

Azalea City Church of Christ

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Despising the Shame

The other day I read about certain people who have their hands and feet nailed to a cross for a brief time to imitate the crucifixion of Christ. These people are sadly misguided and don't understand the full extent of our Lord's physical pain, shame, and humiliation that He endured because of our sin (1 Corinthians 5:21).

After a night of humiliating abuse and vicious scourging, which was enough to kill most people, our Lord felt horrendous pain during His six hours on the cross. But far worse was the agony in His soul. "Every shameful act committed, the darkest of human thoughts and actions were heaped on Him." The prophet Isaiah helps us understand His deeper suffering and shame that day, "It pleased the Lord to bruise Him" and to "make His soul an offering for sin" (Isaiah 53:10). Paul said that God made the sinless One "to be sin for us" (2 Corinthians 5:21). Not until Jesus knew He had endured the full measure of God's judgment against our sins did He say, "It is finished!" (Matthew 27:50; John 19:30). Jesus grappled with everyone's sin for all time, at the same time.

That's why those who try to endure a moment of self-torture, thinking they can somehow experience what the Lord endured on the cross are misguided souls indeed. We can only fairly comprehend the mystery of what our Savior endured. But we can be thankful and rejoice that He paid the full penalty for all our sins.

David

**(Scripture reading: Hebrews 12:2; Matthew 11:28-29;
Romans 8:1-2, 33-35, 38-39, Psalm 103:10-14)**

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

February 4- Ice Cream Social for Juniors and Seniors At Marble Slab on Airport after church. This is Hosted by Faulkner University.

February 8 - Teens Take communion to Shut-Ins. 11:30-2 p.m.

February 14- Teen Girls Valentines Brunch

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

CONGRATULATIONS

To Audrey Layton for making the all A honor roll. Audrey was also inducted into the National Honor Society at MGM.

Excellent job, Audrey!!!

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God.

Acts 3:6-8

A NOTE FROM JASON

I hope everyone is getting excited about CYC. We will leave on February 26 at 4 p.m. We are going to see Jamboree at Faulkner University, then drive to Birmingham to spend the night. We will get to Gatlinburg on Friday around noon. Dont forget about the mandatory meeting on February 15, and the remaining balance for the trip is due on February 18. 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	James Graham
Video Media	Chris Helms
Ushers	Jacob Durham Alex Layton
Song Leader	A.M. Steve May P.M. Steve May
Scripture Reading	A.M. Jjacob Durham P.M. Aaron Myers
Opening Prayer	A.M. Dean Simmons P.M. Stan Holland
Closing Prayer	A.M. Kent Wilkerson P.M. Phillip Odom
9th Man	Bill Pierce

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - February

Larry Tart	Todd Cagle	Bobby Campbell
Rudy Pierce	Lindy Wright	Ray Campbell
James Galloway	Jason Killough	

Lord's Table PM - Jeff May

Communion to Shut-Ins

Claude Thompson

Greeters for February

Front: Stan & Lou Holland Side: Mike Eubanks

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Judy Jones P.M. Tanya Eubanks
Toddler Training Room: Lisha May

Children's Bible Hour: Jessica Davidson

Men to Serve Wednesday, February 4th

Song Leader: Frank Nelson Prayer: James Graham
Lock up Building for month of February Terry Cameron

Prepare Communion: Deborah Moody

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	146
Morning Worship	239
Evening Worship	137
Wednesday Bible Study	145
Contribution (Regular)	\$6,767.76

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY:

Homebuilders Meeting immediately following morning service to discuss Valentine get-together and future events

Feb 2nd - MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER dinner at 6, activities at 6:25; please sign up on your white registration card

Feb 3rd - LADIES' CLASS at 10:30

Feb 5th - FOOD DISTRIBUTION 9-11; if you can help, please plan on getting here at 8:30

Feb 6th - PIONEER GAME NIGHT at 6:30

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 there will be a potluck lunch with the memorial service immediately following.

Feb 16th - MNFTM

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

Mar 1st - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST at 8:00

Mar 7th - ACCS/MCS FISH FRY

Mar 22nd - MCS CHORUS PERFORMING after PM service

Mar 28th - LADIES' DAY

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS

If you are volunteering to help with the ACCS/MCS fish fry and want to attend the volunteers' fish fry, please let Kim Helms know if you haven't already. This fish fry on February 7th is only for volunteers. Our first official fish fry will take place on March 7th. Make sure you mark that date so you can come enjoy some excellent cooking! (Tanya & Lisha are making the beans & coleslaw)

GIFT BOX

As you all know, Beth Overton just adopted her little boy, Griffin from Russia. There is a box outside the office door if you would like to give a gift to Beth and Griffin. He wears a size Toddler 3. The box will be there until February 22nd.

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: "Living Securely in An Insecure World"
- Studies in 1 John

We will dismiss our evening service next Sunday and Wednesday, February 11th so that everyone may intend the lectureship at Regency

COMPLETE SCHEDULES ARE IN BOTH FOYERS

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.

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.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

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

Aaron Myers - Broken nose
Teresa Benitez - Blood pressure problems
Amanda Spurlock - Feeling better, heart test results okay
Chandler Carpenter - Double ear infection
Jacob Kirby - Radial head fracture of the elbow, in lots of pain, home
Trez Rudder - Staying with her sister, would love phone calls (661-1613)
David Myers - Got stitches out Thursday, still recovering
Myra Blizzard
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

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Kim Holland Claunch (March 09)

OUR MILITARY

Chris Campbell - Navy, basic training in Great Lakes, IL
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 in Italy (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)

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

Charity Duncan - Nodules on throat, biopsy scheduled (ACCS teacher)
J.T. Harrison - Back problems
Jimmy Jones - Recovering from surgery (Don & Judy's son)
Jacob Kroll - Recovering from surgery (Melvin Hall's grandson)
Mama Jo Labounty - In hospital (Sara Andrews' relative)
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
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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