



These are wonderful days at 12th Street. Do you sense the wonderful spirit that is present as you enter the building?

Have you noticed the outstanding cooperation we have had since our move? Take time to notice the smiling faces that are all around when we are together. Have you seen all the new people that are visiting with us? I know you have noticed the new members that have joined with us. God truly has his hand upon our church. Thank you for all you are doing to be a part of the blessings that God is pouring out on us these days.

One of the most important weeks of 2011 is upon us. It is **Vacation Bible School**. The theme this year is the **“Big Apple Adventure.”** The dates are **June 6-10**. Our hallways and classrooms will be transformed to mimic a street in New York City. We are anticipating the largest VBS at 12th Street in many years. Our VBS Team has been preparing for weeks. We are inviting entire neighborhoods, subdivisions, apartment complexes, and trailer parks to our inaugural VBS at 800 West Grand. I want to thank Donette Griffith for her phenomenal leadership as our VBS Director. I want to thank all of the volunteers who have enlisted to work in our VBS. It is going to be great. I know that there are many who cannot be involved with the hands on work of VBS. But there are some things you can do:

- (1) Please pray for the children and families that we will have the opportunity to minister to during VBS.
- (2) Please pray for each and every worker each day as they give of themselves this week.
- (3) Pray for the Family Night on Friday evening June 10th. We will have the opportunity to meet and reach the moms and dads and other family members on this evening.
- (4) Pray for Thursday, June 9th as we present the gospel to the children. Pray for their ability to understand their need for Jesus in their lives. Pray for them to have the courage to say “yes” to Jesus.

VBS is so important. I can't wait to see what God is going to do.

Let me also ask you to pray for Dr. Linda Jones and her family and Michael and Angie White and their family as they are in Panama. They will be hosting a medical clinic and building a water retrieval system to turn rainwater into drinkable water. They will be there for 10 days. We will look forward to hearing from them when they return. Pray for Jared Cornutt as he serves this summer in Greenville, South Carolina at MissionFuge camps. He is going to have the opportunity to impact the lives to thousands of teenagers. Pray that God will use him in a mighty way.

One of my prayers is that 12th Street will become a mission-sending factory to the world. What a great beginning. Thank you for the privilege to be your pastor. *Bro. Craig*

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June 6-10 is VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. We need volunteers to help set up Sunday afternoon, June 5th and take down Saturday, June 11th. Thanks to Donette and all the VBS volunteers.

June is SENIOR ADULT ENLISTMENT MONTH. All adults 55 and over are invited to join us, the Young@Heart group. We have monthly programs (3rd Tuesday each month, 10:30 am) as well as planned day trips and special events. We would love to have you join us!

Our Nominating Committee is at work enlisting workers for our new church year beginning August 14th. Say **Yes** if asked to serve.

Sunday School Totals for May 305 - Worship Average Attendance 450 - New Member 5 - Visitors 25.

Music in Ministry

Thanks to all of our children who participated in Children's Choir this year. The “Music in May” program presented on May 22nd was great, and you are to be congratulated. I would also like to personally thank all those who worked with our choirs during the past year: Rachel Clay, Emily Hewell, and Cherie Metz with the “His Kids” choir, and Karen Moore with the “Carol Choir”. Again, thanks so much for giving your time and talents for the training of our children.

The Music Ministry added a new element to our program in May, with the addition of a **Praise Team** which sings in our 8:15am service every Sunday. The singers involved in this have dedicated themselves to this additional ministry. They are all members of the Chancel Choir, who have agreed to attend an extra rehearsal, and sing in both services on the days they participate with the Praise Team. So you may have noticed some of these choir members leaving the platform just before the message during the 2nd service. This is because they have already participated in the 1st service, and then they sing again in the music portion of the 2nd service. Thanks to all those involved in this new ministry. You are a big addition to the early service! *- Ronnie*

REMEMBER OUR MISSION TEAM IN PANAMA MAY 27th - JUNE 4th -

Michael & Angie White, Cade & Julianne, Dr. Linda Jones, Rachel, Gabrielle, Sarah, Ruth, & John Mark Jones.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER . . .

Alan and Jena Sanders and family in the deaths of his brother and sister-in-law, Albert and Angie Sanders, on Wednesday, April 27th . . .
Durward DuBose and family in the homegoing of his wife, Jeanne Hatley DuBose, on Tuesday, May 17th . . .
Winston and Lou Williams and family in the homegoing of her brother, Rev. Douglas Welch, on May 20th . . .

2 - Lorraine Brown, Chris Garmon
3 - Elizabeth Garrett
5 - Raleigh Hampton, Daniel Reynolds
6 - Don Atkins, Robert Counterman
8 - Ann Wells
10 - Mike Owen, Carolina Swindall
11 - Harold Head, Ryan Lynch, Mildred Parker
12 - Brandon Laugherty
13 - Bethany Garmon
14 - Ferris Hall, Charles Levens
15 - Gary Keener, Cindy Burrell, Diane Sitz
17 - Frances Waldrop
18 - Carolyn Coleman
20 - Azah Martin
21 - Dot Tucker, Charles Wren
22 - Johnny Cain, Chris Conner, Jerry Reaves
23 - Leah Harden
24 - LeAnne Buff, Natalie Conner, Nell Evans, Royce Head
25 - Ann Gamblin, Johnny Jackson, Manish Shah
26 - Tori Bowling
26 - Morgan Ford, Leslie Robinson, Doris Young

27 - Greg Dial, Rita King
28 - Mary Rector
29 - Ginny Chaffin, Eric Chastain, Elizabeth Roberson, Shelia Tudor, Carolyn Wrenn



COMING IN JULY

SPECIAL PATRIOTIC SUNDAY JULY 3RD

YOUTH BEACH CAMP JULY 7TH - 10TH AT GULF SHORES

CHURWIDE FISH FRY JULY 31ST & 5TH SUNDAY SINGING



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Hopkins Chapel Mission

Greeting from your mission church, Hopkins Chapel! The other day some person was predicting the world would end on May 21, 2011. All of us believers know God says no one, not even the angels know the hour or the day~ God alone knows. A local radio station DJ was asking his audience to call in and tell what they would be doing that day if they knew it was true. All kinds of answers came in over the phone lines. Some said, “I would go to the beach,” another said, “I would get married.” Sunday morning at Hopkins, I asked the congregation what they would be doing. Before anyone could answer, one of our ten year olds said: “I would be ready.” I hope you're ready when He comes. What a day that will be. I love the words to an old gospel song: “I'm going to get carried away when I get carried away.” Praise the Lord and Amen!

Bro. Wallace & Staff

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:



BY LETTER:

*Mr. Jeff Burgess
Miss Shayla Burgess*

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*Mr. Donnie Winningham
Mrs. Donnie (Sharon) Winningham*

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Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, June 15th, 7:00 PM

Deacons Monthly Meeting, Sunday, June 26th, 4:00 PM



Summer is here!! I want to congratulate all of you on your hard work this past school year. Special congratulations go out to our graduating seniors as you begin a new chapter of your life and seek God's will.

Also, congratulations to all of our 8th graders as you begin to prepare for high school.

Zac Clay Student Minister I want to encourage all of you not to take a vacation from church this summer. I know everyone will have different schedules and trips but try to be here as often as possible. The Word will still be preached and taught, and we will still have a great time. Two major things are coming up this summer that I want to call your attention to. **First**, we will have an event called **Youthiversity June 29-July 1**. Each night will have a special theme, a special fun event, a special worship band, and a challenging message from God's Word. The last night will feature **Nashville based recording artist and praise band Canopy Red**. Be thinking of who you want to invite to this dynamic event. You will be getting much more information soon. **Next**, our **Beach Camp will be July 7-10 in Gulf Shores**. I am very excited to have my longtime friend **J.D. McDuffie** to be our **camp pastor**. JD grew up at 12th Street and spent several years in student ministry. He is now the senior pastor of The Way Community Church in Fairhope. The total cost is \$130. Please let me have a \$50 deposit as soon as possible or at least let me know that you're interested in going. Please check the website often (generationnextstudents.com) and be here for Sunday School and Wednesday Night Full Access to be sure to get all the info on different things going on this summer. It is going to be great! See you here!