



"Because of God's tender mercy, the Dayspring from heaven is about to break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide us to the path of peace."

LUKE 1:78-79

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Dayspring Family Day at UT Tyler

Our Dayspring family invites you to join us for a FREE* UT Tyler men's basketball game on Saturday, February 13th at 3:00 p.m..

Don't miss this chance to come and fellowship with other Dayspringers as we cheer on the Patriots. When you arrive at the Patriot Center ticket booth, just tell them you are with Dayspring and they will let you in for FREE.



Dayspringers are invited to sit together behind the home bench. There might even be some surprises for the kids, so bring your whole family.

*Special thanks to Coach Kenny Bizot and wife Jeni for making this possible!

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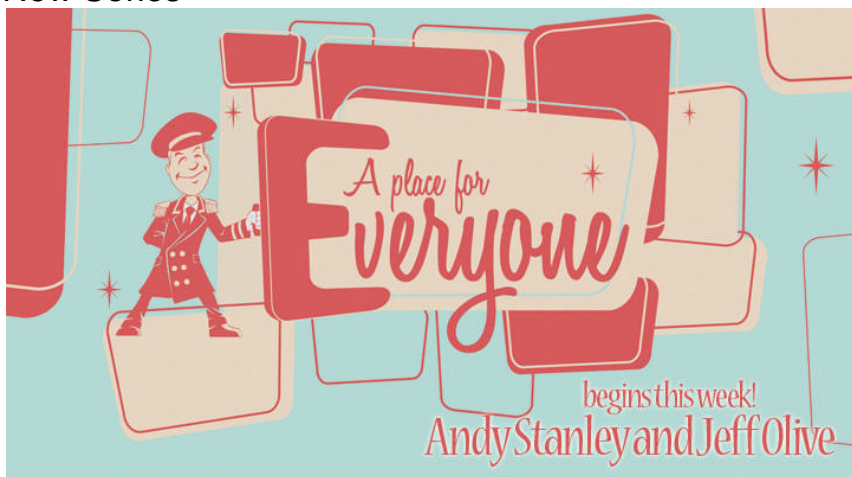
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New Series



Upcoming Events

Sunday Feb. 7th

11:00 AM Service at Carmike Theater

Monday Feb. 8th

Last Men's Basketball game of the season at Glass Rec. Center 6:45pm

Saturday Feb. 13th

UT Basketball game 3:00pm

Sunday Feb. 14th

Spring Softball!

The Spring Softball league will be starting soon. The first game will be Monday, March 15th. To sign up for the men's team e-mail dmcafee@pbsj.com, or for the Co-ed team email ltjoelker@gmail.com. Please specify men-only or co-ed, when you sign up. The cost has changed from last season; it is now \$35. Men can participate on both teams. Hope to see you on the field!



11:00 AM Service at Carmike Theater

Saturday Feb. 20th

Last day to sign up for Spring Softball!

Sunday Feb. 21st

Communion at 10:30 AM in main auditorium

Dayspring is portable

The building part of Dayspring that is. Our people and ministry are not. We often talk about being a Church without walls, run by volunteers and people behind the scenes, but it's difficult to see all that goes on, because we're all involved in our own areas. So check this out - Gary Olive (Children's Team B Leader) took on the task of filming each area of the setup inside Dayspring. Here's a compilation of what he came up with, at 3000% speed. WOW! Way to go Church!
<http://www.vimeo.com/8873415>

Grace Groups

Dayspring's Spring grace group sessions are underway! If you missed the opportunity to sign up this season, you can still be involved by prayer. Pray that God will use these studies in a mighty way to strengthen His people. Also pray about participating in a next grace group. It is a good way to stay connected and get encouragement from your church family!

Will YOU BE MY LEADER...?

It's that time again---the Children's program is getting ready to launch a new series and we need adult volunteers. On February 28, the GROzone will transform into a Robot Repair Shop as children learn about the importance of using their most valuable and available resource (their bodies) to serve God. Mechanical/technological skills are not required, just a heart for service and a desire to further the foundation of faith alongside Dayspring's kids. Contact Sharon for further details: Sharon@dayspringumc.com
Wanted: Robot Parts!



Prayer Devotional in the Works...

A key component of "Building a Church Without Walls" will be a daily prayer devotional. We need YOUR help! We are looking for contributors to share their stories of faith. Dayspring church is a body made of persons of ALL ages and stages of life. We encourage submissions from children, youth, adults, staff, volunteers, members and visitors. When have you experienced a time in your life where God's presence made a lasting impression? How has your relationship with Jesus made a difference in your daily

God of Encouragement: Devotional For Prayer Journal

Submitted by: Jeff Olive

I have a page torn off from a small desk calendar that I carry around in my wallet. My wife gave it to me when I was having a low point in my life. The date on the calendar is Friday, July 10th, 1998. For almost the past twelve years, I have carried it with me wherever I go.

The verse on the page is from psalm 139:17-18, "How precious also are

thy thoughts unto me, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee."

In psalm 139 the author recognizes that God has made him and that he cannot escape the presence of God-nor would he want to. The verses above actually speak about the psalmist's contemplations on the thoughts of God-but that is not the way I read it for years.

I read it, "How precious are your thoughts of me O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee."

Maybe the psalmist is not saying what I want him to say, but I know that it is true regardless. I know that God loves me and thinks thoughts of me beyond what I think of myself.

We all experience low points, grief, depression, feeling overwhelmed. Maybe you are right now?

It is not what others think of us that matters. What truly matters is what God thinks of us. Be encouraged-for you are loved and highly thought of by the one who made you.

I don't remember the circumstances of my sadness twelve years ago, all I remember is the encouragement I have received.

HOW PRECIOUS ARE GOD'S THOUGHTS OF YOU!

Share your stories of faith by submitting them to lyler@arkassurance.com, or sharon@dayspringumc.com

experiences? What is God doing in your life or calling you to do right now? We are called to be disciples who encourage each other in our faith.

Please submit your stories to Linda Tyler or Sharon Troxell at lyler@arkassurance.com or sharon@dayspringumc.com

If you prefer to be anonymous, that is OK, too. We will not publish your name - only your story.