PRAYER LIST

CHERYL BARRON, Stan Raley's sister
RITA CHAPLIN – friend of Renée Cumberland, in
Waukegan, IL; diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in several
areas. Husband, Stan, gospel preacher.

DAVE DAVIS

TERRY FINLEY, Shannon's uncle, to undergo back surgery for 2nd time on March 14th.

ODELL GURLEY, Jeremy's (Elizabeth Fair Gurley) granddad; lung cancer treatment

EVELYN GUY, diabetic issues

CHRIS HATCHER, brother-in-law of Paul Guy, and husband of Rachel Hatcher; lab is positive for cancer JUDY JENNINGS, former member; rare form cancer 2027 Green Gate PL ~ Grayson, GA 30017-1857

BETTY JOHNSON, home-bound

SAILOR RAE JONES & her mother Melyna, friend of Jennifer Guy. Infant Sailor heart surgery recovery

NAN LEGGETT, friend of Mike & Renée Cumberland

MIKE McCRARY, Josh McCrary's dad

REATHA RAINER, in dementia facility; % Adrian Rainer 5310 Tara AVE ~ Northport AL 35473

MRS GENE RALEY, Stan's mom – health issues STAN RALEY

ALETHA RAY, Moriah McCrary's mom – cancer recurrence. Returning to MD Anderson last week; 10218 US Hwy 98 ~ Fairhope, AL 36532

FAY RIVES (Mrs. Ted Rives) -

109 Executive DR ~ Arab AL 35016

AL ST. CLAIR

DEE TUCKER, Shannon Finley's cousin in his 30's, having multiple health issues, including complications related to kidney dialysis

ROB WARREN

EUGENE WHITE & family, recent passing of his sister, Betty White Johnson; funeral last week VELMA "DUCK" YATES, back issues MEMBERS of our ARMED SERVICES

CHURCH MISSION WORK WORLDWIDE

ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY

March 9: Renée Cumberland March 10: Eugene & Mary White March 12: Mike Cumberland

Note: If you are new to our family, or have changes to your info, please see Renée Cumberland.

Bible Class Teachers Meeting

Today, immediately following morning worship service

~ Please stay for this brief meeting ~

This meeting is for all current teachers & assistants, as well as anyone interested in becoming a teacher or assistant in the future.

Please see Randy Rives for more info.

Ladies Bible Class

Wednesday this week at 10 a.m. at the Meridian Church of Christ

We will study lesson 7 from the book

Special Delivery:

A Course in Letter-Writing
by Jane McWhorter

All ladies are welcome to join this study!



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Two-sport standout signs with MCC



Before every game or match, Federico Hourdebaigt draws the initials "RH" on his right wrist, along with a cross.

By Drew Kerekes dkerekes@themeridianstar.com
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They stand for Rodolfo Hourdebaigt, who died when Federico was nine years old. After learning to play both soccer and tennis from his dad — his first coach — Federico Hourdebaigt wanted to continue doing so beyond high school.

Thursday afternoon, the Northeast Lauderdale High School senior got his wish, inking with Meridian Community College to play soccer and tennis for his first two years of college.

"I'm very blessed," Federico Hourdebaigt said. "It's been a dream of mine ever since I was little, because these are the two sports my dad taught me how to play."

The journey following his father's passing wasn't easy, but Federico Hourdebaigt said he's glad he stuck with athletics in part because it's a way for him to honor his father's memory.

MERIDIAN STAR

"After he passed I didn't play soccer for two years," Federico Hourdebaigt said. "Mom kind of influenced me with tennis, because she played, but Dad coached all of my (youth) teams."

He'll still be writing those initials on his wrist at MCC, and Federico Hourdebaigt said he's grateful for the opportunity the coaches at MCC are giving him.

"It's local; it's close to my mom, and I didn't want to leave her by herself," Federico Hourdebaigt said. "I had one offer from (Copiah-Lincoln Community College) that was just for soccer, but I got offered both at MCC, and that was special. I've always wanted to play both in college, and to do that is a dream come true."

Northeast Lauderdale boys soccer coach Matt Castleberry said Federico Hourdebaigt is the first player who's signed a college soccer scholarship in his four years coaching the Trojans. Having a player who's also a tennis standout was helpful in developing his soccer skills, Castleberry said.

"They're very similar, especially with the lateral movement," Castleberry said. "I think that's huge. There have been several players who have played at a high level, especially the women's team, who played tennis, and it's helped their lateral movement."

Linda Weir, the tennis coach at Northeast Lauderdale, said Federico Hourdebaigt is a good role model for younger players because of his work ethic and willingness to do what the coaches asked.

"He's a team player," Weir said. "He'll do what's best for the team. Last year, I needed him to step up and play boys singles, even though he prefers to play doubles, and he did that.

"He's pretty easy to coach. He gets out there and works a lot on his own, and a lot of kids don't do that today. He's pretty self-driven."

Finding balance between so many different sports — Federico Hourdebaigt is also a kicker for the football team — is difficult, he said.

"Sometimes I have to leave a certain practice early to make it to another practice on time, but on weekends, I usually just go out and practice whatever season I'm in and try to get better," Federico Hourdebaigt said.

"It's very stressful, especially with all the schoolwork we have on top of that. Trying to be good at a sport and be good in school, it's hard."

Federico Hourdebaigt is also the son of Mirta DeAngelo.