



Azalea City Church of Christ

“A Place for Families, A Place for You”

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The Lord's Church: A Great Variety

It was a common practice for Paul to end one of his epistles by naming or listing the devoted Christians that he loved. Almost the entire fourth chapter of Paul's letter to the Colossians is devoted to a role call of believers.

1. There is Tychicus from Asia Minor (verse 7).
 2. There's the runaway slave, Onesimus, who became a Christian when he met Paul in person (verse 9).
 3. There are Jewish believers: Aristarchus, Mark, and Justus (verses 10 & 11).
 4. There are Gentile Christians: Epaphras, Dr. Luke, and Demas (verses 12-14).
 5. There is Nympha (v.15), who provided a home in which the church could gather.
- (Tyndale N.T. Commentaries, pp. 98-102)

When you consider this list of believers, it's obvious they meant a great deal to Paul and his personal ministry. You don't hear very much about these people in the New Testament, but they played an important part in the cause of Christ. Then they stepped aside and others took their place in history. As Christians we will one day do the same.

What I like about this list of believers in Paul's letter is that they represent a great variety. God never intended the make up of the church to be a monotony. It's a common practice of certain social clubs to seek out people much like themselves, but the Lord's church is diverse. As you can see in the Book of Acts, and our scripture text, He calls people from all nations, cultures, and social levels (Acts 2:9-11; Colossians 3:11) and adds them to His Son's church to make them one in Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23; Galatians 3:28).

There's a lot we can do for the church of our Lord in our generation while we're alive. What are you willing to do?

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 to Honor Our Graduates

May 4- MNFTM, 6-8

May 10- Teens take communion to Shut-Ins.

May 13- \$80.00 Deposit Due for Summer Trip.

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

II Timothy 3:16-17

A NOTE FROM JASON

Congratulations to all of our graduates. This is a great accomplishment. Remember to put the Lord first in everything that you do. I also wanted to remind everyone to go ahead and get registered for Gulf Coast Bible Camp to ensure your spot. Bible Camp is a place where a lot of spiritual growth can take place. The deadline to sign up for the Summer Trip is May 6. I hope you take every opportunity to be involved with the things we have going on.

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		Chris Helms
Ushers		Jacob Durham
		Alex Layton
Song Leader	A.M.	Steve May
	P.M.	Steve May
Scripture Reading	A.M.	Jacob Durham
	P.M.	Family Day
Opening Prayer	A.M.	Phil Massey
	P.M.	Family Day
Closing Prayer	A.M.	Theo Blankenship
	P.M.	Family Day

9th Man

Kent Wilkerson

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - May

Tim Russell	Larry Tart	Lindy Wright
Ray Campbell	Larry Dye	Rudy Pierce
James Galloway		Jason Killough

Lord's Table PM: Jeff May

Communion to Shut-Ins

Claude Thompson

Greeters for May

Front: Robert & Evelyn Cornelison Side: Robert Stephenson

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Judy Jones **P.M.** Family Day

Toddler Training Room: Lisha May

Children's Bible Hour: Family Day

Men to Serve Wednesday, May 6th

Song Leader: Frank Nelson **Prayer:** James Graham

Lock up Building for month of May: Bill Pierce

Prepare Communion: Clarice Kite

Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved:

Candi White

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

THE RECORD YOU HELPED MAKE

Bible Study	165
Morning Worship	265
Evening Worship	137
Wednesday Bible Study	152
Contribution (Regular)	\$6,889.29
Weekly Contribution Need	\$8,607.80

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY:

FAMILY DAY TO HONOR GRADUATES

May 4th - MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER dinner at 6, activities at 6:25; please sign up on white registration card

May 5th - LADIES BIBLE CLASS at 10:30 in fellowship hall

May 7th - FOOD DISTRIBUTION 9-11 in multipurpose bldg

May 8th-9th - ACCS YARD SALE

May 9th - HOMEBUILDERS TO ROCKY CREEK meet at building at 5 or at Rocky Creek at 5:30; children welcome

May 17th - CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 5:30

May 22nd - PIONEER GAME NIGHT

May 28th - ACCS END OF YEAR PROGRAM 7:00

May 31st - CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 5:30

Jun 4th - FOOD DISTRIBUTION 9-11 in multipurpose bldg

Jun 6th - ACCS/MCS FISH FRY

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

Jun 14th - TEEN WEEK AT GCBC

Jun 21st - JUNIOR WEEK AT GCBC

Jun 28th - MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEK AT GCBC

Jul 12th-15th - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

FAMILY DAY

Today is Family Day! Please plan to stay after this morning's worship service and eat with us in the multi purpose building next door. After our meal, we will honor our kindergarten, high school, and college graduates, then have a short devotional before services are dismissed for the day.

BABY GIFT BOX

We have placed the brown baby gift box outside the church office for Kim Holland Claunch and baby Joshua Brinton. We will keep the box out until next Sunday, May 10th if you would like to purchase a gift for them. When sizing, remember that Joshua was born on March 19th and weighed over 9 lbs at birth! They will be in town on May 6th so we might get to see Joshua then.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS DIRECTORY

Sun FHall George Spurlock - Charting Your Spiritual Course
Sun Aud. David Myers - The Book of John
Sun MPB Terry Cagle/Bill Pierc - Fundamentals of Faith
Wed Aud. Bob Williams - Loving, Living, & Giving Like Jesus
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 childrer who want to draw, please have them draw on these instead of the attendance cards. Please return the crayons to the front foye 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

AZALEA CITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SPRING YARD SALE

The Azalea City Christian School spring yard sale is this coming Friday and Saturday, May 8th and 9th. We still need your donations! Please bring them to the multi purpose building. If you have large items and need help getting them to the building, please call Kim, Evelyn, or Rachel at 649-5437.



HOMEBUILDERS

The homebuilders will be going to Rocky Creek Catfish House this Saturday. If you would like to ride in the van, please meet at the church building at 5:00 or you can meet at Rocky Creek a 5:30. Please plan to come for great food and fellowship!

AREA EVENTS

More information about all of these events can be found on the bulletin board outside the office.

May 3rd - SPRING SING @ Eastern Shore Church of Christ this afternoon at 2:00. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served afterward.

May 16th - LADIES' DAY at Spanish Fort Church of Christ from 9:30-12:30. The theme is "What Not to Wear: A Spiritual Makeover" and the speakers are Chelsea Gallaher, Mandy Bell, & Rachael Sherer.

FROM THE MAILBOX

Azalea City Ladies,

We thank you so much for providing the delicious lunch during our Mobile ladies to ladies mission trip. Our work would have been difficult without your willingness to help.

Ladies of the Ethridge church of Christ

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

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

Glenda Carpenter - Not feeling well, having tests
Christina Blankenship - Recovering from sinus surgery
Eunice Day - Doing better, recovering after fall that broke 3 ribs
Audrey Anderson - Thyroid problem, on medication
Lee Staples - Had a bad fall, doing better
Alyson Davidson - Continuing on antibiotics, more tests next month
Jean Fogle - Staying with daughter in Florida through 7/25
Cubby Merrell - Lots of health problems (Paul & Debora's grandson)
Brenda Odom - Health issues
Rainie Mclinvale - Many health issues
James & Esther Bell - Many health problems
Sue Andrews
Deborah Moody
Ruth Rush
Paul Merrell - Various health issues
Linda Lockler

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Holly Crowell (September 09)
Terra Thompson (October 09)

OUR MILITARY

Chris Campbell - Navy, leaving for Japan in May
Randy Pierce - Marines, Fort Leonard Wood (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 (Phillip & Tammy's son-in-law)
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)
Layne Ortiz (Afghanistan) & **Ryan Ortiz** (Iraq) - Beverly Hall's niece and her husband
Shaun Christian - Afghanistan (Phillip & Tammy Odom's nephew)

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

To the Russo family in the loss of Julian's brother, Mike, last week His funeral was Friday afternoon.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Orrin Stever and Kathy Stever were both baptized last Monday night. Kathy's sister, Mary Womack, was also baptized. Please be sure to welcome all three of these new Christians!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

Tuesday - Glenda Wilkes,
Michael & Margaret Istre
Wednesday - Wendy Engel, Jenny Myers
Friday - Diane Dyess



REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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Merlin Boudreaux - Cancer, in hospital in Louisiana, in very serious condition (Margaret Istre's brother-in-law)
Joe Vaught - Heart attack (Tricia Pierce's stepfather)
Ferrell Robinson - Triple Bypass Surgery in MS (Melba Nash's brother)
Janice White - Health problems, having tests (Chris' mother)
Bill Mears - Thyroid surgery this week
Keith Null - Hospital, congestive heart & renal failure (Harold's brother)
Glenn & Donna Corley - Many health issues
Carley Stewart - Colon cancer, on chemo (Iris House's brother)
Icleatus Albritton - Pneumonia, doing well, staying with her niece
Clara Williams (Bob's mother)
Crystal Galloway's grandmother - Has COPD & not doing well
Michelle Epperson & Darian Guy
Kendall Elliott - Recovering from bypass surgery (Violet Tart's nephew)
Donald Thrower - Various health issues (Glenda Wilkes' brother)
Elaine Murff - Liver cancer, procedure went well (Eleanor Kemp's sister)
Breanna Moore - 18 mth old, incurable disease (friend of Blankenships)
Agnes Locke - Recovering from heart surgery (friend of Barbara Mosley)
Matt Davis - In hospital (Regina Davis' son & Mary Womack's grandson)
Charles Byrd - Recovering from cancer surgery (friend of Carpenters)
Brynn Woods - Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma (3½ yrs old)
Leroy Beech - Mob. Inf. West, in rehab, will be transferred to rehab ctr in MS next month, large hole in back so long recovery ahead (Myra & Deborah's uncle)
Wanda Lloyd - Will be starting radiation & chemo soon (Rebecca's mother)
Ronnie Bell - Health issues (James' brother in Georgia)
Jeri Nix - Recovering from surgery (Hornbuckles' daughter)
Marley Nix - Bacterial infection in lower colon (Hornbuckles' granddaughter)
Melanie & Jessica Whitehead - Bad car accident (Kemp's relatives)
Vera Hill - Home, much better, still on dialysis (Dora Wright's sister)
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 - Loss of wife & mother has 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
Teresa Cleveland - Lung cancer (Melba's niece)
Morgan Lee - Leukemia, graduate student at USA (friend of the Dyes)
Sherry Guy - Back problems, possible surgery (Kemp's daughter-in-law)
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
Ronin White - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)
Warren Pickle - Brain cancer (friend of Ruth Rush)
Pam Prine - Breast Cancer, responding to treatment (Brian Busby's cousin)
Marvin Fountain - Bone cancer & prostate cancer
Hixon Nobles - Friend of David & Sarah Myers
Marshall Eubanks - Cancer (Ruth Rush's son)
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

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.