

FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Christian Goals: Peaceful & Quiet Life

Paul urged Timothy to lead himself and encourage others to lead prayers on behalf of all people, kings, and those in high positions (1 Timothy 2:1–2). He followed that statement up with a phrase that needs not to be forgotten—"that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way." What are these two descriptions and how should they impact our lives today?

A peaceful life is one of tranquility, without needless commotion or disturbances. Remember when Paul wrote to Timothy, who was King/in high political position—Nero. Paul urged Timothy and the other Christians in Ephesus to live peaceably even in the midst of the tyrannical rule of Nero! So today, we may be in complete disagreement with certain decisions and rules handed down our way, so be it. Live peaceably in their midst. We may not even like the rulers who are over us, so be it. Live peaceably in their midst. Living peaceably in the midst of these things means that we don't stir up issues ourselves but become peacemakers who provide a sense of calm. Remember, the peaceable life is one without needless commotion or disturbances from within oneself.

A quiet life is one of steadiness due to a divinely inspired inner calmness. Because of *who* leads my life, the Lord, I have a continual quiet spirit. This does not mean that I live in perpetual silence. Complete silence and a quiet life are two different things. A quiet life describes a stillness in the midst of a volatile and unsteady world. When a Christian is settled in their faith, no matter what is happening around them, they can keep a quiet and calm spirit *as they speak* and interact with people. This type of individual is not stoking the fire, stirring the pot, or adding anger or unneeded negativity to any situation. A quiet life is one defined by peace and confidence in Jesus the Christ, and it's quite noticeable.

Could your life be described as one that is peaceful and quiet? Do you stir the pot or do you bring the peace? Are you gentle with a quiet spirit, or are you the hammer that beats down? The Christian goal is a peaceful and quiet life. The bible commands it. Are you living it?

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

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES

Our youth group did not get to physically participate at Lads to Leaders convention this year, but they were able to send videos and take test online.

The following is a list of the winners:

The 12th Grade Puppet Team won 2nd place, which were the following individuals: Paisley Medley, Kailey Garrett, Kalyn Robbins, Caroline Gooch, Cecilia Gooch, Grace Tucker, Remington Medley, Garrett Gean, Jack Robbins.

Also, the following, placed in the top 10 of high scores for PEARLS test and Bible Bowl: Paisley Medley, Remington Medley, Kailey Garrett.

We are proud of everyone that had a part in Lads to Leader/Leaderettes.



All ladies are invited to a bridal shower, honoring Katie Clark, on Sunday, April 25th from 2-4 pm, at the home of Jewell Gooch (749 East Lakeside Drive, Florence).

It will take place on the back patio and mask are required. Selections are at Amazon, Target, and Bed, Bath & Beyond. Shower Team #4 is hosting (Shower Team Leader will be in contact with Shower Team #4).

SICK/PRAYER LIST

Lane Baker, Reed & Sue Canerday, Colton Clifton (deployed overseas), Marjorie Cox, Gene Gooch, Harlon Goolsby, Mary Garrett, Boyce Holderfield, Eleanor Martin, Leo & Hazel Martin, Helen Parker, Larry Phillips, Paul Richardson, Shelby Trousdale

<u>FAMILY/FRIENDS</u>:, Brian Allen (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), Willie Bird (brother of Mary Garrett) has colon cancer, Bill Hogue (brother of Elizabeth Prosser-has COVID and other health issues, June Jones (mother of Kaye Holderfield), Larry Martin (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington), Vance Pitts (husband of Patsy Pitts), Brett Wyatt (10 year old son of friend of Amy Dickson-has leukemia)

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

Mary Nix, Room 6; Glen Gist, brother of Rayford Gist, Room 13

THANK YOU

I cannot begin to thank you enough for all the cards, phone calls, emails, and all the prayers, during Kenneth's death and during our fight with Covid. Thank you to Margie Best, Barbara Mitchell, and Carolyn Poole, for the delicious food and also, thank you for the food that was delivered to the girls and their family, on the day of Kenneth's funeral.

In Christian love,

Marjorie Cox

Jennifer & Katrena

APRIL MISSIONARY
OF THE MONTH
Wayne Barrier (Burma)
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Sermon Titles:

Sunday AM: Your First Step in Discipleship (*John 15:7-17*)

Sunday PM: Why is Christianity so Hard? (2 *Timothy 3:1-9*)

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM: 222 / On Line Views: 339 Sunday School: N/A / On Line Views: N/A Sunday PM: 123 / On Line Views: 259 Wednesday: 127/ On Line Views: 184

> Budget: \$13,300 Contribution: \$ 16,427

Sermon Titles:

AM:

PM:

Assignments

Morning Worship Evening Worship Scripture Reader: Scripture Reader:

Leading in Communion:

Prayers Prayers
First – First –
Last – Last –

Youth Led: (4:55pm)

Song: Scripture: Prayer:

Sermon Notes

Key Words:

Outline: