Dwight Baptist Church

520 North 29th Street, Gadsden, AL 35904

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Rev. John Templeton Minister of Students

Rev. Daryle Nichols

Pastor

October 2016 - Birthday's

02	Connor Haynes	22	Peggy Logan
09	Drew Templeton	22	Mary Ann Riley
15	Autumn Thrower	23	Tim Robertson
15	Shaugni Thrower	24	Linda Rowe
17	Glenda Byars	25	William Swindall, Jr.
17	Margaret Fails	26	Randy Lowe
19	Janice Colegrove	26	Faye Sprayberry
19	Joseph Fails	31	Delores Parsons

Upcoming - Special Events

Homecoming - October 2, 2015 119 years of serving the Lord!

Dr. Steve Trader will be our guest speaker, and Alan Hudson will be leading the music.

The service will be followed by a Fellowship Meal.

The church will furnish the meat, bread and drinks.

Church members are asked to furnish the vegetables, salads and desserts.

October 8, Brotherhood breakfast, 7:30 a.m. in the NLC.

October 9, Deacons' Meeting at 8 a.m.

October 9 & 23, Church-wide visitation at 5 p.m. Community Outreach

October 13, Leisure Timers will leave the church at 8 a.m. Southern Belle Riverboat Cruise, Chattanooga, TN. Cost \$ 35 which includes transportation, cruise and lunch. Reservation deadline is October 3, 2016.

October 19, Business Meeting

October 20, EBA Mission Center Fundraiser Lunch, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Gadsden.

October 23, Youth Bonfire, 6:00 p.m. See Bro. John for more information.

October 27, Wall Street Treats, 5 - 7 p.m.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope that this letter finds all of you well! I wanted to share a thought that has been reoccurring to me. This past month, during one of our worship services, we had the privilege of singing Casting Crowns' song "Glorious Day". If you have yet to hear this song, let me tell you it is wonderful. It vividly paints the picture of the sacrifice that Jesus made for us and the power that rose Him from the grave. As we sang, I turned around from the choir to find our congregation standing and just praising the Lord! What a glorious day it was! Isn't it great to have the freedom to worship the one who died for our sins? Isn't it wonderful to give Him our all? If you have not experienced this freedom, give it a try! When the Holy Spirit flows over you, it is hard to contain the joy of the Lord!

In His Love, Bro. Brenden

"I AM NOT ASHAMED..."

It is the power of God in our life that makes us secure. The Apostle Paul said, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes... For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith" (Romans 1:16-17 NKJV).

Many people today live without hope. They have no resources to strengthen them and guide them through their struggles in life. According to Paul's words, the focus of the Christian faith is the Gospel, which is the good news that God's power is available to help you in whatever problems you face. Through Jesus Christ a power great enough to bring salvation and deliverance is available to any person who believes. God's power can make you secure.

When we experience God's power in our lives, the result is change. We are told in the Scriptures that it is the goodness of God that leads us toward repentance (Romans 2:4). God desires to change the direction of our lives.

But, why do we need to change? Because of sin, change is necessary. Romans 3:23 says, "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." We all have a sin problem. We all fall short of perfection. God's standard for us is Jesus Christ.

Although none of us meets God's standards, He still loves us. "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8 NKJV). In spite of our sin, God still loves us.

God's love for you is not based on ignorance and an unawareness of sin. Nor is it based on a tolerance that overlooks your sin. Knowing your sin, God chose to love you, even though it meant His Son's death for you. In doing what was necessary to overcome your problem with sin, God demonstrated the depth and reality of His love for you.

In Christ, Bro. Daryle

Prayer Requested

Church family I hope this finds you well!! It has been a busy last few months in the world of student ministry! Between attending ballgames, See You at the Pole, teaching abstinence education in some of the middle schools , speaking at First Priority's, taking online classes and preparing for Sunday and Wednesday night services the week can become a blur. God is using DBC students in a great way. I have found in my years of ministry that God doesn't always work in the fireworks and light shows so to speak, but he also works in the quiet and stillness. Far be it from us to say God isn't working because we "aren't seeing" tangible results.

God is opening doors!! I want to ask you to urgently pray for this. On September 7 we started a First Priority Club at Emma Sansom Middle School. This is a Christian club that meets once a week before school. We feed them breakfast, play a game and do a devotion. Since starting we have averaged around 60 students. Please be lifting this club up as you pray daily that through it students would come to know Christ. Also lift up all the students of Dwight as they are making an impact in their schools!! Love you all!! J.T.

