

Pastor's Paragraph

Dear Church Family,

As I write this newsletter, I'm trying to figure out just where the month of June went. I guess the old saying is true, "Time flies when you're having fun." Psalm 100 says, "Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! **Serve the Lord with gladness;** Come before His presence with singing. Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations."

July is a month that is filled with celebrations, family gatherings, vacation, swimming in the pool and trying not to melt in the Alabama humidity. I want to encourage you to allow July to also be a month to **prepare**. There are many things we must prepare for individually, as a family and as a church family. The new church and school year will be here before we know it. We also have two revival meetings that are scheduled in the next two months: Ignite412 (youth revival) will be July 30 – 31, and our church-wide revival will be August 29 – September 1.

The most important aspect of preparation is prayer. There will be nothing done in our lives of any significance absent the power of prayer. We need to pray for a movement of God's Holy Spirit in the lives of our church members, in our community and especially in the lives of the lost. You will be receiving more information regarding our prayer strategy for the upcoming events, but I want to encourage you to be in prayer now for all that God has in store.

In closing, I want to say a word of thanks to all who worked so hard to make this year's **VBS** incredible. Numbers alone do not tell the story of the eternal impact of our 2010 VBS, but here are a few: **142 children enrolled, 43 adult workers, average attendance 77.6 children and most importantly, 2 baptisms on Sunday night!** Thanks to Amanda Rogers and April Klein for their leadership and all those who volunteered – you are the best!

In Christ,
Jay

July Happenings

Women's Bible Study each Sunday at 5:00 p.m.
4-God & Country Patriotic Service, 10:45 a.m.
-Picnic at Nocalula Falls at 5:00 p.m., No evening service at church
5-Church Office closed in observance of Independence Day
8-Leisure Timer's Picnic, 11:30 a.m., NLC
10-Church-wide Ladies' Brunch, 10:00 a.m., NLC
11-Monthly Deacons' Meeting, 5:00 p.m.
12-Class of Grace, 6:00 p.m.
17-Brotherhood Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.
18-Sunday School Teachers' Meeting, 8:30 a.m., NLC
-Budget & Finance Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m.
21-Business Meeting, Following Bible Study
22-24-Children's Camp @ Hargis
30-31 Ignite 412 Youth Rally

Thank You

Dear Dwight Baptist Family,

We are so thankful for your loving care and support of our family during the recent passing of our husband and father, Frank "Buddy" Ulrich. The meal provided by the church as well as the lovely flowers and technical support for Daddy's service were tremendous blessings to our family and a great comfort to us all. Mom is so thankful for the many friends from church who came to offer their sympathy. Your kindness means so much and made saying good-bye an easier process. Daddy loved the church and we are so thankful we could celebrate his life there together. Thank you again for all your kindness.

In Christ,
The Buddy Ulrich Family

Greg's Gabs

Well, summer is here and so is the heat. These seem to be the times when we are trying to do so many things in so little time. Summer each year gets shorter and shorter. We need to remember though, there is no off-season or summer vacation from our faith. Jesus wants and expects us to continue His work which is spreading the gospel, even while we are at play or vacation. So as we plan a busy summer full of fun events, we need to keep Jesus our main focus. We have plenty planned in the month of July:

JULY 5th Whitewater rafting at the Ocoee
JULY 9th Lock-in at the Church
JULY 19th Spring Valley Beach
JULY 22th Brown Bag Lunch
JULY 30-31 IGNITE 4:12

These are just some of the fun things we have planned this summer. So let's use these events for fun and outreach to continue God's work. I would like to thank the Youth for their obedience and the Church family for their support and prayers.

God bless,

Greg

Deacon Family Ministry

Deacon of the month: **David Cochran**
Home: 256 546-2657 Cell: 256 490-6545

Deacon Families

Ormond & Linda Brown	Margaret Cornelius	Jimmy & Kathy Elrod
Susan Bryant	Rosalind Cornutt	Wes & April Klein
Booie & Arris Chambers	Cranny & Tiger Cranford	Jennie Lambert
Carolyn Chavers	Shirley Davidson	Don Mathis
Arthur & Nancy Cheaves	Jerry & Cindy Dean	Keith & Macey Pettit
	Elizabeth Drexler	

Attendance and Stewardship for June

Tithes and Offering	\$ 29,260.43
Monthly Budget Requirements	\$36,607.18
NLC	6,966.01
NLC Monthly Needs	8,768.58
NLC Balance as of 06/28/10	\$334,319.46
Building Renovation.....	1,025.00
Matthew 25.....	440.00
Sound/Video.....	100.00
Special Music.....	25.00
Pastor Education.....	70.00
Special Youth	185.00
Total Offerings.....	\$38,071.44

Attendance

Enrollment	637
Members	712
Visitor	25
Total	737 Average..... 185

Thank You continued

Thanks to Bro. Jay and the church family for all the prayers and expressions of love shown to us during Jerry's Mother's death.

Jerry & JoAnn Waits

I want to thank my church family for your visits and prayers while I was in the hospital. A special "thank you" to Bro. Jay, Betty Pruett, Susan Mackey and Pam Christopher.

Please continue to pray for me as I recover at home.

Judy Pitts

Writings of Paul

Last week we had VBS at Dwight Baptist Church! Everyone seemed to enjoy the western theme "Saddle Ridge Ranch." The teachers and students really got into the spirit of the "wild west" by dressing as cowboys, cowgirls and even rodeo clowns. A big thank you to Amanda Rogers and April Klein for a job well done. And remember if you ever "Need answers, ask God."

This coming Sunday we will celebrate the Fourth of July with a "God and Country" worship service. The choir will be singing patriotic music, the Dwight Quartet will be singing, the ROTC Color Guard from Gadsden City High School will present the colors, we will recognize the branches of our Armed Forces and even a few surprises! Plan to join us this Sunday, July 4, at 10:45 for worship!

Picnic at the Falls, Sunday afternoon at 5:00 p.m. at the Kiwanis Outside Pavilion. Wear cool clothing and bring a picnic.

Five years ago on July 4 we left for Youth Camp along with the Youth from Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. Destination was Pigeon Forge, TN. Camp got off to a great start with recreation, worship and fellowship. I will never forget the experience of being called back to the hotel from Ober Gatlinburg and seeing the door open to hearing my sweet wife say "Paul, our son Jared is with Jesus in Heaven." I think I said "that's the saddest news I've ever heard". I broke down like any parent would. I said out loud "Oh God, bring my son back to life, you can do that!" We then gathered our things and made a few arrangements with Bro. Greg Fails, Neil Thrower and Derrick Allen. We hugged our youth and got on the road home. What should be a five hour trip took us seven hours to get home in a terrible rain storm. We cried, prayed out loud and tried to sing hymns of comfort. Well, we got home and were met by many of our friends and family. Yes, we couldn't have gotten through this event without our support group and all our Christian friends. Would you pray for Cindy and me on this fifth anniversary. Jared is greatly missed by our family, and we know that he is cared for by our Savior who can do anything. We find comfort in knowing that soon we will all be reunited never to be separated again. Praise God!

Love in Christ,
Paul & Cindy

Gifts to the NLC

In Memory of:

... **Frank (Buddy Ulrich) by:** Pat & Adam Wiggonton; Charlie Brown; Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Chambers; Margaret Cornelius.

... **Gail Starling by:** the Cline-Starling Reunion. ... **Clara C. Collett by:** the Cline-Starling Reunion. ... **Ola Waits by:** Pat & Shirley Thomas and Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Chambers. ... **Johnny Adcock by:** Pat & Shirley Thomas. ... **Imogene Simpson by:** Frances Simpson. ... **Robert Williams by:** Maudine Williams and Family.

July Birthdays

1-Andrew Holland	8-Jerald Rogers	21 -Gene Blythe
-Art Payne	-Nate Stewart	-Nicklaus Thrower
-Jerry Fails	9-Barbara Sharpton	22-Michael Wiggonton
-Lynda Whittington	12-Betty Terry	25-Barbara Roberson
-Priscilla Keith	-Justin Rogers	-Jeff Inman
-Bill Minshew Jr.	13-Betty Blankenship	26-Boyd Reddish
-Wes Klein	-Chris Williams	-Jeff Bellamy
2- Joe Bowen	-Liz Johnson	-Todd Simmons
3-Don Mathis	15-Rachel Hyatt	-Zack Roberson
4-Beth Dayton	17-Meredith Dean	27-Kevin Gilbert
5-Pam Christopher	-Glenn Reddish	-Kim Simmons
6-Candi Stewart	18-Jerry Don Mabrey	28-Charlie Simonton
-Hilda Golden	19-Dalton Robertson	-Jeff Atkins
-Marion Ware	-Kris Martin	30-Marie Bailey
7-Louise Johnson	21-Arthell Dupree	31-Jennifer Edge
		-Kim Taliaferro

Committees For July

Deacon of the Month: David Cochran

July 4, 2010

No Children's Worship
Preschool Worship: Ralph & Kym Dyer
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Greg & Jennifer Edge
Creepers/Toddlers: Amanda Rogers & April Klein
2 Yrs: Phyllis Lee & Donna Wall
Prayer Team: Larry Bellamy & Harold Mabrey
Ushers AM & PM: Paul Armstrong, Ormond Brown, Jerry Dean, Greg Fails, Juston Mabrey, Jerry Nance, Bill Swindall
Teller Committee: Betty Pruet, Jimmie Bailey, Ann Carroll, Pam Christopher
Van Drivers:
Sunday: a.m.: Larry Bellamy
Wed.: Greg Fails

July 11, 2010

Children's Worship: Gail Minshew & Carolyn Oakes
Preschool Worship: Paul & DeLisa Armstrong
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Matt & Sherri Logan
Creepers/Toddlers: Chad & Becky Snead
2 Yrs: Jeff & Paula Hopper
Prayer Team: Marie Bailey & Christine Lancaster
Ushers AM & PM: Charlie Brown, Chuck Burns, Howard Carroll, Jerry Don Mabrey, Tim Martin, Pat Thomas, Jerry Waits
Teller Committee: Margaret Cornelius, Gene Burgess, Haydon Klein, Howard Carroll, Shirley Thomas
Van Drivers:
Sunday: a.m.: Sonny Kerr p.m.: J.L. Bellamy
Wed.: Juston Mabrey

July 18, 2010

Children's Worship: David & Kelly Cochran
Preschool Worship: Candice Williams & Lauren Rule
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Jennifer Bishop & Polly Rogers
Creepers/Toddlers: Candi Stewart & Michelle Brooks
2 Yrs: Jennifer & Kathy Gilbert
Prayer Team: Pam Christopher & Joyce Teague
Ushers AM & PM: J. L. Bellamy, Lonnie Cheaves, Clyde Dial, Greg Edge, Jeff Hathorn, Joe Logan, James Sprayberry
Teller Committee: Margaret Fails, Betty Brooks, Polly Rogers, Faye Stowers
Van Drivers:
Sunday: a.m.: Larry Bellamy p.m.: Driver Needed
Wed.: Jason Rogers

July 25, 2010

No Children's Worship:
Preschool Worship: Jason & Kathryn Rogers
Nursery:
Bed Babies: Beth Dayton & Elizabeth Drexler
Creepers/Toddlers: Peggy Kerr & Pug Mabrey
2 Yrs: Brandon & Emily Balenger
Prayer Team: Paul Armstrong & David Cochran
Ushers AM & PM: Ray Bradley, Bobby Colegrove, Kim Gilbert, Pat Haynes, Jeff Hopper, Scott Moore, Dennis Tucker
Teller Committee: Lonnie Cheaves, Barbara Payne, Jackie Thrower, Debra Nance
Van Drivers:
Sunday: a.m.: Sonny Kerr p.m.: J.L. Bellamy
Wed.: Greg Fails

*The honor of your presence
 is requested at the marriage of
 Candice Moore Williams
 to Jason Chance Carter
 Saturday, the twenty-fourth of July
 two thousand and ten
 at Chapel Two
 Tyndall Air Force Base
 Panama City, Florida
 and to the reception to follow*

*at the
 Heritage Club, Building 1454, Magnolia Circle*

*RSVP by July 9 to Candice Williams, 3627 Alford Bend Rd APT 116,
 Hokes Bluff, AL 35903*

Note: All guests must have a photo ID to enter the Air Force Base.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Jeremy and Brandy Brooks upon the arrival of Jordan Michelle, born June 15, weighing 8 lbs. and 8 oz. and 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Joan & Johnny Brooks. Proud great-grandmother is Doris Turner.

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We recognize
 no
**SOVEREIGN
 BUT GOD,**
 and no
**KING
 but
 JESUS!**
 John Adams &
 John Hancock

It is the
DUTY
 of all
NATIONS
 to
 acknowledge
 the
 providence of
**ALMIGHTY
 GOD.**
 George
 Washington

Intoxicated
 with
 unbroken
SUCCESS
 we have
 become too
 self-sufficient...
**TOO PROUD
 TO PRAY
 to the GOD
 that made us.**
 Abraham
 Lincoln

GOD BLESS AMERICA

Our
Constitution
 was made
 only for
**A
 Moral
 and
 RELIGIOUS
 PEOPLE.**
 John Adams

My concern
 is not whether
GOD
 is on our side;
 my greatest
 concern
 is to be on
GOD'S SIDE
 for **GOD** is
**ALWAYS
 RIGHT.**
 Abraham
 Lincoln

I TREMBLE
 for my
COUNTRY
 when I reflect
 that
GOD is
JUST
 and that his
JUSTICE
 cannot sleep
FOREVER.
 Thomas
 Jefferson

**Blessed is the Nation whose
 God is the Lord,
 the people He chose
 for his inheritance.**

Psalm 33:12