

First Baptist Church Montgomery

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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 | 4:30 PM | 413

WAR ROOM

PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON

02.01.17 :: MAIN SANCTUARY :: 12:10 TO 12:50 PM

GIC \\ February 15-19

PURPOSE

Register for Events & View Schedule at www.gic2017.com

VBS Preview Party
02.26.17 \\ 4-6PM



CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart



My Beloved First Baptist Family,

It is with great joy and a deep sense of following the Lord's leadership, that we are inviting **Ed Cleveland to serve as our next Minister of Music!**

When Chip announced in July his new assignment to help the Alabama Baptist Children's Home's work, I asked Ed if he would consider the possibility of serving as our Minister of Music. He initially declined because he liked the associate position.

We immediately assembled a Music Minister Advisory Team and accumulated many resumes of possible candidates. Keith Hibbs, the head of our Alabama Baptist's Music Ministry department, served as our coach and consultant.

In late August, Ed shared with me that God placed on his heart a desire to be considered for leading our music ministry. I was thrilled at this possibility because I sensed and many people were saying, **"Ed is God's guy for FBC!"** After prayerfully surveying our options, watching Ed masterfully orchestrate the LCT, and hearing a resounding chorus of affirmation for Ed from our congregation; **on January 11th the Advisory Group and our Church Leadership Council unanimously affirmed the call of Ed Cleveland to serve as our Minister of Music!**



Additionally our Deacon fellowship unanimously affirmed Ed's selection on January 23rd.

Ed is an extraordinary person on every level. He has a four generation connection to FBC Montgomery and an authentic passion for our church family and mission. He has served effectively with us for 5 years so he knows us and we know him — plus he has a lot of *"Chip Colee juice on him."* Ed is a man of authentic Christ-likeness and amazing musical competence. Everybody loves Ed and he genuinely loves everybody. He possesses superlative people skills and connects to all age groups. Ed graduated from college and Grad School with a 4.0 GPA. So while he is a lot of fun, he is extremely intelligent and can do about anything — from **play a mean bass to catch the most bass!** He served as an educator for 26 years, coaching the largest high school choral groups in the state while simultaneously serving as an excellent Minister of Music at the Meadow Brook Baptist Church in Birmingham for 20 years. Additionally and very importantly, he has a fabulous life partner in Sharon and outstanding children.

Please join me in praising the Lord for Ed's willingness to serve God's people and purpose within our FBC family!

In His Love and Service,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Chip", written in a cursive style.

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, January 22, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5150 | Bible Fellowship Attendance 1681
Weekly Attendance 2221 | Discipleship Attendance 1211

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$127,730.77 | Received Sunday \$110,741.07
Required To Date \$510,923.08 | Received To Date \$363,430.38
Building Fund Sunday \$45.00 | Building Fund to Date \$1,245.75
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® \$310,984.54

Under Budget | \$147,492.70



Ministry Announcements

Children's Ministry

Don't forget to bring **Peanut Butter for the Caring Center** on **Sunday, January 29**. There will be collection bins on the Children's floors. For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

Young Worshiper's Club (YWC) is coming! During the month of February, every first through sixth grade student will have the opportunity to complete a booklet that will help them learn how to worship. The YWC booklets will be handed out on January 29 during Sunday school. They will be responsible for bringing it to church each week and keeping up with it. For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

College Ministry

Join us as we host the statewide annual collegiate **Pursue Conference** on **Friday, February 17 and Saturday, February 18**. The focus is "My Place in His Purpose." Cost for FBC members is only \$10! Speakers include Caleb Crider, J.D. Payne and David Boudia, 30+ breakout sessions led by missionaries across the world, and worship led by The Digital Age. To register, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. For more info, visit pursueal.org.

Missions Ministry

Ladies, be sure to save the date for the **2017 Renew Conference** on **Saturday, February 25** from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM at Taylor Road Baptist Church. This special conference is a time for recharging your spirit and refreshing your soul! Speakers include Katie Orr and Page Hughes and worship will be led by Shelly Johnson. Cost is \$35 which includes lunch. Registration deadline is February 1. To register, contact Kathy Hall at 324.6097 or kathyhall1959@yahoo.com.

The upcoming **Cuba Mission Project needs** the following items by Sunday, March 4: travel and regular sized soaps and shampoos; women's make-up, lotion and deodorant; men's shaving cream, razors and deodorant; crayons; balloons, over-the-counter medications like Tylenol, Aleve and multivitamins; bandaids, cotton swabs, cotton balls, small alcohol pads, quart size zip-lock bags, and snack size



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, February 1

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Hot Dogs, Soup, Salad, Dessert

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

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

zip-lock bags. Items can be dropped off at the Scott Street entrance or in the bin at the mission wall in the sanctuary foyer.

First Baptist Foundation

The **2017-2018 First Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications** are now available. All completed applications must be returned by Friday, March 31. For an application, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/first-baptist-foundation or email Alissa Parrish at airvin@montgomeryfbc.org.

Children's Hope

Please prayerfully consider joining the upcoming **Haiti Mission Project** on **May 27 through June 2**. This team, led by Ken and Stephanie Peavy, will stay at Children's Hope in Jacmel and then travel to nearby mountain villages to pray, visit widows to deliver care/food packages, and share the gospel. It will be an unbelievable opportunity to partner with the local pastor and church to serve their people in these more remote areas. If interested, contact Ann Amster at ann@childrens-hope.com or 202.2714.

Community Ministries

English as a Second Language (ESL) needs volunteers for the Americana Cafe, one day per week, either **Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday**, from 9:00 AM to Noon. Sit at a table with a group of international English students, have a cup of coffee (or tea), munch on a few snacks and enjoy a conversation with wonderful new friends from interesting places in the world. For more information, call Bill Lambert at 277.3204.

The **FBC Caring Center** needs volunteers to serve in several areas of our ministry. We currently have urgent needs for help with sorting/organizing donations and greeting/registering clients. Be a blessing to others and receive the blessing of caring for others in Jesus' name. For more information, contact Judy Nuss, Caring Center Director, at 241.5144.

Churchwide News & Events

Travel with First Baptist Church on the **Ark Encounter Tour, May 29 through June 4, 2017. Registration Deadline is February 15, 2017.** Full tour fare will be refundable up to April 28, 2017 and Non-Refundable as of April 29, 2017. See this full-size replica of Noah's Ark located in Williamstown, Kentucky. The agenda is packed with touring/sightseeing in Chattanooga, Lexington and Nashville. For more information, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/ark.

New Members

By Baptism

Aliannah Hernandez
300 Rebekah Lane | Montgomery, AL 36109

Mr. Donaciano Rodriguez
4357 Martin Lane | Montgomery, AL 36110

Miss Madeline Smith
7400 East Drive, Room 127 (Box 580) | Montgomery, AL 36117

By Letter/Statement of Faith

Ms. Angie Connell
918 Hillwood Lane | Montgomery, AL 36117

Mr. Bryan Parker
2214 Rosemont Drive | Montgomery, AL 36111

Mr. Barry Parrish
Mrs. Barry Parrish (Diane)
8525 Carillion Place | Montgomery, AL 36117

Miss Katy Sulhoff
2714 Boulter Street | Montgomery, AL 36106

Mr. Zack Tate
8471 Will Newton Drive | Montgomery, AL 36117

Ms. Tina M. Ulve
300 Rebekah Lane | Montgomery, AL 36109

Mr. Timothy Woods
900 Bell 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. Doyle Jones in the death of his grandson
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Prater (Tammy) in the death of his father
Mrs. John Trotman (Terri) in the death of her son, Trey; Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Trotman (Laura) in the his brother; Mr. & Mrs. William Trotman (Jessica) in the death of his brother; Mr. Bubba Trotman in the death of his grandson
Mr. & Mrs. Matt Ellis (Stacey) in the death of his grandmother

Jackson

Margaret Cone • Nikki Darley

John Knox Rehab

Gwen McGriff

Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Snyder (Joyce) in the birth of a great-grandchild
Mr. & Mrs. Beau Darley (Nikki) in the birth of a son; Mr. & Mrs. Billy Irvin (Camilla) in the birth of a grandson; Mrs. Mae Fain in the birth of a great-grandson

Winter 2017 FBC Discipleship Classes

For a complete list visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/discipleshipclasses

Financial Peace University

Sundays, February 5 through April 16 | 4:30 PM | B412

This 9-week course can change everything including your money and your life! Learn God's way of handling money by investing in this study. Learn the basics to becoming debt-free! Register at <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1033292>. Cost is \$93 for your learner kit. **Facilitated by Brien & Christy Cornett**

Love and Respect: Marriage2Marriage Seminar

Sundays, February 5 through March 12 | 5:00 PM | B409

Do you want to feel closer as a couple? Do you want to experience marriage as God intended no matter how long or short a period of time you have been married? Join us for this DVD series based on the best selling book, *Love and Respect* featuring author Emerson Eggerichs. Class includes an individual workbook and minimal homework. **Facilitated by Mike & Pam Newman**

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GIC Senior Adult Lunch \ Friday, February 17

Noon | Fellowship Hall | Cost: \$6 per person

Tickets are also available in your Bible Fellowship Class through Sunday, February 5.

GIC Wild West Dinner \ Saturday, February 18

6 to 8 PM | Fellowship Hall | Cost: \$15 per person

GIC Youth Progressive Dinner \ Saturday, February 18

6 to 8 PM | Bell Chapel | Cost: \$5 per person

GIC Children's Event \ Saturday, February 18

6 to 8 PM | Youth Center | Free, but registration is required

GIC Preschool Event \ Saturday, February 18

6 to 8 PM | B112 | Free, but registration is required

**Register in the fellowship hall on Wednesdays
and the main sanctuary foyer on Sundays.
You can also register online at www.gic2017.com.**

This week at FBC Montgomery

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

Sunday, January 29

- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
New Christian Class for Children
- 11:00 Worship Service
International Worship Service
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- 4:30 Discipleship Classes
ABCs of Evangelism
- 5:00 Discipleship Classes
Children's Missions
One Heart/One Voice Choirs
- 6:00 Children's Ministry: Bible Drill
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, January 30

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

Tuesday, January 31

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, February 1

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 12:10 War Room Prayer Time
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Tutoring
Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
Disciple-Maker Mentor Training
- 5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
The Five Love Languages
Children's Leadership Council
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, February 2

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

Friday, February 3

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, February 4

- 6:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member :: Gwen Sadler

3801 Oak Grove Drive, Apt 210 | Montgomery, Alabama 36116-1170

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

- Call to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra
- The Church Triumphant** | Sanctuary Choir
- I Will Keep My Eyes On You** | Ichthus Ensemble
- Message** | Jay Wolf

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

- Call to Worship** | Praise Team
- Offertory** | Student Ministries Praise Band
- Message** | Jay Wolf

CrossRoads Broadcast Schedule

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



Frazer Channel 13 (Montgomery & Prattville)

Briighthouse 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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