



BEACON

First Baptist Church Montgomery

bring them in...build them up...send them out

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YOUTH CAMP

July 19-23 :: 7th-12th Grade
Shocco Springs

Pray for the students and leaders
as they go to camp this week.

YOUTHCAMP2016
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Kidz Under Construction

presented by the NEHEMIAH KIDS

Sunday, July 24
6:15 PM :: MAIN SANCTUARY

Sunday, August 28 | 6:15 PM | Main Sanctuary

Capital City

Gospel Sing

TEAM NIGHT

featuring Inky Johnson

Sunday, September 11

6:15 PM :: Main Sanctuary





CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

The Solution is JESUS!

The acclaimed boxer, Muhammed Ali, stated, "A man who views the world the same at 50 as he did at 20 has wasted 30 years of his life."

I respectfully disagree. My counter-punch observation: Perceptions may change but REALITY STAYS THE SAME. So does the Gospel. "**Jesus is the SAME yesterday, today and forever.**" (Hebrews 13:8)

The media calls us to look at the crisis of the moment. Hate, violence, injustice, and cruelties perpetrated on the innocent are par for the human course. Engaging in dark behavior traces back to Cain murdering his brother Abel over jealousy. The roots of our problems never change. They are **spiritual**. Neither Washington, nor Wall Street, nor the media can solve them.

The solution is **JESUS**. "*Sin brings death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ.*" (Romans 6:23) Our relentless pursuit must be living and sharing the love and light of Jesus with our broken world.

Prayer, not politicians, will change the human conditions.

People move out of devilish darkness and into God's Kingdom of love and light when the Body of Christ descends to pray: "*If My People, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*" (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Then we arise to share the glorious Gospel. We proclaim with our lips and lives that Jesus loves all people and invites everyone to leave their self-defeating attitudes and action and join His forever family.

The problems change but the solution remains the same: **JESUS!**

Sharing His Help
and Hope TOGETHER,

PS-My surgery is history. Thanks so much for your gracious support during my season of recovery. I'm progressing well and will return to Tampa next week to check the progress. You are loved and appreciated!

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, July 10, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5127 | Bible Fellowship Attendance 1742
Weekly Attendance 2162 | Discipleship Attendance 463

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$125,480.77 | Received Sunday \$116,845.17
Required To Date \$3,513,461.54 | Received To Date \$3,190,254.82
Building Fund Sunday \$305.50 | Building Fund to Date \$16,431.76

Under Budget | \$323,206.72

OUR CHILDREN NEED YOU!



Want to invest in the treasure box of a child's life? We have a number of openings in our preschool and children's ministries and would love to have you join our teaching team.

God has blessed us with lots of young families. Did you know it takes **200 Preschool Teachers** and **60 Children's Teachers** every Sunday morning to love on these kids and teach them God's Word! The new Sunday School Year starts **August 14** and we have about **20 opportunities in the preschool department** and **15 in the children's department**.

Don't miss the blessing of working with our precious kids! Please pray and answer our call for help. It will be one of the best decisions you have ever made. To volunteer, contact Nancie McQueen, our Preschool Minister at 241.5166 or nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org or Glen Leathers, our Children's Minister at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

Parents, don't miss **Parents Night Out** on **Friday, August 5** from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. This is your time to have a date night or just sit at home in peace and quiet! The event is free, but you need to register your children (8 weeks to 6th grade) by noon on Thursday, July 28. For more information or to register, contact Nancie McQueen at 241.5166 or nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org.

Children's Ministry

Calling all 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders...Join us for a **Day Trip to Birmingham** on **Tuesday, July 19** from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We will tour **Golden Flake** where we will see the production process of Golden Flake snacks. Then, we will head to the **Vulcan Park and Museum** for lunch and a tour. You can register and pay online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, July 20

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Baked Chicken, Vegetable, Salad, Dessert

Adult Family Meal – \$5; Child's Meal (12 & under) – \$3

Maximum Family Amount – \$20 (immediate family only)

Student Ministry

There will be a **Crossover Lake Day** on **Friday, July 29** for all upcoming 7th - 9th graders. We will leave from the church at 8:30 AM and return by 5:00 PM. The cost is \$10 and includes lunch and a t-shirt. Register online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. For more information, contact Spencer Jones at 524.5974 or sjones@montgomeryfbc.org.

Senior Adult Ministry

Save the Date for the **Senior Adult Fish Fry** on **Tuesday, August 16** at noon in the fellowship hall. (Baked fish will also be available.) Cost is \$6 per person. Our special guest will be Dale Huff.

Missions Ministry

Our First Priority, an account of the history of missions at First Baptist, can be purchased for \$15 each on Sunday mornings in the main sanctuary foyer or online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/ourfirstpriority.

Do you like creativity, recruiting, and managing? We are looking for five scene coordinators to help with this year's **River Region Judgment House**. Scene coordinators will serve as Directors for the drama scenes in this powerful outreach event. Are you up to the challenge? For more information contact Brian Gay at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

Save the Date for the **Global Impact Celebration (GIC)** on **Wednesday, February 15 through Sunday, February 19**. For more information, visit www.gic2017.com.

New Members

By Baptism

Lindsey Waddell
30 Sarah Lane | Cecil, AL 36013

By Letter

Miss Matty Drollette
412 Rock Ledge Court | Montgomery, AL 36117

Miss Kayla Shaw
8416 Marsh Pointe Drive | Montgomery, AL 36117

Our Church Family

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, contact Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120.

Sympathy Extended to

Ms. Janis Lowther in the death of her cousin
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Colee (Crystal) in the death of his aunt
Mr. & Mrs. Tom McGregor (Annette) in the death of her sister; Mr. & Mrs. Tommy McGregor (Andrea) in the death of his aunt; Mr. & Mrs. Mike Brock (Tammy) in the death of her aunt
Dr. & Mrs. Harper Shannon (Elsie) in the death of his nephew, Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Pope (Deborah) in the death of her cousin, Ima
Mr. & Mrs. Keith Till (Lisa) in the death of their son, O'Neal
Ms. Tracey Padgett in the death of her brother-in-law, Greg Spencer
Ms. Mary Walters in the death of her great-nephew

Baptist East

Jeannie Lanier

Jackson

Lore Poundstone

Capitol Hill Healthcare

Sarah Chestnutt

Children's Hospital (Birmingham)

Angel Phongsamout

Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Bob Hall (Kathy) in the birth of a grandson; Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Mayton (Regina) in the birth of a great-grandson

Mark your calendars now for Sunday, August 14!

Join us as we kick off the new **Bible Fellowship Year** at 9:45 AM and then at 5:00 PM for **Youth Choirs, Children's Missions and Discipleship Classes**.

The **Wednesday Night Oasis**, which includes **Children's Music**, kicks off on **August 17** at 5:45 PM.

Children's Hope

Become a part of the new **Hope Through Education** student sponsorship initiative. For \$25/month, you can cover the education costs of one of the 930 students in Children's Hope schools in Haiti. This includes teacher salaries, teacher training, uniforms, books, supplies, lunch, and more. Visit childrens-hope.com/givehope to learn more and become a partner, or contact Jared McCrory at jared@childrens-hope.com for more info.

Children's Hope will be sponsoring a **Haiti Summit** on **Saturday, August 20**, from 9:30 AM to Noon in the youth center. It has been an exciting year, and we look forward to celebrating and discussing God's work in Haiti. All who have been to Haiti and those who are interested in going on a future mission trip to Haiti are especially invited to attend. For more information, contact Ann Amster at 202.2714 or ann@childrens-hope.com.

Community Ministries

Do you or do you know someone who struggles with an eating disorder? Join us for **Finding Peace with Food** and give hope and healing a chance. Meetings, led by Alicia Nickelson, will be each **Tuesday** at 6:00 PM in the Huff Community Ministries Building. For more information, contact Jane Ferguson at 241.5141 or jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org.

Churchwide News & Events

Save the date for the **Nehemiah Center Back-To-School Block Party and Medical and Dental Clinic** on **Saturday, August 6** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. School supplies needed at this time are: pencils, pens, pencil sharpeners, highlighters, first grade writing notebooks, children's scissors, notebook paper (wide-rule and college-rule), spiral one-subject notebooks, index cards, crayons, rulers, glue, glue sticks, tape, dry erase markers, paper towels, Kleenex, Clorox wipes, hand sanitizer, copy paper, and nap pads. Supplies can be dropped in the bins in the main sanctuary foyer or at the Scott Street entrance. For more information, contact Kathy Cooper at 241.5125 or kcooper@montgomeryfbc.org. Families are invited to participate in this home mission project.



YOU CAN HAVE
A Better Life

"...I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

John 10:10

Join the betterlives.info movement!

We invite you to take the betterlives.info bracelets from the main sanctuary foyer. Hand them out to people you meet during the week inviting them to visit the website and discover how to have a better life through Jesus Christ.

Volunteer Opportunity of the Week: **Broadcast Ministry**

The Broadcast Ministry is looking for individuals interested in volunteering their time in this exciting ministry. Training is provided, so experience is not a requirement. Broadcast volunteers work 1 to 2 Sundays per month in the worship services (AM & PM) and for special events. For more information, contact Mike Kyser (315.5599 or kyserm@gmail.com) or Amanda Smith (241.5122 or asmith@montgomeryfbc.org).

This week at FBC Montgomery

For the complete calendar, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org.

Sunday, July 17

- Mission Projects: Alaska, Brazil
- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 10:00 Pastor's Class
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 2:00 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame
- 4:00 Deacon Orientation
- 5:00 Visitation
Youth Camp Parent's Meeting
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, July 18

- Mission Project: Alaska
- 11:00 Senior Adult Ministry Council
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:00 Freedom in Christ Recovery

Tuesday, July 19

- Mission Project: Alaska
Youth Camp
- 8:00 Children's Ministry: Day Trip to
Golden Flake & Vulcan
- 10:00 Senior Adult Game Day
- 5:30 Women's Support Group

- 6:00 Finding Peace with Food
Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, July 20

- Mission Project: Alaska
Youth Camp
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, July 21

- Mission Project: Alaska
Youth Camp
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group

Friday, July 22

- Mission Project: Alaska
Youth Camp
- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, July 23

- Mission Projects: Alaska, New York
Youth Camp
- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member :: Becky Lewis

505 Birch Street | Millbrook, Alabama 36054-2734

Morning Worship (8:30 & 11:00 AM)

- Call to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra
- God's Grace is So Amazing to Me** | Sanctuary Choir
- I'd Rather Have Jesus** | Brien & Madson Cornett and
Chip & Caroline Colee
- Message** | Will Spivey

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

- Kids Kamp Review**
- Offertory** | College Praise Team
- Message** | Spencer Jones

CrossRoads Broadcast Schedule

Watch the sermon at the time below or online at www.montgomeryfbc.org.



Frazer Channel 13 (Montgomery & Prattville)
BrightHouse Channel 122 (Elmore County)
Sunday, 1:30 PM (full hour) & 6:00 PM
Tuesday, 7:30 PM Thursday, 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

WSFA-TV Channel 12 | Sunday, 10:30 AM

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