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First Baptist Church Montgomery

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



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M.I.C. (Membership Information Class)

Sunday, March 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 Beth DeBardeleben at 241.5160.

I AM

SERMONS FROM JOHN'S GOSPEL

JOHN 6:35 I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

SUNDAY, MARCH 5 \\
6:15 PM \\
JUSTIN LAW
MAIN SANCTUARY

*Together
For His
Kingdom*

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR North American Missions

March 5-12, 2017 | Goal: \$70 Million
FBC GOAL: \$115,000



**ANNIE
ARMSTRONG**
EASTER OFFERING



CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

Together for His Kingdom!

Because God has given so generously to us, please give generously to the offering for North American Missions. In giving, we facilitate God's ultimate goal to reach all persons in North America with the liberating and transforming love of King Jesus.

Gifts to the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering® for North American Missions** will fuel God's work in the United States, Canada and the Territories. As givers, you become partners with our more than 5,600 Southern Baptists missionaries across North America with 100% of your offering going to support their ministries. This year, we are especially blessed to support North American Mission Board missionaries in Pike Road, Huntsville, New Orleans, Miami, Seattle, Alaska, New York City, and our own **Blakeley Winslow**, missionary in Boulder, Colorado. We are excited to provide financial assistance in addition to volunteer teams and prayer support during this year for these wonderful friends.

Your gifts will be used to connect the Good News of Jesus Christ with perishing people. Your earthly gifts will make an eternal difference!

Thank you in advance for giving to North American Missions. It is my joy to serve as your pastor and to be part of a functioning Great Commission Church (*Acts 1:8*) that enthusiastically supports God's mission mandate to share Christ from our neighborhoods to the nations.

Sharing the Good News
of Jesus TOGETHER,



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

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, February 26, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5152 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1753

Weekly Attendance 2348 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1322

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$127,730.77 | **Received Sunday** \$87,668.99

Required To Date \$1,149,576.92 | **Received To Date** \$951,478.89

Building Fund Sunday \$226.50 | **Building Fund to Date** \$3,116.50

Under Budget | \$198,098.03

Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

There will be a **Parent/Child Dedication** on **Sunday, April 2** 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, March 12.

Our Spring Celebration and Egg Hunt will be **Saturday, April 8** from 10:00 AM to Noon in the Perry Street lot. ***We need lots of candy to fill the eggs for the Egg Hunt! Please bring a bag of candy and place it in one of the bins in the main sanctuary foyers by Sunday, March 26.*** For more information, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/egg-hunt or contact Nancie McQueen at 241.5166 or nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org.

Children's Ministry

The **RA Spring Trip to the McWane Center** is **Saturday, March 11 and Sunday, March 12**. For more information or to sign up, contact Shawn Peterson (sap6510@gmail.com or 538.1726) or Lee Bozeman (patrickleebozeman@gmail.com or 313.2208).

Student Ministry

FBC Girls, you are invited to the **Complete Conference** on **Friday, March 10** (5:00 to 9:00 PM) and **Saturday, March 11** (8:00 AM to 3:30 PM) at First Baptist Church Prattville. This is a statewide girls conference sponsored by the WMU. Registration is online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration and the cost is \$30, which includes the conference, Saturday lunch, and a t-shirt. Our own Anna Sailors will lead worship! For more information, contact Amy Smith at amysmith@montgomeryfbc.org.

Save the Date for these upcoming events: Graduate Recognition Sunday (May 7); Missions Montgomery (May 31-June 2); Outdoor Adventure (June 28-29); Crossover Swim Party (July 9); Youth Camp (July 17-21); Crossover Lake Retreat (July 28); and the Senior Lake Retreat (August 4-5). For more information, visit www.fbmsm.com.

Adult Ministry

Join Jay for a new round of his **Pastor's Class** on **Sunday, March 12** at 10:00 AM in the main sanctuary. The 13-week class, open to everyone, will be an overview of the Bible.

Senior Adult Ministry

R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Old Men Eating Out) will meet on **Monday, March 6** at 7:30 AM at Chappy's Deli on Perry Hill Road. Men, come join us for good food, fellowship, and a time of inspiration from God's Word.

Make plans to attend the **Senior Adult Singin'** on **Tuesday, March 14** at Hunter



FBC Offering Envelopes are now sent quarterly. The second quarter of 2017 will be mailed in March. Please contact Jill Johnson at 241.5183 or Patti Shoemaker at 241.5181 if you requested envelopes and do not receive them.



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, March 8

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Roll, Salad, Dessert

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

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

Street Baptist Church in Hoover, Alabama. We will depart the Scott Street lot at 7:30 AM and return around 3:30 PM. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch. Call Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180 to make your reservation by noon on Wednesday, March 8.

Missions Ministry

The upcoming **Cuba Mission Project** needs the following items by **Sunday, March 5**: 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 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.

There will be an **Interest Meeting for the Alaska Mission Project** on **Wednesday, March 8** at 6:00 PM in room 347. Come learn more about the July 15-22 mission trip to Anchorage and Girdwood, Alaska. If you cannot attend the meeting and want more information, contact Suzanna Willis at 449.1170 or Ben Kelley at 549.4348.

There will be a **Denham Springs, Louisiana Mission Interest Meeting** on **Sunday, March 12** at 3:30 PM in room 347. For more information, contact Brian Gay @ 241.5131 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org

Music Ministry

The FBC Youth Choirs are busy preparing for exciting mission opportunities this summer. **One Heart Choir** (grades 7-8) will travel to **Atlanta, Georgia** on **June 12-16** and **One Voice Choir** (grades 9-12) will travel to **St. Louis, Missouri** on **June 10-18** for a week of music and missions. Both choirs rehearse on Sundays at 5:00 PM. Don't miss this opportunity!

Registration for the Reflections Ensemble Spring Break Tour and the Summer Choir Tours is online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration.

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.

Have you considered planning what your legacy will be? The First Baptist Foundation is committed to help you create a legacy through estate planning that will honor your family and your faith. We have partnered with PhilanthroCorp so you can receive this free gift of estate planning. For more information on how to get started on your free estate plan, contact Alissa Parrish at airvin@montgomeryfbc.org.

New Members

By Baptism

Mr. Wendell Gentry
610 Sunset Drive | Prattville, AL 36067

By Letter/Statement of Faith

Mr. William (Buddy) York
Mrs. William York (Jean)
521 Mockingbird Lane | Pike Road, AL 36064

Mr. James W. Bell
Mrs. James Bell (Doris)
916 Stableway Road | Pike Road, AL 36064

Mr. Christopher Montgomery
5407 Union Academy Road | Hope Hull, AL 36043

Mr. Tim Thornton
Mrs. Tim Thornton (Beth)
142 Beth Manor Drive | Prattville, AL 36066

Our Church Family

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

Sympathy Extended to

Dr. & Mrs. Henry Lyon (Sara Jane) in the death of their sister-in-law, Lorraine Flowers

Baptist South

Steve Graham

Diversicare

Gwen McGriff

Congratuations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Bobo Gilpin (Sherry) in the birth of a grandson

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®

Week of Prayer for North American Missions

March 5 through 12

Schedule of Prayer Meetings for Week of Prayer:

Monday, March 6 :: 9:00 AM

Speaker: Neal Hughes — Montgomery Baptist Association

Home: Mary Ruth Wolf (3049 Highfield Drive, 36111)

Tuesday, March 7 :: 9:00 AM

Speaker: Steve Walters — The Church at Pike Road

Home: Ann Ashley (1561 Tara Lane, 36117)

Thursday, March 9 :: 9:00 AM

Speaker: Lisa Rose — Montgomery Baptist Association

Home: Tanya McLemore (2308 Midfield Drive, 36111)

Friday, March 10 :: 9:00 AM

Speaker: Jan Wilkerson — FBC Missions Volunteer

Home: Betty Reagan (8318 Marsh Pointe Drive, 36117)

Volunteer Opportunity of the Week:

Broadcast Ministry

We thank God for blessing us with the resources to upgrade our broadcast equipment so that we can reach more people for Christ. Now, we need YOU to join our team!

Volunteers are welcome at anytime, no experience required. Visit our Broadcast Control Room (located on the 4th floor of the main building) on any Sunday during or between services. For more information, contact Mike Kyser (315.5599 or kyserm@gmail.com) or Amanda Smith (241.5122 or asmith@montgomeryfbc.org).

Children's Hope

Looking for a way to bless and help children and communities in need? Check out the **Gift of Hope** initiative at www.childrens-hope.com/giftofhope. It provides multiple ways that you can meet specific ministry needs in Haiti. If you would like to give in honor of a friend or family member, we have cards you can send them to let them know of your impactful gift.

Community Ministries

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

Men, join us for the annual **Glenn Gordy Golf Retreat** on **Thursday, April 27 through Saturday, April 29** at Callaway Gardens Resort in Georgia. Join us for a great time meeting new friends, playing golf, eating fantastic food, and most importantly, drawing closer to the Lord. The cost is \$425, which includes lodging in Southern Pine two bedroom cottages, green fees, 18-hole cart per day, a Friday night seafood gumbo meal and prizes. Checks should be made payable to First Baptist Church. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, March 21. Get your check in the mail today. Sign up by calling Steve Dubose at 277.8604 or Chuck Ashley at 241.5161.

This week at FBC Montgomery

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

Sunday, March 5

- Mission Project: India
- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 12:15 Membership Information Class
- 4:00 GIC Evaluation Meeting
- Reflections Ensemble
- 4:30 Financial Peace University
- 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, March 6

- Mission Project: India
- 7:30 R.O.M.E.O.
- 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, March 7

- Mission Project: India
- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 6:30 Upstream Support Group
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, March 8

- Mission Project: India
- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- Tutoring
- Disciple-Maker Mentor Training
- 5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
- The Five Love Languages
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- Alaska Mission Trip Meeting
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:40 Church Leadership Council
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, March 9

- Mission Projects: India & Haiti
- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 6:00 English as a Second Language

Friday, March 10

- Mission Projects: India & Haiti
- Complete Conference for Girls
- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, March 11

- Mission Project: Haiti
- Complete Conference for Girls
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member :: Deborah Kay Campbell

928 Felder Avenue | Montgomery, Alabama 36106-1933

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

- Call to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra
- Shout for Joy** | Sanctuary Choir
- Offertory Solo** | Will Spivey
- Message** | Jay Wolf

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

- Call to Worship** | One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- Clean** | Hunter Mills
- Message** | Justin Law

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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