

eba's Annual



Seniors' Breakfast

Thursday
February 18th
 8 AM at Convention Hall
featuring
 Brother Billy Bob BoHANNon
 Get Your Tickets Now
 from Bro. Don - \$2.50 each

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING STUDIES CONTINUE

Sundays, 5:00 PM

Boundaries with Kids by Dr. Henry Cloud & Dr. Henry Townsend
 Led by David and Debbie Elliott, in Room 308

The Mayberry Bible Study, Volume 1 by Stephen Skelton
 Led by Danny Hankins, in Room 203

Nehemiah: LifeGuide Bible Study by Don Fields
 Led by Linda Jones, in Room 108

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS Sundays at 5:00 PM

(DEADLINE for presenting information for March WITNESS is Monday, February 22nd)

Baptist Men's Day February 7th

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 7th,
 8 am
 in Fellowship Hall
 Speaker - Glenn Pemberton



BAPTIST MEN'S DAY FEBRUARY 7TH

8:00 AM MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
 11:00 AM WORSHIP MESSAGE BY TOMMY FORD
 MEN'S CHOIR TO SING
 WORSHIP LED BY MEN OF OUR CHURCH

AND **SUPERBOWL PARTY** CHURCH-WIDE
 SUPER BOWL SUNDAY
 BEGINNING AT 5:00 PM
 IN THE GYM - UNTIL ?
 IT'S A COME AND GO
 GATHERING . . .

(Men participating in the bake-off, please
 have your desserts here by 4:30 for judges. Awards and
 recognitions at half-time.)

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN (COMFORTABLE)
 CHAIRS - AND - FINGER FOODS TO SHARE.
 GIANT SCREEN FOR GAME!
 SPECIAL HALF-TIME EVENTS PLANNED!

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I LOVE MY CHURCH SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 14th

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The Twelfth Street

Baptist Church Family

requests the pleasure of your company at the

New Horizons 2010:

Continuing the Tradition

Capital Funds Campaign Banquet
on Sunday Evening,

February 14, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

at our new building property

800 West Grand Avenue

Rainbow City

Good Food, Inspiration, Information, Fellowship

All Members of Your Family Are Invited

You will be receiving an invitation by mail this week.

Ladies will be calling, beginning next week for reservations.



REMINDERS

BAPTIST MEN'S DAY, Sunday, February 7th
 Guest Speaker - Tommy Ford, University of AL
 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:00 AM, Fellowship Hall
 SUPER BOWL PARTY, 5:00 PM, Activities Bldg. Gym

Monday Morning Prayer Time 6:30 AM, Chapel, each Monday

NEW HORIZONS BANQUET 5:30 PM, at New Building property

Finance Committee Meeting Wednesday, February 17th,
7:00 PM, Conference Room

Deacons Monthly Meeting, Sunday, February 21st, 4:00 pm

Senior Adult Breakfast, Thursday, February 18th,
8 am at Convention Hall, Tickets - Bro. Don

Quarterly Business Meeting Wednesday, February 24th,
in Chapel

NEW HORIZONS COMMITMENT DAY Sunday, February 28th



In Exodus 14:10-20, we see the power of God displayed as God's people moved forward beyond their possibilities. The Hebrew slaves found themselves surrounded by the impossible. Before them was the sea, beside them was the desert, and behind them was the enemy. They faced three alternatives. They could go back to Egypt, stand still where they were, or go forward. God commanded them to go forward. 12th Street Baptist Church is at one such crossroad today. Behind us is our great history. In front of us is a great challenge. We must walk forward together into that challenge.

In the face of an impossibility we can say, "Go back." We may wish to go back when God has just begun to go forward. The Hebrews wanted to go back when they had only begun to go forward under the blessing of God. They thought the beginning was the end. This was the first real challenge they had faced after God delivered them. The same is true for us.

In the face of an impossibility some say, "Stand still." Some wish to go neither backward nor forward. They desire to freeze in the present. They stand in paralysis in the midst of opportunity. It is never enough to stand still. 12th Street Baptist Church does not have the luxury to stay where we are. The fact of the matter is that churches do not stand still. They are always moving forward or backward.

In the face of an impossibility God says, "Go forward." There is a time to pray but there is also a time to act. The time of praying was past: the time for acting had come. There is also a time for risk. As people, we often seem insufficient for that risk. But Luke reminds us that all things are possible with God. Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

The journey we are on is of God. It is God's idea and plan for us to move forward. Our responsibility is to be obedient and follow him wherever He leads us. Will you embrace the vision God has for 12th Street? Will you participate in what God is doing? My prayer is that you will. And as God said to Joshua and the children of Israel, "Consecrate yourselves, and tomorrow I will do wonderful things among you." Tomorrow is today! *Bro. Craig*

MINISTER OF MUSIC

- Ronnie



2010 has already begun as an exciting time! First of all, we have had 7 new members to join the Chancel Choir in the last couple of months. And there are so many things going on here at 12th Street that you have to actively keep up or you will miss something. But God is working through it all! Let's each make it a point to join Him in what He is doing among us.

February will get off to a big start with Baptist Men's Day on February 7th, and the **Super Bowl Fellowship** that night. We will have a **men's choir** on that morning (and any men who would like to join us are welcome...just come to the choir suite on that Sunday immediately after Sunday School to go over the music with us.) Then the following Sunday we will have the kickoff banquet for "**New Horizons 2010: Continuing the Tradition**", with that emphasis continuing throughout the rest of the month.

So if you have not plugged in somewhere yet, now is the time. We are ready and waiting for more folks to come join us in choir. The choir loft in our new sanctuary seats up to 100 people...so we want to be preparing for that time NOW. We are also going to need more people to help out in the technical areas of ministry when we move. See the other appeal elsewhere in this newsletter regarding that. But **find your place of service, wherever it may be. To God be the Glory!**

Response to our Annual Coat Drive was Great!

Over 250 men's, women's and children's coats were Donated.

THANKS to all who gave and served.

70+ Registered

60+ Volunteers

Over 100 Coats were given away

FEBRUARY 14th - Valentine's Day - "I Love My Church" Sunday

Each class is asked to set an Attendance Goal! Be Bold!

SENIORADULT BREAKFAST - February 18th - 8:00 AM at Convention Hall

See me for Tickets - \$3 each.



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Church Staff Anniversary

Steve Livengood - Custodian - February 1, 1993

Linda Robertson - Church Pianist - February 4, 1968

Dr. Craig Carlisle - Pastor - February 3, 2008

Dr. Troy L. Morrison - Pastor Emeritus - February 14, 1999

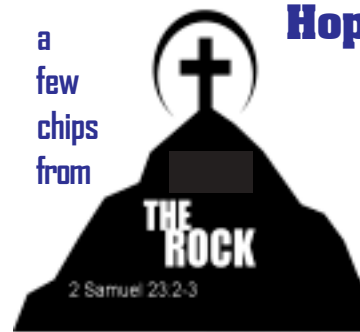


I was so excited to see the wonderful turnout that we had at the movie *To Save a Life*. Many of you have shared with me how God used this film to encourage and challenge you in many different ways. It really makes you think about the question "What do you want your life to be about?" Hopefully, you want your life to be about a close relationship with Christ and sharing his love with those around you. Because this movie has meant so much to so many of you, we will work through a series on Wednesday nights at Full Access in which I will pull some clips from the movie and we will discuss how God can use us in different situations. You won't want to miss this.

Super Bowl Party is February 7 in the gym at 5pm. Invite a friend to watch the game on the giant screen. We will also be producing our own commercials that we will play during the game like we did last year.



DiscipleNow Weekend is coming up February 26-28. This is an in-town spiritual retreat. We will stay in homes of our members. Girls will stay in one house, guys in another. We will have several Bible study sessions in the homes and will meet here at 12th Street with several other churches for 3 dynamic worship services. You NEED to be at this event. It will change your life. No excuses! Sign-ups will begin this week and more info. will be coming. Also, we will be launching a student website soon. **Zac**



Hopkins Chapel Mission

Greetings from Hopkins Chapel Mission Church: A challenge to all of you in 2010. When was the last time you attended or visited Hopkins? We are alive and well. A Light Breakfast is served at 8:15 AM. Sunday School starts at 8:45 AM. The Worship Service starts at 9:45 AM. I challenge all of you to drop by at one of our services this year. You will still have time to get to services at Twelfth Street. We are your Mission Church, come by and be a part of our services. God bless each of you this year, and I hope He showers you with many blessings. Tell someone about Jesus and invite them to church. Blessings to all of you. **Bro. Wallace**

HELP WANTED: We need to find some people in our congregation who might be willing to learn to operate some of the technical aspects needed in our worship services. Particularly as we prepare to make the move to the new location, we are going to need more people who know how to control the sound system and/or video projection systems. So very soon we are going to be offering some simple classes during Discipleship Training which will help interested people learn what they would need to do in order to help in these areas. There will be two separate classes: one for those willing to help with the sound system, and another for those who would help with running the video projection system. You would not be doing this EVERY Sunday, but sporadically - on a schedule. So be considering whether the Lord may be leading you to this as an area of service for you. If you think you might possibly be interested in either of these, please contact Wayne or Ronnie Cornutt, or Zac Clay, or Karen in the church office.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:



BY BAPTISM:

Micah Hatley

61 SHORE LANE, GADSDEN 35901

Bo Parker

111 SHERWOOD DRIVE, RAINBOW CITY 35906

Steven McDaniel

241 TABOR ROAD, GADSDEN 35904

BY LETTER:

Alan, Cheryl, and Rebecca Moorner

106 LAKEWOOD CIRCLE, RAINBOW CITY 35906

Jeff Richards

7640 TABOR ROAD, GADSDEN 35904

Glenn Pemberton

678 ROTHROCK AVENUE, ATTALLA 35954

AND THE LORD ADDED TO THEIR NUMBER ...

Acts 2:47