Dwight Baptist Church 520 North 29th Street, Gadsden, AL 35904 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m. **Rev. Daryle Nichols** Wednesday Evening Service 6:00 p.m. **Rev. John Templeton** Pastor **Minister of Students** -1101010 A Christian without a Church Home Is an Oxymoron September 2016 - Birthday's A friend of mine posted on social media the other day, "I frequently hear 01 Jon David Gilbert 15 from people, 'I don't have to go to church to be saved.' In one sense that is true, Ollie Brown Gordon Snyder April Glenn 03 18 but you need to ask yourself, 'If I don't want to go to church, then am I saved?" 07 Jamie Ellis 18 Jerry Don Williams Certainly going to church does not make me a Christian any more than going to James Sprayberry 19 Max West 07 MacDonald's makes me a Big Mac. However, how can you say that you love Katherine Brown 08 Kay Small 26 Jesus and not be a part of His body the church? In the Bible we read that "Christ 08 William Swindall 26 Phyllis Lee also loved the church and gave Himself for her" (Ephesians 5:25). If Jesus so 09 26 Mackenzie Martin Greg Edge loved the church that He was willing to die for her, do you not think as believers 10 Elise Turner 28 Aaron Templeton we should give our support to the church with our attendance and service. 29 12 Haley Dayton Bobby Klein 1 John 2:19 reads, "They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if 14 Katie Elise Hopper 29 Will Moore they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that 29 Shirley William 14 Judy Owens they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us." What is John saying? He is communicating to his listening audience that there were people who left the church, but they never really belonged. "Otherwise," he says, "They would have stayed with us. When they left, it proved that they did not belong with us." **Upcoming - Special Events** The writer of Hebrews puts it like this. "Let us consider one another in September 4 & 18, Church-wide visitation at 5 p.m. order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves **Community Outreach** together, as *is* the manner of some, but exhorting *one another*, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching" (Hebrews 10:24-25). As Christians, we September 5, Church office will be closed in belong to the body of Christ, the church. It is impossible to love Christ and not be observance of Labor Day a part of His bride, the church. When we come together as believers, we should August 6, Leisure Timers, 11:30 in the NLC. think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works; and we James Spann with 33/40 will be out guest speaker. must not neglect our meeting together. We come together to encourage one another, especially in these evil days, as we await the return our Lord Jesus Christ. September 11, Deacons' Meeting at 8 a.m. In Christ, Bro. Daryle September 17, Brotherhood breakfast, 7:30 a.m. in the NLC. September 18, A Call to Prayer 6 p.m. in the sanctuary,. It's hard to believe that it is already September. School has been back in session for September 21, Business Meeting almost a month at this point. High school football is in full swing and students are finally settling back into the school year routine. This means busy students and busier parents!!! September 22 & 23, Youth Leader Conference Yay!! I hope you sense my sarcasm. Birmingham, Al. During the month of August our students went through a series on Wednesday night September 27, Saints of Joy will meet in their titles "Stand Out". This series looked at the lives of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, Abedneclassroom at 1 p.m. go and Moses. We looked at the text and the way that each of these individuals had devoted themselves to the Lord. They stood out in a crowd of people who only wanted to blend in. We challenged the students to resolve in their hearts to be set apart this school year for the lord and to pray for opportunities to share Jesus with other students, to be compassionate to all people and to be as determined as Daniel was determined not to defile himself. I encourage you all to commit to pray for our students daily!! Thanks, Bro John Brothers and Sisters in Christ, As Bro. Daryle Nichols begins his sermon series, "Revive Us Again", I am also inspired to help revive our heart for worship. Worship is the ultimate form of servitude and gratitude to our God. We should be receptive to His Spirit each time He is in our presence, no matter if we are at church, on the go, at work or at home. Worshiping the Lord should not just be when we sing praises, but in every act that we do! I pray that the 3 Church of the Living God will have a renewal like never before, and each heart will be set ablaze for the Kingdom's Glory! In His Love, Bro. Brenden Leisure Timers Hosting Celebrity Visitor **Everyone invited!** Tuesday, September 6 at 11:30 A.M. in the N.L.C. **Reservations required!** Call the church office 256-546-2847 to make a reservation. Π Lunch is \$5.00