

December 5, 2021



# 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  
Kyle Dickson  
Gregg Elrod  
Nate Fulmer  
AJ Gooch  
Jamey Medley  
Ronnie Putnam  
Dave Schmidt  
Mark Vanhorn  
Matt Warner  
Don Williams

## Minister

Austin Johnson

## Youth Minister

John Birdwell

## Secretary

Sonya Cox

## The End

No matter what an individual does, they cannot cheat death. The fact of the matter is every person is destined to experience death unless Christ makes his second coming. Unless Christ returns in one's lifetime, each person will experience a bodily resurrection from death and God's judgment which will determine their eternal fate ([John 5:28-29](#); [Hebrews 9:27](#)). Having rejected God, unbelievers and the disobedient, will suffer eternal separation from God in hell ([Matthew 13:41-42](#); [2 Thessalonians 1:5-9](#)). Faithful and obedient believers will be received into joyful communion with God in heaven ([John 14:1-6](#)). These are facts of life from Scripture that serve as realities for us to hear and be prepared for.

## The Choice

In order to be prepared, all persons who have submitted their lives to the Lordship of Christ are united with him and with His body, His church. A person who submits is one who hears (understands), believes (has faith), repents (changes to please God), confesses (makes known) Jesus as the Son of God, and then is baptized by being immersed in water ([Acts 2:37-38](#); [Acts 8:26-39](#); [Acts 16:11-15](#); [Acts 16:25-34](#)). God then adds them to Christ's body, the one church ([Acts 2:47](#); [Ephesians 4:4-6](#); [Colossians 1:18](#)). Scripture teaches many principles which can only be understood and followed when a person is a believing member of a local congregation of Christ's church.

## The Church

Believers in local congregations of Christ's church are to gather for worship, prayer, fellowship and the study of the Word ([Acts 2:42](#); [Hebrews 10:24-25](#)). The local congregation is the place where each person's faith is developed, their gifts used in service, and where believers work together to reach those who have not heard the message of Jesus ([1 Corinthians 12:12-27](#)). Led and fed by elders (shepherds or pastors), deacons, and ministers, members are to work in unity and love for the ultimate purpose of glorifying and obeying God and Jesus Christ. However, there are matters that must be handled within the local congregation that may not be specifically discussed in Scripture. Therefore, in all matters of faith and practice, Scripture is the final authority. In essential matters of faith, the church should be unified. In matters of opinion, members have freedom to follow their consciences (*I would also suggest that they be communicating with the spiritual leaders, the Shepherds, for guidance and prayer*). In all matters of belief, love and respect should be shown within the church.

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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: 274 / On Line Views: 140  
Sunday School: 215 / On Line Views: 70  
Sunday PM: 202 / On Line Views: 120  
Wednesday: 161 / On Line Views: 78  
Budget: \$13,300  
Contribution: \$ 15,547



“The Lord bless thee, and keep thee: The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.”  
Numbers 6:24-26



### KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The kids Christmas Party, for Cradle Roll-6th Grade, will be **TONIGHT** following evening services, in the Lighthouse.

### CHURCH WIDE CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER

Will be **NEXT** Sunday, December 12th, following evening services, in the Fellowship Hall.  
Everyone is asked to bring sandwiches, chips, dip, drinks, and finger type desserts (brownies, cookies, etc.).

### WINTER QUARTER CLASSES

#### SUNDAY

**Auditorium:** Ken Vanhorn; Topic: Continuation of Ecclesiastes

**Ladies:** Gail Elrod; Topic: Book of James

**49er's:** Mark Willingham; Topic: Continuation the book of Acts

**Young Professionals:** Austin Johnson; Topic: “Hard Sayings of Jesus”

#### WEDNESDAY

**Auditorium:** Don Williams; Topic: Unsung Heroes of the Bible

**Young Professionals:** Austin Johnson; Topic: “Hard Sayings of Jesus”

### DECEMBER MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Jean-Claubert Belton  
Carrefour Michaud #46 Route Malpasse  
Entrée Double Harvest  
Croix des Bouquets  
Haiti

### SUNDAY NIGHT FOR THE SAVIOR

This past Sunday night after services, Contact Group 4 met for an hour to work for the glory of God.

Sheena Holt and several young helpers baked cookies to be taken to some of our shut – in's and members on Monday morning.

There were about nine who wrote cards and letters to many of our members and some of those who have been visiting with us at Florence Blvd.

Mark and Janet Willingham made a hospital visit to NAMC.

Lesa Calvo and Dave Schmidt worked on WBS lessons; by the way, Dave says there is plenty of work available every Sunday in the WBS ministry. If anyone is able to be involved, your help is greatly needed.

Since there are so many activities being held over the next several weeks on Sunday evenings after services, Sunday Night for the Savior will be put on hold until January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

One important reminder: there are many mailboxes in the foyer that are beginning to fill up and with Christmas cards being put in there now. Check your mailbox and see what is in there, many of you have hand- made cards from some of our young members that you will be sure to want.