



Daleville Christian Church

February 2016

From the Pastor

The annual reports should be received this Sunday. In addition to my regular report, I have composed a "State of the Church" report. This was in response to questions raised and inspired by the annual meeting in December to accept the budget. Copies of the "State of the Church" will be available. Portions of that report were shared at the January Elders meeting.

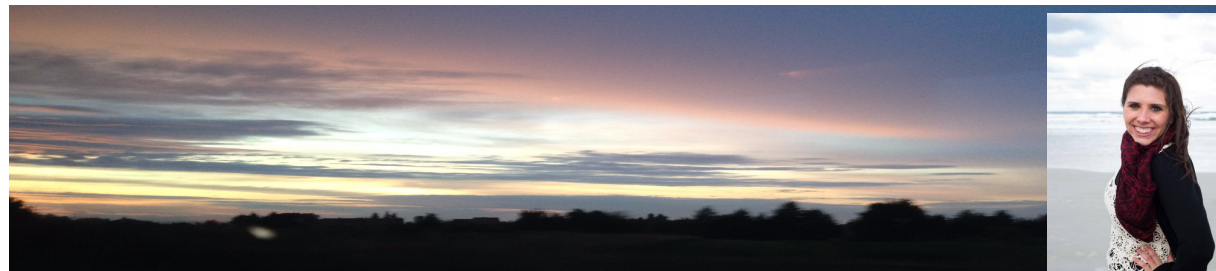
An important reminder in that report is that our work for Jesus is both a mission AND an institution. Almost always our meetings deal with the institution of the local church. Jesus had a mission and NO institution. DCC wants to have a mission AND an institution. DCC believes that more work done for mission can be done well through the institution but there will ALWAYS be the mission of the church/Jesus.

--Peace and love,

Sermon Reflections on DCC's Past, Present and Future

Is our being chosen for this time and place the key to our future? The very buildings we are in today STILL speak of decades—even 145 years--of faithful stewardship worshipping on the very same ground of years of past Daleville Christians—men and women whose names and faith YOU have known. They continued Jesus' mission so that WE could be here today. We stand on their shoulders and now the future is on OUR shoulders; but not just OUR shoulders, right? Our Lord Jesus said, "take MY yoke upon you."
(Matthew 11:29)

Update on . . . Sally Barrett



Sally in Slovenia

Connecting Through EQ

A couple of months back we had an emotional intelligence (EQ) seminar. EQ is about effectively managing our emotions. During the seminar I had an opportunity to lead a session on self management. At the end I shared that our EQ is formed by our character, and our character is formed by our beliefs and values.

Through our EQ seminars we meet up with students, one-on-one, for coaching appointments. During that time, we help students create a personal development plan. It allows us to understand students' goals, root issues, beliefs and values. We use these appointments to build relationships and share the gospel.

Right before Christmas I had a coaching appointment with Jerneja. Jerneja is a pharmacy student who expressed her desire to grow in emotional awareness. She has spent her life putting on a happy face. She repressed her emotions because she felt that they were insignificant.

Jerneja shared that she had never spent time thinking about her beliefs. No one had ever asked her about this issue. I felt like I could relate 100% with her story. I went on to tell her my testimony and how these same issues helped me to see that my significance and security could be found in Jesus instead of pleasing others.

After our conversation Jerneja said she would spend time thinking through her beliefs. She then asked to meet back up to talk more about these issues. Please pray that as we meet back up she would truly understand the gospel and find her significance in Jesus instead of herself/others.

God Bless,
Sally Barrett