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"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Matthew 9:36-38



FROM PASTOR RALPH...



2016 can be the BEST YEAR of our lives, IF...

...we grow in Christ! That is the

key to becoming the people we were created to be. It is the key to our identity and the key to transformation. It is the key to doing what we were put on earth to do. It is the way to make a lasting impact with our lives. It is the key to life in all its fullness (John 10:10) and to life eternal (John 17:3). There is nothing you can do in 2016 that is more important than spiritual growth!

That's why we ask everyone at Harvest to prayerfully form a **PLAN FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH**. Consistent growth takes place when we are intentional about doing the things that cause us to grow. We are shaped by the habits we form in life.

There are several major practices (habits) that Christians through the centuries have found to produce spiritual growth:

1 **Worship** - commit to worship every Sunday of 2016; commit to your church.

2 **Daily time with God in Bible reading and Prayer** - There are hundreds of personal habits you can start to help you grow consistently, but this is the central one. If you will commit to even 20 minutes daily with God, your life will change.

3 **Small Groups** - the New Testament calls us to build close relationships with other Christians in which we can carry each other's burdens and pray for each other, encourage and build each other up, learn from and teach each other, and correct each other. The mark of Jesus' disciples is our LOVE for each other (John 13:35). Small groups is our plan for doing this.

4 **Ministry/Service** - God wants to use us to transform the world. As we serve and seek God, He will expand our influence and ministry.

5 **Giving** - God is giving and wants us to learn the same.

On January 31, we will commit our plans to God. This is our opportunity to be intentional about **the main thing for 2016: Growing in Christ**. If we set that as our goal, 2016 can be our best year yet!

☺ In The Spotlight ☺

DEBI PARNELL

Children's Director

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Assistant

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Assistant Pastor

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Youth Pastor

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College&Career Director

KEITH FRITH

Small Groups Pastor

RALPH SIGLER

Founding and Lead
Pastor

ROY ROGERS

Congregational Care
Pastor

RUSTY FRITH

Director of Worship &
Performing Arts

SANDY UHLER

Director of Ministries

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Monday, January 25 | 5:45-8:45pm | Office Bldg

This one-time class taught by Pastor Ralph focuses on the vision and history of Harvest and what it means to be a member. This class is great for those interested in becoming part of Harvest or just wanting to know more about the church. No reservation is required; however, if you are in need of childcare, please call 334-702-6555 x241.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Sunday, January 31 | During Both Worship Services

Plan for Spiritual Growth brochures and commitment cards have been mailed and are available at the Welcome Center and info tables. Growing in Christ is the key to becoming the people we were created to be. So be praying about each of the five habits of spiritual growth (see Pastor Ralph's article), and on January 31 we will commit our plans for 2016 to the Lord together.

IF: DOTHAN

February 5, 6pm | February 6, 9am
Harvest Worship Center

See page 4 for details.

I DO... NOW WHAT?

SEX, LOVE, & A HAPPY MARRIAGE

February 19-20, Worship Center

[For Engaged and Newly Married Couples]

You prepare for the wedding, but did you prepare for the marriage? Join us February 19 from 7-9pm and February 20 from 9:30am-noon for this engagement/marriage seminar. Register online at www.HarvestDothan.com.

ATTENDANCE

January 3	1,790
8:45	859
10:45	931
January 10	1,788
8:45	893
10:45	895

ASH WEDNESDAY

Service: February
10, 6-6:45pm,
Worship Center

SPIRITUAL LIFE CONFERENCE 2016
MAY 1-4 with Brad McClain

GROUP LIFE

What a great celebration we had Sunday night for the Small Group Kick-off. We had 676 folks show up to watch War Room and over 200 sign up to be in a small group. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff that made this night a great success. For those of you who saw War Room for the first time Sunday night, and for the rest that have already seen the movie, please respond to the challenge the movie presents to have a consistent prayer life. Most of our small groups right now are primarily focused on the group study based on the movie. If you are currently not part of a group, please do not miss this exciting opportunity to get plugged into the community at Harvest. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either me, Brandi Coleman, or James Keeler.

In loving service,

Keith Frith

Here is a list of some of our new groups starting up. If you would like to get connected to one of these groups or if you want more information about Group Life, email grouplife@harvestdothan.com or call 702-6555 x232.

- 40's Married Couples: Sundays at 6:30pm in the Office Bldg.
- Financial Peace: Tuesdays at 6:30pm in room 101.
- War Room (Open Small Group): Wednesdays at 6:45pm in the Worship Center.
- Single Moms: Wednesdays at 6:45pm in the Worship Center.
- Wild at Heart (Men's Group): Wednesdays at 6:45pm in the Worship Center.



Keith Frith

Small Group Pastor

His Lavish Love

Saturday, February 13
Noon-2pm, Youth Room

SINGLE MOMS LUNCHEON

For registration and more information, visit www.HarvestDothan.com.

HARVEST WORSHIP & PERFORMING ARTS

NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Join us for a Night of Worship on **Friday, January 22, at 7pm** in the Worship Center. Childcare will be available for nursery and preschool only.

Lift your Voice to the Lord

Do you love to sing? Do you have a heart for worship? If so, join the Harvest Choir! We invite newcomers to join us for choir practice starting on Sundays at 5:15pm in room 106 (Education Bldg downstairs). Childcare will be available during this time.

To get involved, contact Rusty at 702-6555 x247 or worship@harvestdothan.com.

Director of Worship



Rusty Frith

Performing Arts

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Director of Ministries



Sandy Ublir

IF: Dothan - This free community-wide two-day event for women will be February 5 at 6pm and February 6 at 9am in the Harvest Worship Center. Join us as we learn how to overcome unbelief and understand what God can do with our belief. Childcare not available. Register online at www.HarvestDothan.com/IFDothan.

New Ministry Team | Habitat for Humanity - Team members will be actively involved in our local community by helping with the construction and/or weatherization of homes, working in the warehouse, or working inside the Habitat for Humanity Re-Store. Team members would serve on a monthly or bi-monthly basis and/or an “as needed” basis. If this sounds like a team you’d like to serve on, contact Ben Driscoll at hoosiers12180@gmail.com.

His Lavish Love | Single Moms Luncheon - Saturday, February 13, noon-2pm, Harvest Youth Room. Single moms are invited to this free event to relax, eat, and experience the richness of God’s love for them. There will be prizes, chocolate, and childcare so sign-up today online at www.HarvestDothan.com. Questions? Contact Rachel Moore at 334-803-2726 or rachelmoore48@yahoo.com.

“What You Do Best In The Body Of Christ” | Ministry Teams Small Group - Have you found fulfillment in life? Can you say your ministry is fruitful? God has

created you to be both fulfilled and fruitful in a meaningful place of service. Do you want to discover the role He created for you in the Body of Christ? If you are interested in being a part of this interactive small group study, contact ministryteams@harvestdothan.com.

5th Sunday Teams - All Sunday morning teams are based on a 4-week rotation. Four times a year we are in need of volunteers to serve on the 5th Sunday of the month. Currently, we have multiple open serving spots for Sunday, January 31. Want to find out how you can connect to ministry? Contact us at ministryteams@harvestdothan.com.

Operation Christmas Child | Year Round Gifts - Here are just a few of the countries that our 600+ shoeboxes reached: Madagascar, Mali, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Did you track your shoebox and receive a different destination? Let us know by emailing ministryteams@harvestdothan.com. As we begin the new year, savvy shoppers can impact more children around the world for eternity by looking for shoebox items throughout the year. This year we will be spotlighting suggested items each month in our newsletter and our weekly Harvest Happenings email. Items can be dropped off at the Welcome Center or church office (please label them for OCC Ministry). **Gift ideas for January: Hats, Gloves, & Scarves.**

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Congregational



Care Pastor

Roy Rogers

Births

- **Pennington Clover Sorrells**, daughter of Mike and Crystal Sorrells, was born on December 13, 2015.
- **Isabella Marie Rodriguez**, daughter of Eusebio and Alice Rodriguez, was born on January 13, 2016.

With Sympathy

Please be in prayer for the following people:

- The family of **Jeffrey Biggs** during their loss.

- Lenora Baker and family during the loss of her husband, **Ed Baker**.
- Paul Spivey and family during the loss of his brother, **Carey Spivey**.

Pastoral Care Only - If you have an emergency and need to contact a pastor on the weekend or after hours, please call 648-0270. The pastor on-call will return your call as soon as possible.

HARVEST Kids

KONSTRUCTION ZONE is a creative worship setting for children in Kindergarten through 4th grade. Kids see Bible lessons come to life through dynamic dramas, enjoy exciting worship music, and build relationships in age-level small groups. They meet on Sunday mornings at 8:45 and 10:45am in Room B-210. January 2016 in KZ:

- *Memory Verse:* "A person without self-control is like a city whose walls are broken through." Proverbs 25:28, NIrV
- *Life App:* Self-control—choosing to do what you should do, not what you want to do.

XTREME KIDZ: We invite kids, K-4th grades, to join us as we continue our new "Teach Us to Pray" study on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in XtremeKidz as our whole church turns our focus to prayer.

SITE56: SITE56'ers (5th/6th grade) build relationships as they discover Biblical principles to help them with the unique issues that preteens encounter. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm! Check out these upcoming events:

- **Hockey Trip** - Sunday, February 14.

SITE56 will load the bus after the 10:45am worship service and go to Columbus, GA to watch the Columbus Cottonmouths. Please eat lunch before you load the bus. You must purchase your ticket (\$15) to reserve your place no later than Sunday, February 7. \$15 includes transportation, admission to game, light supper, and 2 snacks. Permission slips and registration available online.

BAPTISM CLASS: This Class is for children who have made a decision to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior and to learn what it means to have a personal relationship with Him. It gives students an opportunity to fully understand the commitment that they are making before they are baptized. The 3-week class will include 2 classes for students only and concludes with a final celebration for students and their families. The next session begins Wednesday, February 17, at 5:30pm in room B-210. Register no later than February 14 online at www.HarvestDothan.com or by calling 702-6555 x236.

Children's Ministry



Debi Parnell



The Lord is doing something amazing in His children. They are coming alive with a hunger like never before. I believe God is calling for action on our part. I believe that He doesn't want us just sitting around this year waiting for Him to wave some sort of "magic wand." I believe it is time for us to get up, go out, and gather the harvest in the name of Jesus! Anyone that ever plants a crop doesn't just sit back and when it's ready, expect it to walk into the barn on its own. People have to go out, get dirty and sweaty, and invest time and energy to reap a great harvest. I feel the Lord is asking us, "How much are you willing to do?" I am praying for God to show each of us our part in bringing in a GRAND harvest for the Kingdom of God. Blessings!

Noah's Park has classes on Sunday mornings for children 6 weeks old to 4 years old. *If you would like to volunteer to work in one of our classes once a month, please email preschool@harvestdothan.com or call 334-702-6555 x241.*

Preschool/Nursery



Bonnie West

HARVESTYOUTH

WEDNESDAYS | 6:45-8:15PM
YOUTH ROOM (UPSTAIRS EDUCATION BLDG)
WWW.HARVESTDOOTHAN.COM/YOUTH



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016:

JANUARY 24:

Discipleship 1 for youth starts. Email us for more details.

JANUARY 27:

Open House - Hey parents, we want you to be with us for our Wednesday youth meeting on January 27. You will see what goes on during a Wednesday service and meet our incredible youth leaders. Hope to see you there!

JANUARY 27:

Sign up for WIRED (June 26 - July 1).

FEBRUARY 7:

Super Bowl Party - 5:30-9pm at the Hollands'

FEBRUARY 24:

\$50 Spring Retreat deposit due (March 30 - April 2 at Camp Anderson in Old Town, FL). You don't want your students to miss this retreat!

JULY 17-20:

Youth Conference - Make this event a priority for your student! Last year we had over 350 students in worship each night.

Youth Pastor

Josh Moore



For more HY information, email youth@harvestdothan.com.

COLLEGE & CAREER

Tuesdays at 7pm in the Youth Room | ages 18-29 | youngadults@harvestdothan.com

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2016

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p align="center">HARVEST NAMETAGS</p> <p>To request a permanent nametag, mark "I would like a permanent nametag" on your Communication Card on Sunday mornings or call the church office at 334-702-6555. Please allow one week for processing. They can be picked up on Sundays at the Welcome Center.</p>					<p><i>Night of Worship</i> 7pm</p> <p>Celebrate Recovery 7pm</p>	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<p>Sunday AM Worship 8:45 or 10:45</p> <p>Adult Choir 5:15pm</p>	<p>Membership Class 5:45pm</p>	<p>College & Career 7pm</p>	<p>SITE56 6:30pm XtremeKidz 6:30pm Harvest Youth Open House 6:45-8:15pm Open Small Group 6:45pm</p>		<p>Celebrate Recovery 7pm</p>	
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<p>Sunday AM Worship 8:45 or 10:45</p>		<p>College & Career 7pm</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday Service 6pm SITE56 6:30pm XtremeKidz 6:30pm Harvest Youth 6:45pm Open Small Group 7pm</p>		<p>Celebrate Recovery 7pm</p>	<p>Single Moms Luncheon 12pm</p>
<p align="center">LiveStream</p> <p>Stream Sunday morning services live! Go to www.HarvestDothan.com to watch the live broadcast when you can't be in Worship on Sunday mornings, or watch previous sermons any time (you can find the button below the slides on our homepage).</p>						



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A vertical banner for a church event. The background is a black and white photograph of a church interior with people gathered for worship. The text is overlaid on the image.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 7PM
Harvest Worship Center
NIGHT of WORSHIP

WORSHIPING ON SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 8:45 & 10:45AM