



# FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

*A place to believe, belong, and become.*

May 17, 2020

## Elders

Todd Chastain  
Steve Clark  
Bill Hames  
Ken Vanhorn  
Mark Willingham

## Deacons

Greg Allen  
Justin Beckman  
Kevin Clemons  
Jeffrey Cox  
Myron Crunk  
Mike Davidson  
Kevin Hunter  
Jamey Medley  
Dave Schmidt  
Matt Warner  
Don Williams

## Ministers

Austin Johnson  
Cody Peery

## Secretary

Sonya Cox

## Virtual Reality Check

Christians want to be realistic in every area of life—to see things as they really are (*John 8:32*). As we do so, we are “taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ” (*2 Corinthians 10:5*) and making our whole life a “living sacrifice” (*Romans 12:1–2*). The Bible teaches us that the most important realities of life are spiritual (God, heaven, everlasting life or death, etc.), and that our values in every area of life must be set in accordance with these most important realities.

Part of our reality is our experience with interactive, electronic technologies. Our recent disruption of life has thrust more and more people into the depths and crevasses of the internet. While the internet, social media, and web-based programs can be expedients for God’s glory, they could also wreak havoc in our lives! So, let’s take stock of how they may be affecting us, and make adjustments in order to glorify our Lord. Here are six probing, biblically based questions to help us with our “Virtual Reality Check”:

1. **Are there specific ways in which I am using electronic technology to promote directly the kingdom of God?** *Matthew 6:33; Acts 19:8*
2. **Am I addicted to electronic technology?** *1 Corinthians 6:12; 2 Corinthians 6:14*
3. **Is the amount of time I spend on electronic technology hindering my service to the Lord?** *Ephesians 5:15-16; Colossians 4:5*
4. **Is my use of electronic technology weakening my ability to study the Bible or listen to the Word being preached?** *Luke 8:18; Acts 17:3-4, 11*
5. **Is my experience with electronic technology leading me to impurity of thought?** *Matthew 5:27-30; Philippians 4:8*
6. **How is my use of electronic technology affecting my assessment of myself? Have I developed too low or too high an opinion of myself?** *Galatians 2:20; 1 Timothy 3:6*

It would be a tragedy to be lost due to abuse of technology. We cannot give the devil a foothold into our lives! If Jesus analyzed my usage of electronic devices, would He be pleased or disappointed? Let’s resolve to use all of our physical blessings, including technology, to the glory of God. Let’s grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and where necessary, make adjustments—even sacrificial ones (*2 Peter 3:18*).

*(adapted and edited)  
Austin Johnson*

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Worship Times: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Sunday School 10:15 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

# Announcements

Life is too short to worry  
Life is too short to be sad  
Life is too short to ponder  
on things you will never have  
Life is too short for sadness  
Life is too short for tears  
Never count the day  
Never count the years  
Life is too short for falling out  
Life is too short for war  
Life is a gift, don't waste it  
Life is so much more



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# THANK YOU

*Thank you to those who have prepared the delicious chicken, that was delivered to me recently. You were so thoughtful to think of me. Also, thank you to the young ladies who took time to deliver it to me. The card, with its beautiful thoughts about kindness and sharing, meant a lot to me. The people at Florence Blvd are so kind and caring to us older folks!*

*In Christian Love,  
Louise Woodfin*

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New Address!



Nate, Karla, & Ivy Fulmer have moved. Their new address is:  
1023 Sky Park Road, Florence, AL 35634.

### SICK/PRAYER LIST

Gene Gooch, Harlon Goolsby, Mary Garrett, Mattie Liles, Eleanor Martin, Bobbie McGee, Donald O'Kain, Helen Parker, Benton Richardson, Carolyn Smith, Delores Williford

FAMILY/FRIENDS: Brian Allen (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), Willie Hunt (mother of Patty Hunt), Larry Hunter (father of Kevin Hunter), Larry Martin (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington)

### NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

CEDAR VIEW ASSISTED LIVING: Doug Webster, Room 111; LAUDERDALE

CHRISTIAN NURSING HOME: Mary Nix, Room 6; Florence Treece, Room 10; Glen Gist, brother of Rayford Gist, Room 13

### SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Robin Vanhorn and her family, in the passing away of her mother, Joan Bogle. Her service was conducted last week.

We also express our sympathy to Steve Clark and his family, in the passing away of his grandmother, Ola Dean Clark. She passed away on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>.

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### Road Construction Route 66

The road has been resurfaced, and the stripes have been repainted. It will be okay for light foot traffic, but absolutely no liquids (water, tea, coke, coffee, etc.) are to be transported over the roadway until at least JUNE 2<sup>nd</sup>. There is a sealer being applied, which will need 30 days to fully cure. Thank you for helping out with this.



### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM Views On-Line: 899  
Sunday School: N/A  
Sunday PM Views On-Line: 661  
Wednesday Views On-Line: 354  
Budget: 12,400  
Contribution: 7,469

“Praise ye the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.”  
Psalm 111:1

# FLOBO

STUDENT MINISTRY

{ MARCH 22 }

## Save the Date:

ALL YOUTH EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF MARCH HAVE BEEN CANCELED. NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT IF THERE IS A CHANGE.

## Get Connected:



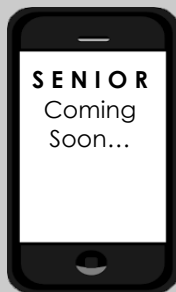
Flo Bo Student Ministries



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Band App



With our weekly Bible class kicked off, each week we are studying the book His Life. In this book each of us are reading one page a day and reflecting on the life of Christ. Because we are meeting on Thursday nights, we aren't discussing the Friday chapter thoughts. My plan is to reflect on these thoughts here on the newsletter so we can still think about these chapters as a group.

This past Friday, the text that was considered was Revelation 5:11-14 In this chapter there are three things that were shared to consider. 1<sup>st</sup> we need to learn to focus on Jesus. 2<sup>nd</sup>ly We must learn to meditate on Jesus. 3<sup>rd</sup> we must surrender to Jesus. If we follow these three principles daily our relationship to Jesus will continue to grow daily. One of the major things this chapter shares is a wonderful scene of the throne room of God. How beautiful this site would be to see today. Since we don't have this opportunity we must focus to these three areas in order to see that place one day.

Hope you guys are having a great week. Looking forward to being together Thursday night at 7:30 pm. ---  
Cody

*Simple Faith*

MICAH 6:8



Since we have not met for our usual Monday Night for the Master ministry, and we have been asked to limit our exposure to other people, there is a great opportunity we all have to remember some of our Florence Blvd family.

One of the things we always do on Monday night is to write cards for almost any occasion to visitors, members who are sick or shut-ins or ones who have asked to be remembered in prayer. Most of the addresses can be found in our online church directory as well as phone numbers if you would rather call than send a card.

Check on our members, as their situation may change during the next several days.

Some of us are able to pick up groceries or medicine during the week if needed, please make that known too.

Let's not look at this virus situation as a hopeless problem but see that it is something bad that can become good.

We are all called on to be the hands and feet of Jesus here on Earth, so let's grab this opportunity to do good and excel with it!

Thank you

**MAY MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH**

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**Sermon Titles:**

**Assignments**

**Greeters for the Day:**

East- N/A  
West- N/A

**Morning Worship:**

**Scripture Reader:**

N/A

**Prayers:**

Opening -N/A  
Closing - N/A

**Youth Led Devo: (4:55pm)**

**Song:** N/A

**Scripture:** N/A

**Prayer:** N/A

**Van Drivers:**

Sun. AM -

Sun. PM -

Wed -

**Enter Attendance Cards:**

**Evening Worship:**

**Scripture Reader:**

N/A

**Prayers:**

Opening:-N/A  
Closing -N/A

**Young Boys to Pick Up Cards:**

- 1 -
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 -
- 5 -

**Baptismal Items:**

**Elder Contact:**  
Steve Clark

**Sermon Notes**

**Key Words:**

**Outline:**