Significant Dates To Remember

(In relation to the book of Daniel)

931/30 B.C.	Division of the kingdom following the death of Solomon: Israel in the North and Judah in the South.
723/22 B.C.	Northern Kingdom of Israel taken captive by the Assyrians.
605 B.C.	First Deportation of the southern kingdom of Judah into Babylonian captivity including Daniel and other nobles
597 B.C.	Second Deportation of Judah to Babylon with 10,000 captives including the king and Ezekiel.
586 B.C.	Third deportation of Judah with the remnant taken captive to Babylon, the temple destroyed, the walls of Jerusalem torn down, and the city burned.
539 B.C.	Fall of Babylon to Cyrus The Great (also called Darius the Mede in Daniel 5:31) of Persia.
538 B.C.	Decree of Cyrus restoring the Jews to their homeland with the first return from Babylonian captivity subsequently led by Zerubbabel.
515 B.C.	Second temple dedicated in 6 th year of Darius I the Great of Persia.
458 B.C.	Second return of captives to Jerusalem led by Ezra, the scribe.
445 B.C.	Third return of exiles to Jerusalem led by Nehemiah 445 B.C.