

BEACON

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

First Baptist Church Montgomery



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Children's Hope Sunday Sunday, September 18

Celebrating God's work
through the ministry of
Children's Hope!



M.I.C. (Membership Information Class)

Sunday, September 18 | 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.

**WEEK OF
PRAYER**
FOR STATE MISSIONS
SEPTEMBER 11-18, 2016

Your gifts help support:

ALABAMA WMU

DISASTER RELIEF

CHURCH PLANTING

CHURCH REVITALIZATION

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP MISSIONS

Myers-Mallory.org

FBC Goal:
\$20,000

Given to Date:
\$3,345.00

Youth Choir Festival
Sunday, September 25 :: 6:15 PM



CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

An FBC Investor's Report: The Impact of TEAM NIGHT!

September 11th is one of the most recognized days in American history. Last Sunday, 9/11 became a spiritual landmark for over 150 students who made commitments to Jesus Christ!

Our annual Team Night event, superbly coordinated by Will Spivey and implemented by scores of Christ's servants, brought over a thousand young people to our church to hear the compelling testimony of Inky Johnson. Will and his team worked for months and invited 14 area football teams as our special guests to hear the transforming truth of Jesus Christ through Inky's testimony. The teams arrived early and enjoyed some good food and made some new friends. At 6:00 PM, we were firing on all cylinders as our 150 voice student choir filled our sanctuary and hearts with God's praise. Then, Inky Johnson, who played football for the University of Tennessee and was a projected future NFL star, shared his powerful story of suffering a devastating injury. On September 9, 2006, in front of 100,000 people at Neyland Stadium, Inky made a jarring tackle that somehow tore away all the nerves which control his right arm and shoulder. The separated nerves caused a huge hemorrhage necessitating emergency surgery. Inky's injury resulted in his right arm becoming a withered appendage. Doctors told him that he would not be able to use his arm, but he reported in his testimony, **"I use this withered arm everyday to tell my story to God's glory and to bring people to Jesus Christ."**



Inky captivated everyone as he explained, *"Everything I do is no longer for the crowd's applause but for God's cause."* He invited us to embrace our adversity because it leads you to intimacy with God.

At the conclusion of the service, an invitation was extended and over 150 young people responded to God's love-filled call to follow Jesus Christ. In my sanctified imagination, I can see generational curses being broken and young people being set free to pursue their divine destiny of serving the cause of Christ. Only heaven will reveal the true results of this life-changing 9/11 moment which became God's liberating *movement!*

Thank you for supporting God's life-transforming work through His FBC family.

Making Disciples TOGETHER,

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, September 11, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5132 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1826
Weekly Attendance 2351 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1170

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$125,480.77 | **Received Sunday** \$112,762.51
Required To Date \$4,642,788.46 | **Received To Date** \$4,136,069.60
Building Fund Sunday \$217.25 | **Building Fund to Date** \$21,190.01
Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering \$3,345.00

Under Budget | \$506,718.86



Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

Join us for **Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)** on **Tuesday, September 27** from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. For more information, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/mops.

There will be a **Parent/Child Dedication** on **Sunday, October 23** in the 8:30 & 11:00 AM worship services. To register for this special dedication, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/dedications or call Tiffany Alewine at 241.5165. If you would like your baby's photo to be included in the Order of Worship that day, email a high resolution photo of your baby to asmith@montgomeryfbc.org by Sunday, October 9.

Children's Ministry

The **First Grade Bible Presentation** is this **Sunday, September 18** during the 6:15 PM service. Don't miss this special service! For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

Student Ministry

Parents...join us for **Intentional Parenting with Doug Fields** on **Sundays, September 18 through October 23** at 5:00 PM in Bell Chapel. Raising kids is a difficult challenge and it requires a plan—without a plan, parents often default to what we call “Quick-Fix Parenting.” Unfortunately, quick and easy isn't the same as good and effective. To be an exceptional parent, you need to be an intentional parent. This study provides you with ten actions that will impact the future of your children. As you implement these ideas into your parenting, you will see immediate results in your child, no matter their age. For more information, contact Russell McCrory at 241.5163 or rmccrory@montgomeryfbc.org or Spencer Jones at 241.5187 or sjones@montgomeryfbc.org.

College Ministry

College Students...Join us for **ELEVATE** on **Tuesday, September 20** at 8:00 PM in the youth center with free dinner served from 7:15 to 7:45 PM. For more information, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, September 21

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Pizza, Salad, Dessert

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

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

CONNECTIONS is a ministry that connects Montgomery college students to families in our church to BRING, BUILD, and SEND! Throughout the school year you will “adopt” a college student which consists of having them over for a monthly meal or taking them out to eat, praying for them, and being a home away from home. There will be a lunch on **Sunday, September 25** at noon in the youth center to meet your student. For more information, contact Justin Law at jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Adult Ministry

Join Jay as he continues a new round of his **Pastor’s Class** on **Sunday, September 18** at 10:00 AM in the main sanctuary. The 13-week class, open to everyone, will be an overview of the Bible.

Come be part of the **Disciple-Maker Mentor Training**. This study is for those who want to be mentors to new believers and new members to disciple them as they develop spiritual disciplines, become engaged with other believers, and establish accountability to someone within the body of Christ. This program will walk individuals through the discipleship process and prepare them to be paired with a new believer or new member. To sign up, contact Ken Webb at kewebbbs@gmail.com or 462.5800. There are **3 opportunities for the class: Sundays** at 5:00 PM in room B401; **Wednesdays** at 6:45 PM in room B416; and **Thursdays** at 6:30 PM at the home of John & Jeanette Bush.

Senior Adult Ministry

The **JOY Singers** will rehearse on **Monday, September 19** at 10:00 AM in the Stakely Choir Suite. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact Kenny Hoomes at 241.5182 or khoomes@montgomeryfbc.org.

Join us for a **Senior Adult Day Trip to Alabama Nature Center** in Millbrook on **Thursday, September 29** from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Space is limited. Call Mary Virginia at 241.5180. The cost is \$10 and includes a Chick-fil-A lunch and transportation. Deadline to sign up is Monday, September 19.

Music Ministry

Our Sanctuary Choir is just beginning preparations for the **2016 Living Christmas Tree!** Now is the time to join and be part of this wonderful experience. Join us this **Wednesday, September 21** at 6:35 PM in the Roper Choir Suite. For more information, contact Donna Haney at 241.5150 or dhaney@montgomeryfbc.org.

New Members

By Baptism

Miss Matabe Akoachere

915 S. Jackson Street | Montgomery, AL 36104

Our Church Family

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

Sympathy Extended to

Mr. Ken Hayes in the death of his wife, Bette;
Mr. & Mrs. Streeter Wiatt (Leigh) in the death of her mother
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Anderson (Suzanne) in the death of his mother, Betty

Baptist South

Bill Holliday

Hillview Terrace

Lewis Underwood

UAB Medical Center

Susan Deloney

Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Justin Law (September 23)

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).



Missions Ministry

The **River Region Judgment House** preparations are underway. Workdays are on Sundays at 2:00 PM. Drama Rehearsals will be on Mondays and Thursdays in October. For more information, contact John Smith at 546.8088 or Brian Gay at 220.4402.

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.

For more information on **FBC Disaster Relief Opportunities in Louisiana**, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/disaster-relief.

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 for more info.

Community Ministries

Conversational English will offer **Citizenship Classes** beginning **Thursday, September 22** from 9:00 to 11:15 AM. This free class will be led by Bill Lambert. Please share this information with a friend. For more information, contact Jane Ferguson at 241.5141 or jferguson@montgomeryfbc.org.

The Caring Center is in desperate need of paper grocery bags. Please drop them off at the Caring Center or the receptionist desk at Scott Street. For more information, contact Judy Nuss at 241.5144.

Churchwide News & Events

John Stonestreet, President of the Chuck Colson Center for Christian Worldview and heard on the "Breakpoint" commentary on Faith Radio, will speak at First Baptist Church on **Sunday, October 2** at 6:15 PM. A Q&A session will begin at 5:00 PM before the service.

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is coming November 14-21! We need you to make our FBC Shoebox Drop-off Site a success. Young people and adults, if you would like to join our team, contact Ben Hulsey at bhulsey@montgomeryfbc.org or 334.399.9876.



FBC Offering Envelopes are sent quarterly. The fourth quarter will be delivered in September. Please contact Jill Johnson at 241.5183 or Patti Shoemaker at 241.5181 if you requested envelopes and do not receive them.

This week at FBC Montgomery

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

Sunday, September 18

- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 12:15 Membership Information Class
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
Personal Discipleship
- 5:00 Children's Missions
Discipleship Classes
One Heart/One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, September 19

- 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, September 20

- 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 Finding Peace with Food

- Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, September 21

- 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
Children's Ministry Leadership Council
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:40 DivorceCare
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, September 22

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 6:00 English as a Second Language

Friday, September 23

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, September 24

- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member :: Virginia Brewer

7706 Wynlakes Blvd | Montgomery, Alabama 36117-5167

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

In Christ Alone | Sanctuary Orchestra

Children's Hope Emphasis

Orphans of God | Sanctuary Choir

Too High a Price | Steve Harris

Message | Jay Wolf

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

Bonse Aba | One Heart & One Voice Choirs

First Grade Bible Presentation

Message | Jay Wolf

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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