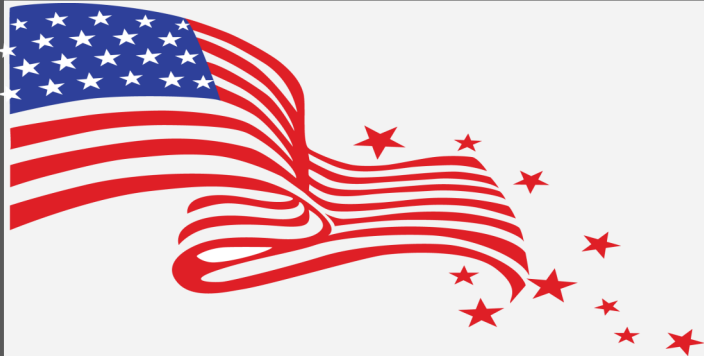




DeKalb Baptist Association

July 2021



Our Office will be closed on **Thursday, July 1st** in observance of the Independence Day weekend.

A Message from our Associational Missions Strategist

DBA family,

VBS is happening all over Dekalb County! I am enjoying seeing so many of our DBA churches having such successful schools. Many boys and girls have come to Christ and the gospel continues to be shared with others. If your church is planning on having a VBS in July, please contact the DBA office and let us know when your school starts!

I have just returned from the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville and we as Southern Baptist have adopted Vision 2025. What is Vision 2025? Vision 2025 calls for us to reach every person for Jesus Christ in every town, every city, every state and every nation. This vision statement calls for six strategic action steps.

- 1. Increase our total number of full -time, fully funded missionaries by a net gain of 500, giving us 4200 full time, fully funded missionaries through the IMB.**
- 2. Add 5,000 churches to our Southern Baptist family, giving us more than 50,000 churches.**
- 3. Increase our total number of workers in the field through a new emphasis on "calling out the called," and then preparing those who are called out by the Lord.**
- 4. Turn around our ongoing decline in reaching, baptizing and discipling those under the age of 18. They told us that conversions between the ages of 12 -18 year of age has dropped over 40%. We must share the gospel with our kids.**
- 5. Increase our annual giving in successive years to reach and surpass \$500 million given through the Cooperative Program to achieve these Great Commission goals.**
- 6. Prayerfully endeavor before God to eliminate all instances of sex abuse and racial discrimination among our churches.**

We as Southern Baptist have a big vision and each one of us must do our part. On the local level, I would challenge each of our churches to prayerfully consider your personnel involvement.

In Christ,
Dr. Keith Wrenn
AMS, Dekalb Baptist Association



Seeking to Serve?

If you are searching for a church to serve in pastoral, youth, children, or music ministry send us a copy of your resume via email, USPS, or bring it by the office!

Email: dekalbbaptistoffice@gmail.com
USPS: 218 Parker Ave SE Rainsville AL 35986

Pastors' Fellowship Conference

This is a ministry to and for all Pastors in Dekalb County. Each week we host a guest speaker and have a great time of fellowship. We welcome you to join us at 10:30am every Monday. Hope to see you there!

Seeking Servants

- Fyffe FBC - seeking a bi-vocational Youth Minister
- New Hope - seeking a bi-vocational Youth Minister. Please call Bro. Brett Johnson at 256-659-8808.
- Second Baptist - seeking a bi-vocational Minister of Music. For further information, please call 256-845-3112.

If your church is looking to fill a position within our association, we are happy to advertise for you! Just contact our office!

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