

# THE DUDLEY MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 2023

Dudley  
baptist church

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

### *It's time to fill those Shoeboxes!*

Shoeboxes will be placed in the lobby on Sunday, November 5th.  
Pray about getting a shoebox and helping a child this Christmas.

**Collection Week is November 13th-20th.** Volunteers are needed to help with collecting the shoeboxes. See Jessica McIlrath or Pastor Paul to volunteer.



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### *Comedy, Cupcakes & Christ*

*Preparing For Christmas*

Friday, November 10th, 6:00pm. Tickets: \$5 Includes Food & Fun  
Deadline to sign up and purchase tickets is Sunday, November 5th. You may sign up in the lobby on Sunday or call the church office at 478-676-3186.

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6*



## 2024 PROPOSED CHURCH BUDGET

Copies of our proposed budget will be available on Sunday, November 5th.  
Please take one copy per family.

**Budget Discussion:** Monday, November 20th, 6:00pm in Building A

**Budget Vote:** Sunday, November 26th, immediately following our morning service.

## FAITH, HOPE & LOVE

Will NOT meet this month.  
We look forward to meeting in December.

## DBC KIDS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **Coming Soon...**

Friday, December 1st - Dublin Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 2nd - Kids Reserve Christmas Progressive Dinner - 6pm

Monday, December 18th - DBC Kids on Mission -5:30pm



## PASTOR'S PEN

By Pastor Matt

THANK YOU!

Thank you for the Staff Appreciation dinner and program. Your outpouring of love and support was amazing. We were truly humbled by your presence, words of encouragement and gifts. The staff can't say THANK YOU enough.

Secondly let me say HARVEST! Matthew 9:38 "Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." The Lord has a harvest for DBC. First, He wants us to continue with harvesting souls for His Kingdom. Second, He wants us to pray about how we are serving within the ministries at DBC.

May we Harvest Well.

May we Serve Well.

Pastor Matt

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## DBC KIDS

By Pastor Paul

All my words fall short, I got nothing new, How could I express, All my gratitude? I could sing these songs, As I often do, But every song must end, And You never do. The song continues, So I throw up my hands, and praise You again and again and I've got one response, I've got just one move, With my arm stretched wide, I will worship You. This song is a much-needed reminder of our unworthiness compared to a worthy God. When we come before God, we truly don't have anything good to offer Him. All we have to offer is a hallelujah. A heart that is full of gratitude for all that God's done. I am thankful that the song Gratitude made it on Brandon Lake's album because it almost didn't. God has truly used this song to be a blessing to so many. I am thankful that I work for a church that believes in the gospel and that it needs to be shared. May we always remember to show gratitude to our Lord and others. Thank you all for the cards, gifts and kind words that were expressed this past month.

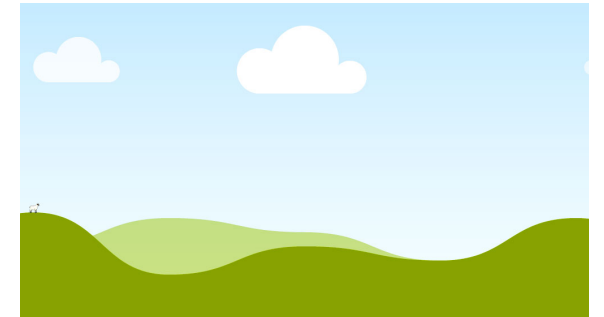
## Senior Adult News

### SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Saturday, December 9th, 6 pm

We look forward to seeing you there for an evening of good food, fellowship and program.

Deadline to sign up is November 30th.



## STUDENT LIFE MINISTRY

By Pastor Clint

### "Table of Context"

A teenager's guide to understanding ancient words for modern times

Complicated. Long. Conflicting. Outdated. Contradictory. When it comes to the Bible, you've probably heard all that and more from students. That's because, for so many of them, the Bible just seems to cause more confusion than clarity. Teenagers are already asking questions, expressing doubts, and wrestling with the idea of faith. So, how can they begin to make sense of the Bible? What is it? How does it work? And why does everybody say it's helpful when it doesn't always feel that way? During November, students will take a closer look at the documents that make up the Bible, why so many people trust them, how we can use them and why we believe that context is key to connecting the ancient words of Scripture to modern times.



## Student Ministry Upcoming Dates

### Mark Your Calendar!

Nov. 1 Fields of Faith

Nov. 8 Tidal Wave Fundraiser ends

Nov. 20 No Prayer Breakfast

Nov. 23 No Wednesday Night Service



## MUSIC MINISTRY

By Pastor Myles

Blessings and greetings to you church family,

My prayer for you during this season of Thankfulness is that the Lord blesses you and your family with a joyful, peaceful, and graceful time of fellowship together as you travel and gather to celebrate the goodness of God. In Numbers 6:22 The Lord spoke to Moses: 23 "Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. You should say to them, 24 "May the Lord bless you and protect you; 25 may the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; 26 may the Lord look with favor on you and give you peace.'" and to this I say Amen to all of the above as you have blessed me by allowing me to serve you. I'm thankful to God and you for this. Thank You.

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