

September 26, 2021



# FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Elders

Steve Clark  
Bill Hames  
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Dave Schmidt  
Mark Vanhorn  
Matt Warner  
Don Williams

## Minister

Austin Johnson

## Youth Minister

John Birdwell

## Secretary

Sonya Cox

## Routine Days

Most of us have a set, daily routine. We wake up from the night's rest and begin our day. For some it may involve physical exercise such as walking or calisthenics. For others, it may be the lifting of the newspaper or laptop to read the headlines. Maybe a reading of the Bible is part of the morning. Then, the preparation of the body begins—a shower or bath, grooming, and off to work we go (unless we are retired). The workday has its own routines, and then a pause for lunch. After finishing the workday, most people choose some sort of recreation or diversion (maybe their family chooses it for them). Reading, watching television, talking to friends or family, participating in sports—fall into this category. Finally, the day winds down and we prepare for bed. We sleep, believing we will do it again tomorrow.

At this point, you might be thinking, "What drudgery! No wonder people get tired and discouraged!" However, before you do that, think of the advantages that routine gives us. We can plan our day—insert something into, or strike something from our schedule with confidence. The routine gives rhythm and consistency to our lives and promotes a sense of normalcy. Even Jesus, in teaching his disciples to pray, spoke of "our daily bread" (Matthew 6:11).

So, what is wrong with routine? Nothing, really—unless we misuse it by allowing it to foster complacency instead of healthy consistency, or to promote self-sufficiency instead of gratitude.

I was watching the Weather Channel this week at lunchtime and an interview was taking place with a man and woman who stood in a subdivision with devastation all around them. Over the weekend, flood waters had raged in their town of Wavery, TN and destroyed houses and wrecked lives. They were asked to comment on the positive side of things. The woman was very grateful for the kindness of people, and their willingness to help. The man was asked what he was thankful for. He missed the usual and common things that were present just hours before. His answer: "I am thankful for routine days."

So, as we move through the "drudgery" and "the daily grind," let us remember: 1. Be thankful for the small (routine) things. "Give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). 2. The routine things that give us such comfort and consistency can change quickly. "Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring" (Proverbs 27:1).

In fact, you might want to break your routine by helping someone who has lost theirs.

*Lance Cordle, Calvert City church of Christ*

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

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

### **FOR THE RECORD**

Sunday AM: 253 / On Line Views: 236  
Sunday School: 209 / On Line Views: N/A  
Sunday PM: 184 / On Line Views: 140  
Wednesday: 180 / On Line Views: 97  
Budget: \$13,300  
Contribution: \$ 10,742

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### **SINGING**

**ALL** classes will meet in the auditorium, Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> for singing, except for Don Williams Grief Support Class, which will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

### **LADIES**

If you have not filled out your Ladies Worksheets, that are in your church mailbox, please do so as soon as possible and return them to Sonya.

Also, there is a need of someone that would be in charge of the groups for food for the sick. If you would like to do this, please see Sonya for details.

Also, help is needed with the Ladies Day, on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you can help with this, please go by the bulletin board, located in the hallway, by the water fountains, and sign up.



For our snapshot of the week, Flobo youth attended Shoals Area Youth Series Sunday evening at Tuscumbia and had a meal to follow. This picture reminds me of an African Proverb I have heard before, “if you want to go fast, go alone; **if you want to go far, go together.**” Let us all strive for unity in Christ this week.

In Christian Love,  
John

### **SEPTEMBER** **MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH**

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### **SUNDAY NIGHT FOR THE SAVIOR**

Last Sunday after PM services we had about 45 members stay for the Sunday Night for the Savior ministry. Thank you to everyone who stayed!

The dozen people who worked in the World Bible School room especially encouraged us. The Bible tells us to go into all the world and teach, and this is what they are doing.

Another especially joyful thing is seeing our young children hand making cards and notes for many of our members. I wish each of you had a chance to see some of the artwork and heartfelt thoughts written on these notes. Thank you children, and parents who bring their children to these meetings. I hope that each of you will check your church mailbox, as there were again, over 150 cards, notes of encouragement, thank you cards, and all kinds of special occasion cards sent out from this one meeting.

Tyler Swinea worked hard at clearing out the stained ceiling tiles from one of the upstairs classrooms, and then looked at the “Wheel of Fortune” which still needs attention.

Another accomplishment done during the week was the pressure washing of our porch and sidewalks. This took three days of hard work and we commend the one who did it, though he wants to remain un-named. Thank you!

This coming Sunday evening Contact Team #4 will be meeting and we hope to carry on with the work that is going very well, so far. Thank you all for your participation!