

VISIBLE RESULTS

Bible Study Average Attendance for August 2013

Preschool	30	Children	44
Students	60	Adults	154

TOTAL 288

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

Here we are at the end of the summer. It has been a great summer for us. We had to awesome opportunity to start a new ministry at the Riverview Heights Apartment community. We went out every other Sunday night and invested in the kids and adults. We got to share and teach the gospel each time. Now that summer is over we will move back to going out once a month. It has been and continues to be a great opportunity for us to serve our community. We were able to take backpacks to the children for school to continue to serve!

The month of August has brought better attendance and new visitors each and every week that keep coming back! This is a quote from one of them "We have never felt so welcomed and loved by a church. This is exactly what we have been looking for." What a great feeling to get that message from someone!

God is using us to disciple people who are really starting to understand. Here is what one person (who was unchurched before attending tcatp) said "I wanted to tell you that I enjoyed the services. I am wanting to join the church and be apart of the team. I would love to be able to serve at church and will do whatever is needed of me." Praise God for all that He is doing and for using us! Thank you for all of your prayers and support!

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The Dudley Messenger

September 2013

You Are Invited To
Back To Church Month!



SEPTEMBER IS..!

- Back to Church Month
- Back to Sunday School
- High Attendance Day
September 15th
- Back to Giving

AWANA
PARENT NIGHT

Wednesday, September 18

6:45 pm

We hope you will make plans to join us for our annual Parent Night. Parents, Grandparents, and any others are invited to attend. You will get the opportunity to pray for your kids, observe Awana activities, talk to leaders, and you will receive valuable information and encouragement.

Please meet in the sanctuary and you will be directed on where to join your kids.

Awana - Because Kids
matter to God!



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

Pastor's Pen

September is Back to Church Month nationwide. Specifically, September 15 has been designated as 'The Day!' We want to see the church and Sunday School packed! But let's go beyond the norm...September is the month to jump start the new year. Back to Church...back to Sunday School...and let's see what would happen if everyone in the church would tithe for one month! Would you pray about this? You can't lose! God has already promised that if you will give, He will give back to you pressed down and shaken down to overflowing. If you are already giving 10%, then look at increasing your gift this month. Remember, we have online giving so that you can give even if you are out of town.

If you are interested in being a greeter or usher, please come to the church at 9 am on Sunday, September 8th. We will have training for ushers, greeters, and the welcome team.

God bless you! What a wonderful spirit is in Dudley Baptist Church! Thank you for the privilege of serving here!

In His Presence,
Pastor Billy

USHER/GREETER TRAINING

Sunday, September 8th, 9 am - 9:45 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER/WORKER MEETING

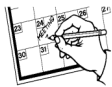
Sunday, September 22nd, 5:00 pm

MINISTRY TEAMS MEETING

Sunday, September 29th, 5:00 pm

Please meet in the Fellowship Hall.

This meeting is for ALL Ministry Teams. We will meet together and then each team will meet and elect a chairperson for this year.



Coming in October!

TRUNK OR TREAT!

Thursday, October 31st

Volunteers are needed for: Trunks, Games, Food Prep, Church Info Booth, and Parking. Sign up sheets are in the main hallway. We are asking Sunday School Classes to participate. For more information, please see Spence.

DBC STUDENT MINISTRY

Does anyone need a series on "fighting?" The good news is all families fight. It's inevitable. We fight to be heard. We fight to get what we want. We fight for things to be fair. And oftentimes, the fighting leaves us in worse shape than before we started. But what if fighting didn't have to be such a bad thing? What if fighting could leave us better than when we started? Maybe, instead of fighting for everything we want, we change our focus. What if we fought for the relationship with our parents and our siblings instead of against them? If that is the case, maybe a good fight is just what we need! Students will spend September learning to fight for honor, relationships, and acceptance.

Upcoming Events:

September 4 **Group Link**
(Life Groups night out)

September 20-21 **6th Grade Retreat**
at Jaybird Springs

The Journey: Every Wednesday night
at 7 pm

Prayer Breakfast Every Tuesday morning
at Chick-Fil-A at 7 am

The Gospel Project Every Sunday morning
at 10 am

MUSIC MINISTRY

"Christmas Is Coming", yes it will be here before I'm ready but it is also the musical that the adult choir has already started rehearsing. Now that Labor Day has passed and school is in full swing, it's time for you to come join us for Wednesday night rehearsal. We will have practice cd's available this week and if you would like one to take home and try out to see if this is for you please see Michael or myself and we will be glad to accommodate you. Our Children's Praise Choir has been revamped for this year as the choir and praise team have merged into one with rehearsals on Sundays at 4:30 unless otherwise announced. We are looking forward to worshipping with you this Sunday.

Myles



2014 CHURCH BUDGET

Budget Request forms are available in the main hallway and in the foyer. Ministry teams should complete a form and turn it in. You may return your form to the office or a member of the Stewardship Team. Sunday, September 29th is the deadline for ALL budget requests. Budget Discussion will be Sunday, November 10th. Budget Vote will be on Sunday, November 17th.

Monday Night Man Stuff

Begins Monday, September 9th
at 7:30 pm

Guys, It's time for Man Stuff! Join us at the Student Center for Free Pizza and Monday Night Football!

We'll meet each Monday evening. Come and bring a friend!

CELEBRATE RECOVERY REPORT

When I started going to Celebrate Recovery, our attendance was 25-40 people. We had a good time on a small scale. We as leaders and cooks were not discouraged and continued to serve God and His people. We continuously asked God to work in and through us in Jesus Name and in faith believing. We started to grow. I don't know how long our leaders have been attending, but I stated on July 16, 2012 and to the best of my knowledge, I have missed one meeting. In July, I decided to start keeping up with our attendance each week. This began on July 1, 2013. There were five weeks in that month. Week 1 = 70, Week 2 = 80, Week 3 = 61, Week 4 = 61 and Week 5 = 72. Our monthly average was 69. This began to show us that as long as we continued in God's way, He would continue to increase our number in His time, not our time.

By now in the 7th month, our largest week was 80. However, God was and is not finished increasing our attendance. We all know 7 is the number of perfection and 8 is the number of a new beginning. In the 8th month, on week 1 we had 92 at CR and then I went to the CCU waiting room and Gayle Parker can testify as to what happened there, as well as Mallory & Linda Evans, Clint and Bro. Billy. God started in us a new beginning. Moving on to week 2, our number was 62 attending. On the 8th month, week 3, we set a new record of 100 people in the house. Rest assured the Holy Trinity is always there as well as everywhere. We have yet to run out of food and fun for all who attend. Wow, ain't God Great.

B4A. God is working in His people in a mighty way.

Serving in Joy,
Ken Lord

Senior Adult News

Trip to Bartow - Friday, September 13th

We're going to see the Schoolhouse Players in the comedy "Wedding Bells". We'll leave the church at 4:15, stop at Nana's Kitchen to eat, and then it's on to Bartow for the play at 7:00.

The only cost will be your meal. The tickets for the play will be paid for. Please sign up in the main hallway.

DBC CHILDREN'S CORNER

Man! Did you see that? We TOTALLY smoked those other teams in Capture the Flag. They didn't even see us, The Rockin' Red Team, coming. We captured all the flags: the blue and green and black and yellow and purple and EVEN the orange!! Joshua couldn't lead the Israelites to conquer the nations in the Promised land without God and neither could we! It was A.W.E.S.O.M.E!!!

I think it's time to step up the game a little. What do you think about entering in one of those reality TV shows. You know like Amazing Race or America's Got Talent. Or what about that new one they are having try-outs for. You haven't heard about it yet?.....It's called "The Judges" and all you have to do is put on your best Judge faces and motions. The one who portray's a "Judge" best is the big winner!!

We need to research what a good judge looks like and how to act. The first Judges were back with the Israelites. We can read about them in the book ofwait for it.....JUDGES. That is perfect! We can look at the **First Judges** (Judges 2:18) and learn how God works in the lives of people to bring about His plan of salvation. Then there's **Deborah and Barak** (Judges 4-5) who can teach us about God's plan to bring His glory and our good. **Gideon** (Judges 6-8) can help us learn more about trusting and obeying God. Finally, we can take a look at **Samson** (Judges 13-16) and learn to ask forgiveness. Learning to be good judges won't be easy, but all the hard work will be worth it as we learn the REAL lesson: God used the Judges to deliver the people from their enemies; Christ delivers people from the greatest enemy, Satan.

Are you ready???? Well then.....**Get your Judge Face ON!!!!!!!**

No Kids Rock Sept 29th Fifth Sunday

AWANA each Wed night 6:30-8:15 (2yrs - 5th grade)

Churub Choir will begin this month - (3 & 4 yr olds)

Praise Choir (K5-5th) - Each Sunday at 4:30 pm

WOM Meeting - Sunday, September 15th, 5:00 pm in Barney Parker's SS Classroom.
All ladies are invited!