

ABCUSA Mission Statement

American Baptists are a Christ-centered, biblical grounded, ethnically diverse people called to radical personal discipleship in Christ Jesus. Our commitment to Jesus propels us to nurture authentic relationships with one another; build healthy churches; transform our communities, our nations and our world; engage every member in hands-on ministry; and speak the prophetic word in love.

As a people of prayer, purpose, and passion, we are in the forefront of creating a community of faith where people of every race, nationality and culture gather as one in worship, service and work.

The heart of the gospel is God's redemptive love. In our life together, the world will see the power of forgiveness to overcome alienation, the strength of love to transform hate, the power of grace to break the bonds of guilt, the triumph of hope over despair, and the victory of faith over doubt.

Through the cross of Christ we embrace the world as neighbor. Our vision for mission energizes a multitude of servant ministries of evangelism, discipleship, leadership, new church development, social justice, healing, peacemaking, economic development and education. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we work together in mutual submission, humility, love, and giving that the gospel might be preached and lived in all the world.

DE SOTO BAPTIST CHURCH

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Service Times and Activities Schedule

Sunday

Adult Bible Study.....10:00 AM

Worship & Children's Church.....11:00 AM

Monday

Women's Prayer, Study & Action Group.....6:30 PM

Men's Prayer Group.....6:30 PM



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Engaged in the ministry of reconciliation



Interested in Following Jesus?

We welcome you as one interested in following Jesus and becoming a part of his body, the church. It is still incredible to every one of us that God desires a personal relationship with us, but that is why we call it **Good News**. We have found in Jesus forgiveness of our wrongdoings and the ability to live each day through his love and grace. This gift is available to you as well. In Jesus, we have heard and experienced God's incredible love for every one of us. A Bible verse that we all cherish is found in the Gospel of John, Chapter 3 and verse 16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him might have eternal life." Jesus offers you this new life as his disciple as you experience God's incredible love for you. We believe that God's love for us is so great that God gave himself to us and for us in Jesus, God's son, that every barrier between us and God might be removed and that we might live in the power of God's Spirit with love, joy, peace and hope.

May God's blessings be upon you in your journey of faith.

Jesus also invites you to be a part of his community of believers, and as a disciple share with the world God's love and grow in that love yourself. Jesus' invitation includes sharing the **Good News** in word and deed as we live with compassion and work for justice in this world.

If you are interested in following Jesus, we encourage you to learn more about him in the Bible. The Gospel of John is a great place to start. We encourage you to call Pastor Copeland or any other Christian church and tell them of your interest and of your questions. They will help you learn more about Jesus and his promise, "I have come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." John 10:10.

Educational Ministries—Bible Study classes offer classes for all age levels, with a very strong adult program.

Music Ministry—Choirs for children in Kindergarten through Adults. Musical Ensembles and Bells

Women's Ministries— ABW meets regularly on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. In addition to missions involvement, development of gifts and community involvement as God's stewards. Sewing for Others meets monthly

Youth Ministries— AB Boys & AB Girls



Pastor Richard and Mary Etta Copeland.....
preaching the Gospel of love
in De Soto since 1967.

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De Soto Baptist Church is a family oriented church affiliated with the American Baptist Churches of the U.S.A. "Engaged in the Ministry of Reconciliation" is our mission statement.

Our ultimate goal is to glorify God through worship, study, service, and fellowship.

We seek to put this into practice by sharing the life-changing message of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Gospel of love!