

# 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

## They Keep Watch Over Our Souls

As a Youth Minister in Calvert City, KY, I was responsible for driving the church bus on most every trip we took. One year, as we were making our way to the cabin in Gatlinburg, TN for the annual Challenge Youth Conference and I had to maneuver the bus up a winding road which, only multiple occasions, seems to be the absolute edge of a cliff! It is fairly nerve-racking to drive such a bus up a road as that one but add on the fact that a dozen teenagers' lives were also in my hands, and it became a great weight of responsibility.

Hebrews 13:17 says, "Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you." The Shepherds here are helping to drive the proverbial bus of our lives. They are guiding us up the winding road so as to keep from falling over the edge of the cliff! Can you imagine the spiritual weight they must be carrying? Thank you, Shepherds, for your constant concern and care for the Christians within the Florence Boulevard church family!

Now to us members, are we heeding the advice given by the Hebrew writer? Are we making their Shepherding such that they can guide with joy and not groaning? Are we writing notes of encouragement to each of our four men to let them know how much we appreciate their spiritual counsel? Are we uplifting them words of positive words of affirmation know that it is to our advantage to build them up? Or do we allow our language to linger in criticisms and attacks that do more to discourage and tear apart than build up and empower? It is hard enough staying connected to 300+ souls, making hard decisions for a better future, and bearing the burden of knowing they are responsible for our souls. Let us interact and operate in a way that causes our Shepherds to lead with joy, knowing their collective motive to be the salvation of all our souls!

Austin Johnson

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

Wednesday: 6:30 pm



We express our sympathy to the family of Kenneth Cox. His funeral was conducted on Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Kenneth was a faithful member, here at Florence Blvd, and will be greatly missed.

We also express our sympathy to Kelly Gresham and her family, in the passing away of her grandfather, Charles Beavers. The family is having a private service on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### SICK/PRAYER LIST

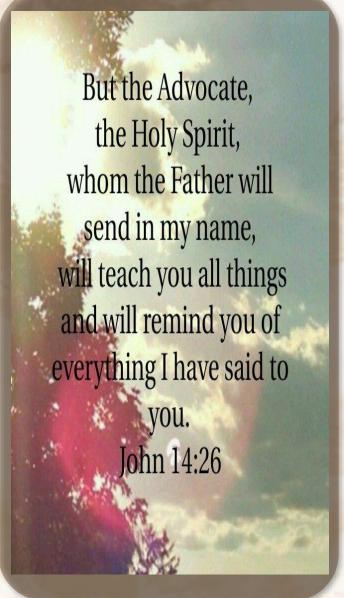
Coats, Marjorie Cox, Steve & Jeneane Ezell, Gene Gooch, Harlon Goolsby, Mary Garrett, Boyce Holderfield, Robert Holderfield, Eleanor Martin, Leo & Hazel Martin, Helen Parker, Larry Phillips, Paul Richardson, Dave & Janice Schmidt, Shelby Trousdale, Delores Williford FAMILY/FRIENDS: Brian Allen (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), Georgia Anders (grandmother of Sonya Cox), Larry Hunter (father of Kevin Hunter), June Jones (mother of Kaye Holderfield), Larry Martin (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington), Eugene Pierce (friend of Jerry Trousdale, Vance Pitts (husband of Patsy Pitts), Keith Wade (son of Doyce & Shelby Wade; brother of Mike Wade), Tim Webster (dad of Brett Webster) NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

Lane Baker, Reed & Sue Canerday, Ray Carpenter, Danny

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: 792 Sunday School & On Line Views: 403 Sunday PM & On-Line Views: 471 Wednesday & On Line Views:363

> Budget: 13,300 Contribution: 16,854

#### **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**: How Does God Discipline? (*Hebrews 12:4-11*)

PM: Prayer that Moves (*Proverbs 15:8*)

# **Assignments**

Morning Worship Evening Worship Scripture Reader: Scripture Reader: Tony Tucker Brently Gresham

Leading in Communion:

Steve Clark

Prayers Prayers

First – Mark Vanhorn First – Ronnie Putnam Last – Mark Willingham Last – Logan Morris

> Youth Led: (4:55pm) Song: Trent Woodfin

Scripture: Jarrett Johnson Prayer: Wesley Warner

# **Sermon Notes**

**Key Words:** 

Outline: