

February 2021

The Light

**Please Note
Changes**

SURGE WINTER

Youth Missions Day

FEBRUARY 27



FOR ALL YOUTH 6TH-12TH GRADE
FBC MOUNT VERNON
FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

TOTAL FEE OF \$25 INCLUDES LUNCH SNACKS, A
T-SHIRT, LEARNING AND MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY.
REGISTER ONLINE AT: DBACHURCHES.COM/SURGE-WINTER

REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 19, 2021



A Message from Bro. Billy:

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 indicates that each of us have an outer person and an inner person. The outer person is decaying because of the difficulties and afflictions of this world. While the outer person decays, for all those who hope in Christ, the inner person is being renewed day by day as we keep our eyes fixed on the eternal and not the temporal.

16 Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer person is decaying, yet our inner person is being renewed day by day. 17 For our momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison, 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

COVID is still having a significant impact on the world, and we should not pretend, through some kind of “health and wealth” gospel that the church is immune from that impact. However, we must also be cautious that the inner person of the Spirit of the people of God does not slowly wither from neglect while at the same time we take every precaution to protect our physical bodies. We must be careful that we are not favoring the outer person over the spiritual inner person. The scripture encourages us to use loving wisdom in the care of our bodies and our neighbor, but that should not come at the expense of our spiritual lives. The predominant disposition of the Scripture is that this physical world and body is to be used to advance the spiritual and not the other way around. For example, what Paul says in Philippians 1:18-25:

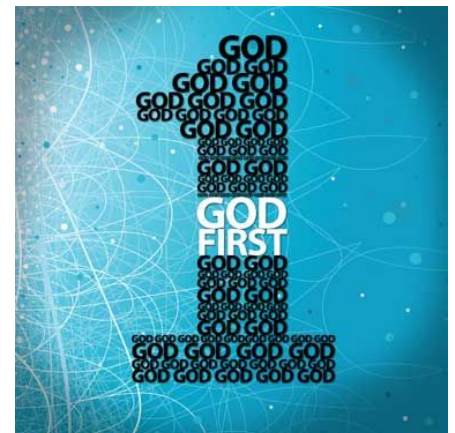
18 What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in this I rejoice. But not only that, I also will rejoice, 19 for I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, 20 according to my eager expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. 23 But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better; 24 yet to remain on in the flesh is more necessary for your sakes. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy in the faith,...

We ought to pause and ask ourselves if we are being consistent. We are employing wisdom and best practices while going to work, school, play and appointments but are we avoiding the church gathered? Are all the other activities of life essential while the church gathered is optional? What is the message our youth and children are learning during these times? Consistency is important.

There are some functions of the church that cannot be accomplished apart from us connecting with one another around spiritual matters. We can be creative with the form in which we gather. The Scripture does not designate a particular location, time, or format for our assembly. How we gather in a loving and wise manner is a discussion we ought to be having today, but whether

we gather is not up for discussion. In the same way in which we are trying to be wise as we gather for all of our daily responsibilities and recreation, we can use wisdom and love as our guide as we assemble together to perform the essential functions of the church. Let's consider how we can meet together and encourage one another as Hebrews 10:23-25 instructs.

23 Let's hold firmly to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; 24 and let's consider how to encourage one another in love and good deeds, 25 not abandoning our own meeting together, as is the habit of some people, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.





SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

OF THE
EXECUTIVE TEAM
OF THE
DANIELL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

**Thursday, March 4th, 6:00 pm at the DBA Office.
Please let us know if you will or will not be attending.**

The 2020 Book of Minutes will be available online at dbachurches.com at the end of February. Each church is entitled to one (1) physical copy of the Book of Minutes, per year, upon request. Additional copies are \$5.00 each. If you would like a physical copy of the 2020 Book of Minutes for your church, please email your name, your church, and address you would like the book to go to daniellbaptist@gmail.com or call (912) 583-4985.

IMPORTANT



Chick-fil-A Vidalia Road Race
10K / 5K / 1M

**benefiting both the Paul
Anderson Youth Home &
WinShape Camps!**

**Register online at runvidalia.com
Saturday, March 06, 2021
2349 E 1st Street
Vidalia, GA US 30474**



Pastors Roundtable and Lunch
Monday, Feb. 15th at 11:00 am
Daniell Baptist Association
Please RSVP by Feb. 11th

Save the Date

**DANIELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE**

March 26th

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Brewton-Parker College

OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTNER WITH YOUR SISTER CHURCHES THIS MONTH

PRAY for Surge Winter Youth Missions Day. Sign your students up to participate in the weekend of missions, Bible study, worship and fellowship. February 27.

GIVING financial support for Bibles which will be given to new converts in India through our partnership with the Victory Baptist Association which is led by Dr. Pandu Maddala. 1 Bible costs \$3.25. Money can be given through the DBA by mail: Daniell Baptist Association PO Box 388 Ailey, GA 30410 Or online <https://bit.ly/3aqK6sO>



**Gwen Williams
James Tippins
Joey Davis**



**Rev. & Mrs. Joe Siman
Rev. & Mrs. Randall Tarpley**



CALENDAR

February 2021

- 15 Pastor's Round Table
- 27 Surge Winter, FBC Mount Vernon

March 2021

- 4 Called Executive Team Meeting, DBA, 6:00pm
- 26 Discipleship Conference, BPC, 6:00pm

YTD Gen. Fund	
GF Income:	\$ 10,850.04
GF Expenses:	\$ 7,309.51
YTD Net	\$ 3,540.53
Prev. Yr. Bal. Fwd.	\$ 55,382.16
GF Cash/Hand	\$ 58,922.69



PRAYER

Each pastor in our association and around the world struggles with physical, spiritual, and family health.

Everyone please commit to pray for the following pastors who are currently having physical health issues

(shared with permission)

Bill Black, H.G. Ridgdill,

Bobby Fowler (Father of Robby Fowler)

Commit to prayer the following churches as they seek God's wisdom in searching for a pastor:

Bethel

Cornerstone, Interim Chad Ritchie

Friendship, Interim Walter Jarrel

Normantown

Ohoopee lead by Johnny McCullah

Stuckey

Let's celebrate these churches that have participated financially in our cooperative effort.

We hope you are encouraged by your fellow churches that have partnered with you!

Ailey	Hope	Smith Street
Alamo FBC	Journey	Soperton FBC
Alston	Lyons FBC	South Thompson
Cedar Crossing	Mount Vernon FBC	Springhill
Cedar Crossing Hispanic	Normantown	Stuckey
Fairview	North Thompson	Tabernacle
Faith Missionary	Oak Grove	The Way
Friendship	Ohoopee	Trinity
Harmony	Providence	Uvalda
Higgston		Vidalia Baptist Temple

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Deadline for submitting information for the next edition of "The Light" is **February 25th**