

A Fresh
START

A NEW BEGINNING WITH GOD

A Fresh Start in Challenging Times / August 20



WELCOME TO DUNWOODY BAPTIST CHURCH—AUGUST 20, 2017



ORDER OF WORSHIP—8:30 AM

Piano Prelude	Dennis Wood
Call to Worship	DBC Orchestra
<i>The Battle Belongs to the Lord</i>	
Hymn Medley	Nos. 151 & 154
<i>A Mighty Fortress is Our God</i>	
<i>We Bow Down</i>	
Pastoral Prayer & Welcome	Mark Paul
Announcements	
Offertory Chorus	
<i>Lord, I Need You</i>	
Offertory Prayer	Jerry Wilkinson
Anthem	Celebration Choir & DBC Orchestra
<i>Blessings</i>	
Message	Allen Jackson
<i>A Fresh Start in Challenging Times</i>	
Isaiah 43:1-7; Mark 9:14-29 (Pew Bible p. 718; 1000)	
Hymn of Reflection	No. 479
<i>Softly and Tenderly</i>	
Benediction	Bill Baggett
Organ Postlude	Cindy McGinty

ORDER OF WORSHIP—11:00 AM

Worship	
<i>Your Love Never Fails</i>	
<i>Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)</i>	
<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	
Welcome & Offertory Prayer	Mark Paul
Offering / Announcements	
Special Music	Robert Comeaux
<i>Even If</i>	
Message	Allen Jackson
<i>A Fresh Start in Challenging Times</i>	
Isaiah 43:1-7; Mark 9:14-29 (Pew Bible p. 514; 714)	
Worship	
<i>Do Not Fear</i>	
Benediction	Robert Comeaux



Welcome to DBC! I'm glad you made your way into our community of friends that is more like a family, and always welcoming of new members. People come into this place with a lot on their minds. Some wonder if they are welcome, some have stories that they do not want others to know and some are seeking relief from a private pain, having tried many other things. DBC is a place where we are passionately becoming more like Jesus and are committed to transforming our homes, church, community and the world. I hope that you feel welcome and are challenged to investigate or deepen your relationship with Jesus.

I ask that you fill out the Connection Card in the pew rack so we may learn more about you and help you choose your next steps. Please stop by the table in the lobby after the service and we'll trade your card for a gift. Be assured that we respect your privacy and your information will only be used to connect you to opportunities at DBC.

As a first step, I recommend you visit a Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:45 am where you will have the opportunity to make friends and grow in your faith. If you aren't sure which class to attend, the Newcomers Class in room D-213 is a great place to start. For more information, go to dbc.org/newcomers.

I'm glad you're here and look forward to meeting you.



Allen Jackson, Senior Pastor
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Explore DBC & Church Membership

If you are interested in learning more about DBC and/or church membership, we hope you will join Discipleship Pastor, Bo Bowen, and Senior Pastor, Allen Jackson, at our next *Explore* session next Sunday, August 27, from 9:45 am - 12:00 pm in Anderson Hall. This is a great way to get connected and to learn about our church and membership process. For more information and to RSVP, please go to dbc.org/explore. Additional *Explore* dates for 2017/18 include: November 12 (4-6 pm, led by Allen Jackson), January 28 (9:45 am - 12:00 pm, led by Bo Bowen) and April 29 (4-6 pm, led by Allen Jackson).

GriefShare Recovery Seminar Support Group

Are you suffering from the loss of a loved one? A new 14-week session of GriefShare will begin on Tuesday, August 29 at 6:30 pm in D-303. This group is designed to help bring healing to those grieving the loss of someone close. Facilitators have experience in offering comfort and encouragement during a difficult time. Pertinent topics on grief and recovery will be discussed. For more information, go to dbc.org/griefshare. To register, please call Irene Stokes at 770.458.4311.

Annual State of the Church Gathering

As we enter a new ministry year at DBC, join us on Sunday, September 24 at 5 pm in the Chapel to hear from our pastors and ministry leaders as they share stories and new vision. This gathering is an opportunity to combine worship, prayer and our church conference. Votes will be taken on new deacons, committee members and the annual budget. A quorum of at least 90 church members is required for voting. Nursery provided.

Listen to the Leadership Conference on the DBC App

Last week's Leadership Conference was an amazing event, as volunteer leaders from more than a dozen different discipleship ministries gathered to be trained and inspired for another year of service. You can now listen to several of the training workshops, as well as the keynote message from Lee Taylor (from neighboring Johnson Ferry Baptist Church), in the Special Events section of the DBC App.

Spiritual Growth On the Go—The DBC App

With the DBC App you can easily watch, listen to or share past messages and podcast episodes, live-stream our Sunday worship services, submit prayer requests and pray for others, access fast and secure online giving, and more! The DBC App is available in the iTunes, Google Play, Windows Phone and Amazon app stores.

Weekly Celebrate Recovery Support Program

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered support program for a variety of issues such as abuse, anger, eating disorders, addiction, divorce and more. Discover the peace, joy and freedom God has for you every Sunday from 5:30-8:15 pm in Anderson Hall (A-200). More information is online at dbc.org/celebraterecovery.

Prayer Partners are Available After The Eleven

Members of the DBC family are available to pray with you about any of your personal needs and/or to answer questions you may have about the Christian faith. Come to the front left side of the Worship Center stage at 12:10 pm and someone will be there to lead you to the Prayer Room behind the Worship Center.

Wednesday Night Schedule: August 23

Wednesday Night Dinner, 5:00-6:15 pm, Dining Room
Women's DiscipleU, 6:00-7:30 pm, D-208/209
Pastor's Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 pm, Dining Room
Praise Choir, 6:15-7:30 pm, Worship Center Choir Room
Celebration Choir, 7:30-8:45 pm, Chapel Choir Room
Orchestra, 6:30-7:00 pm, Chapel
Late Night Bible Study, 8:00-9:00 pm, Dining Room
Kid's Choir, 6:00-7:30 pm, A-203
ReAct, 6:00-7:30 pm, A-203
KidsPraise, 6:00-7:30 pm, Kid's Place Rally Room
Wild Wednesday Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 pm, A-200
Student Leadership Institute for Gr. 7-12, 7:00-8:00 pm
Childcare*, 5:30-8:00 pm, C-Building

*Available to children whose parents participate in Wednesday Bible studies.

Weekly Budget Update

Tithe & Offerings	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Received	\$38,097	\$2,935,071
Budgeted	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$2,715,000</u>
Over (under) Budget	(\$11,903)	\$220,071

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A Fresh Start
A FRESH START IN CHALLENGING TIMES

Isaiah 43:1-7; Mark 9:14-29

August 20, 2017

Main Thing: Sometimes when you are in the middle of a Fresh Start, you get punched in the gut. God will sustain you in challenging times for your good and for His glory. Godly intentions are always opposed by secular and/or evil influence.

Introduction: A Fresh Start and a Punch in the Gut

Through Flood and Fire (Isaiah 43:1-7)

Help in Unbelief (Mark 9:14-29)

Restart the Fresh Start

- Acknowledge the challenge, but don't live there.
- Do not depend on past strategies.
- Do not try to figure out what you did to deserve the difficulty.
- Don't get stuck.
- Resolve to see the challenges as God sees them.



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GROWING & SERVING IN CHRIST

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DISCIPLEU

DiscipleU features in-depth Bible study, small group discussion and opportunity for intergenerational connections.

► **Personal Holiness with Judi Jackson**

August 16 - November 15, 6:00-7:30 pm in D-208/209

Personal holiness is a process that takes daily renewal, through the Word of God. This study takes us directly to the Word of God for a personal challenge in Christlike living and for direction in living holy lives in an unholy world. Cost per workbook is \$5 and payable at the first session when distributed.

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

**The Amazing Collection:
I Thessalonians - Revelation:**

Tuesdays, 8/29 - 12/12,
9:30-11:30 am, D-306; facilitated
by Duhi Schneider

How to Study the Bible:

Tuesdays, 9/12 - 10/10, 9:30-11:30
am, D-300; facilitated by Sue Haynes

Can We Talk? by Priscilla Shirer:

Wednesdays, 8/30 - 10/11, 10 am -
12 pm, G-113; for moms with young
children; facilitated by Barb Newman

Present Over Perfect by

Shauna Niequist: Wednesdays,
10/18 - 11/15, 10 am - 12 pm, G-113;
facilitated by Barb Newman; for
moms with young children

Hebrews Part 1 Precept Study:

Wednesdays, 8/30 - 11/15, 9:30 am - 12
pm, D-300; facilitated by Cindy Credille

1 & 2 Corinthians: Wednesdays,
9/6 - 5/2, 9:30-11:30 am, D-Building;
facilitated by Jennifer Harris /
Community Bible Study

SPECIAL EVENTS

**Dessert &
Craft Night**
9/21 at 7 pm

**Once Upon a
Holiday Dinner**
11/30 at 7 pm

**Soup for the
Soul Dinner**
3/1 at 7 pm



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LIVING GOD-HONORING LIVES

MEN'S FRATERNITY

- ▶ Sundays, 7:00-8:30 pm, D-208/209, September 17 - November 12
- ▶ New weekday morning option: Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 am, A-200, September 20 - November 15

Build (or rebuild) your confidence.

Develop successful life strategies.

Improve your performance in your relationships and your job.

Based on Robert Lewis' *Authentic Manhood* series, Men's Fraternity will help you elevate your game at home and in the workplace over two 8-week semesters. Learn more at dbc.org/mensfraternity.

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP

- ▶ Fridays at 6:15 am in A-200

Men of all ages meet year round to explore how to be a man, husband, dad, and more, after God's own heart. We use real life experiences in a transparent setting to apply God's principles to gain victory and hope in our lives!

6TH ANNUAL MEN'S BBQ

Sunday, 8/27 at the Sports Center

Enjoy BBQ from some of DBC's most talented grill-masters! Pick-up softball games begin at 4:30 pm. Dinner served at 6:30 pm. All DBC members must bring a side item. Please go to dbc.org/bbq to find out what you need to bring. Friends and neighbors are not expected to bring anything.

Childcare is available by reservation only from 4:30-8:00 pm.

Please go to dbc.org/bbq by 8/23 to make your childcare reservation.