Galatians 6:10 "Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those of the household of faith."

## January 31, 2016

### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS---**

- Terry Langley, Roger Key, Sue Whitehead, Carl Franklin, John Ozley, Sara Ozley, Aladene Jacks, Kynethia Kelley, Amanda Kelley, Myra Garrison, Jimmy Parker, Stefani, Kate Miller, Johnny Richardson, Conner Rice, Tim Craven, Mickey Aldridge, Beverly Craven, Tuesday Pierce, Faye Wilkinson Goodwin, Sarabeth Upton, Rhonda Knowles.
- Sawyer Jones, Jeremiah Hughes, Robert Langley, Ana Reichelderfer & all of our servicemen and women who are defending freedom. Our nation and its leaders. Those that preach and teach the gospel; especially those who labor under hardships. Ben Brownfield, Shannon Brown, and Terry Tatum (Christians' at Donaldson) and Robert Gibson and Walter Aldridge (released Christians who are struggling).

#### BLACK CREEK UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### • Donaldson Bible Classes Suspended due to quarantine.

Today **John Powell** will be appointed as a Deacon here at Black Creek. We rejoice that we have men such as John who have proved themselves according to the scriptures. **Area Gospel Meetings:** 

**No Notices Received** 

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### Those Needing our Prayers.....

**Matt Carter** will have eye surgery Thursday at the Eye Foundation Hospital. **Terry Tatum** (Christian who is incarcerate) is suffering from a hernia.

Jimmy Parker (Tim's father) is now home but is need of prayers.

**Tim Norris** (Bunny's brother) seems to be better but still is very sick. **Roger Key** is the same.

**Becky Oglesby** (Melanie's friend who has breast cancer) Pray for her as she undergoes continual chemo therapy.

**Eric Heddon** (Jackie Richardson's nephew & Carla Hutto's brother) test revealed problems. He will see his cardiologist Monday and expects a heart catheterization to be scheduled asap.

**John Ozley** continues making progress; but has experienced foot problems. **Anne Holbrook** (Angelia's mother) needs our prayers.

## **Black Creek Banner of Truth**

Black Creek church of Christ 1235 Alliance Rd; Alliance, Alabama 436-4477

"You have given a BANNER to those who fear you, that it may be displayed because of the TRUTH. " Psalms 60:4

Editor:

Van Cooper

### **Schedule of Services**

Lord's Day	<u>Wednesday</u>
9:30 A.M. Bible Classes	
10:30 A.M. Worship	7:00 P.M.

### 4:00 P.M. Worship (3 PM on the second Sunday of every month)

<u>Elders</u>		<u>Deacons</u>	
Philip Jacks	436-3055	Jeff Swindle	475-3043
Truman Wallace	483-7016	Matt Carter	491-0414
Van Cooper	491-9695	Roger Key	491-3723
•		Mike Wood	522-5703

### **Evangelist**

Sammy Bynum 368-3511

Who We Are: The Black Creek Church of Christ is simply a group of Christians dedicated to serving God. We believe the Bible to be the inspired Word of God and it is to be our sole guide. We are committed to preaching the gospel of Christ, which is man's only hope for eternal life.

We are interested in helping anyone who is searching for the way to God. We welcome the opportunity to privately study the Bible with you. If you would contact us, we would be happy to meet with you. In addition, you are invited to visit one of our public assemblies (information is above). At our public Bible studies, we have classes for adults and children of all ages. If we can help you in knowing more about God and His Word, then please visit, call, or write us.

(Visit us on-line at (<u>WWW.blackcreekchurch.com</u>)

## Six Questions of Life for Young People

# What kind of son or daughter will I be?

The world says, "You are only young once, so enjoy it in every way you can." This is easy for most to accept, because they want freedom from restraints. However, the Bible says, "Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth." (Ecclesiastes 12:1). Young people should be obedient and have consideration for their parents (Ephesians 6:1-3; Proverbs 10:1; 17:50; 25). Parents are not, as some think, just old fogies trying to keep them from having a good time - but are mature and experienced in many of life's problems. It is wise for young people to heed the advice of their parents (Proverbs 13:1).

## What kind of character shall I develop?

"A good name is better than precious ointment." (Ecclesiastes 7:1). "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, loving favor rather than silver and gold" (Proverbs 22:1). It takes no planting, watering, or cultivating to grow weeds; nor does it take effort to grow worthless character. Careful attention and diligent effort are required for noble character. Young people, strive to build a good reputation by purity and godliness, and by being examples of the believers (1 Timothy 4:12).

## Whom shall I choose as my associates?

"Do not be deceived: Evil company corrupts good habits" (1 Corinthians 15:33). "Evil companionships corrupt good morals" (1 Corinthians 15:33 ASV). The counterpart of this is also true: Good companionships promote good morals. Young people should avoid the crowd that drinks, dances, tells dirty stories, uses curse words, and laughs and pokes fun at people who serve God.

## What will be my life's occupation?

Much depends on the answer of this question. In far too many instances, though, too much emphasis is placed on money. "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?" (Matthew 16:26). Furthermore, one must be careful to choose an occupation that is honorable and legitimate. Dishonest gains and get rich schemes must be avoided. This may mean a smaller income; however, "Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right" (Proverbs 16:8).

### Whom shall I marry?

If there is ever a place for clear minds and true ideas, it is in marriage. God's laws must be understood, respected, and heeded (Matthew 5:32; 19:9). Marriage is for life (Romans 7:2-3; 1 Corinthians 7:39). The best advice I can give to young people in choosing a mate is, "Marry a Christian" (a faithful Christian -TN). Marry someone who will encourage you in the way of salvation. If that boy or girl cannot be converted before marriage, they probably never will be, and problems are only multiplied when children come along.

# What shall I do with my life in relation to God?

If you have never obeyed the gospel, you should answer, "I shall become a Christian." Jesus said, "For whosoever is ashamed of Me and My words, of him the Son of Man will be ashamed." (Luke 9:26). If you are already a Christian, you should answer, "I shall remain faithful." Jesus said, "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. But he who endures to the end shall be saved" (Matthew 24:12-13). By **David J. Riggs** 

## 12 Reasons Why a Christian Quit Attending Sporting Events

1. The coach never came to visit me.

2. Every time I went, they asked for money.

3. The people sitting in my row didn't seem very friendly.

4. The seats were very hard.

5. The referees made a decision I didn't agree with.

6. I was sitting with hypocrites they only came to see what others were wearing!

7. Some games went into overtime and I was late getting home.

8. The band played some songs I had never heard before.

9. The games are scheduled on my only day to sleep in and run errands.

10. My parents took me to too many games when I was growing up.

11. Since I read a book on sports, I feel that I know more than the coaches, anyway.

12. I don't want to take my children because I want them to choose for themselves what sport they like best.