

The Builder

Druid Hills Baptist Church
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Love God, Share Christ, Serve People, and Grow in Faith...

We walk through the door of 2010 with much to celebrate at Druid Hills Baptist Church. Like stepping through a doorway from one room to another, we want to look back to celebrate our crossing as those who “Love God, Share Christ, Serve People and Grow in Faith” within the tradition of Druid Hills Baptist Church at the corner of Ponce and Highland. Looking back we affirmed our bold decision to emphasize our Christian heritage through worship and education, to seek to diversify the way our church opens its doors through missions to connect with those in our neighborhood and to continue the DHBC heritage of creative means to reach those who are spiritually hungry. Reflecting over the year we can recall many highlight moments. We entered 2009 with a beautifully renovated facility; we square danced off our Winter calories and put them back on by taste testing our favorite chili; we welcomed hundreds of guests for Movie Night providing food and fellowship; we took time in Holy Week to visit the Stations of the Cross; we celebrated Easter with the call to find where God is and join in God’s mission. As the Winter gave way to Spring, we opened our facility to music, art, and fun holding our Art Atlanta Festival in tandem with the Virginia-Highlands festival. Along the way, we realized that mind, body and spirit were an important balance so we began yoga stretch classes and Boot Camp exercise classes together. In the Summer we continued our overseas mission service in Guatemala; we honored our opportunity to share in the Sixth Star Ministry; and we started our reflection period looking at the rich unity and diversity we share together as a congregation and in the Poncey-Highlands. The Fall was filled with activity as we enjoyed beautiful worship in music; we filled shoe boxes for children in need; and we honored our Lord in the celebration of Advent. We witnessed many threshold crossings within the congregation as well: memorial services for some of our cherished saints; the ordination of Erica Cooper to the Gospel Ministry and Carey Charles to the Deaconate; some farewells and welcomes to staff; baptisms and many weddings! Throughout all that we have experienced this year there have been many of you working behind the scenes to make sure that the message and ministry of Christ through DHBC is carried forth. Every morsel cooked, pot or pan scrubbed, wreath hung, water bill challenged or flower placed has been the gift of your service. We cannot be more thankful for your gift of compassion. Mimi and I count it a privilege to serve along side of you at this geographical point in Atlanta, but also at this Kairos moment in God’s timing. “Kairos” is the Greek term for that special time when the extra-ordinary presence of God breaks into our world. By your service DHBC family, you are evermore the Kairos of God in the Poncey-Highlands. Standing now with our faces set toward 2010, let us Love God, Share Christ, Serve People and Grow in Faith.

The Pastors Walker, Mimi and Graham

At DHBC Every ...

SUNDAY

9:30 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Morning Worship

WEDNESDAY

5:45 PM Fellowship Meal
(Reservations Required)
6:15 PM Announcements & Prayers
6:30 PM (Youth Leave for Youth Meeting)
Hymn Singing
6:40 PM Bible Study or Program Lesson
7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

MONTHLY

1st Sunday
12:45 PM Action Groups
1:30 PM Church Council
1st Thursday
6:30 PM Intown Movie Night
1st Friday
7:00 PM Young Adult Fellowship
3rd Sunday
12:15 PM Deacons' Meeting
4th Wednesday
7:00 PM Administrative Meetings

Happy Birthday!!!

Gertrude Schwartz	1/1
Bennie Simmons	1/1
Lynn Miller	1/2
Kristina Baade	1/6
Sally Charles	1/9
Carole Strickland	1/10
Sarah Thomas	1/12
Sherri Cameron	1/14
Savanna All	1/15
Candace Rolader	1/17
Lamar Kilgore	1/19
Susan Scarbrough	1/22
Mary Jo Endicot	1/25
Jewell McLaughlin	1/25
Jeremiah Warren	1/26
Cody Heermans	1/29

Please remember these Special Members...

<u>Jean Bailey</u> Decatur, GA	<u>Mary Jo Endicott</u> Greer, SC	<u>Mary Kerr</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>Gertrude Schwartz</u> Marietta, GA
<u>Joyce Barksdale</u> Tucker, GA	<u>Louise Fitzpatrick</u> Marietta, GA	<u>Danny Lobsinger</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>John & Carole Strickland</u> Tucker, GA
<u>Doris Berry</u> Norcross, GA	<u>Ellie Forrester</u> Decatur, GA	<u>Emma Merriman</u> Decatur, GA	<u>Edith Turner</u> Evergreen, CO
<u>Amy Bowers</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>John Hallsworth</u> Lilburn, GA	<u>Harold and Norma Mote</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>Mildred Walsh</u> Lawrenceville, GA
<u>Dorothy Buckhalt</u> Vernon Hills, IL	<u>Lucille Hasty</u> Austell, GA	<u>John Phillips</u> Leavenworth, KS	<u>Wilhemina Turner</u> Lawrenceville, GA
<u>Steadman Burgess</u> Decatur, GA	<u>Margaret Higgins</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>Mr. and Mrs. Moss Robertson</u> Gainesville, GA	<u>Willa Williams</u> Atlanta, GA
<u>Simeon & Beth Carter</u> Decatur, GA	<u>Frances Hill</u> Greenville, SC	<u>Mildred Roe</u> Atlanta, GA	<u>Lois Ellis</u> Tucker, GA
<u>Leila Denmark</u> Athens, GA	<u>Grace Jarrell</u> Perry, GA		

Upcoming Events and Reminders...

Intown Movie Night is Thursday, January 7th

Please come help with preparations at 6:15 and share God's love with our less fortunate brothers and sisters. Volunteers needed!

Memorial Service for Eleanor Green on January 9th

A memorial service for DHBC faithful member Eleanor Green will take place on Saturday, January 9th in the Parlor. Visitation will be at 1:00 before the service at 2:00 in the sanctuary. Condolences may be sent to her niece Emily Medlock at 119 North Candler St. Decatur, GA 30030. Please keep Emily and Eleanor's family in your prayers.

Church-wide Potluck Lunch and business Meeting

Sunday, January 10th

Bring some of your good home cooking and be prepared to enjoy some fellowship as we share a meal and take care of some church business!

DHBC Valentine's Dinner February 14th

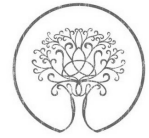
The Fellowship Committee will host our annual DHBC Valentine's Dinner on Sunday, February 14th after church in the Social Hall. Cost will be \$7 per person. Come join the fun, fellowship and fine food!

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS N JANUARY

Please join us Wednesday nights in January for Church supper at 5:45 and Bible study at 6:30. This month we will begin a study on the book of 2nd Corinthians led by Mimi. Youth will meet from 6:30 to 7:15. Please call or email the church if you would like to reserve a meal.

Selah Center January Schedule

- Sundays - Contemplative Prayer 8pm
- Yoga/exercise class resumes meeting on Mondays at 6:30 on January 4^h
- Tuesdays - Core Fit Class 7pm
- Thursdays - Stretching/Relaxation Class 3pm, Core Fit Class 7pm
- Men's Spirituality Group will meet the first and third Sunday in January (3rd and 17th) at 6:30pm in the Theater

**DHBC GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP!**

DHBC will continue our ongoing relationship with Mission Impact and the Guatemalan girls' school Proximos Pasos when we return to Guatemala in 2010 for a weeklong mission trip from Saturday, July 24, 2010 through Sunday, August 1, 2010. Fund-raising efforts will begin soon. Please contact Chuck Warren if you are interested in being on the 2010 DHBC Mission Team or supporting the effort!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE A MEAL AT THE MEN'S SHELTER!

Please consider helping to prepare and/or serve a meal at the Druid Hills Men's Night Shelter on Monday, January 18th, at 6:30 pm. Menu items needed - baked chicken and gravy, rice, black-eye peas, biscuits, fruit or salad, dessert, and ice tea. This is an extremely rewarding, safe and easy opportunity to serve our less fortunate brothers. You can sign up to serve and/or bring food in the meal sign up book located in the church lobby or by contacting Allen Jones at 404-216-6206 or allenjon@bellsouth.net.

DHBC AND THE SIX STAR REFUGEE PARTNERSHIP

By Leslie Garrett

The Six Star Refugee Partnership is an affiliation of 10 churches of different denominations that has been working for the past ten years to bring refugees to the US. Six Star works with the IRC, the International Rescue Committee, who selects the families and brings them to Atlanta. The home on DHBC property on Blue Ridge Avenue has been the home to all but one of the 11 families that have been sponsored by Six Star. For those of you who are not familiar with this home, it is a two story duplex with separate apartments upstairs and downstairs. These apartments are large enough to house larger families than many other resettlement programs can manage. Once established in their home, Six Star provides tutoring, drivers to medical appointments, assistance with finding jobs and supports the family in making a successful adjustment to life in the US. While the families live on DHBC property, Six Star pays for their expenses until family members gain employment and they can begin to pay their expenses.

At present, there are two families from Afghanistan living in the Blue Ridge house. A third family from Afghanistan lives in a house in Tucker recently loaned to Six Star. Thus far, Six Star has hosted seven families from Afghanistan, as well as families from Sierra Leone, the Congo, Liberia and Burundi. Our own Thomas family was the first family sponsored by Six Star, and their success is an example of what Six Star is all about.

Chuck Warren and I are the DHBC representatives to the Board of Six Star. There are many volunteer opportunities for anyone who would like to get involved with this program. Volunteers are needed for tutoring, driving family members to medical appointments and in various other ways. If you are interested in getting involved, see Chuck or I. To learn more about this partnership, go to the DHBC website, click on the "Ministries" tab, then click on "Refugee Resettlement".

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January 2010

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