poem contest entered through Mobile Christian. His poem will be published in a book of poems. Way to go, Nathan!

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching. Bind them on your heart always; tie them around your neck.

Proverbs 6:20-21

A NOTE FROM JASON

We returned from Exposure Youth Camp on December 30 in the afternoon. It was a great time of worship, fellowship and fun. While we were there, Emily Moss rededicated her life to Christ. Make sure to let her know that we will be praying for her. Remember to be an example of Christ to everyone you come in contact with. Have a great week.

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

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| Announcements | Mike Eubanks |
| Video Media | Claude Thompson |
| Ushers | Jake Warren |
| | James Galloway |

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| Song Leader | A.M. Steve May | P.M. Steve May |
| Scripture Reading | A.M. Taylor Copeland | P.M. Branson White |
| Opening Prayer | A.M. Michael Davidson | P.M. David Kirby |
| Closing Prayer | A.M. Rick Henebry | P.M. Frank Nelson |

9th Man

Bob Williams

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - January

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| Jeff May | Ray Campbell | Michael Eubanks |
| Larry Tart | Tim Russell | Bobby Campbell |
| Gerald Copeland | | Conrad Carpenter |

Lord's Table PM: Robert Cornelison

Communion to Shut-Ins: Rudy Pierce

Greeters for December

Front: Skip Garner **Side:** Johnny & Joseph McDonald

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Crystal Roberts **P.M.** Glenda Carpenter

Toddler Training Room: Pam Carpenter

Children's Bible Hour: none

Men to Serve Wednesday, January 13th

Song Leader: Bill Pierce **Prayer:** Bob Bagwell

Lock up Building for month of January: David Myers

Prepare Communion: Deborah Moody

Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved: Need Volunteer

ELDERS

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| 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

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| 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

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Bible Study | 125 |
| Morning Worship | 252 |
| Evening Worship | No Count |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 127 |
| Contribution (Regular) | \$8,464.08 |
| Weekly Contribution Need | \$ |

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY: ELDERS/MINISTRY LEADERS MEETING 4:30

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES Song Leading & Songs of Praise Practice 4:30

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 5:30

Jan 11th - MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER dinner at 6, activities at 6:25; please sign up on white registration card

Jan 17th - BUDGET PRESENTATION

Jan 22nd - PIONEER FELLOWSHIP NIGHT 6:30

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

Feb 6th - ACCS/MCS FISH FRY 11:30-2

Feb 7th - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 8:00

Feb 7th - FAMILY DAY

Feb 21st-24th - SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

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The 18th Annual Southeastern Bible Lectureship, Spiritual Enrichment 2010, will take place here at Azalea City on February 21st-24th. This year's theme is "The Church: Walking Together in the Riches of Christ", Studies in Ephesians. We will be distributing a complete schedule of speakers a little later but here are the highlighted speakers from our church.

SUNDAY, February 21st at 7:10 p.m.

David Myers - "Exalting Christ in the Home"
(Ephesians 5:22-6:4)

Monday, February 22nd at 9:30 a.m.

Marion Barnette - "My Place in Christ"
(Ephesians 1)

TUESDAY, February 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

Carlotta Russell - "My Place in the Church"
(Ephesians 3)

TUESDAY, February 23rd at 11:00 p.m.

Terry Cagle - "God's Growth Plan"
(Ephesians 4:7-16)

WEDNESDAY, February 24th at 9:30 a.m.

Sarah Myers - "My Place in the Home"
(Ephesians 5)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend every day (and night) of this wonderful spiritual enrichment experience.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS DIRECTORY

Sun Aud. Bob Williams - Persecuted Christians in a Troubled World

Wed Aud. David Myers - How to Shepherd, Serve, & Steer God's Flock Effectively

Wed Fhall Ladies' Class - Various Topics

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.

MISSION TRIP - Ryan Myers

In the month of May, 7th to the 18th, Ryan Myers will be traveling to Aberdeen Scotland to participate in mission work to help spread God's Kingdom. He will be working with a group of Faulkner students and Chad Brown, an admissions counselor at Faulkner, and Andrew Itson, the college minister at University Church of Christ. Groups from Faulkner have been working with the church in Aberdeen for the past eight years. While on this trip, they will work closely with the members of the congregation, especially the youth. They will conduct a Vacation Bible school and hold devotionals for the teens. They will also conduct worship services and go out into the community and visiting the local schools there in Aberdeen. At the schools, they will present skits, sing songs, and advertise the VBS and show them the love of Christ. They will be doing other evangelistic activities during their stay by going door-to-door inviting people to study the Bible and also visiting the local nursing homes. There are two kinds of support that will help Ryan with his trip. The first is your financial support. The total cost of the trip is \$1,600 per person. Any financial gift, whether great or small, will be greatly appreciated. The second type of support is your spiritual support. They need your prayers to be bold and courageous while spreading the good news in Scotland. If you are able to help Ryan financially, the elders please ask that you make your check out to the University Church of Christ and specify that it is for Ryan Myers, and give it to David or Sarah and they will send it to Ryan.

MOBILE CHRISTIAN OPEN HOUSE

Mobile Christian School will have their open house this afternoon from 1:30 until 3:30. All K3-12th grade students and parents are invited to attend.

LADS TO LEADERS

All lads to leaders participants need to see David or Sarah Myers for a registration form. Every participating youth (whether attending convention or not) needs to fill out a registration form. Every adult attending the convention will also need to fill out a registration form.

AREA EVENTS

The Andrews Street Church of Christ will be having a gospel meeting January 17th through January 21st. The speaker will be Brother Willie Baldwin. Monday through Thursday services will be at 7 p.m.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

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

Rainie McInvale - SMH, had more surgery Thursday
Esther Bell - Fell and broke her arm this past week, in a cast
John Allsup
Betty Nichols
Violet Tart - Progressing well, at her daughter's home - 3753 Arlington Cr E, Mobile, 36695, 607-0787
JoAnn Brown - Recovering from knee surgery, doing extremely well
Betty Graham - Health issues, not feeling well
Deborah Moody
Ruby Allsup - Infection in her leg
Myra Blizzard - Back pain
Brenda Odom
Billy Allsup - Back problems, deteriorated discs
Nita Mae Eubanks
Bill & Eunice Day - Health problems
Audrey Anderson - Thyroid problem, on medication
Cubby Merrell - Lots of health problems (Paul & Debora's grandson)
James & Esther Bell - Health problems
Paul & Debora Merrell
Linda Lockler - having to resume treatments for blood problem

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Lori Holland (June 2010)

OUR MILITARY

Josh Henebry - Marines, Afghanistan (Rick & Kathy's nephew)
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 - Leaving 12/1 for Iraq
Matthew Geroux - Deployed to Kyrgyzstan, 6 mths (Phillip & Tammy's son-in-law)
Keith Moss - Marines, in Afghanistan (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, back in the states (Irene King's son)
Layne Ortiz - London & **Ryan Ortiz** (Beverly Hall's niece and her husband)
Shaun Christian - Afghanistan (Phillip & Tammy Odom's nephew)
Sammie Girod - Qatar (church member in Vancleave, MS, friend of Libby Phillips)
Charles Lowery, Jr. - Army, stationed in Baghdad (friend of Carpenters)

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

To June Tart and family in the loss of her mother, Addie Jones, on December 30th.

To Judy Jones and family in the loss of her aunt.

To Paige and Chase Overbey (Greeta Taylor's children), in the death of their grandmother this past week.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Today - Ruby & Paul Lakeman
Monday - Caidyn King
Wednesday - Robert Oliver,
Kent & Terry Wilkerson
Friday - Debra Dye, Greeta Taylor



REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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Elijah Lewis - Mob Inf, Has RSV (Don & Sara Andrews 5 wk old grandson)
Betty Williams - Providence
Stephanie Walters - loss of her husband (friend of Candi White's)
Veola Colley - Mob Inf, sugar elevated (Carlotta Russell's sister)
Joan Rogers - Hole in intestines (friend of Deborah Moody's)
Kaitlan Goode - Memphis hospital, her body is rejecting the liver transplant she had a couple months ago (Eleanor Kemp's niece)
Charles McMillian - Home (Belinda Russo's father)
Cathy Finch - Renal failure (Rhoda Carpenter's mother)
Kathy Ferguson - Broke femur (Beverly Hall's daughter)
Jeff Ludlam - Recovering from back surgery (Mandy Schmitz's brother)
Loretta Vaught - Cancer has returned in her liver (Tricia Pierce's mother)
Wanda Browning - Received good report (Nita Mae Eubanks' daughter)
Lillie Pierce - Health problems (Kathy Henebry's mother)
Mr. Newbill - Prayers for speedy recovery (friend of Libby Phillips)
Lester McIntyre - Prayers for speedy recovery (friend of Libby Phillips)
Faye Smith - Had a bad fall (friend of Rachel Myers)
Michelle Batchelor Mills - cancer, had double mastectomy, in Atlanta
Chris Barrett - Cancer (friend of Lisa Marler's)
George Loden - Heart problems (Pauline King's brother)
Vera Hill - Cancer returned, radiation treatments soon (Dora Wright's sister)
Madelyn Fetner - Neonatal diabetes, treating with insulin (Ben & Jennifer's baby - members at Univ. COC)
Frances Davidson - Been sick for long time, Drs don't know why (Jerry's wife)
Fred Roschen - Cancer, not taking any more treatments (Margaret Istre's friend)
Gil Ludlam - Blood clots in leg, on medication (Mandy Schmitz's father)
Judy Lincoln - Needs liver transplant (former member)
Larry Williams - Complications from kidney transplant (Easter's son)
Amy Dominiques - 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
Michelle Epperson & Darian Guy
Pauline Russell - cancer (Tim's sister)
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)
J.T. Harrison - Back problems
Charlie Peterson - Cystic Fibrosis (child) (Mac & Jamie Goleman's friend)
Billy Jones - Mother is battling ovarian cancer (Kevin Crowell's friend)
Michael Hornbuckle - Head injury, another 6 months of recovery
Teddy Mears - Bone cancer
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