

First Baptist Church Montgomery

# BEACON

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



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## M.I.C. (Membership Information Class)

Sunday, June 5 | 12:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

Thinking of joining First Baptist? The Membership Information Class explains what is involved in becoming effective members of FBC. The class is led by our pastor, Jay, and is an excellent opportunity to ask questions and make new friends. Be our guest for lunch and discover how to become a part of the First Family. For more information or to register, call Will Spivey at 320.0332 or Pat Thurman at 241.5130.

## One Voice Choir Tour June 10-19



Homecoming Worship Concert

Sunday, June 19

6:15 PM :: Main Sanctuary

[onevoicetour.com](http://onevoicetour.com)

## One Heart Choir Tour :: Atlanta, Georgia June 13-17



Parent's Meeting

Sunday, June 5

4:30 PM Stakely Choir Suite



FBC Offering Envelopes are now sent quarterly. The third quarter will be delivered in June. Please contact Jill Johnson at 241.5183 or Patti Shoemaker at 241.5181 if you requested envelopes and have not received them.



# CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart

## Receiving God's Blessing of **ABUNDANCE!**

Jesus boldly promised, "I have come that you might have life and have it **ABUNDANTLY!**" (John 10:10)

I recently gleaned some encouraging news from the book "**Abundance**" by Peter Diamandis. The opening illustration was captivating and instructive. In the ancient world, **aluminum** was exceedingly rare and valuable. For instance, the Emperor of France – Napoleon Bonaparte – hosted the King of Siam for a state dinner in 1812. They used sterling silver goblets and golden plates for the most important guests. As an extravagant crowning feature of the event, Siam's King and Napoleon ate with *aluminum dinnerware* because that metal was exceedingly scarce and rare. However, in 1886 an American chemist named Charles Martin Hall discovered the innovation of using electricity to liberate aluminum. Aluminum is actually the third most abundant element on earth. 8.3 % of the world's weight is aluminum, but it is bound to oxides and silicates and is very difficult to release. Yet Charles Hall's discovery proved to be an innovation that suddenly unlocked aluminum as a source of inexpensive, lightweight, pliable and non-corrosive metal that is now abundantly available to everyone.

Here is the point: History is full of stories about once-rare resources that are now abundant because of innovation. On the spiritual level, abundance is not so much linked to **innovation** as it is to **intercession**. In Luke 11, Jesus invites His children to ask, seek and knock and they will receive in abundance. Paul explains that we serve a God who delights in answering His children and will give us "*more than we can think, ask, or imagine*" (Ephesians 3:20) because our Father desires to supply His children's needs in abundance. "*My God will supply all your needs according to His RICHES in glory in Christ Jesus.*" (Philippians 4:19) God invites you to ask for His abundance. **Then our Father expects for you to use your abundant blessings to bless others!** "Your abundance will supply your brother's needs." (2 Corinthians 8:14)

Remember, through innovation and intercession, God releases **abundance to His children for your blessing and for blessing others!**

Blessed to be a Blessing,

**FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, May 29, 2016**

### ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship Enrollment** 5100 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1079  
**Weekly Attendance** 1545 | **Discipleship Attendance** 491

### OFFERING

**Required Weekly** \$125,480.77 | **Received Sunday** \$83,351.33  
**Required To Date** \$2,760,576.92 | **Received To Date** \$2,457,811.65  
**Building Fund Sunday** \$50.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$13,101.01  
**Alabama Baptist Children's Home Offering** \$3,453.10

**Under Budget | \$302,765.27**

# Ministry Announcements

## Children's Ministry

Calling all kids who have completed the 4th, 5th and 6th grades! We are heading to **Alabama Splash Adventure** on **Tuesday, June 14**. The cost is \$40. You can register and pay online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration). For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164.

All those who have completed fourth through sixth grade are invited to **Kids Kamp** on **Monday, July 11 through Friday, July 15**. We will head back to Camp Lee! Early registration (\$225) is due by June 5. You can register and pay online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration). Scholarships are available, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 for more information.

## Student Ministry

Students, get ready for summer! We have a host of events planned just for you. Register and pay online ([www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration)) for the following Student Ministry Summer Events: **Missions Montgomery on June 28-30** (\$40) and **Youth Camp on July 19-23** (\$295). For more information, visit [www.fbmsm.com](http://www.fbmsm.com) or call Russell McCrory at 241.5163.

**Students, if you want to serve at VBS**, please register at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs). If you have any questions, contact Nancie McQueen at [nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org) or Glen Leathers at [gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org). You must be registered and have an assigned place to help prior to the start of VBS.

## College Ministry

Join us on **Tuesday, June 7** at 6:00 PM for our **College Summer Fellowship!** We will have dinner and Bible study at the McElvy's (5600 Woodside Circle). For more information, contact Justin Law at 320.5634 or [jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org).

## Adult Ministry

Feel Unplugged? Then get plugged in as Jay begins a new round of his **Pastor's Class** on **Sunday, June 5** at 10:00 AM in the main sanctuary. The 13-week class, open to everyone, will be an overview of the Bible.

## 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](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/ourfirstpriority).

**The following supplies are needed for the upcoming Cuba Mission Project:** shaving cream, deodorant for men and women, soaps, razors for men and women, small travel-sized toiletries, new makeup and unused samples, perfume samples, over-the-counter medications, crayons, pens, and pencils. Please place items in the bins located at the Scott Street entrance. For more information, contact Kathy Cooper at 241.5125 or [kcooper@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:kcooper@montgomeryfbc.org).

Are you going or do you know someone going out as a **Summer Missionary?** We want to join you in prayer as you take God's Message to the nations. Please email your dates and location to Brian Gay at 241.5131 or [briangay@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:briangay@montgomeryfbc.org).

Do you like creativity, recruiting, and managing? We are looking for five scene coordinators to help with this year's **River Region Judgment House**.



## First Family Dinner | Wednesday, June 8

*No reservations required!*

**Adult & Children's Meal:** Chicken Fingers, French Fries, Roll, Salad, Dessert

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

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

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.

## 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](http://childrens-hope.com/givehope) to learn more and become a partner, or contact Jared McCrory at [jared@childrens-hope.com](mailto:jared@childrens-hope.com) for more info.

## Community Ministries

**The Master's Garden is yielding a beautiful crop!** One of the purposes of the garden is to teach the Nehemiah Kids basic business skills, develop a good work ethic and self-sufficiency through God's creation. The children will be at FBC near the porte-cochere each Wednesday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM selling boxed produce from the garden. The cost will be \$15. For more details, call Jane Ferguson at 241.5141.

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 **Wednesday beginning June 7** at 6:00 PM in the Huff Community Ministries Building. For more information, contact Jane Ferguson at 241.5141 or [jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org).

**Huey Harris is coming to the Nehemiah Center** (126 Broadway) in Chisholm on **Thursday, June 9 through Saturday, June 11** from **7:00 to 8:00 PM**. Counselors and greeters are needed each night as Huey shares his story of redemption from the darkness of drug dealing to sharing God's love, light and hope. Music will be provided by Flatline. For more information, contact Jane Ferguson at 241.5141 or [jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org).

## Churchwide News & Events

Would you like to serve as a messenger at the **Southern Baptist Convention** on **Tuesday, June 14 and Wednesday, June 15** in St. Louis, Missouri? If so, please call Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120. We will confirm all messengers at the Wednesday evening prayer service before the convention.

## New Members

### By Baptism

**Marley Sharpless**

8304 Brittany Place | 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. Sharon Bryan in the death of her father, Sam Martin

Dr. & Mrs. Harper Shannon (Elsie) in the death of his cousin

Mr. & Mrs. Bo Burt (Nancy) in the death of her father

### Baptist East

Clyde Dodgen

### Jackson

Elizabeth Baldwin • Bob Armstrong

### HealthSouth

James Blake • Louise Calloway

### Jack Hughston Memorial Hospital

Gwenn Wynn

### Grandview Medical Center

Sarah Alford

### UAB Medical Center

Robert McKay • Wayne Griffith

### Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Spencer Jones (June 11)

## Online Pictorial Directory

Did you know that you can update your family photo in the **FBC Online Member Directory**. Just email a recent photo to Amanda Smith at [asmith@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:asmith@montgomeryfbc.org). If you haven't started using this ministry tool, now is a great time to start. For full instructions on using the online directory visit:

[www.montgomeryfbc.org/member-directory](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/member-directory)





## VBS :: June 20-24

9:00 AM to Noon :: FREE!  
ages 4\* through 6th grade

As kids are submerged in God's Word, they will discover that Jesus saw people differently. He saw people for who they were deep down, not who they appeared to be on the surface. Kids will look below the surface to find the truth about how Jesus sees them.

### Register Today

All children, including those currently enrolled in Sunday School at First Baptist Montgomery, must register for VBS. **Pre-registration closes on Sunday, June 5.** After June 5, you will need to wait and register the first day of VBS.

\* Child must have turned 4 by August 31, 2015 to attend VBS.

### Order VBS T-Shirts & Music CDs

Help us by pre-ordering your VBS T-shirts and Music CDs online. They will be available for pickup beginning Wednesday, June 8.

### Supplies Needed for Preschool Crafts

- dark & light green crepe paper streamers
- boxes of vanilla Hostess Twinkies
- bright colored paper plates
- bags of octopus gummies
- packs of bright colored snack size bags
- colored tube socks
- blue solo cups (16 oz)

Drop the above items in the bins located at the Preschool Information Desk, the Scott Street entrance and the Adams Street entrance. For more information, contact Nancie McQueen at 241.5166 or [nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org).

Directors and Teachers are still needed in the Children's area, please contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or [gleanthers@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:gleanthers@montgomeryfbc.org) to sign up.

To register or order t-shirts, visit  
[www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs)

# This week at FBC Montgomery

For the complete calendar, visit [www.montgomeryfbc.org](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org).

## Sunday, June 5

Mission Projects: New Orleans  
& Senegal

- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 10:00 Pastor's Class
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 12:15 Membership Information Class
- 4:30 Guatemala Mission Project Meeting  
One Heart Choir Tour Parents Meeting  
Preschool VBS Youth Worker's Meeting
- 5:00 One Heart/One Voice Choirs  
Visitation
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 7:15 One Voice Choir Tour Parent's Meeting

## Monday, June 6

- 7:30 R.O.M.E.O.
- 10:00 JOY Singers
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:00 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

## Tuesday, June 7

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 11:30 Children's Hope Prayer Time
- 5:30 Women's Support Group

6:00 Narcotics Anonymous

6:00 College Summer Bible Study  
& Fellowship

## Wednesday, June 8

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

## Thursday, June 9

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 7:00 Revival in Chisholm

## Friday, June 10

- One Voice Choir Tour
- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group
- 7:00 Revival in Chisholm

## Saturday, June 11

- One Voice Choir Tour
- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 7:00 Revival in Chisholm

## In Home Ministry Member :: Jean Chandler

1462 Stowers Road | Mathews, Alabama 36052-4733

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

**Brethren, We Have Met to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra

**All to Us** | Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness** | Goodson McLemore

**Message** | Jay Wolf

## Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

**Offertory Duet** | Mary Kate Houlditch & Keely Stroh

**Message** | Will Spivey

## CrossRoads Broadcast Schedule

Watch the sermon at the time below or online at  
[www.montgomeryfbc.org](http://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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