

Dadeville First Baptist

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Pastor's Column

Are you as excited as I am about Vision 2026? This has been an amazing journey that has brought us to this place in the life and ministry of our church. In just a couple of weeks, we have the opportunity to make a grand statement about what we believe about our God, His church, and this community. On September 17, we will affirm our faith in what He is calling us to do and how we are going to be part of His vision. There are two things that I want to be sure you understand. The estimate is just that. We are not asking for pledges, vows, or contracts. This is our way of confirming that we are willing to give sacrificially to make sure this next generation of believers has the opportunity to learn about God's great love for them. And remember, it is about equal sacrifice – not equal giving. And then, know that we will continue to pray and follow the Lord's leadership as we know there are more things that He is calling us to do. We are not here for the short term. Ministry isn't even for a lifetime. We are here for the generations to come, and I am excited to see how God is building that foundation for us.

Remember, this: your pastor loves you.

Bro. Ben



Office Closed Monday
September 4th

Special Called Business Meeting
Wednesday, September 6th @ 6:00
Recommendation from Building & Grounds
to repair the roof.

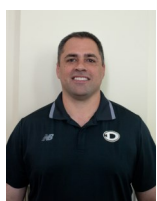


Minister of Children & Families

Grandparents are a gift from the Lord! Unfortunately, society has largely forgotten the powerful influence that grandparents have. My memories are full of times spent with my grandparents, particularly the time I spent with them at their church. They have left such a legacy of faithful service to the Lord that I will never forget and I am working to pass on to my kids and future grandkids. It's this powerful influence of grandparents that led Charlie and me to host the simulcast of the Legacy Grandparents Summit. This event in November is geared to help you be the best Christian grandparents possible. They will discuss topics like long-distance grandparenting, understanding culture, and how to be intentional about the gospel with your grandkids. I have seen that FBC has some amazing ggis, pops, mamaws, lollies, and grandpas that love Jesus and love their grandkids. Don't miss the opportunity to pass on your faith to these kids you love more than anything else. Take advantage of this chance to learn how to be effective for the Kingdom of God in the relationships God has already given you.

Bro. Forrest

Minister of Youth & Discipleship



I wanted to give an update on how the young adults are doing because I have been excited to see the Lord working. First, we had over 30 sign-ups for small groups this fall. Small group has been beneficial in building relationships with each other. Secondly, four men have been meeting on Thursday nights in a discipleship group to create more accountability in the disciple-making process. This group has helped hold each other accountable in Bible reading, prayer, and applying the word to the Christian life. We plan to add men to this group next month. Our young ladies will begin meeting on Wednesday nights for a discipleship group. Contact Cree Atkins for more information. Thirdly, our Digging Deeper class has been meeting on Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. We use this time to dig deeper into the Bible. Join us as we study through the Psalms. Join me in praying for our young adults. We need the Lord's favor as we seek to make disciples.

Bro. Hunter



Minister of Music & Senior Adults

God Loves Me Anyway!

Psalm 139 is one of my favorite passages of scripture. It give me comfort and encouragement in my everyday walk with my Savior Jesus Christ.

“O Lord, You have searched me and know me. You know when I sit down and when I stand up; You understand my thoughts from far away. You observe my travels and my rest; You are aware of all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue, you know all about it, Lord. You have encircled me; You placed Your hand on me. This wondrous knowledge is beyond me. It is lofty; I am unable to reach it. . . . Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.”

(Psalm 139: 1-6, 23-24)

It is a comfort knowing that God knows everything about me, He knew it even before I was thought of by my parents, and HE LOVES ME ANYWAY!! It is no wonder that the Psalmist David, closed that psalm with the request that God work in his life to keep him in His will and to use him always. Please join me in making the same request for our lives.

Charlie



Thursday November 2 – Friday November 3
Exploring How to Grandparent
for the Glory of God
Register Today at
LegacyCoalition.com/Summit

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

List available in the office.