



First Baptist Church Montgomery
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bring them in...build them up...send them out

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Thank You, Jay



Celebrating Jay's 25th Anniversary
as Pastor of First Baptist Church

Sunday, October 16 || 6:15 PM
Reception to follow in the fellowship hall

RIVER REGION
judgment-house

4003 Eastern Boulevard
Montgomery Towne Center

www.judgmenthouse.org

This Week's Dates:

- Sunday, October 16 | 6 to 9 PM
- Wednesday, October 19 | 6 to 9 PM
- Saturday, October 22 | 6 to 9 PM
- Sunday, October 23 | 6 to 9 PM

FREE sunday **OCTOBER 30** 4 to 6 pm

2016 FAMILY FEST

First Baptist Church Montgomery





CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart

Celebrating 25 Years of Building God's Kingdom TOGETHER!

*"Forgetting what lies behind, I **PRESS ON** to the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:14)*

After graduating from Seminary in May of 1981, God gave us the grace gift of coming to the First Baptist Church of Montgomery, Alabama. Dale Huff invited me to be his assistant pastor and we fell in love with the extraordinary people we encountered. In August of 1984 the Lord shifted our assignment to the First Baptist Church of Alexandria, Virginia for 7 productive years of ministry. Then we returned in 1991 to help build God's Kingdom with His First Montgomery Family.

It has been a blessed journey. God has grown us in all departments. The church has increased in many measurable categories. As the years have flown by, our family has grown from Mary Ruth and me to 14 people linked to the Wolf Gang. We feel extraordinarily indebted to the Lord for His immense kindness in letting us take this Christ-honoring journey together. You have helped us raise our children and encouraged us to grow into the image of Christ. We have enjoyed a synergistic partnership that has yielded a significant amount of Kingdom fruit.

As we scan the future's horizon, I join with the Apostle Paul who proclaimed there is MORE to be done. So, let's **press on** and do MORE praying, worshipping, evangelism, discipling, missions, serving, going, giving, and Kingdom building TOGETHER!

Thankful for the Past and
Hopeful for the Future,



FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, October 9, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5127 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1559
Weekly Attendance 2119 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1419

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$125,480.77 | **Received Sunday** \$131,317.60
Required To Date \$5,144,711.54 | **Received To Date** \$4,588,938.66
Building Fund Sunday \$261.50 | **Building Fund to Date** \$23,141.38
Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering \$14,212.19
Global Hunger Relief Offering \$8,315.00

Under Budget | \$555,772.88



Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

Join us for **Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)** on **Tuesday, October 25** from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. For more information, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/mops.

Children's Ministry

Kids, don't forget **Outrageous Outfits. Sunday, October 16 is Luau Sunday.** For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

FBC Family Fest is scheduled for **Sunday, October 30** from 4:00 to 6:00 PM in the Perry Street lot. **We need lots of candy for Family Fest. Please bring a bag of candy and place it in one of the bins in the main sanctuary foyers by Sunday, October 23.** For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

College Ministry

College students and high school seniors are invited to join us for the **2017 Passion Conference** on **Monday, January 2 through Wednesday, January 4** in Atlanta, GA. Register and pay (\$140) online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. For more information, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Adult Ministry

Ladies, join us for a new Bible study beginning **Sunday, October 16** at 5:00 PM in room B412. We will be studying **Breathe** by Priscilla Shirer. One of the greatest challenges among women in our culture is taking time to stop all the activities and busyness and just breathe. The Breathe Study Journal includes five sessions of teaching with four weeks of homework in a reflective, journaling format. Cost of book is \$10. Facilitated by Kathy Cooper.

A special **stewardship lesson** will be taught in all Bible Fellowship Classes on



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, October 19

No reservations required!

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

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

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

Sunday, October 30. If you have not received your teaching materials, contact Chuck Ashley at 241.5161 or cashley@montgomeryfbc.org.

Senior Adult Ministry

The **In-Home Ministry Lord's Supper** will be observed during the week of October 23. If you are an In-Home member and would like for one of our deacons to serve you the Lord's Supper during this week, contact your In-Home associate or call Connie Hulsey 399.1126.

Join us for a **Trip to the Anderson Farm** on **Thursday, October 27** at noon. Call Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180 to make your reservation for this free event. We will depart from the Scott Street parking lot at 11:15 AM. Plans include lunch and wonderful fellowship!

Music Ministry

The **JOY Singers** will participate in the **Senior Adult Choir Celebration** at Eastern Hills Baptist Church on **Thursday, October 20**. The celebration begins at 10:00 AM. JOY Singers should plan on arriving at 9:30 AM with your folders in hand! We will travel on our own to Eastern Hills Baptist Church and we will meet for lunch at Fried Tomato Buffet following the event. The lunch is optional.

The **Alabama Baptist Children's Honor Choir** is open to all students in the fourth through sixth grades. Audition materials may be obtained on Wednesdays during choir time, or from Ed Cleveland. The **auditions will take place on Sunday, October 30** from 3:00 to 4:00 PM in the Music Ministry Office.

Congratulations to the following students who were elected as officers of this year's **One Voice Choir**: Mary Kate Norris, Girls President; William Shirley, Boys President; Mary Conley Teel, Girls Vice President; and Owen Bullington, Boys Vice President.

Missions Ministry

Judgment House will be ongoing select nights from **October 12 through October 31**. A host of volunteers are still needed to help with prayer, counseling, and more. We also want to encourage you to invite your lost friends to attend. For more information, visit www.judgmenthouse.org or contact Brian Gay at 220.4402.

New Members

By Baptism

James Reed Bledsoe

9719 Ivy Green Drive | Montgomery, AL 36117

Brandon Hardy

872 Rialto Drive | Montgomery, AL 36117

Ms. Doris Mitchell

4401 Narrow Lane Road, Apt 104 | Montgomery, AL 36116

By Letter or Statement of Faith

Miss Abigail Croy

8462 Eastchase Pkwy, Apt 12101 | 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

Mr. & Mrs. Rex Vaughn (Alice) in the death of his sister

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gay (Susan) in the death of his nephew, Tom Sloan; Rev. & Mrs. Brian Gay (Kristi) in the death of his cousin

Baptist South

Bill Holliday

Jackson

Louise Blake • Lisa Farmer • Ann Webster

Children's Hospital (Birmingham)

Camp Hughes

Congratulations Extended to

Dr. & Mrs. Tim Williams (Penny) in the birth of a granddaughter

Mr. & Mrs. Streeter Wiatt (Leigh) in the birth of a grandson

Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Glen Leathers (October 18)

Alabama Baptist State Convention

Tuesday, November 15 & Wednesday, November 16
Eastmont Baptist Church | Montgomery

If you would like to serve as a messenger at the Alabama Baptist State Convention, contact Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120 or cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org.






Fall Back

for FBC Bible Fellowship

Prove the Tithe High Attendance
Sunday, November 6  Goal: 2100

Join us on Prove the Tithe Sunday
and help make a difference for
His Kingdom...

-  Invite friends & neighbors to join you for worship and bible fellowship class.
-  Bring your joyful offering to the Lord and help us "prove the tithe."
-  Give your time change hour back to the Lord.

Join us on **Monday, November 7** for the **2016 Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer** and **Her Way: The Unbelievable Faith and Courage of a Missions Trailblazer**. The event will take place in the fellowship hall. Coffee and fellowship at 9:30 AM; a Time of Prayer at 10:00 AM; and our guest speaker, Rosalie Hunt at 10:30 AM. The event is free, but reservations are appreciated. For more information or to RSVP, contact Barbara Barrow at 272.7767 or bbbarrow@charter.net. This event is brought to you by First Baptist Montgomery and the WMU Foundation.

Save the Date for the **Global Impact Celebration (GIC)** on **Wednesday, February 15 through Sunday, February 19**. For more information, visit www.gic2017.com. In preparation for Global Impact Celebration (GIC 2017), we're producing **The Purpose Podcast**. In this audio podcast you will hear inspiring conversations with guests that will be coming to the GIC from the US and all around the world. Visit www.thepurposepodcast.com to learn more or listen today.

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. Visit childrens-hope.com/givehope to learn more and become a partner, or contact Jared McCrory at jared@childrens-hope.com.

There will be a **Foster Care Awareness Event** on **Sunday, October 23** at 4:00 PM in room 443. Has the Lord given you a heart for foster children and families? Are you interested in helping, but just don't know how? Join us to learn how you can support and encourage foster families in our area. For more information, contact Jared McCrory at jared@childrens-hope.com.

Churchwide News & Events

Join us on **Tuesday, November 1** at 5:00 PM for the **Montgomery Baptist Association's Annual Meeting** at Thorington Road Baptist Church. Special guest will be Dr. Richard Blackaby. Dr. Blackaby will also speak at the Minister's Conference at Gateway Baptist Church on Tuesday afternoon, for all church staff and ministry leaders. For more information, contact the MBA Office at 271.6227 or email jpalmmer@mgmbaptists.org.



WAR ROOM
PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON
11.02.16 :: MAIN SANCTUARY :: 12:10 TO 12:50 PM

This week at FBC Montgomery

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

Sunday, October 16

- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
Nearly/Newlywed Class
New Christian Class for Children
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
- 5:00 Children's Missions
Discipleship Classes
One Heart/One Voice Choirs
- 6:00 Judgment House
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 7:30 Reception for Jay & Mary Ruth

Monday, October 17

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
- 11:00 Senior Adult Ministry Council
- 5:15 Sanctuary Handbells
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery

Tuesday, October 18

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study: The Armor of God
- 10:00 Senior Adult Game Day
- 5:30 Women's Support Group
- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, October 19

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
Tutoring
- 5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
Ownership Road Discipleship Class
Disciple-Maker Mentor Training
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
Judgment House
- 6:30 Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:40 DivorceCare
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time
Disciple-Maker Mentor Training

Thursday, October 20

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Senior Adult Choir Celebration
Caregivers Support Group
- 6:00 English as a Second Language

Friday, October 21

- Mission Project: Talladega
- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, October 22

- Mission Project: Talladega
- 6:00 Judgment House
Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member :: Frances Fitzgerald

2033 Commodore Street | Montgomery, Alabama 36106-1752

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

- Call to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra
- Sanctuary/Total Praise** | Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra
- Offertory Solo** | Joey Ammons
- Message** | Jay Wolf

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

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CrossRoads Broadcast Schedule

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



Frazer Channel 13 (Montgomery & Prattville)
Bighthouse 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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