



# FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Elders

Steve Clark  
Bill Hames  
Ken Vanhorn  
Mark Willingham

## Deacons

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

## Ministers

Austin Johnson  
Cody Peery

## Secretary

Sonya Cox

## New Year, New You

Here is my tip on how to be a New You this New Year: **Live a life of C.A.R.E.**

**Loving Confrontation.** Loving Confrontation is necessary because God desires unity and love within the Brotherhood. Is there something that has come between you and a brother or sister in Christ? Is there a grudge that is hindering your ability to love the brotherhood (1 Peter 2:17)? If so, have you confronted the situation in love? If you haven't, consider this question—Are you working *for* or *against* God's design? Let's be workers of God's unity and love and work towards loving confrontation within the Brotherhood. Scriptures like Matthew 5:21-26 and 18:15-20 require that Christians show love for brothers and sisters in Christ through confrontation. So we think, pray, prepare, and confront.

**Loving Accountability.** Loving Accountability is necessary for becoming the New You because it allows others to hold you up and provides you an opportunity to hold others up. This will fulfill God's mandate from Galatians 6:1-2 which says, "*Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.*" So we think, pray, prepare, confront, and forgive.

**Loving Responsibility.** Loving Responsibility is seen through Esmin Green in 2008. In a Brooklyn New York emergency room, Esmin Green waited to be seen by a doctor for almost 24 hours. Throughout her wait she slowly died. The most shocking part is how people, staff members, and even a security guard watched from afar as she visibly struggled and clung to life for hours and hours until passing on. Spiritually speaking, who is our Esmin Green? Sometimes it's obvious who we have a loving responsibility to help, new Christians, those who come forward, people grieving after death of a loved one, etc. Sometimes it's not obvious who we have a loving responsibility to help. Some people hide their pain. Some people hide their struggles. Therefore, it is up to us to put ourselves near people so we can be there for them when the time is right. So we think, pray, prepare, confront, forgive, and support.

**Loving Encouragement.** Loving Encouragement is seen wonderfully in Hebrews 10:24-25, "*And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*" Let your presence be light, your words be salt, and your encouragement be Godly. So we think, pray, prepare, confront, forgive, support, and love.

Austin Johnson

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

January 3, 2021

### MEETINGS

On January 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a Deacons Meeting at 3 p.m. and our annual Articles of Incorporation and Men's Meeting at 4 p.m.

These meetings are very Important and we encourage all men in the congregation to attend.

### PLACED MEMBERSHIP

We are happy to announce that Slater and Rachel Stovall have desired to place membership, here at Florence Blvd. Their information: 148 S New Castle Drive, Florence, AL 35633; Slater: 615-559-8081; Rachel: 256-856-5058.

Welcome them into the Florence Blvd family.

### 2020 YEAR IN REVIEW

Baptisms: 4

Births: 2

Deaths: 9

Marriages: 7

Placed Membership (individuals): 24

Responses: 20

### SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Angela Voight and her family, in the passing away of her father, Grant Azbell. His funeral was conducted on Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>.

We also express our sympathy to Patsy Pitts, and her family, in the passing away of her brother-in-law, Dwight Stults. He passed away on Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

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### THANK YOU

*Thank you so much, for the donation, to the North Alabama Christian Children's Home, in memory of my mother, Virginia Parker.*

*I appreciate so much, the donation, to such a worthy cause.*

*Love,  
Janet Putnam*

### SICK/PRAYER LIST

Lane Baker, Reed & Sue Canerday, Ray Carpenter, Danny Coats, Kenneth & Marjorie Cox, Gene Gooch, Harlon Goolsby, Mary Garrett, Boyce Holderfield, Robert Holderfield, Eleanor Martin, Helen Parker, Paul Richardson, Shelby Trousdale, Delores Williford

FAMILY/FRIENDS: Brian Allen (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), Larry Hunter (father of Kevin Hunter), June Jones (mother of Kaye Holderfield), Larry Martin (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington), Vance Pitts (husband of Patsy Pitts), Keith Wade (son of Doyce & Shelby Wade; brother of Mike Wade).

### NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

CEDAR VIEW ASSISTED LIVING: Doug Webster, Room 111;  
LAUDERDALE CHRISTIAN NURSING HOME: Mary Nix, Room 6; Glen Gist, brother of Rayford Gist, Room 13

### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM & On Line Views: 527  
Sunday School & On Line Views: 362  
Sunday PM & On-Line Views: 475  
Wednesday & On Line Views: N/A  
Budget: 12,400  
Contribution: 11,801



*Tentative Schedule*

## END OF THE YEAR INFO

First of all thank you so much for your patience during this trying time. We know a lot of things had to change due to the virus and the effects it has brought about. With that being said, we are planning towards 2021. A few things that still may be up in the air are things we hope do not change.

2 Major events we are praying that will happen in 2021 are CYC and Lads to Leaders. At this time, we are staying the course, but we all are aware these things can change. As of right now, CYC is planning to be normal at half capacity. We are registered and plan to attend CYC as normal.

Lads to Leaders however is constantly evolving with new regulations etc. With these constant evolving requirements, we have decided to place our focus and effort into 5 pillar events for Lads to Leaders this year as a congregation. The five events we will work towards as a congregation are: 1. Speech, 2. Song Leading, 3. Bible Bowl, 4. Puppets, 5. Good Samaritan. While we are not saying you cannot do extra events at home as a family, we are only going to provide practice for these 5 events as a congregation. We would encourage you to work at other events at home together as a family. So we will be getting schedules out for practicing these events soon. We believe these 5 events are pillars in which we would like to see our young people participate.

**Also there will be a Parent meeting for all Jr. Youth Parents January 10<sup>th</sup> in the Auditorium after PM services.** We are going to discuss events, improvements, changes, and all things that pertain to our Jr. Youth Program this night. We are asking that if you are able, Please make as much of an effort to be there as possible. Your feedback is vital, and we want to work together to make the Jr. Youth program the best it can be for our Flo-Bo Jr. Youth.

**Lastly, there will be a Parent meeting for all Sr. Youth Parents January 17<sup>th</sup> in the Auditorium after PM services.** We want to have discussion about events, and improvements, and what we can do in 2021 that meets the needs of our Sr. Youth Group. Please If at all possible, make every effort to join us and share your thoughts as we plan through the 2021 Year.

Even in the midst of this virus our youth program has thrived and that is because of you all. We are extremely thankful, and we want to continue to help our program lead kids closer to the Lord, and one another. If we can help please don't hesitate to call--- Cody



## **2020 CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Because of COVID-19, the report will be somewhat delayed and limited in its scope for 2020.

It will mainly consist of contributions made, in the white envelopes. Because contributions were recorded, in a number of different formats, some of the information could not be retained, as in the past.

If data is missing, or you have special problems, you should notify either Ray Carpenter or Jerry Trousdale. This should be done in writing and must contain all dates and amounts. We will review our records and attempt to provide you with information or data that may solve your problem. We request that you check and review your personal records prior to making your request.

## **JANUARY MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH**

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## **Sermon Titles:**

**AM:** New Year, New You (Ephesians 4:25-32)

**PM:** New Year, New You (Ephesians 5:15-21)

## **Assignments**

**Morning Worship**

**Scripture Reader:**

Zach Thompson

**Evening Worship**

**Scripture Reader:**

Hunter Robinson

**Leading in Communion:**

Greg Allen

**Prayers**

**First – Kyle Dickson**

**Last – Gary Morris**

**Prayers**

**First – Bob Harrington**

**Last – Jayden Woodfin**

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

**Song: Justin Farrar**

**Scripture: Jarrett Johnson**

**Prayer: Trent Woodfin**

## **Sermon Notes**

**Key Words:**

**Outline:**