

LEADERSHIP/STAFF

Elders

- Ben Coxwell
- Billy Lambert

Deacons

- Tyler Gill - Order of Worship
- Daniel Henry - Youth
- Wayne Herring - Benevolence
- Benn Keevan - Maintenance
- Casey Tomecek - Audio/Video
- Robert Tyree - Security
- Steve Yager - Education

Ministers

- Ray Reynolds
PULPIT MINISTER
- Eric Whittle
YOUTH & FAMILY
- Billy Lambert
GTKYB MINISTRY
- Steve Yager
OUTREACH MINISTRY

Secretaries

- Sandy Daugherty
- Christy Gill
- Carolyn Till

TIMES OF SERVICE:

SUNDAYS

Bible Classes - 9AM
Worship - 10AM
PM Classes - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS

Adult Bible Class- 10AM
Bible Classes - 6:30PM

WEBSITE / LIVESTREAM:

www.summerdalechurch.org

LOCATION/CONTACT:

1070 Hwy 59 S. - PO Box 314
Summerdale, AL 36580
Office Directory: 251-989-7748
Fax: 251-989-6253
Office Email:
summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Thurs: 9AM-1PM
After 1PM: Appointment Only

ONLINE GIVING:

summerdalechurch.org/give



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Facebook@scocalabama

SCOC MEMBERS:

- Bonnie Alvis
- James Anderson - Knee replacement on 7/25. Home recovering.
- Dianne Carney - Loss of father.
- Larry Cason - Home recovering after falls & arthritic sepsis.
- Lyndia Daugherty
- Kelvin Farrington & family: Loss of brother, Douglas, to cancer on 7/5.
- Emma Fell
- Daniel Henry - Surgery on 8/22 for multiple bulging disc in neck.
- Iris Irwin & her sister, Louise Daniels.
- Family of Brad Hodges - Brad passed away on 7/17.
- Theresa Krause - Undergoing chemo treatments.
- Becky Nicholson
- Mike Reedy
- Misty Reynolds
- Robinson Family
- David Till - Multiple health issues.
- Patti Waters
- Tina Welch - Major surgery last week. In ICU; long recovery ahead.
- Jeremy White - Multiple back surgeries; recovering at home.
- **SHUT-INS: PLEASE SEND CARDS, CALL, & VISIT WHEN POSSIBLE.**
- Gay Black
- Tim Howell
- Ella Mae Kellerman - (The Brenntny in Daphne)
- Paul & Rosemary Kitchens
- Don Lambert
- Philip Markham - Home on hospice.
- Linda Smith
- Mae Smith
- Myra Wright - Haven Memory Care in Gulf Shores

FAMILY/FRIENDS:

- Barbara Beam: Steve Norris' sister
- Wesley Calloway: (Linda D. nephew) Leukemia.
- Diane Chamblee: Geraldean Yager's daughter
- Colby Douglas: Health issues related to his heart. Trying to treat it with medication.
- Mike Fowler: Todd Sanford's brother-in-law - Cancer
- Denise Freeman: Friend of Rita Ellis. Longterm Covid complications.
- Jennifer Houston: Louis Smith's daughter
- Douglas Kenner: (JoEllen's Porter's father). Living with the Porter's. Dementia, multiple health issues.
- Matilda Knapp's grandson, Cade.
- Fred Lincoln: Barbara Howell's nephew. Stage 4 colon cancer.
- Roger McCaleb: Moved to Pensacola.
- Danny Morgan (Ken's brother) Recovering from car accident injuries.
- Euline Norman: Rhonda Butler's mom: Health issues.
- Chris Till - Recovering from back surgery at home.
- Darren Williamson:(Father of Cecily's co-worker)Aggressive brain tumor.
- Tim Wright - Candy Allen's Father: Biopsy revealed Cancer; Undergoing radiation, then surgery.
- Doris Younce: Darlene Timphony's aunt: Hospice care.

MILITARY:

- Tyler Allen: (Bonnie Coxwell's nephew) Guam
- Brady Armstrong - (Stacie Kent's son-in-law)
- Fischer Carr - Hawaii
- Zane Rider
- Gisela Santos - South Carolina for Basic Training (Marines).
- Gabriel Stephens - (Mike & April's son) Sam Houston Air Force Base

MISSIONARIES:

- Jeff Abrams (Ukraine)
- Andy Erwin (WPT)
- Wayne Pruette (Guyana)

If you need to add or take someone off the prayer list,
please email Christy by 10AM Thursday:
summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com

PRAYER LIST



SUMMERDALE
CHURCH OF CHRIST

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 7/28

Welcome/Prayer: Ben Coxwell

Lead Singing: Orlando Pittman

Opening Prayer: Steve Yager

Comm/Offering: Alan Jopson

- Kelvin Farrington
- Tyler Gill
- Gerald Holcomb
- Chase Joiner
- London McDonald
- Kile Votaw

Scripture Reading: Hayden Joiner

Matthew 26:36-46

Sermon: Ray Reynolds

Closing Remarks: Ben Coxwell

Closing Prayer: Louis Smith

July Security: Tommy Smith & Curte Stitt

August Security: Micah Allen & Mike Timphony
(Contact Robert Tyree if unable to work security.)

***If you are not able to serve at the time you've
been scheduled, please contact Tyler Gill ASAP
so someone else can be assigned.

Greeters: 7/28: Mike & Paula McLean



Visitor Registration

Welcome Visitors!

Please fill out one of our
Connection Cards, located on
the Welcome Table, or scan the
QR code with your smartphone
to fill it out online. We'd love the
opportunity to get to know YOU!

I COME TO THE GARDEN ALONE: TOUGH TIMES TO TALK TO GOD

MATTHEW 26:36-46

1) The Prayers of Jesus

* First Prayer (Matthew 26:36-41)

- _____ (Mark 14:36)

* Second Prayer (Matthew 26:42-43)

- _____ (Luke 22:46, Mark 14:40)

* Third Prayer (Matthew 26:44-46)

- _____ (II Corinthians 12:8)

2) The Prayers of a Christian

* Talk To God When _____

- I Samuel 1:10-11, James 1:2-5, Philippians 4:6-7

* Talk To God When _____

- John 14:13, James 4:1-3, I John 4:14-15

* Talk To God When _____

- II Corinthians 12:7-12, James 5:14-15, Isaiah 53:3-4

* Talk To God When _____

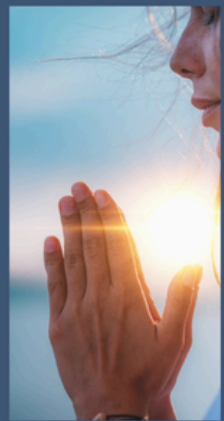
- Psalm 51, James 5:16, I John 1:9-10

NEWS & UPDATES

Please Join Us:
County Wide
Prayer Service
For Our Nation!



Sunday, 7/28th
2PM-3PM



The effective,
fervent prayer
of a righteous
man avails
much.
James 5:16

There will NOT be a 5PM this evening, 7/28.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 7/28: 2-3PM: Prayer service for our Nation. NO 5PM service.
- 7/31: Freddy's Night after PM Bible class
- 8/3: 8AM: Brotherhood Breakfast: See Barry for info.
- 8/8: 6:15PM: Robertsdale Healthcare Visit/Devo. See Rick Schieber for info.
- 8/10: 5:30PM - Teen Summer Bash @ the Whittle's.
- 8/17: 10AM: Robertsdale Healthcare Activities w/residents. See Christy for info.



Sunshine Corner

PULPIT MINISTER - RAY REYNOLDS
churchofchristsummerdale@gmail.com

The Book of Song of Solomon = Unveiling Biblical Passion

In a world filled with various perceptions of sex and love, the Bible stands as a timeless source of wisdom and guidance on the topics of intimacy, desire, and relationships. While some may be surprised to learn that the Bible delves into such intimate matters, a deeper exploration reveals profound insights on the beauty and sanctity of human connection. And, why wouldn't we expect this from our God? The first commandment to humanity was to procreate and fill the earth with offspring (**Genesis 1:28**).

At the heart of the Bible's exploration of love and sex lies the Song of Solomon, a poetic masterpiece celebrating the beauty and passion found in romantic relationships. This book, also known as Song of Songs, captures the essence of desire, longing, and devotion between two lovers in a way that is both sensual and spiritual.

The Song of Solomon paints a vivid picture of the joys of physical intimacy, with verses that speak of the intoxicating allure of one's beloved. Through its evocative language and imagery, this book reminds us that love is a gift to be cherished and celebrated in all its forms. Likewise the reader can sense the erotic nature of a couple in courtship, waiting until the wedding day. The Bible does not shy away from discussing the topic of sex. Instead, it approaches the subject with reverence and respect, emphasizing the importance of love, commitment, and mutual respect in intimate relationships. There are literally hundreds of Scriptures that discuss sex.

In the book of Genesis, we see the divine institution of marriage. It was designed to unite a man and a woman in a lifelong partnership based on love and mutual support. This foundational concept sets the stage for understanding the sanctity of physical intimacy within the context of a committed relationship (**Song of Solomon 2:16, 7:10**). The Bible's teachings on sex and love extend beyond mere physical pleasure, delving into profound emotional and spiritual dimensions. It reminds us that intimacy is more than just a physical act; it is a reflection of the deep bond shared between two individuals that seek the marital bed. It is the most intimate way to connect with your spouse.

By honoring the principles of love, trust, and faithfulness, the Bible encourages us to cultivate relationships built on mutual understanding and compassion. Through acts of kindness, respect, and selflessness, we can nurture a love that transcends the physical and touches the depths of the soul. This is especially true of the husband and wife, longing to be lovers.

Despite its emphasis on purity and moral conduct, the Bible also recognizes the complexities of human nature and the inevitability of temptation and sin. It offers a message of hope and redemption, reminding us that forgiveness and grace are available to all who seek them. With each verse we are confronted with the godly perspective of trying to overcome fornication. Sex is sacred. Love wins. Have a great week!

You Are Loved. *Ray*



Please see Andrea if you are willing to help with the curriculum for *Camp David*. This is our 9AM children's Sunday School program starting in September. Thank you for investing in our children's spiritual growth!

"Welcome Home"



SAVE THE DATE

September 15th is National Back To Church Sunday!

Here's the mailing address for Gisela Santos, who is in basic training in SC. Please take a moment to send her a note of encouragement. Be sure to address it exactly as shown:

RCT Gisela SantosGarcia
3rd RTBN NOVEMBER CO PLT 3073
Box 16365
PARRIS ISLAND, SC 29905-6355

***If you would like the address for one of our other members serving in the military that's been previously listed, please contact the office.

- Good Samaritan House items of the month: JULY Canned Goods, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mayo, & Ketchup.**
- If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the new book, *Every Prayer Answered* written by Michael Shank, author of *Muscle And A Shovel*, please see Hazel to sign up.



This month our theme has been "Much More Prayer". We all know that prayer is something we should do often, as 1 Thessalonians 5:17 tells us to "pray without ceasing". Jesus even instructed us on how to pray. As Christians, we know that prayer is an essential part of our daily walk with God. So why is it so hard? I think like anything else; it takes practice.

As an athlete in high school, I always heard the phrase "practice makes perfect". Now that I have gotten into coaching, I have learned that that phrase should be "perfect practice makes perfect". So, we need to practice praying more, but we must do it "perfectly". Now I am not insinuating that we are perfect. We are far from it. However, we can practice our prayer in a more perfect way.

When you say your prayers this week, try these four things. First, believe in what you pray for. As Christians, we often say we believe things, but do we truly believe them? If we believe in the power of prayer then we should believe that our prayers will be heard, and they will be answered. Jesus said in Mark 11:24 "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." So, believe that God will give you what you ask for.

Next, understand that your prayers are making a difference. James tells us in chapter five and verse sixteen of his book that "The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." Your prayers are effective, so keep them coming! When you pray, leave all your cares and worries behind. Give all that "stuff" that is weighing you down over to God and just pour your heart out to Him. Remember Paul's words from Philippians. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." God wants to hear what you have to say, and He will hear your prayers, so don't worry about what to say or how to say it. Just talk to God!

Finally, be confident in your prayers. God wants us to approach Him boldly. The Bible tells us in Hebrews to "with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Be confident that God will help you in your time of need. He loves you and is always there when you need Him.

I pray that in your prayers this week you will be uplifted, edified and will boldly ask for God to bless you and your walk with Him. Remember you are loved!

Eric



Sunday Night Soldiers
8/2 @ 5PM

JULY - ELDER OF THE MONTH: BEN COXWELL

If you have a concern that needs to be brought to the attention of the elders, please contact the Elder Of The Month, who will be listed in the newsletter each week.



WHERE CAN I FIND GTKYB?

GTKYB Podcasts: Most Platforms
PRAY TV: WEDNESDAY 10:30AM
PRAY RADIO: M-F 12PM CST
DIRECTV:

Sunday 9AM CST - Cowboy Channel #603
Sunday 10:30PM CST - GEB TV #363
DISH NETWORK:
Sunday 9AM CST - Cowboy Channel #232
GOSPEL BROADCASTING NETWORK:
Daily Shows at 5:30AM CST
Stream 24/7 on our YouTube Channel
www.gettingtoknowyourbible.com



Cindy Hatcher is available for counseling appointments in person or via ZOOM. Call 251-263-3100 for an appointment.