

Patriotic Musical
 presented by
The Chancel Choir
Sunday Evening
June 27th
6:00 pm
 in Sanctuary

WOMEN'S
 MISSION PROJECT
 for JUNE

WAY OF THE
 CROSS

Need: large #10
 cans of vegetables

(FoodWorld, WalMart,
 Johnsons have them.)

Great ministry,
 Way of the Cross
 feeds about 200
 people each day.

The Witness

12th street
 baptist church

Pray for our
 relocation . . .

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*Saddle Up,
 Wranglers,
 and Join the
 Adventure!*

Vacation Bible School
 June 14 - 18 9 AM - 12 NOON

All Children 4 years old through grade 5 are invited

WRANGLER
 CHALLENGES for the week . . .

- Day 1 - Who Am I?
- Day 2 - Does God Care About Me?
- Day 3 - What Is God's Plan for Me?
- Day 4 - How Can I Be Like Jesus?
- Day 5 - What Do I Do Now?

VBS FAMILY FUN NIGHT
 Friday Night, June 18th
 5:00 pm - Hot Dog Supper
 & View Crafts and Rooms
 & Musical following

Church Staff Anniversary

Nancy Shelton - Educational Secretary - May 24, 1978

Zac Clay - Student Minister - June 8, 2008



REMINDERS

- TUESDAY, June 1st -
 VOTE - Primary Elections
 SONSHINE SINGERS (Senior Adults) Tuesday,
 June 1st, 10:30 AM
- MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST - Sunday, June 6th, 8 am
- ZAC'S 2nd ANNIVERSARY, June 8th
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, Monday, June 14th, 9 am-12 noon
 Tuesday, June 15th, 9 am-12 noon
 Wednesday, June 16th, 9 am-12 noon
 Thursday, June 17th, 9 am-12 noon
 Friday, June 18th, 9 am-12 noon
 Parents' Night, Friday, June 18th, 6:00 pm
- SBC CONVENTION, June 15-16, Orlando Florida
- WEDNESDAY, June 16th - Finance Mtg, 7 pm
- FATHER'S DAY, June 20th - Honoring Our Fathers
- YOUTH BEACH CAMP, June 24th-27th, Ft. Walton Beach, FL
- YOUNG @ HEART TRIP TO CROSSVILLE TN PLAYHOUSE,
 Thursday, June 24th
- BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, Saturday, June 26th, 2 - 4 pm
 for Frances Williams, Fellowship Hall
- "HOMELAND" - Patriotic Musical - Sunday, June 27th
 6 pm in our Sanctuary

Men's Breakfast
 June 6th, 8 am
 in Fellowship Hall

All Men Are Invited to Attend



MISSION TRIP
 JUNE 5-12
 TO GUATEMALA

PRAY FOR . . .
 Saratha Grigsby, Dr. Linda,
 Sarah, Ruth, and Rachel
 Jones

323 SOUTH TWELFTH STREET
 GADSDEN, ALABAMA 35901
 www.12thstreetbaptist.org

Church Staff

- Dr. Craig Carlisle, Pastor
- Dr. Troy L. Morrison, Pastor Emeritus
- Ronnie Cornutt, Minister of Music
- Don Young, Minister of Education
- Zac Clay, Minister of Students
- Cheri Metz, Children's Ministry Coordinator
- Lana Cannon, Director, Kindergarten/Daycare
- Wallace McDuffie, Pastor, Hopkins Mission

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Our Church
 Mission . . .

Connect to God

- ..to Others
- ..to Ministry
- ..to the Lost

Our Challenge: Every
 member involved in ministry

CELEBRATING YOUR FATHER'S LOVE
 JUNE 20th

Blessed is the man who walks with God
Happy Father's Day



I want to use my space in this newsletter to just let you know how much I love each and every one of you who make up the family of 12th Street Baptist Church. You are all special to me. We are on a journey together as we pursue relocating this beloved congregation. The unity we have as we march in this new direction is phenomenal. There aren't many churches that have managed to stay together like we have. The reason we have this unity is because we know this is God's will for 12th Street. And I am so glad to be a part of what God is doing with our church.

We are presently pursuing our permanent financing for the construction at the new building. This has been an arduous task as we have pursued every opportunity that has come to us. We are in search of the best financing package possible so that we can complete as much of the design as possible in Phase 1. We know that we are not going to be able to complete the building in its entirety initially, but we are committed to going as far as we can go as soon as we can. Thanks to all of you for your faithfulness in honoring your pledges to our New Horizons Campaign. So far, our giving is ahead of where it should be at this point.

I appreciate the patience you have shown as we go through this important process during these days. I assure you that I am as anxious as you are to get to our new location. But this part of the process is crucial and requires us to do our due diligence as we seek financing. I want to say a word about our building committee and trustees. They are a phenomenal group of leaders and have worked tirelessly over these last several weeks. Please pray for them as they continue to guide us: **Building Committee: Sonny Taylor, Palmer Rowe, Steve Parrish, Michael White, and Bill Summerlin; Trustees: Jim Hicks, Ray Drummonds, and Jim Thompson.** I also want to let you know that we have a godly architect and contractor that are going through this with us. They have been so encouraging during this time. Please pray for them as well.

We are very hopeful that very soon we will have the answers we will need to move forward. We want to restart construction as quickly as possible. But we will not turn the contractor and architect loose until our construction loan is in place.

Abundant Life Church has been approved for financing and the purchase of our property. Our trustees will be working with them to finalize all the details surrounding this part of the equation. One of the contingencies of Abundant Life's loan is the sale of their existing property. They have a prospect in New Faith Community Church. Please pray for Abundant Life and New Faith as they work together on their sale.

Thank you for the privilege of being your pastor. Thank you for the love and encouragement you have shown me in these recent days. God truly has His hand on 12th Street Baptist Church and we know the best is yet to come.

Bro. Craig



The Children's Choirs did a magnificent job in their presentation of **"Knight Camp at Rock Kingdom"**.

The costumes were great, the sets were great, and especially the children were great. Thanks to all the workers who made this happen: Rachel Clay, Emily Hewell, and Cherie Metz with the older choir, and Karen Moore with the Carol Choir. And also thanks to those adults who had roles: Alan & Cheryl Moorer, Joe Metz, and Jerry Albert. It was a fun night of music and drama, but it also included some serious moments.... from the children quoting many bible verses, to the witnessing of the children and eventually the acceptance of Christ by "Monica". Also, there are some people who we too often leave out - the guys upstairs: Wayne Cornutt on sound, Zac Clay and Daniel Roberts on the projection. This was a wonderful time of worship led by our children. Thanks!

I hope everyone will **plan to be here on Sunday night, June 27th**, our **Chancel Choir** presents **"Homeland"**. This is **a celebration of our country - our dwelling place - our Homeland**. America has often been referred to as the great melting pot of nationalities and cultures. Americans have not relinquished the unique character of their individual heritage. But our Homeland is a place where we pledge the same flag, protect and defend the same constitution, breathe the same air, cherish the future of our children, and stand constant vigil to defend the rights that compelled our founders to form a more perfect Union. Through the most difficult of times - acts of war - natural disasters - unspeakable tragedies - Americans have always risen to the occasion of caring for each other. It is through the teachings of Jesus that we have witnessed the blessings of learning to lean on each other - to give with joy and to receive with grace. **Come enjoy this special night! And during the program we will be recognizing those who have served our country in the various branches of the armed services.**

- Ronnie



THANKS to all who helped with our NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS. Everyone did a great job, we could not do it without you!

Let's support our Summer EBA Missionaries, two of whom are our own - **Jared Cornutt and Micah Bowden** - by bringing the following items by June 15th:
crayons, pre-sweetened Kool-Aid, markers, baby wipes, yarn, pencils, play dough

Pray for our Vacation Bible School June 14th thru 18th!

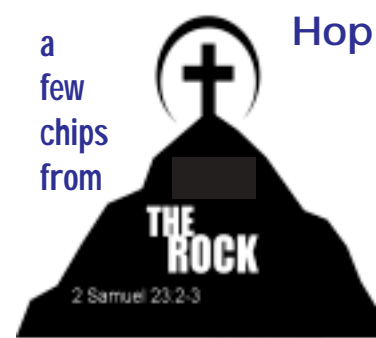


Youth Camp- June 24-27- Ft. Walton Beach, FL \$195. If you haven't signed up yet, let Zac know now.

Youth Revival- South Gadsden Baptist Church- June 13-16 -Zac will preach and Infusion (our youth praise band) will lead worship.

Be sure you are here on Wednesdays and Sundays to find out about upcoming Summer activities! Also, keep up with Generation Next on our Facebook page.

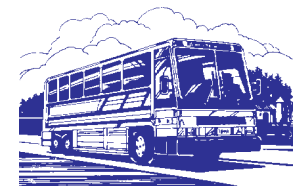
Zac



Hopkins Chapel Mission

Greetings from Hopkins Chapel Mission Church: We would like to take this time to thank two of our sisters in Christ for their help every month at Hopkins. Pat Thompson and Jean Fussell bring refreshments for our people every second Sunday of the month. They always have a smile on their faces and love in their hearts for all. Pat and Jean have the Christian gifts of giving and serving. We at Hopkins feel lucky having these two angels with us each month. God bless both of you from all of us at Hopkins Chapel.

Thought for the month: **"Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people."**
God bless each of you from your mission church. Bro. Wallace



YOUNG @ HEART DAY TRIP
Thursday, June 24th
Motor Coach to Crossville, Tenn

Cumberland Playhouse to see "HELLO DOLLY"
3 PM Performance
Cost: \$38.00 + lunch & supper meals
12 seats available - Contact Carolyn Wrenn



The family of Frances Williams invites you . . .
Please join us to celebrate
Frances Williams' 85th Birthday
Saturday, June 26th, 2 until 4 pm
Twelfth Street Baptist Church, Gadsden
-- No Gifts Please --

Children's Ministry
Summer Dates

for ages 4 thru grade 6

- Tuesday, June 8th - Meet at **IMAGINE THAT** in Southside 9:30-12 noon (\$2.50)
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 14th - 18th** 9 am - 12 noon
- Tuesday, June 22nd - Birmingham Zoo (church bus) 8:30 am-2 pm (\$5.00)
- Tuesday, June 29th - Merry Go Round Skate Center Hours TBA (\$3.00)
- Tuesday, July 13th - Bowling at Paradise Lanes Hours TBA (\$3.00)
- Tuesday, July 20th - Premiere Cinemas **"Jimmy Neutron-Boy Genius"** 10 am (\$5)
- Tuesday, July 27th - **BACKYARD BLAST** 3:00-5:30 pm

Children's
5:00 pm
Summer Sundays
ages 4 thru grade 6

June 6th & 13th
VBS Musical Practice

July 11th, 18th, & 25th
Drama, Music & the Church

August 8th, 15th, & 22nd
UNcommon Courtesy for Kids