

Pastor's Paragraph

Hello Church Family,

I pray that this month's newsletter finds you and your family doing well. This past month has flown by, and it is hard to believe it is already March! March is going to be a month of preparation. We are preparing for God to do great things in April, particularly on Easter Sunday morning, or as I like to say, Resurrection Day.

As I'm sure you have heard by now, we are participating in an effort to reach our state for the Gospel called "God's Plan for Sharing", or GPS. While the name itself is a play on words, the meaning behind it is Biblical. We live in a world where people can pinpoint their exact location using a GPS (Global Positioning System). The Bible pinpoints where people's hearts are. There are many in our community who do not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. It is our job to reach out to them with the Good News.

March 20 and 27 are going to be very important days in the life of Dwight Baptist Church. On those days we will be going through our community praying for the lost as well as inviting our neighbors to join us for worship on April 4 (Resurrection Day). I want to encourage you and your family to make every effort possible to join with your church family in reaching our community for Christ. Both Saturdays will be from 9 until 11 am with food being served from 8 until 8:30 both weeks. You will be a big help even if you are only able to come for portions of one or both weeks.

Col 3:23-24 says, "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ." As with all things we do at Dwight, I want to strive for excellence in serving God in order that we might please Him. Certainly carrying out the Great Commission is an area in which we want to strive for excellence. I would like to leave you with a quote from William Carey, "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."

In Christ,

Jay

March Happenings

Each Tuesday and Thursday, Body Recall 5:00 p.m., NLC, All ladies invited.

1-Betty Pruett's Class Monthly Meeting, 6:00 p.m., NLC

2-Matthew 25 Meal, 5:00—7:00 p.m., NLC

7-Soup Lunch following the Morning Service, sponsored by the Class of Grace, \$6.00 per person or \$20.00 for a family of 4 or more, All proceeds go to Death to the Debt.

-Deacons' Monthly meeting, 5:00 p.m.

8-Church-wide Visitation/Invite Night and GPS Strategy Planning Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

9-Matthew 25 Meal, 5:00—7:00 p.m., NLC

-Vernell Bowen Circle will help with Matthew 25, 4:30 p.m. or as soon as you can get there.

11-Leisure Timers' Monthly Meeting, 11:30 a.m., NLC, Speaker: Bro. Jay Stewart

13-Church-wide Ladies' Brunch, Featuring the Damascus Road Band

14-Daylight Savings Begins, Spring forward one hour

-Budget & Finance Meeting, 5:00 p.m.

-Youth Winter Jam at BJCC

17-Monthly Business Meeting following Bible Study

20-Brotherhood Breakfast, 8:00-8:30 a.m., Biscuits will be served

-GPS Prayer Walk 9:00 a.m.

22-Church-wide Visitation/Invite Night, 6:00 p.m.

23-Matthew 25 Meal, 5:00—7:00 p.m., NLC

25-Betty Pruett's Class Trip to The Blue Willow Inn for Lunch, Meet at the Church at 8:30 a.m.

27-Gospel Tract Distribution for GPS, 9:00 a.m., NLC

28-Faithful Few ends

-Ordinance of the Lord's Supper in the Morning Service

Greg's Gabs

The other day I did a lesson out of Colossians 3:22-24. It basically said that we need to serve the Lord Christ and not man and we need to do it heartily. That is not a word that is very often used in today's world, but when we think about it we should serve and do it heartily.

We have many things in store for the month of March. Spring is just around the corner, and we plan on kicking off spring break by attending Winterjam on March 14 at the BJCC. Then we have activities planned during the week. March 20 we will participate in the GPS Prayer Walk and on March 27 the GPS Gospel Tract Distribution. We plan on going to Stevie B's on both days.

We also have Youth Choir every Sunday night at 5:00 p.m.. Thanks, Paul. So plan on being there. We are working on many things for the coming months and want you to be part of it. Remember to keep in your prayers the person God has chosen next for our Youth. So I hope to see you in Sunday School and Church and always remember to invite a friend.

Love Always,

Greg

Deacon Family Ministry

Deacon of the month: Wayne McCluney
Home: 543-3803
Deacon Families

Steve & Kay Adcock Paul & DeLisa Armstrong Marie Bailey Jimmie Bailey Donna Ball Tyler & Marie Barnes Trey Barnes J. L. & Beth Bellamy	Betty Blankenship Bennie Blythe Karen Blythe-Smith Linda Kay Brown Bette Carroll Ovel Castleberry Wesley & Sara Sharpton
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Attendance and Stewardship for February

Tithes and Offering	\$31,618.84
NLC	7,973.65
NLC Monthly Needs	8,768.58
NLC Balance as of 2/28/10	\$394,301.07
Gideon's	977.00
Love Offering.....	25.00
Matthew 25.....	305.00
Old Building Renovation	553.00
Sound/Video.....	100.00
Special Music	50.00
Special Pastor Housing	225.00
Special Youth	120.00
Women's Ministry	50.00
Total Offerings	\$41,997.49

Attendance	
Enrollment.....	632
Members.....	815
Visitors	47
Total.....	862

Writings of Paul

Attention, All Choir Members! The Sanctuary Choir is currently working on Easter Music. We had a wonderful choir retreat on February 13, and thirty-five people attended this event! It's not too late to join us if you will come on soon! We meet each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. following Prayer Meeting in the Sanctuary! The Easter production will be presented on Palm Sunday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m.. Mark this on your calendars, and join us for this exciting production!

Hey, Youth Choir! We meet each Sunday at 5:00 p.m. for rehearsals. This choir is for all students grades 6—12. We have a new choir book called the 30-minute choir collection! So, I'll see you this Sunday at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary!

The Lord is blessing us at Dwight Baptist Church with His power and presence each week! God is using Bro. Jay Stewart to lead us in Spirit-filled Bible Study each Sunday and Wednesday! The choir is blessing our worship with Spirit-filled music, and the Lord is moving in our congregation in a mighty way! Come join us!

To everyone who helped with the Valentine Banquet on February 14, thanks! The food, fellowship and fun was exciting for all. Steve Lacey sent Dwight a sweet thank you. He and Penny enjoyed the fellowship greatly!

Love in Christ,

Paul

Memorials

... **Thomas Edward Murray** by:
Pat & Shirley Thomas.

... **Howard Gray** by:
Haydon & Barbara Klein.

March Birthdays

3-Linda Kay Brown	10-Tracey Thrower	21-Gene Burgess
4-Kyle Dean	11-Ralph Dyer Jr.	-Jessie Fails
-Cathy Gilbert	-Susan Mackey	22-Neonta Grant
-Chuck Myers	12-Michela Wilson	-Julie Payne
5-Eleanor Kilpatrick	14-Michelle Brooks	23-Jerri Atkins
6-Katelyn Logan	-Geneva Esslinger	27-JoAnn Waits
7-Ginger Heath	15-Margaret Cornelius	29-Jesse Brown
-Jeff Hopper	16-Brittany Rollin	-Kim Gilbert
-Doris Lewis	-Nettie Strickland	30-Gene Mackey
-Kelli Reeves	18-Virginia Bowens	31-Arthur Cheaves
8-Charles McGriff	19-Ormond Brown	-Eric Edge
-Jerrod Weaver		-April Klein

Thank You

We appreciate all the prayers, visits, and love the people of our church expressed in the death of Duane Williams. Thank you all. Our brother is finally at rest.

Don & Jackie Williams

A thank you note has been received and placed on the bulletin board from the Florida Baptist Convention in appreciation of our donation to the Haiti Relief Fund.

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Sympathy

The Church extends Christian love and sympathy to:
Jerry and Jerald Rogers and families in the loss of their
brother-in-law, Kevin Henson;
Jeff Atkins and family in the loss of his grandmother, Rosa Lee Davis.

Committees For March

Deacon of the Month: Wayne McCluney

March 7, 2010

Children's Worship: Rhonda Tucker
Preschool Worship: Jimmy & Kris Martin
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Pug Mabrey & Carolyn Chavers
Creepers/Toddlers: Chad & Becky Snead
2 Yrs: Jerri Atkins & Lynn Rogers
Prayer Team: Jeff Hathorn & Joe Logan
Ushers AM & PM: Ray Bradley, Bobby Colegrove, Kim Gilbert, Pat Haynes, Jeff Hopper, Scott Moore, Dennis Tucker
Teller Committee: Betty Pruett, Jimmie Bailey, Ann Carroll, Pam Christopher

March 14, 2010

Children's Worship: David & Kelly Cochran
Preschool Worship: Josh & Michelle Brooks
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Anita Hathorn & Leah Garner
Creepers/Toddlers: Rhonda Tucker & Emily Balenger
2 Yrs: Greg & Kathy Fails
Prayer Team: Art Payne & Jerry Rogers
Ushers AM & PM: Blake Hudson, Sonny Kerr, Wes Klein, Wayne McCluney, Harold Milner, Neil Thrower, Tom Wiggonton
Teller Committee: Margaret Cornelius, Gene Burgess, Haydon Klein, Howard Carroll Jr., Shirley Thomas

March 21, 2010

Children's Worship: Greg & Jennifer Edge
Preschool Worship: Ralph & Kym Dyer
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Jody Holland & Kayla Young
Creepers/Toddlers: Betty Brooks & Margaret Cornelius
2 Yrs: Kathy & Jennifer Gilbert
Prayer Team: Chris & Peggy Burnette
Ushers AM & PM: David Cochran, James Cranford, Sam Elkins, Bill Minshew, Steve Reagan, Jerry Rogers, Rodney Thompson
Teller Committee: Margaret Fails, Betty Brooks, Polly Rogers, Faye Stowers

March 28, 2010

No Children's Worship
Preschool Worship: Tim & Laura Beth Martin
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Kim Hill & Phyllis Lee
Creepers/Toddlers: Linda Brown & Beth Bellamy
2 Yrs: Donna Wall & Cindy Harbison
Prayer Team: Louise Johnson & Mary Ellen Williams
Ushers AM & PM: Paul Armstrong, Ormond Brown, Jerry Dean, Greg Fails, Juston Mabrey, Jerry Nance, Bill Swindall
Teller Committee: Lonnie Cheaves, Barbara Payne, Jackie Thrower, Debra Nance

In the Spotlight



Buddy and Margaret Ulrich were recently elected Valentine King and Queen of Gadsden Health Care. Buddy and Margaret are two of our homebound members. If you would like to send them a card, their address is:
 1945 Davis Dr Room 307
 Gadsden, AL 35904



Thank You continued.

In this troubled world it's refreshing to find someone who still has the faith to believe that the more that you give, the more you receive, someone who's ready by thought, word or deed to reach out a hand in the hour of need. We cannot begin to tell you how much your loving support for us meant to us. Each prayer, visit, phone call and dish of food has been such a comfort and support. We appreciate Bro. Vince, Bro. Jay, Bro. Paul and our deacon, Ormond Brown for your help to us. Thank you for being so kind.

Chris and Peggy Burnette

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Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will....

I Thessalonians 5:16-18



March 20, GPS Prayer Walk

March 27, GPS

Gospel Tract Distribution

Each will begin at 8:00 a.m. with a biscuit breakfast. We will leave the NLC at 9:00 a.m. to go out into the community.