

Dellview Baptist Church News & Views

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God's love, goodness, mercy, joy and grace.

SINGING A NEW SONG

IN 2019!



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Singing A New Song By Pastor Phil

Well it's a new year. Last year is gone. Some of us had a good year; some of us had a bad year. Some of us experienced great joy; some of us experienced great despair. We can't change the past, but we can affect the future.

It's a new year and I am excited.

God is still working in this church! I can't wait to see what He does next. God has already started blessing this church, but He wants to do more, but He needs our help. How can you help our church? **Well first of all - you can pray.**

I need each and every one of you to **pray for your pastor and your church every single day.** I want you to pray that God will show you what He wants you to do to bless His church. I want you to listen to what God has to say. You say, pastor, God doesn't speak to me. Yes, he does! You just don't listen. Remember last

week when you thought about calling that person in the nursing home? That was God speaking to you. Remember last month when you thought about giving some money to that charity you have been planning on giving to? That was God speaking to you. Remember three weeks ago when you told yourself you would attend the candle light service this year, but you forgot. That was God speaking to you. He speaks every day. We just don't listen. Pray and listen for one month. Then do what God wants you to do.

Today, we celebrate a new thing that the Lord is doing in our midst. We are celebrating the New Year with all of its joys, work, fun, and yes even hardships. For our church, we have marked a new beginning, a new thing which God is doing within our congregation... a new era and age has opened and it is appropriate for us to celebrate what God is doing!

It's time for us to sing a new song. 2019 is going to be the year for our church to sing a new song.

No, I am not talking about learning a new song, or changing the way we sing or even the kind of songs we sing. As a matter of fact, I'm not even talking about singing out loud at all. I'm talking about singing in your heart. It's time for us to sing a new song about God's love, goodness, mercy, joy and grace. We need to stop singing all the old songs that speak of depression, and negativity.

Psalms 96 tells us "*Sing a new song to the Lord!*" "*Sing to the Lord; praise his name. Each day proclaim the good news that he saves.*" "*Publish his glorious deeds among the nations Tell everyone about the amazing things he does.*" **Cont'd on Pg 2 ...**



CHILDREN AND YOUTH ... FROM CYNDI SANCHEZ

I would like to applaud our kids for the wonderful job they are doing with their monthly performances. Thank you Billie and Rebecca for all your hard work and the wonderful job you are doing with the children. Please pray for our ministry, the children, and myself, that this new year will be full of spiritual growth, wisdom, ideas and understanding.

This is the month for "love." Let's show God our love by thanking Him for all He has done in our lives. Let us find ways to show others our love for Him. This month MDO kids are learning about the Presidents, Rodeo and Valentines. Our kids will be learning from 1 John chapter 4, Matthew 19:19, and 1 Corinthians 16:14. The youth will be learning from Ministry to Youth literature. The verse of the month is from John 15:12—"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Happy Valentine's Day!

Have a Blessed Day

CONTINUED FROM PASTOR PHIL

Psalm 96 is talking about praising God "each" day as you go about your life. It's about you and me declaring the glory of God each day of our lives wherever we go to whomever we speak whenever we have the opportunity. It's about having a song in your heart wherever you go. It's about a new song.

Look for the things you can praise God for in your life and make up a song in your heart.

What new thing has God done in your life?

Where do you see God working in your life?

Sing that song to God in your heart.

Get rid of those old negative, "oh poor me songs". You will find that if you start singing a new song to God, you will want to start singing your new song to everyone you meet.

May God continue to bless you in this New Year.

COMING MARCH 31
5TH SUNDAY - CHURCH IN THE CHAPEL
10:45 a.m.
DELLVIEW CAFE OPEN FROM
10-10:40 IN THE GYM
MOBILE LIBRARY WITH
BOOKS AND DVD'S
YOUTH CAMP BAKE SALE

DELLVIEW STAFF

Phil Risley, Pastor
Billie Schneider, Music
Cyndi Sanchez, Youth, Children
Debra Trull, Office Manager
Betty Blanchard, Office Assistant
Lucy Herrera, Mothers Day Out Director
Jimmy Onion, Deacon Chairman

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be sure to check out all the announcements for the month on the tv in the foyer. Take a minute before or after church to find out what's going on at DBC.

Church Calendar available 24/7 on our website dellviewbaptistchurch.org Like us on FACEBOOK!

February Newsletter Now Available!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

4 Isela Pena
5 Delia Ybarra
7 Cathy Cain
8 Cresencia Huff
8 Lee M. Martinez
8 Bobby Onion
11 John Garcia
12 Larry Lawson
14 Bill Schneider
15 Midred Arvin
16 Sheila Lawson
17 Jim Peters
17 John Preslar
18 Norma Vinton



23 Diane Burgett
24 Charles Apodaca
25 Linda Risley
25 Billie Schneider

NOTES TO SING BY ... Billie Schneider

Even if you love Hallmark Christmas movies, sometimes you just get a little burned out with the same plot and predictable ending and you're ready to watch something different. I suppose our worship music gets that way, too. At the very least, those who provide leadership in the music ministry, a.k.a., choir and Worship Instrument Team, get a bit worn out. January was a time of rest for these two groups; a time to shift our focus briefly, resting our minds and bodies to prepare for 2019.

As these groups physically took a break, I've been seriously praying and searching for music for the New Year – old songs, new songs, praise songs, worship songs, and Easter songs. Through many days of listening to newly released arrangements from publishers, I began to think it was all just "Hallmark Christmas movies". So much music out there but very little which seemed to be appealing to me in a deep spiritual sense. I have a hard time responding to repeating the same phrase 35 times in one song interspersed with ooh's and aah's. I want some Biblical content and Christ-centered words to go along with an upbeat tune or soothing melody.

From comments You (the worshipers at Dellview) give me and others in the music ministry, I feel we are adequately meeting the musical needs as we gather to worship. However, adequate seems a bit lame. I want us to find a level where the music brings us to the way David felt when he wrote in Psalms 28:7, *"Joy rises in my heart until I burst out in songs of praise to Him."* (The Living Bible)

Let's begin each service with a prayer in our hearts and a song on our lips that gives us that kind of joy, the kind that takes us straight into the presence of God Almighty.



**COMING MARCH 31 - YOUTH BAKE SALE
SIGN UP TO BRING CAKE, PIES,
COOKIES, CUPCAKES, ETC.**



Sunday	February		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Videos & Vistation 10:45 AM Worship			30 7:00 PM Choir Practice	31	1	2 9:00 AM Deacon's Meeting
3 Kids Sunday-kids stay in church with parents 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship Team Practice 10:30 AM Videos & Vistation 10:45 AM LORD'S SUPPER 10:45 AM Worship	4	5	6 7:00 PM First Wednesday Bible Study	7	8	9
10 9:00 AM Finance Team 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship Team Practice 10:30 AM Videos & Vistation 10:45 AM Worship	11	12	13 7:00 PM Choir Practice	14 6:30 PM Deacon's & Wives Meeting	15	16 9:00 AM Men's Breakfast
17 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship Team Practice 10:30 AM Videos & Vistation 10:45 AM Worship	18 President's Day Holiday - Office Closed	19	20 7:00 PM Choir Practice	21	22	23
24 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship Team Practice 10:30 AM Videos & Vistation 10:45 AM Worship	25	26	27 7:00 PM Choir Practice	28	1	2 9:00 AM Deacon's Meeting

THE IMPORTANT STUFF

THE LORD'S SUPPER is the first Sunday of every month.

KIDS STAY IN BIG CHURCH ON THE FIRST SUNDAY!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Every Sunday but first Sunday

FIRST WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY is the first Wednesday every month.

CHOIR PRACTICE Every Wednesday (except first Wednesday) at 7:00

"Joy rises in my heart until I burst out in songs of praise to Him." Psalms 28:7

Meet the Members (& friends) **The Huff Family**

Barry and Cresencia (Spencer) Huff met at Alamo City Christian Fellowship. Barry was the greeter for the College Young Singles Sunday school class. **Cresencia** was visiting several churches, led around by an older classmate in her graduate program at UTSA. Having visited many churches with singles classes focused more on dating than building a better relationship with Christ, Cresencia kept the charming greeter at a distance for quite a while. Although Cresencia had accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior in middle school, she was not baptized until she had been attending Alamo City for several months. At that point, Barry, who had been content as a single young man, noticed Cresencia in a different way. After dating for about a year, Barry and Cresencia were married in 1998. They have attended Dellview Baptist Church since 2005 and are blessed to call it their church home.



Anelisa is the oldest "Huffling" and is a sophomore at the University of Denver. Her academic and potential career interests include geography, geology, sustainability, and a possible merging of it all into geographic information systems. This quarter she is grateful to be playing Jack Howard's double bass (the big stand up bass you've seen on stage) in a bluegrass ensemble course (getting the instrument to campus was quite an adventure!). Her extracurricular activities include swing and other social dances, CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ), and Campus Ambassadors. Anelisa has served on the Dellview AV team and was a member of the Worship Team throughout high school. She's glad to have a chance to join in again when she's home from college. When she is in Denver, Anelisa plays bass guitar and sings with the worship team at Cypress Church.



Benjamin is "Huffling 2" and a junior at Brackenridge High School. He is continuously busy with classwork,

band, jazz band, lacrosse, Academic UIL, Academic Decathlon, National Honor Society, and most likely other activities the writer of this article has forgotten.

Ben is an advocate for the Media and Film Institute at Brack, which has given him the opportunity to do community projects like filming the Veterans Day celebration at the Alamo. Although he has spent several summers studying engineering, Ben's wide range of interests might lead him down another career path. In the meantime, there's a good chance he can be found doing quality control and ultimately providing a good deal of the labor on projects Cresencia attempts to take on at home, such as building a chicken coop or fencing off part of the yard for a garden/chicken run.



Timothy is "Huffling 3" and freshman at the Advanced Learning Academy at Fox Tech. Tim loves basketball and is often at the park down the street working on his skills to make a better

contribution to the Fox Tech freshman team. He ran cross country this fall and intends to run track when basketball season is over. Besides athletics, Tim also enjoys learning about everything. He often has questions that go beyond his parents' knowledge. Fortunately, he also is honing his research skills and learning to get answers to his questions through reliable sources and observations.



When they aren't busy raising the Hufflings, **Barry** is a language arts teacher at Heritage Middle School and **Cresencia** manages the early literacy outreach program at the San Antonio Public Library. Barry also loves sports and has built a substantial set of skills related to athletic events: announcing, officiating track and field and football, electronic timing for track, and more! Cresencia thinks the family chickens are very entertaining and appreciates the fresh eggs. She also enjoys going on dates with Barry, even if it's just to the grocery store.

(written by Cresencia Huff)