

VISIBLE RESULTS

Bible Study Average Attendance for September 2013

Preschool	30	Children	42
Students	46	Adults	162

TOTAL 280

B4A!

Believe on the Lord Jesus!
Admit that you are a sinner!
Agree to turn from sin!
Acknowledge Jesus as Lord of your life!
Accept Jesus into your heart and life!
Simple plan of salvation.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH AT THE PARK

This month marks the one-year anniversary of the official launch of TCATP. The thing that sticks out the most is God's faithfulness. He has been so good to us. We have seen people come to faith in Christ, people have their relationship with Christ restored and people connect with church for the first time in years. Our attendance has been up. We have more people studying the Word of God in growth groups than ever before. God has given us a great opportunity to serve at Southern Pines. Over the past few weeks TCATP has been able to give out multiple sports packs to teams with sports bottles for players and a card advertising about the church.

Some ways you can pray for The Church at the Park:

1. Pray that we will always be faithful to the Word of God!
2. Pray that we will make an impact through coaching and servant evangelism in the park.
3. Pray that we will continue to trust in God's faithfulness to provide financially for every need we have.
4. Pray that people will get saved!

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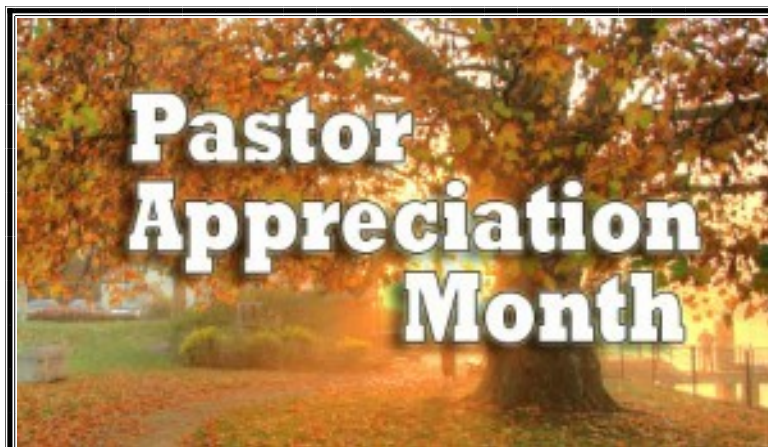
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The Dudley Messenger

October 2013



Pastor Appreciation Service and Fellowship Meal

Sunday, October 6th at 6:00 pm

We will honor our 4 pastors at the evening service on October 6th. Our service will be moved to the Boys and Girls Club to allow the church family to share a meal together. We will have a special service, followed by and a hot-dog supper. The church will provide the hot-dogs. We ask that you bring sides and desserts.

We are asking the church family to shower our staff with cards of appreciation and encouragement. There is a basket in the foyer for you to put your cards in through the morning of October 6th. We want a basket full of cards to present to them at the fellowship.

DBC's
First Annual



October 31st, 6:00 pm
in the DBC Parking Lot
More details coming soon!

See Spence if you would like to volunteer to help. We also need cakes, cookies and brownies for the Cake Walk. Sign up sheets are in the main hallway, for volunteers and cake donations. Thank you!



Imagine Greater...Believe Greater...Serve Greater...Give Greater!

I read a great article recently that I want to share with you. It is written by Dave Reid.

Total Commitment - *Luke 5:3-5 - And He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to push out a little way from the land. And he sat down and began teaching the multitudes from the boat. 4 And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." 5 And Simon answered and said, "Master, we worked hard all night and caught nothing, but at your bidding I will let down the nets."*

We say that we are committed to the Lord Jesus Christ. How committed? Total commitment means that Jesus Christ is Lord in every area of our lives. He must be Lord on Saturday night as well as Sunday morning. He must be Lord of our bodies as well as our brains. He must be Lord of what we save as well as what we sacrifice. He must be Lord of our careers as well as our creed. Are we totally committed to Jesus Christ? Is He Lord of all?

The steps toward total commitment which we see here in the case of Peter are steps that growing Christians must take as well.

The first step is "getting involved." Peter is **willing** to let Jesus use his boat. Many Christians look like the following: Know the Lord? Yes! Willing to listen to the Word of God? Yes! But not much change in life-style.

But now Peter takes a step in the right direction. He turns his boat over to the Lord. We too must be willing to turn over what we own to the Lord for His use.

The next step the Lord wants us to learn about total commitment is, "...push out a little" (verse 3). It is one thing to take what we own and make it available for the Lord's use, but it is another thing to step out a little by faith from the "security of the land." Let us not only open our room or home for a Bible study, but let us actually start one! Let us not only make our weekends available for the Lord, but let us actually teach a Sunday School class! Yes, it takes faith-- and courage (*pushing out!*) There is risk and sacrifice involved, but that's what pushing out from land is all about.

There's another step toward total commitment in verse 4. Peter is told to "launch into the deep." Here is total dependence on the Lord. No more land or shallow water! It is here where commitment is no longer a sideline. In many ways, it is the point of no return.

It is in the deep that we experience the Lord's power. We learn that He really does provide in a miraculous way for the very needs that may have held us back from total commitment!

It is in the deep that we learn to worship. Jesus is no longer just "a Friend invited into my life." He is God! When Peter experienced the Lord's power in the deep, he was not only amazed (verse 9), but fell down before Jesus and confessed, "I am a sinful man, O Lord."

Peter had reached the point of no return. He left everything and followed his Lord. Yes, there were failures yet to come in Peter's life. Total commitment does not mean perfection. It's a matter of taking **self** off every throne of life and enthroning **Christ**. How committed are you to Jesus Christ? Have you "pushed out a little"? Have you "launched out into the deep"? Or are you still hung up on the beach? Total commitment means Jesus Christ is Lord of all.

DBC STUDENT MINISTRY

"Unlikely"

God doesn't exactly operate like most of us. What we mean is, He chooses the most unlikely people to work through. He shows up in the most unlikely places. And then He asks us to respond in ways that are unlikely and go against our normal response. And what it all boils down to is this? You and I are unlikely people God uses in unlikely places to respond in unlikely ways.

Upcoming Events:

- October 2nd A Night of Worship with Lauren Mimbs
- October 6th \$50 non-refundable deposit due for Ski Retreat
- October 30th Mission Project: Backpacks for the Appalachia
- October 31st Ministry Opportunity: Trunk or Treat

Ski Retreat at Winterplace



Feb. 27 - Mar. 2, 2014

Flat Top, WV

Cost \$300

(\$50 non-refundable deposit due by Oct. 6th)

Lodging at Winterplace Condos

Price includes transportation, lodging, meals (except two), ski equipment, & lift tickets.

For more info, please see Clint.

MUSIC MINISTRY

It's not too late to join us in the choir room on Wednesday nights as rehearsals have begun for "Christmas Is Coming". Please consider sharing your gift as we prepare to celebrate the gift of Jesus Christ. We are excited that some of our youth will be joining the choir for this year's musical. I will set a special time of rehearsal for you so that we will not interrupt any of your already scheduled youth functions. The LBA is holding its annual meeting this year at Marie Baptist Church during the evening worship time on October 20th and will feature a choir assembled from all the church choirs in our association. I want to encourage you to come on out to support our association and experience a great opportunity to worship as a community. Thank you for allowing us to serve.

Myles



We want to be sure we have your email & home address, and phone numbers. Please call Debra in the church office at 478-676-3186, to be sure we have your information.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY REPORT

(Still helping all those who attend)

I can't use any names but I can use numbers to tell you what a blessed time we have at our meetings. We use chips to mark beginnings and progress in our commitments and our days of sobriety. Praise the Lord, we had 8 people receive new comers chips of which 6 received a bible. Now that's a new beginning! We pass out chips on the 1st Monday of the month. There were 6 that received 30 day chips. Since I'm the one blessed to write this report I can and am not ashamed to tell you I was one of those 6, 30 day recipients and now have 66 days of sobriety. Please don't tell me you are proud of me because I myself am well pleased, as is God. We had 3, 60 day recipients and 1, 90 day recipient. To my surprise the person who played and sang beautifully also gave a very beautiful testimony. We had an average of 73 souls in the house for the 4 weeks thru 9-23-13. Our attendance may be down slightly but God's presence is never down. He is always up as well as everywhere. We as sinners and addicts always fail to hit our mark just as surely as God always hits the bullseye.

Blessed to serve,
Ken Lord

Senior Adult News



Senior Adult Movie Night

Thursday, October 17

6:00 pm

at the Student Center

Mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend Movie Night! All Senior Adults (55 years and older) are encouraged to join us.

More details coming soon!

Please sign up in the main hallway. Deadline: October 13th.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Daily our paths cross with other people, some we may know and some we don't. Let's make a habit of asking them a simple question, "Do you have a church home?" If they do, great, if not, then the door is open to tell them about Dudley Baptist Church and invite them to Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:45 and worship at 11 a.m. Asking that simple question can change a life forever.

If you are interested in being a Bible Study teacher or substitute, please let me know. We plan to start a couple of new adult classes soon and need help. I hope to see you in Sunday School each Sunday morning.

Thanks,
David

DBC CHILDREN'S CORNER

Well kiddos, you all got that "Judge Face ON!!" and I think we can clearly see that there is only one true Judge and we need to leave the real judging to Him. While in the Director's meeting to see if our game show will continue next season, I ran into my dear friend Mr. Inspector. You know who he is right?? Yeah!! The greatest detective of all time. And he has a dilemma...you know...in a pickle....Oh come on!! He has a case he can't solve. He is in dire need of some co-inspectors to help solve the case. Hope you don't mind....but I volunteered you all. We need to help Mr. Inspector put together clues to find out WHO the people and visual elements in HiStory (the Bible) point to. We will follow the clues to find the answers to these very important questions:

Who is our redeemer? (Ruth and Boaz-Ruth 1-4)

Who is Samuel and how did God share His plan? (Eli and Boy Samuel - 1 Samuel 1-3)

Why is the ark of God so important? (The Ark was Captured - 1 Samuel 4-5)

Will you help Mr. Inspector find the clues and fit the answers together? Grab your magnifying glass, your trench coat, and don't forget your hat. Meet us at 9:45 at DBC to get in on the mission.

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Oct 2nd - No Awana / start back on Oct 9th

Saturday, October 12th - **Children's Mission Trip: Food Bank**

We will leave the church at 8:00 am, pick up in Dublin (Mid State Pools) at 8:15. Drop-off at Mid State Pools at 12:00 and return to DBC at 12:15 pm. See Spence for more info.

Oct 31st - **Trunk or Treat** @ DBC 6:00 - 8:00 / I dare you to see how many friends you can bring.

Cherub Choir Sundays @ 5:30 **Praise Choir** Sundays @ 4:30

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Kick-Off - Sunday, October 6th!

It's time to begin preparing Shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse! Start collecting small items to put in your shoeboxes. More details coming soon!