



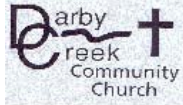
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Coming Activities

- **Fri-Sun, October 2-4**
Middle School Conference
"Real Heroes"
Heartland Retreat Center
Marengo, Ohio
- **Sunday, October 18**
1-2:30 pm
Leadership Team Meeting
Church Office
- **Thursday, October 19**
DCCC Elder's Meeting
6:30-9 pm
Church Office
- **Saturday, October 31**
Youth Group Hayride
6-9 pm
Kurtz Farm
- **Sunday, November 1**
Time Change Sunday
Set your clocks back one hour
- **Fri-Sat, November 6-7**
12 Hour Prayer Vigil
7 pm-7 am
Church Office
- **Sunday, November 29**
5th Sunday Family Communion
Service
10 am
Hilliard Senior Center



Waiting on the Lord

By Andrea Allardice



The 16th anniversary of the first public service of Darby Creek Community Church is upon us. On October 3, 1993, the doors were opened at 10am in Brown Elementary School and the adventure began. All those many years ago, who could have predicted that only now would we be prayerfully waiting the approval of our building loan!

What has God taught us?

He is in control

He is your praise and He is your God, who has done these great and awesome things for you which your eyes have seen. Deuteronomy 10:21 (NASB)

When the EPA rejected our first sewer permit application, their suggestion was to 'sell the land'. They also rejected our second application. Our elders spent two years in discussion, research and prayer. One day, a call came and the EPA said they would sign the papers. Just like that!



Our need to endure

If we endure, we will also reign with him. 2 Timothy 2:12 (NIV)

Totes and Carts and Trailers, Oh My! Many ministry leaders & volunteers have logged more than a decade of service lugging everything that is necessary to hold Sunday Service. There are some tired backs out there but faithful servants make every Sunday happen.

Celebrate joy in everything

He has made everything beautiful in its time. Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NIV)



We have been able to celebrate the burning of the mortgage papers for our land and the delivery of our septic tank! Sunday morning worship moved outside when no electricity was available at the Senior Center. A thunderstorm could not stop the celebration when Pastor Greg had to use a bucket of water to baptize. The list is long and joyous!

We must remember our blessings

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for the spiritual blessings that Christ has brought us from heaven. Ephesians 1:3 (CEV)

Remember that the kids who cried in the Toddler Room – are now applying for college! They are involved in and leading ministries. What a blessing that has been to watch.

Remember the generosity and faithfulness of Darby Creekers, family and friends. This is reflected in our special campaigns. Remember the *Harvest Project*, which allowed Pastor Charley to serve the church; *Harvest II*, which provided funds to get an office and secretary; *Forward in Faith*, which allowed us to purchase the land; and finally, our current campaign, *Time to Build*, which is supporting the building of the Worship Center.



If you were on the Church Planting Team or if you just became part of the Darby Creek family last week, we urge you to join in fervent prayer for the future of our church family as we discover what plans God has in store for us.

October

Rely On God

Verse

Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

1 Corinthians 2:12 (ESV)



From the Pastor's Desk: Pursuing Spiritual Growth

Hebrews 5:12-14 (NASB) For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food. For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.

Recently, I've been challenged to grow in certain areas in my walk with God and in my responsibilities as a pastor / teacher here at Darby Creek. It would be easy to coast and really not pursue growing, however, that would be wrong. When I meditate on the above passage from the book of Hebrews, I'm exhorted to intentionally pursue growing spiritually.

The author of Hebrews points out that his readers should be much farther along in their spiritual maturity than they were when he wrote them. He mentions two things that facilitate spiritual growth. First, is growing in the knowledge and understanding of the Word of God ("word of righteousness"). We all need to pursue the discipline of studying the Bible. When we don't understand what we're reading in the Bible, we must pursue answers to those questions. Sometimes that means reading a commentary, looking up cross references, or studying the Bible in community with others to try and come to a better understanding. This does take effort and discipline, but that facilitates spiritual growth.

Second, is living out what we are learning through Bible study. The author of Hebrews says, "who because of practice". Practice here is obedience. We need to find ways to implement what we learn through disciplined study. The one possible temptation we may encounter in pursuing studying God's Word more deeply is the temptation to just learn it and not live it by His power.

All this does take discipline, but I don't think it's a coincidence that "disciple" and "discipline" have a similar root word. Following Jesus (being His disciple) means getting certain disciplines into my life like deeply studying God's Word and working it out in my life. The discipline of studying the Bible and *Pastor Greg Burlile* living it out will translate into spiritual growth in our walk with God.

DCCC Financial Snapshot

For the period starting 9/1/08 and ending 8/31/09:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income From Offerings:	\$ 238,631.71	\$ 244,800.00
Expenses:	<u>\$ 241,463.72</u>	<u>\$ 244,770.14</u>
	\$ -2,832.01	\$ 29.86
Operating Fund:	\$49,598.25	

Small Group Invite



Pick-up a Small Group Brochure at Sunday Service, select a group and join in the discussion of Pastor Greg's series 'A Healthy Church Member Is...'



Update
as of
9/30/09

T2B Commitment Total
\$273,467.41

T2B Contributions

11/07-8/09 \$245,531.88
September 2009 \$ 4,091.00
Contribution Total \$249,622.88

Kroger Cares Contribution
\$238.32

Building Fund
Account Balance
\$358,144.88

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Sunday Services 10:00 am in the Hilliard Senior Center
3810 Veterans Memorial Drive in the Hilliard Municipal Park

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Greg Burlile, Charley Charlton, Skip Nitz, Doug Cornelius & Chris Heminger

Our Mission

*To bring people to Jesus and **membership** in His family, develop them to Christ-like **maturity**, and equip them for their **ministry** in the church and life **mission** in the world, in order to **magnify** God.*

@ Darby Creek is the monthly newsletter of Darby Creek Community Church. Contributing to the October newsletter were Pastor Greg Burlile, Pastor Charley Charlton, Colleen Scott, Dawn Dowd & Andrea Allardice. Deadline for the November issue: October 25 ©2009 Darby Creek Community Church



**IT'S COMING...
FEEL THE EXCITEMENT!!**

What exhilarates you?
What won't you miss out on?

- Status Updates of Facebook Friends
- OSU Buckeye Football
- Youth Group on Saturday Evenings
- Casting Crowns Concert on October 29th
- "24" Season Premier on January 17th

Do you have any special God times carved out in your datebook that you refuse to miss? How does spending time with God rank in comparison to the aforementioned list? Ouch, that question might hurt? Do your priorities need some tweaking? Here's a great opportunity to get stoked and place God as #1 on your 'won't miss list'!

Mark your calendar and plan on attending our 8th annual Church-wide Prayer Vigil.

7 pm Friday, November 6th
to

7 am Saturday, November 7th

Sign-ups coming soon. Watch for the Prayer Board presentation on Sunday, October 18th at Service.

Contact Dawn Dowd at 614-876-1477 with any questions or for advance sign-up.



Lists of Darby Creek



- Phone List** - Given only to those on the list
- Email Prayer List** - Send and receive Prayer Requests
- Email Announce List** - Get church related updates from the Pastors
- Published Email List** - Share your email address with others at DCCC

If you would like to be included on any of the lists, just fill out an INFO Card at Sunday Service. Questions? Contact the Church Office.

Visit the Web

www.darbycreek.org

What's happening at DCCC? Visit our website for Sunday audio messages, message notes, activity calendar, letters, bulletins, downloadable forms and much more!



Lost & Found



Check out the virtual Lost & Found on the INFO Table at Sunday Service. If you recognized an item, contact the Church Office.

Invite Cards Available

Pick up few invite cards from the INFO Table. Carry one with you and share one with a friend!



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**Extra, Extra,
Read All About It!**

You can get the Darby Creek monthly newsletter, *@ Darby Creek*, delivered by email. You can choose to receive the newsletter by regular mail, along with your email copy, or get your copy by email only.

Contact the Church Office at andrea@darbycreek.org or 614-777-6322. If we don't hear from you, you will continue to receive the newsletter by US Mail.

As always, the newsletter will continue to be available on our website www.darbycreek.org/Resources/Newsletter.

Help Wanted

FT/PT Prayer Partners Needed!

Darby Creek has committed to pray daily for the Children's Castle Educare. Our Youth Group will be using their facility, weekly, at no cost! But in the lease – they have requested daily prayer. We need your help! All ages can apply! No experience necessary!

Positions Available

Full-Time - Commit to pray daily
Part-Time - Weekly, select a day of your choice, or Monthly - Pray on the same day every month

A Family Plan is available! Sign-up your family and pray together.

Get on the 'schedule' by sending your availability to andrea@darbycreek.org.



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Youth Group Hayride!

What: A bonfire, wiener roast, and hayride!!

When: Saturday, October 31 from 6pm-9pm

Who: All middle / high school students

How Much: FREE!

Where: The Kurtz Farm off of Rings Rd. From Cosgray Rd and Scioto Darby Rd intersection go North on Cosgray Rd. Continue North until you reach Rings Rd. Turn West on Rings Rd. Look for mailbox marked 7883 Rings Rd. Continue West past this house number, turn into the NEXT DRIVEWAY ON YOUR LEFT

(there will be a farm house next to this driveway). We'll have a sign at this driveway! Take this driveway back to Lloyd's BIG red barn (drive is approx. 1/4 mile long and winds around).



October Building Update

Things are moving along with the plans. We have gotten down to the level of choosing locations for outlets and data ports. We also have now chosen the types of flooring that will be in each area of the building. The most recent estimate we have from our builder for having the building plans finalized is October 15th.

Keep praying!!!

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

