



# Dekalb Baptist Association

## September 2023

183rd Dekalb Baptist Association

### 2022 - 2023 Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 22nd - Rainsville 1st Baptist Meeting - 3pm

Messengers Please Plan to Attend

Worship - 4pm

All Welcome to Worship

Guest Pastor Dr. Robert Smith, Beeson Divinity School

Mission Fair & Light Meal - 5pm

The Missions Fair will be held at our new Dekalb Baptist Association Office at 1012 Main Street W in Rainsville. Join us for this Open House!

### Pastors' Conference

*This is a ministry to and for all Pastors in Dekalb County.*

**The Pastors will not meet on September 4th (Labor Day)**

**September 11th & 18th. Church Revitalization Conference being hosted at Rainsville 1st. All pastors welcome to attend. See DOM Message for more Information.**

### **A Message from your Associational Missions Strategist**

DBA Family,

God continues to bless the Dekalb Baptist Association. We are working hard on the renovations to our new building at 1012 Main Street West in Rainsville. I want to thank those who are working on the building; without your efforts we would not have been able to move forward with this project. Our goal is to host an Open House directly following our Annual meeting in October - with the Missions Fair being held in our new Meeting Room. Light refreshments will be served and we encourage our DBA family to come and see our new home. I want to strongly encourage all of our DBA churches to move your Evening Worship Service on the night of October 22nd and come worship and hear what God is doing through the DBA. Dr. Robert Smith of Beeson Divinity School will bring the Word.

THIS MONTH we have a training event that I would encourage our pastors and church leaders to come and take part in. The DBA will be hosting a Church Revitalization Training called 'EMPOWER LEADER LEARN AND LUNCH' with Bro. Ken Allen and Bro. Rob Jackson. The training will be held at Rainsville First Baptist Church and will extend over two Monday mornings, September 11th and 18th. Training will begin at 10am and be finished by Noon (Lunch will be served). The goal is to provide some training for the pastor to become a more effective leader.

#### EMPOWER LEARN & LUNCH SCHEDULE:

**Monday September 11:**

**10:00- 11:00 Ken Allen, Six Biblical Functions of the Church**

**11:00-12:00 Rob Jackson, Twelve Steps to Increase Guests and Get Them to Come Back**

**12:00 Lunch**

**Monday, September 18:**

**10:00-11:00 Rob Jackson, Moving Guests to Members**

**11:00- 12:00 Ken Allen, Making Strategy Happen**

**12:00 Lunch**

**To our bi-vocational pastors, if you can't make this time frame but would like to send a lay leader for this training that would be great!**

**Please let the DBA know who is coming so we will have plenty of food for everyone!**

Dr. Keith Wrenn

AMS, Dekalb Baptist Association

**DBA OFFICE CLOSED**

**For LABOR DAY**

**September 4th**

#### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

Several Churches in our association are searching for bi-vocational staff (pastors, youth & children, pianists, and music ministers). If you would be interested in applying for any of these positions please submit your resume to our office via email:

*dekalbbaptistoffice@gmail.com*

or postal mail:

*P.O. Box 1308 Rainsville AL 35986*

**Resumes will only be kept on file for ONE YEAR**

**Contact us:**

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Staff

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**Rev. Ron Reynolds**

Pastor of Howard's Chapel

Resort Ministry DeSoto State Park