



Azalea City Church of Christ
Family News

"A Place for Families, A Place for You"

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**MONDAY
NIGHT
FOR
THE
MASTER**

Weekly Meetings have resumed!

Dinner at 6:00; Activities at 6:25

Please keep the following people in your prayers this month.

Members

Rod Kite	Dora Wright	Jean Fogle	Bill Nichols
Betty Nichols	Glenda Carpenter	Libby Phillips	Brenda Odom
Billy Allsup	Jessica Mastin	John Allsup	Trez Rudder
Nita Mae Eubanks	Bill Day	Eunice Day	Audrey Anderson
Cubby Merrell	Rainie McInvale	James Bell	Esther Bell
Deborah Moody	Paul Merrell	Debora Merrell	Linda Lockler

Friends and Family

Gil Ludlam	Ruby Pierce	Judy Lincoln	Martha Weaver
Larry Williams	Amy Dominques	Bob Miller	DC Mosley
Alisha Jones	Gerald Ruiz	Garret Landry	Brenda Maxfield
Doris Moss	Frank Blizzard	Brenda Long	Elaine Murff
Caitlan Goode	Patricia Fletcher	Toni Lucas	Mary Bauer
Lee Hankins	Icleatus Albritton	Jean Molsbee	Temple Anderson
Jessica Weller	Mary-Kathryn Harrison	Carley Stewart	Clara Williams
Glenn & Donna Corley	Michelle Epperson	Donald Thrower	Breanna Moore
Brynn Woods	Wanda Lloyd	Marley Nix	J.T. Harrison
Ann Weaver	Charlie Peterson	Billy Jones	Jerrold Eubanks
Michael Hornbuckle	Loretta Vaught	Teddy Mears	Michele Wheeler
Morgan Lee	Sherry Guy	Ronin White	Hixon Nobles
Pauline Russell	Patricia Jones	Greg Lewis	Dylan Gibbon
Crystal Galloway's grandmother			

Military

Kenneth Andrews (in Iraq)	Aaron Allsup (in Italy)
Jacob Pierce (Back in U.S.)	Shaun Christian (in Afghanistan)
Matt Geroux (in Kyrgyzstan)	Randy Pierce (Camp Pendleton)
Keith Moss (Marines)	Dewayne Nix (Corpus Christi, TX)
Manuel Baldwin (in Iraq)	Michael L Burroughs (Navy, in Iraq)
Layne Ortiz (in Afghanistan)	Chris Campbell (Navy)
Ryan Ortiz	

Expectant Mothers

Holly Crowell (Sept 09)	Terra Thompson (Oct 09)
Stephanie (Andrews) Lewis (Nov 09)	Geralyn Smith (Nov 09)

New Members and Invitation Responses

Requested Prayers

Tammy Cade	Lindsey Cameron
Daren Goleman	Brad Massey

Placed Membership

Leavie & Tammy King, children Dalls & Caidyn
Brad Massey

Upcoming Events

Pioneer game night is scheduled for Friday, September 11th and Friday, September 25th at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your favorite game and finger foods.

The September **men's prayer breakfast** will take place on Sunday, the 6th at 8:00. If you would be willing to cook for a future breakfast, please sign the sheet located on the bulletin board across from the office in the side foyer.

Steve is planning on having **congregational singing** on Sunday, September 6th at 5:30 p.m.

There will be no **Azalea City Christian School benefit fish fry** in September due to the Labor Day holiday. Our next fish fry is planned for Saturday, October 3rd from 11:30 until 3:00 in the multi purpose building.

The annual **homebuilders canoe trip** has been planned for Saturday, September 26th. The cost is \$19 per person. Children 12 and under are free as long as they ride in a canoe with two paying adults. If you plan to go on the canoe trip, please sign the sheet located in the side foyer by Sunday, September 13th. You do not have to pay anything in advance, just make sure you have EXACT CASH with you to pay the day of the trip. This is sponsored by the homebuilders but everyone is invited, regardless of age.

Ministry Information

We are planning to have **Monday Night for the Master** on all four Mondays in September.

If you have not filled out an **involvement form** for the involvement ministry, please see Terry Cagle to get a form. We need to have every member fill out one of these!

The Benevolence Ministry is planning their next **grocery distribution** on September 3rd from 9:00 until 11:00 in the multipurpose building. Your help with this endeavor is greatly needed! If you can come help, please plan to be at the church around 8:30. **Please continue to help us out by donating cereal for the food distribution. You can put it on the counter by the coffee maker in the fellowship hall.**

FROM DAVID'S DESK

Heaven: A New Beginning

Whether you are a doctor, preacher, or elder, you will be given the privilege and honor to minister to people who are going to die. During the times that I have spent at the bedside of a fellow member of the church, I've always felt a sense of awe in the presence of death, and I will always feel that way. It is the end of life as we know it, and for all of us it seems to come too soon.

For many people in this world, life will be a great disappointment. At the end of their life, they look back and contemplate their failures:

- Life didn't fulfil their expectations.
- Their dreams never became a reality.
- They never accomplished what they set out to do

And for them, life is soon to be over. What will be their end? What will happen to them when life ends? (*Please take the time to read Psalms 73:1-17*)

At death, non-believers in Christ will have no hope. Whatever enjoyment they had in this life will be gone. They have nothing to look forward to. On the other hand, the Christian has everything to look forward to. Death will be the end of some things we have enjoyed, but it is the beginning of a new life that will be far better and will never end (*2 Corinthians 12:1-4; Philipians 1:21-23; John 14:1-6*).

You will guide me with your counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You.

My flesh and my heart fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

(*Psalms 73:24-26*)

Beginning with verse 1 of Psalm 73, you will see how the psalmist was discouraged when he saw how wicked people enjoyed prosperity while godly people suffered (*verses 1-12*). But when he went to the temple and began to worship God, he saw beyond the present. The writer tells us that, when the wicked die, it is the end of everything they have enjoyed. Here's the good news! True believers will be "satisfied" when they open their eyes in heaven (*verse 15*). Remember, for the Christian, the end of life is not the end - it is a new beginning.

David

A NOTE FROM THE ELDERS

A Forgotten Truth

Brethren, one great truth, if established completely by the church of our Lord, would, we believe, make a great impact for good in our world. We are suggesting the truth that is found in Matthew 18 and which should be taught in the spirit of Galatians 8:1. Here we have one of the most profound truths in all of Scripture. It appears to be one of the clearest step-by-step instructions that Christ gave to His disciples. What is this great truth? We are not to talk negatively about anyone until/unless we have talked to that person. And even then the number is limited to one or two others and only if the first attempt at reconciliation fails. READ THE TEXT, PLEASE! (Matthew 18)


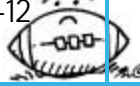



If every Christian were committed to this principle, three results would transform the church into a dynamic force in our nation and the world. 1) Disloyalty with its gossip and slander would cease and give way to a rich fellowship among sincere Christians. 2) Christians would become a corrective and edifying force to each other with the result that weaker Christians would be strengthened and false teachers would be exposed. 3) The world would believe that God sent His Son with a message of hope for them.

We can be sure that Satan will do all he can to prevent us, individually and collectively, from the practice of these principles, but it is our prayer that every member here at Azalea City will commit to applying this truth to our lives.

We love you!
The elders

Youth Calendar

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Jake Warren	2	3	4 5th quarter @ Creekwood 9-12 	5
6 Teens take communion to shut-ins	7 Labor Day mnftm	8 Audrey Layton Joseph McDonald	9	10	11 Tween Devo 5th Quarter @ Azalea City 9-12 	12
13 Lads to Leaders starts 	14 MNFTM	15 Jamie Overton	16 Sing His Praises 	17	18 5th Quarter @ Creekwood 9-12 	19
20 Family Day	21 MNFTM	22	23	24	25	26 Lindsey Killough
27 Parent Teen Devo	28 MNFTM	29	30			

Youth Corner

Eating Together

I know we have all heard the saying, "The family that eats together stays together." It blows my mind to think about the schedules of our tweens and teens. Between practice, homework and work schedules, it can be difficult to get everyone together for a meal. Research shows that eating together can really benefit kids and teens in many ways. Here are 3 reasons why you should try to sit down five or six times a week for a meal.

Reason #1 Prevent Destructive Behavior - Research shows that families that eat dinner five or more times a week are associated with lower rates of smoking, drinking and illegal drug use in teens and preteens when compared to families that eat together two or fewer times per week.

Reason #2- Improve Grades - Children do better in school when they eat more meals with their families. Teens that eat dinner with their families four or more times per week have a higher academic performance than those teens that eat dinner with their families two or fewer times a week.

Reason #3- Communication and Well-Being - Time together at the dinner table gives your family an opportunity to bond. It gives everyone a chance to share about their day. Your children also get a sense of love and security as well as a sense of belonging. This is also an excellent opportunity to talk to your kids about Biblical principals. Deuteronomy 6:5-9 says *"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."*

Eating dinner together is something that is very easy as long as there is a little planning involved. Please take this challenge to eat together as a family away from the television so that everyone involved may benefit from it.

Jason

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***Deacons**

Monthly Records

Weekly Budget 2009: \$8,607.80

	July 5th	July 12th	July 19th	July 26th	Average
Weekly Contributions	\$8,678.80	\$6,909.34	\$7,378.20	\$7,378.20	\$7,957.96
Sunday Bible Class	144	159	155	152	153
Sunday AM Worship	248	281	245	262	259
Sunday PM Worship	151	367 (VBS)	139	136	142
	July 1st	July 8th	July 15th	July 22nd	July 29th
Wednesday Bible Study	131	138	400 (VBS)	149	138

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....9:30
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....7:00

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Jerry Davidson

Television To Watch

"Preaching The Gospel" with James Watkins
Sundays 7:30am, channel 44, Comcast channel 4

"In Search of The Lord's Way" with Mack Lyon
Sundays 7:30am, channel 33, Comcast channel 7
Direct TV channel 321

"Know Your Bible" with Billy Lambert
Sundays 6:30pm Direct TV channel 321
Sundays 8:00pm channel 33

Wednesdays 8:00pm Direct TV channel 377

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