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Your Journey from Mourning to Joy
A Grief Recovery Support Group

GRIEF SHARE

There is **HOPE** - For **HE** heals the brokenhearted.

In a caring setting with others...you can find
comfort, support and encouragement during
the difficult time of losing your loved one.

You may contact the GriefShare ministry leaders at any time:

Contact Susan Manship at 703.549.5080 or
smanship@downtownbaptist.org

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Now meeting on Sundays at 3:00 pm!

What is Tithing?

Tithing is God's plan for showing HIM you trust him! Literally, it is giving 10% of your income to help spread the gospel around the world. It is God's standard.

What if you don't think you can give 10% of your income?

Sometimes we have to grow in our giving. Look at your income; see what a tithe of it is, and then work toward giving that much. You may find you are "frittering away" a good portion of your salary, anyway. Pray and ask God to show you what to do with your giving.

Joke of the day:

A well-know Texas pastor was visited by an oil man who made his fortune and was well set for life. The man told his pastor, "I'm having trouble tithing. When I only made \$100 a week, I gave \$10; when I made \$1000 a week, I tithed \$100. But soon, I was making \$100,000 a week and that is too much to tithe!" The pastor replied, "Then I suggest we pray that your income will once again match what you are willing to tithe!"

What does a Christian look like?

Looks are not the important part in answering that question! Rather, we need to see what a Christian is: a follower of Jesus Christ. Because of that commitment, what a Christian does is important.

Check-up Time: Is your life reflecting Christ in these ways?

??? Do you strive to have Christ, and not self, in the center of your life? (I'm beginning to not like this check-up time!)

??? Do you make decisions based on what Jesus would have you do or what pleases you?

??? Do you keep a positive attitude about those that God is not finished with yet? Or is your life a total complaint about how terrible everyone else is?

??? Do you remember to give your money, time, and energy to help the kingdom of God on this earth?

??? Do you spend most of your prayer time asking God for things or listening to what God may be saying to you?

Interestingly, if you begin to **do** things that enhance your relationship with God, you may begin to **look** different, too! Try it and see!

Thank You DBC!

Dear DBC Family and Friends,

When your beautiful bouquet arrived, I had just completed a P. T. session and was not feeling too good, but, the flowers perked me up. They are absolutely beautiful. Such lovely Spring colors!

Thank you so much for remembering me in your thoughts, prayers and with this token of love.

Fondly,
Sandra Canary

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers and love for us while we were trying to find a home to move into. At times we were feeling lost, but always having our brothers and sisters reassuring us that God would provide, as He did. So many people did so many things to help orchestrate this move. Your love and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Again, thanks to all.

The Cliftons and The Spohrs

Ricky & Nafeeza and, of course, baby Jasmine would like to send our thanks for the gift card and little toy lamb. Jasmine loves the melody the lamb plays and we can wait to bring her to visit with the Downtown Baptist family. Thank you all again for your thoughtfulness and for being so giving.

With Love,
The Ramlochan Family

212 Prayer Alert

Holy God,

As we wait for our new pastor, show us what we need to change about ourselves to be ready to grow with a new leader. Prepare his heart and ours for the transitions he and we will experience.

To the glory of Christ we pray. Amen.

THANK YOU TO THE DEACONS!

Many of you have been very gracious and appreciative to the staff in the absence of a senior pastor. It is really meaningful to receive your words of encouragement. The church remains strong and that's makes us all thankful and joyful. However, I want to thank the deacons for their willing hearts and servant spirits during this time. Time and time again they ask if we need anything and if they can help in any way. Their spirit of cooperation, unity and Christian love is over the top!

Praise God! Thank you Deacons! Let's keep it strong!

Worship Design Team "The God Colors"

Have you noticed? Are you looking? Did you see it?

The Order of Worship for the past two weeks has been a little different. The photographs on the front were taken by our own church members. Christina Taylor's "Lily" was on the Easter Order of Worship and Loren Howcroft's "Iron gate with Daffodils" was on the next week's Order of Worship. They were both gorgeous pictures, but the emphasis wasn't on the photographer or the photo. Underneath each picture was the caption, "To God Be the Glory!" Christina and Loren were simply sharing a beautiful blessing God has given them. Praise to Him! They provided creative "God Color" to our service.

How about you? Are you a musician? Do you paint? Are you a photographer? A dancer? Do you write poetry? Are you a dramatist? I have a vision of seeing many more people in our fellowship involved sharing their "God Colors."

Let me hear from you. How do you express your passion for God? By sharing it with others you may bring hope to a weary person, help someone find a new passion or reach another soul for Christ. Don't keep it to yourself.

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Children's Retreat

Set for May 1-2



WHO: 1st-6th graders and parents

WHAT: 28 hours of super fun & learning

WHERE: Skycroft, in the hills of Maryland, only 1 hour and 15 minutes away

WHEN: 9:00 a.m. Saturday, May 1 'til 1:15 p.m. Sunday, May 2

WHY: We want to learn to love God and love each other more and more!

HOW will we get there? Minivans and cars of parents

HOW much does it cost? \$55 per kid, \$35 per parent

WHAT will we do? Sing, play games, go on a scavenger hunt, have a bonfire and s'mores, be in a family group, have Zach as camp pastor, have meals, sleep in a bunk bed, read your Bible, have fun with the adults! YEA!!!

CAN Friends go? YES

WHY should I bring a stuffed animal and a sack lunch?
We have an animal talent show and a picnic!

Contact for more information:

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Centri-Kid Registration Time is Here!

We have 10 spots for kids who have completed 3rd grade up through 6th grade. Four of those have been taken so sign up quickly! This camp is consistently the best experience around for our kids.

July 26-30

The cost is \$250 but the church pays \$100 for regular attenders, leaving your cost at \$150. Give \$50 of that to save a place for your child.

Jim Wood
Minister of Students

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DON'T MISS THESE DATES

- April 24** "1 By Youth" Manassas, VA
April 25 Church/Youth Bible Study
 April 26 Hug an Australian Day
April 28 Youth Group at DBC
 April 30 Hairstyle Appreciation Day (Yikes!)
 May 1 On this day in 1931, the Empire State Building opened.
May 2 Church/Youth Bible Study
 May 4 National Teachers' Day
 (Thank your teachers.)
May 5 Youth Group at DBC
 May 9 Mothers Day (Thanks, Mom.)
 Church/Youth Bible Study
May 12 Youth Group at DBC
 May 15 National Chocolate Chip Day
May 16 Church/Youth Bible Study
May 19 Youth Group at DBC
 May 20 Save your Hearing Day
 (Turn down those iPods!)
May 23 Church/Youth Bible Study
May 26 Youth Group at DBC
May 30 Church/Youth Bible Study
 May 31 Memorial Day

WORSHIP GIFTS

April 18

General offering:	\$ 19,343
Weekly offering goal:	\$ 21,008
Difference:	\$ 1,665(-)
Preserving Our Heritage:	\$ 270
Designated:	\$ 1,255



DBC Calendar - What's Happening!

Sunday, May 2 - MOP's Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. - Morning Worship/Lord's Supper
- 10:30 a.m. - Fellowship Time
- 11:00 a.m. - Bible Study
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- 1:15 p.m. - Return from Children's Retreat
- 3:00 p.m. - GriefShare (Rm. 202)

Monday, May 3

- 7:00 p.m. - A.A. Meeting, Group #1 (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. - Deacons Meeting (Rm. 210)

Tuesday, May 4

- 10:00 a.m. - Young Women's Study
- 12:00 p.m. - Grief/Share (Rm. 202)
- 1:30 p.m. - DBC Staff Meeting (Rm. 208)

Wednesday, May 5

- 10:00 a.m. - GriefShare (Rm. 202)
- 5:45 p.m. - Fellowship Dinner
- 6:15 p.m. - Awana 3 years-6th grade
- 6:30 p.m. - Handbells Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. - Prayer Time/Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. - Teen Discipleship
- 7:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 6

- 7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday, May 8

- 5:00 p.m. - Serving Dinner @ Carpenter's Shelter
(Individual Volunteers Serving)
- 7:00 p.m. - A.A. Meeting, Group #2 (Fellowship Hall)

Every member of the DBC Family is called to minister. Our congregation set aside the following individuals to provide support for our fellowship.

Interim Pastor - Mark Olson

Music/Senior Adults - Susan Manship

Christian Education - Carolyn Jenkins

Church Life - Dale Seward

Students - Jim Wood

Children's Associate - Kevin Bridwell

Pre-School Coordinator - Chris Kinnett

Financial Secretary - Teresa Simmons

Church Secretary - Dorothy Stewart

Facilities Management - Dan Nieboer

Church Custodian - Bobby Cochran

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grow from baby believers to fully
devoted and developed followers
of Jesus Christ.