

First Baptist Church Montgomery

# BEACON

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



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## ***Congratulations to the 2017 Graduating Seniors***

The First Baptist Family extends our congratulations and intercession for God's blessings and guidance to our High School Graduating Seniors.

Sarah Elizabeth Atkins  
Samantha Bell  
Marlee Bryant  
Max Bryant  
Owen Bullington  
Claudia Collins  
Joseph Conte  
Ashton Cross  
Joseph Curtis  
Marshall Dean  
Thomas Dismukes  
Emma Donaldson  
Elizabeth Dudley  
Caroline Dymond  
Mary Margaret Easterling  
Sarah Kate Etheredge  
John Alan Frost

Sarah Gillis  
Aubrey Grant  
Spencer Hale  
Katelyn Hansen  
Will Heartsill  
Bailey Hope  
Jacob Johns  
Abby Johnston  
Ashley Kendrick  
Joe Kilpatrick  
Christian Lewis  
Preston McAdams  
Peyton Meadows  
Winston Morgan  
Mary Cate Norris  
Maddie Olszewski  
Eddie Parma

Chanley Ritter  
Anna Roberts  
Brian Roth  
Aliya Seebrat  
Meagan Shearer  
William Shirley  
Anthony Singleton  
Ann Vivian Spencer  
Emi Stakely  
Sarah Cate Stakely  
Claire Stewart  
Mary Conley Teel  
Mary Stuart Tipton  
Charlie Trotman  
Madison Tylicki  
Alex Wyrosdick

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### **Graduate Recognition Service**

Sunday, May 7 | 8:30 & 11:00 AM  
(The students will be present in the 11:00 AM service.)



The FBC Children's Choirs present the  
**Spring Worship Celebration**  
**Sunday, May 7**  
**6:15 PM • Main Sanctuary**

featuring the Older Children's Choir  
production of "The Kingdom Connection"



# CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart

## *We Need Jesus and We Need Each Other!*

*"You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few find it."* Matthew 7:13-14

Our world is full of literal and figurative roads. Every Christ-follower should take three spiritual pathways. First, you must travel the **Damascus Road** of *salvation*. Like Saul, acknowledge your sin and your need for a Savior. In Acts 9, the illuminating light of Christ knocked Saul off his high-horse of arrogance. Saul repented of his sin and ran into Christ's embrace of grace. The Damascus Road represents connection to Christ and the transformation of salvation.

Next, King Jesus directs us to the **Jericho Road** of *servicing*. Jesus told the story of a man who was robbed and beaten on the treacherous highway between Jerusalem and Jericho. An unlikely hero, tagged as the Good Samaritan, translated compassion into action by helping a hurting stranger. Jesus calls us to be His agents of service who generously supply kindness on the Jericho Road that runs through our town.

The third path that each Christ-follower should choose each day is the **Emmaus Road** of consciously walking with Christ. Following the resurrection, two men encountered Jesus on a stretch of road leading to the village of Emmaus. Initially, they did not identify the Savior. As they walked along, Jesus revealed to them the great truth of the Scripture that Christ is the fulfillment of all of God's promises. As those two disciples broke bread with Jesus, their eyes were opened and they recognized the risen Savior. Each day, you should walk with Jesus on the Road to Emmaus because it is the path of reshaping your attitudes and actions into the likeness of Christ. Invite the Lord to recalibrate you to His standards of love, purity and serving. Walking the Emmaus Road means you will consistently be conscious of the presence of Christ in everyone and in everything. When you walk the Emmaus Road with Jesus, the ordinary becomes extraordinary; the natural becomes supernatural; and the daily is colored with the divine.

Here is your assignment: Help people get off the highway to hell by serving as a living signpost for the Savior pointing everyone to follow the Jesus Way!

Following Jesus TOGETHER,

**FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, April 30, 2017**

### ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship Enrollment** 5167 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1693  
**Weekly Attendance** 2338 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1111

### OFFERING

**Required Weekly** \$127,730.77 | **Received Sunday** \$111,013.83  
**Required To Date** \$2,299,153.85 | **Received To Date** \$1,994,723.50  
**Building Fund Sunday** \$587.50 | **Building Fund to Date** \$7,110.00  
**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®** \$157,204.84

**Under Budget | \$304,430.35**

# Ministry Announcements

## Children's Ministry

All 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders are invited to attend our **IncrediKids Camp** on **Tuesday, June 6 through Thursday, June 8** from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM at Camp Chandler in Wetumpka, Alabama. The cost is \$55. You can register and pay online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration). For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164.

Calling all kids who have completed the 4th, 5th and 6th grades! We will be headed to **Six Flags Over Georgia** on **Tuesday, June 13**. The cost is \$55. You can register and pay online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration). For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164.

All fourth through sixth graders are invited to **Kids Kamp** on **Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14**. We will head back to Camp Lee! Early registration (\$250) is due by June 7. You can register and pay online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration). Scholarships are available, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 for more information.

## Student Ministry

Students, get ready for summer! We have a host of events planned just for you. Register and pay online ([www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration)) for the following Student Ministry Summer Events: **Missions Montgomery on May 31-June 2** (\$40), **Outdoor Adventure on June 28-29** (\$45); **Crossover Swim Party on July 9**; **Youth Camp on July 17-21** (\$295); **Crossover Lake Retreat on July 28** (\$10); and the **Senior Lake Retreat on August 4-5**. For more information, visit [www.fbmsm.com](http://www.fbmsm.com) or call Russell McCrory at 241.5163.

**Students, if you want to serve at VBS**, please register at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs). If you have any questions, contact Nancie McQueen at [nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org) or Glen Leathers at [gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:gleathers@montgomeryfbc.org). You must be registered and have an assigned place to help prior to the start of VBS.

## College Ministry

This summer we will meet each **Tuesday night** for dinner and Bible study at various homes from **6-8 PM**. Our first meeting will be on **May 16** at the home of Jeff & Donna Haney, 3760 Everest Dr. Visit [fbmcm.com](http://fbmcm.com) for the entire summer schedule.

## Senior Ministry

**Senior Adult Day is Sunday, May 21**. Our JOY Singers will be singing in the morning services and all senior adults will be recognized. During the evening service our JOY Singers, along with our handbell choir, will present the annual Patriotic Celebration in the main sanctuary. Plan to attend and support our seniors.

Join us for **Celebrators** in **Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, October 16-19, 2017**. The conference will feature David Jeremiah, Max Lucado, Tim Tebow, Phil Waldrip, Charles Billingsley, Mark Lowry, Stan Whitmore, Greater Vision, Veritas, and the Annie Moses Band. Call Mary Virginia at 241-5180 for details and pricing.



### First Family Dinner | Wednesday, May 10

*No reservations required!*

**Adult & Children's Meal:** Hamburgers, Chips, Salad, Dessert

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

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

A \$25 non-refundable deposit will hold your reservation.

Senior Adults will be touring the **Montgomery Hyundai Plant on July 21, 2017**. Two tours are available, **9:30 AM and Noon**, but space is limited. Call Mary Virginia at 241-5180 to make your free reservation.

## Missions Ministry

**Team members are needed for the Guatemala Well Drilling Project on August 5-12.** This team will assist in drilling water wells in a small village. The team will also teach classes in health and hygiene to the children and the women in the village, show the Jesus film, distribute Bibles, and present the gospel. For more information contact Steven Faulkner at 491.0727 or sfaulknr@mwwsb.com.

YOU are invited to join us for the **Amy Cooper Women on Mission** lunch meeting on **Monday, May 8**, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, in the Huff Building Fellowship Hall. Reggie & Karen Quimby will "show and tell" about their 2016 mission adventures in Hawaii and Alaska. Bring a sack lunch, a guest, and join us for a time of fellowship and mission sharing! Call Karen Quimby at 281.6955 for more information.

**The Jackie Swan Bible Study Group** will meet on **Thursday, May 11**

in room 413. Sewing the day gowns for stillborns at Baptist Hospital begins at 10:30 AM with lunch at noon (bring a sandwich lunch), and the Bible study begins at 12:30 PM. We will be studying Priscilla Shirer's *One in a Million: Journey to Your Promised Land*. For more information, contact Sara Jane Lyon at 277.7240 or Beppy Tiller at 263.9491.

Are you going or do you know someone going out as a **Summer Missionary**? We want to join you in prayer as you take God's Message to the nations. Please email your dates and location to Brian Gay at 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**

## New Members

### By Baptism

**Mr. Carlos Barrios**

118 Clanton Ave, Apt V | Montgomery, AL 36104

**Ms. Fatima Fuenmayor**

118 Clanton Ave, Apt V | Montgomery, AL 36104

**Mr. Cody McKean**

8462 Eastchase Pkwy, Apt 9106 | Montgomery, AL 36117

**Ms. Claire Slawson**

3250 Thomas Ave | Montgomery, AL 36106

**Helen Smith • Joseph Smith • Rachel Smith**

1302 S McDonough St | Montgomery, AL 36104

**Mr. Kyle Sollie**

1801 Fairforest Dr | Montgomery, AL 36106

### By Letter/Statement of Faith

**Mr. Russell Burry**

4655 Old Wetumpka Hwy 51 | Montgomery, AL 36110

**Ms. Norma Guarisco**

3801 Oak Grove Dr, Apt 106 | Montgomery, AL 36116

**Ms. Dana Moore**

127 Rotary St | Montgomery, AL 36110

**Mr. & Mrs. David Smith (Donna Jo)**

1302 S McDonough St | 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. & Mrs. Ray Roberson (Evelyn) in the death of her brother.

### Baptist East

Bobo Gilpin

### Baptist South

Marley Hicks  
Connie Moore

### HealthSouth

Bob Cleland  
Marilyn Tyus

### Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Hartzog (Summer) in the birth of a grandson



**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! Register online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration).

## Community Ministry

Please join us at a farewell reception to honor our **Children's Learning Center** leaders, Sheila and Stephanie Wilson, on **Wednesday, May 10, at 4:15 PM** in the CLC entry foyer. Make plans to attend, leave a note of encouragement and/or gift, and join us in thanking them for their dedicated service as our CLC leaders. For questions, call Tim Cearley at 241-5141.

## Churchwide News & Events

Would you like to serve as a messenger at the **Southern Baptist Convention** on **Tuesday, June 13 and Wednesday, June 14** in Phoenix, Arizona? If so, please call Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120. We will confirm all messengers at the Wednesday evening prayer service before the convention.

# June 19-23

## Vacation Bible School

9:00 AM to Noon :: FREE!  
ages 4\* through 6th grade

### Register Today!

All children, including those currently enrolled in Sunday School at First Baptist Montgomery, must register for VBS. **Online registration closes on Wednesday, June 14.** After June 14, you will need to wait and register the first day of VBS.

\* Child must have turned 4 by August 31, 2016 to attend VBS.

### Order T-Shirts & Music CDs

Help us by pre-ordering your VBS T-shirts and Music CDs online. They will be available for pickup beginning Sunday, June 11.

For more information or to register, visit  
[www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs)



# This week at FBC Montgomery

For the complete calendar, visit [www.montgomeryfbc.org](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org).

## Sunday, May 7

- Bible Reading Marathon
- Mission Project: Talladega
- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 12:15 Graduate Lunch
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- 5:00 Visitation
- One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Children's Choirs Spring Program

## Monday, May 8

- 7:30 R.O.M.E.O. (Chappy's on Perry Hill)
- 10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
- 11:30 Amy Cooper Women On Mission
- 5:15 Sanctuary Handbells
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

## Tuesday, May 9

- 9:30 MOPS
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 6:30 Charlotte Cearley Women on Mission
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

## Wednesday, May 10

- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:40 Finance Committee
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

## Thursday, May 11

- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 10:30 Jackie Swan Women on Mission

## Friday, May 12

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group
- 10:00 CLC Graduation
- 6:00 Parents Night Out

## Saturday, May 13

- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

## In Home Ministry Member :: Betty Hollon

1142 E Main Street | Prattville, Alabama 36066-5639

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

**Majesty** | Sanctuary Orchestra

**Graduate Recognition**

**At the Cross/Love Ran Red** | Sanctuary Choir

**How Can It Be** | Rachel Love

**Message** | Jay Wolf

## Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

**Children's Choirs Spring  
Worship Service**

## CrossRoads Broadcast Schedule

Watch the sermon at the time below or online at [www.montgomeryfbc.org](http://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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