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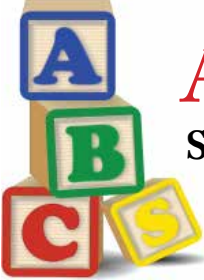
First Baptist Church Montgomery

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

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Do you know your ABCs? Can you share them with others?



Join Jay as he teaches the **ABC's of Evangelism**

Sundays, August 20 through October 22

4:30 PM | 413

A Practical Guide to Sharing Your Faith

Sunday, August 27 | 6:15 PM | Main Sanctuary

Capital City

Gospel Sing

First Baptist Church Sunday, September 10 6:15 PM :: Main Sanctuary

Bring your team and wear your jersey or favorite school colors for this special, back-to-school event featuring...

a powerful testimony by
Gabe Gross



www.montgomeryfbc.org/teamnight



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.

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CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart

Learning God's Lessons from Will Fiedler

Last Wednesday, Will Fiedler came to see me and talk about how he could make an impact on his classmates for Jesus Christ. Will is 12 years old, and he will be entering sixth grade at Baldwin Junior High, which is adjacent to our church.

Will arrived at the appointed hour carrying a red notebook filled with devotionals he has written along with two scriptures, which he selected to place in his locker as reminders of God's provision for his school year. The first scriptural anchor came from Deuteronomy 31:8, ***"The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid. Do not be discouraged."*** His other navigational coordinate linked to Philippians 2:13, ***"For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill His good purpose."***

Will explained to me that a number of his classmates do not follow Jesus, and they engage in negative behaviors. Will said, *"My friends don't understand how good God is. I want to be a witness to them and invite them to come to the First Baptist Baldwin Bible study each week to help them learn about the Lord."* For many years, First Baptist has hosted a Wednesday afternoon Bible study for Junior High students. This group was started by my daughter Alex Wolf. It continues today and has touched the lives of hundreds of students. I affirmed Will's excellent ambition to impact his class by sharing the Lord's love and light.

I asked Will what motivated him to impact his class for the Lord. He explained that on January 30, 2012 his father died. He told me, *"After my dad died, I realized that we do not have an unlimited amount of time on this earth. We must use our time to serve the Lord. So, my purpose is to bring other people to Christ. My dad's death is the worst thing that ever happened to me, but God has used it to help me follow close to Christ and to seek to be a light that shines for Him."*

Will's clear purpose and bold witness inspired me to be more for Christ. Let me urge you to borrow Will's focus, discipline and commitment. Let us strive to become God's living light who will impact your family, school, workplace, and friends by consistently sharing the love and truth of Jesus Christ. If Will can do it, you can too!

Sharing Jesus with
our world TOGETHER,

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, August 13, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5170 | Bible Fellowship Attendance 1979
Weekly Attendance 2414 | Discipleship Attendance 698

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$127,730.77 | Received Sunday \$129,807.60
Required To Date \$4,215,115.38 | Received To Date \$3,803,089.92
Building Fund Sunday \$276.50 | Building Fund to Date \$12,220.85

Under Budget | \$412,025.46



Children's Missions

Sundays :: 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Mission Friends (2 to 5 year olds)
Girls in Action (GAs) (grades 1-6)
Royal Ambassadors (RAs) (grades 1-6)

Preschool & Children's Choirs

Wednesdays :: 5:45 to 6:30 PM

Preschool Choir (ages 3 to kindergarten)
Children's Choirs (grades 1-6)

Ministry Announcements

Children's Ministry

All first graders and their families are invited to join us for **The Big Church Tour on Sunday, September 17** at 12:15 PM in the fellowship hall. During this time you will be given information about our Children's Ministry, meet with Jay, and get a tour of the church. Please RSVP for lunch and the tour online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration or by contacting Tiffany Alewine at 241.5165 by Wednesday, September 13. Childcare will be provided for younger siblings during the tour. You also don't want to miss the evening service on **Sunday, September 17** as we present all of our **first graders with Bibles**.

Student Ministry

Students...Join us this **Sunday, August 20** for **One Heart & One Voice Choirs** at 5:00 PM; the worship service at 6:15 PM; and our **Sunday Night Fellowship** from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. We will meet at The McCrory's (1924 Beauvoir Lake Drive) for a swim fellowship. For more information, contact Russell McCrory at 241.5163 or rmccrory@montgomeryfbc.org.

College Ministry

College Students...Join us for **ELEVATE** on **Tuesday, August 22** 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.

Music Ministry

Our Sanctuary Choir will soon begin preparations for the **2017 Living Christmas Tree!** Now is the time to be part of this wonderful experience. Our **LCT Kickoff** on **Wednesday, September 6** at 6:35 PM in the Roper Choir Suite, located just behind the fellowship hall. For more information, contact Donna Haney at 241.5150 or dhaney@montgomeryfbc.org.



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, August 23

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Spaghetti, Bread, Salad, Dessert

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

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

Missions Ministry

Join us for the **River Region Judgment House Banquet** on **Monday, August 21** at 6:00 PM at Frazer United Methodist Church. The banquet is free, but reservations are requested. For more information, visit www.judgmenthouse.org or call 546.8088.

Volunteers are needed to help with the 2017 River Region Judgment House. For more information about possible areas of service, or to register to be on a team, visit www.judgmenthouse.org or contact Brian Gay at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

On **September 10 through 17** we will remember the lives of “Two Spiritual Giants,” as we pray for the work of Alabama Baptists, and give through the **Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering**. Your gifts will help support these Great Commission Ministries: Alabama WMU, Disaster Relief, Church Planting, Church Revitalization and Global Partnership Missions. Our church goal is \$20,000.

Calling all missions leaders! Join us for a **Team Leader’s Meeting** on **Wednesday, September 20** from 7:00 to 8:00 PM in room 443. We will be discussing plans for the following year’s missions emphasis as well as important procedures and guidelines to help you make your mission project a success. For more information, contact Brian Gay at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

First Baptist Foundation

You’re invited to join Jay Wolf and Barry Bledsoe for a **Legacy Conversations Lunch** on **Monday, September 18** from noon to 1:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Come have lunch with the pastor and hear about legacy opportunities at FBC! Contact Alissa Parrish for more information at airvin@montgomeryfbc.org or 241.5127.

Community Ministries

“Sharing the Love and Light of Jesus,” as stated by our Pastor Jay, is the motto for our work with the International Community. To share your Love and Light of Jesus, join the **Volunteers in the Americana Café**. Just three hours per week on either **Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, 9:00 AM to Noon**. Enjoy coffee or tea and have a snack while you sit around a table and converse with some of the most wonderful internationals you will ever meet. No foreign language skills

New Members

By Baptism

Addison Cline
508 Derby Lane | Montgomery, AL 36109

Colleen Vermillion
3007 Jasmine Road | Montgomery, AL 36111

By Letter/Statement of Faith

Mr. David Bethea
Mrs. David Bethea (Jenny)
1366 Pampas Drive | Montgomery, AL 36117

Mr. Mark Bethea
Mrs. Mark Bethea (Brittany)
3019 Old Farm Road | Montgomery, AL 36111

Mr. Paul Tucker
Mrs. Paul Tucker (Lauren)
8955 Cotswold Court | 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. Richard Duck (Anne) in the death of his father; Mr. & Mrs. Matt Warren (Caroline) in the death of her grandfather

Mrs. Gil McKenzie (Melanie) in the death of her husband; Sally Claire, Will and Phillip McKenzie in the death of their father; Mr. & Mrs. Bill McKenzie (Mary) in the death of their son

Baptist South

Frances Fitzgerald • Sara Christenberry
Kendall Shehane

Baptist East

Mandy Alverson • Nancy Epton

Capitol Hill Healthcare

Sarah Lawson

Aspire at Hoover

Ann Cushing

Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Cory Alverson (Mandy) in the birth of a daughter

Fall 2017 FBC Discipleship Classes

For a complete list with descriptions, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org.

Experiencing God

Sundays, August 13 – November 12 | 5:00 PM | B402

Return to Mayberry

Sundays, August 13 – November 12 | 5:00 PM | B405

Ladies Bible Study: All Things New (2nd Corinthians)

Sundays, August 13 – October 8 | 5:00 PM | 443

Disciple-Maker Mentor Training

Sundays, August 13 – November 12 | 5:00 PM | B401, B416, B417

Love and Respect: Marriage2Marriage Seminar

Wednesdays, August 16 – November 1 | 5:45 PM | B402

DivorceCare

Wednesdays, August 16 - November 1 | 6:30 PM | B405

needed. There is no Café on days when the Montgomery Public Schools are closed. For more information or to sign up, contact Phyllis Lambert at 467.9008 or pfl1624@yahoo.com.

Do you want to help change the lives of less fortunate children in our community? Volunteers are needed for our **Tutoring Program** on **Wednesdays, beginning September 6** from 5:30 to 6:45 PM in the Huff Building. Youth and adults are needed to give 75 minutes each Wednesday to help with homework, mentor and love on these kids. All new tutors are required to attend our **Tutoring Workshop** on **Wednesday, August 30**, from 5:30 to 6:45 PM at the Huff Building Fellowship Hall. Please register by providing your name and phone number to Tim Cearley at 241.5141 or tcearley@fbc-cm.org.

Churchwide News & Events

The **Connections** ministry needs your family to “adopt” a college student for the upcoming academic year. This ministry is vital in connecting students to our church and making them feel at home while they are away from home. Families of all ages and stages are welcomed! If you would be interested or have questions, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Become a Friendship Family for an AUM international student through Baptist Campus Ministries. Friendship Families welcome students by sharing meals, taking them to events, helping them adjust to American life while being the hands and feet of Jesus. You could make an eternal impact on a student’s life. Attending the welcome dinner on Friday, September 8 at the AUM BCM is mandatory. For an application, contact Carolyn Bryan at cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org or 241.5120.

Interested in becoming a Foster Parent? The Alabama Baptist Children’s Home & Family Ministries will have a **TIPS Foster Parent Training Class** (formerly GPS) at First Baptist beginning **Tuesday, September 19** from 6:00 to 9:00 PM in room B112. For more information or to register, contact Bobbi Olson at bolson@alabamachild.org or 430.7569 or Jessica Palmer at jjpalmer@alabamachild.org or 538.3914.

This week at FBC Montgomery

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

Sunday, August 20

- 8:30 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
Bible Fellowship Appreciation Lunch
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
GriefShare Support Group
- 5:00 Discipleship Classes
Children's Missions
One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, August 21

- 11:00 Senior Adult Ministry Council
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:00 Reflections Ensemble Auditions
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery

Tuesday, August 22

- 10:00 Senior Adult Game Day
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, August 23

- 5:00 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
Love and Respect Bible Study
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
DivorceCare
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, August 24

- Mission Project: Colorado
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group

Friday, August 25

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

Saturday, August 26

- Mission Project: Colorado
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member Constance Moore

601 Jasmine Trail Apt 312
Prattville, Alabama 36066-3661

305 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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Morning Worship (8:30 & 11:00 AM)

Call to Worship | Sanctuary Orchestra

Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King
Sanctuary Choir

Offertory | Beasley Family

Message | Jay Wolf

Prayer Room
Joe Watkins (Watkins Class)

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

This I Believe (The Creed)
One Heart & One Voice Choirs

Who Gave You Life | Elena Elwell

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, 8:00 PM; Thursday, 1:30 PM & 6:00 PM

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

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