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First Baptist Church Montgomery

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

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Global Hunger Sunday

October 8, 2017

GlobalHungerRelief
globalhunger

A Partnership of Southern Baptists
to Meet Needs *Around the World*

FREE

sunday **OCTOBER 29** 4 to 6 pm

www.montgomeryfbc.org/familyfest

2017 FALL FESTIVAL

First Baptist Church Montgomery

Don't Forget to Wear a
Fun, Happy Costume!

Bags of candy are needed for the Fall
Festival. Please drop off in collection
boxes this Sunday morning.



RIVER REGION judgment-house

A Dramatic Gospel Presentation That Changes Lives

Oct 15 - 31



4003 Eastern Blvd

www.montgomeryfbc.org | Office: 334.834.6310 | Prayer Line: 334.834.4585

CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart



The Lord has Linked Us to Lanier High School!

Three years ago, Russell McCrory proposed that we become partners with the Lanier Football Team and serve as their booster squad. Russell discovered that the Lanier Football Team did not have a group of fans to provide a pre-game meal for the team. Lanier started in 1929 and was considered a premier educational institution producing famous grads like Bart Starr and many other luminaries, but in the past few years, Lanier has seen tough times. So our Christ-centered Student Pastor proposed that we encourage our Lanier friends by bringing the team's 70 players and coaches to our youth center and provide a pre-game feast before they traveled to Cramton Bowl to play their opponents. Russell recruited our Bible Fellowship Classes to provide the meals and the Lord has used our Lanier link to do an amazing work!



This year, Coach Cunningham has taken the Lanier football squad to the lofty level of being undefeated at 6-0 and ranked as one of the state's top teams. Before their home games, our FBC team has fed the Lanier players like kings. One class grilled ribeye steaks, added twice-baked potatoes, salad and delicious desserts. The young champions from Lanier have been fueled for their victories by the Lord's love made EDIBLE!

The most exciting aspect of our partnership is sharing God's transforming love and light with these young men. Last year, several of the football players made commitments to follow Christ and three of them were baptized at our church. We gave all the players and coaches a Study Bible. But my favorite story about the Lord's linking us to Lanier is what happened to Samuel Robinson.

A few weeks ago, Russell was sharing a devotional with the Lanier team on a Friday morning and noticed that 15-year-old Samuel Robinson stayed behind after everyone left and was brushing away tears. He explained to Russell that his mother had died on July 7, and he was broken-hearted. Russell provided loving encouragement and then shared the hope of

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, October 1, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5190 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1679
Weekly Attendance 2254 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1207

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$127,730.77 | **Received Sunday** \$280,791.90
Required To Date \$5,109,230.77 | **Received To Date** \$4,706,395.94
Building Fund Sunday \$201.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$14,212.85
Myers-Mallory Offering \$25,592.93 | **Disaster Relief** \$26,169.20

Under Budget | \$402,834.83



Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

Join us for **Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)** on **Tuesday, October 10** 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 22** 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 8.

Children's Ministry

Kids, don't forget **Outrageous Outfits. Sunday, October 8 is Camo Sunday.** For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or ggleathers@montgomeryfbc.org.

College Ministry

College Students...Join us for **ELEVATE** on **Tuesday, October 10** 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.

College students and high school seniors are invited to join us for the **2018 Passion Conference** on **Monday, January 1 through Wednesday, January 3** in Atlanta, GA. Register and pay (\$160) online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. For more information, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Our Church approved the 2018 Ministry Plan of \$6,675,000



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, October 11

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Pork Chops, Vegetable, Roll, Salad, Dessert

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

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

Adult Ministry

Ladies, join us for a new Bible study beginning **Sunday, October 15** at 5:00 PM in room 443. We will be studying ***Uninvited*** by Lysa Terkeurst. In this six-session video Bible study, you will dig deep into God's Word to help you explore the roots of rejection, and the truth about what it looks like to live loved. Facilitated by Kathy Cooper

Music Ministry

Our Sanctuary Choir has begun preparations for the **2017 Living Christmas Tree!** Now is the time to be part of this wonderful experience. Join us **Wednesday, October 11** 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.

Missions Ministry

Judgment House Volunteer Opportunities include a Work Day on **Sunday, October 8** at 2:00 PM and **Drama Rehearsals** on **Monday, October 9** and **Thursday, October 12** at 6:00 PM. Both opportunities will take place at the Judgment House building, 4003 Eastern Blvd in the Montgomery Towne Center. For more information, contact Brian Gay at 220.4402.

The **Amy Cooper Women on Mission Group** will meet on **Monday, October 9** at 11:30 AM in the Huff Building Fellowship Hall. Jim Swedenburg, Director of Cooperative Program and Stewardship Development, will be the speaker. He will be speaking on the Cooperative Program: Lifeline for Missions and Ministry. Bring a sack lunch and join us for a time of fellowship and inspiration. Drinks and dessert are provided. For more information, call Lanelle Huff at 365.9397.

The **Jackie Swan Bible Study Group** will meet on **Thursday, October 12** 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 Lisa Harper's *The Gospel of Mark: The Jesus We Are Aching For*. For more information, contact Sara Jane Lyon at 277.7240 or Beppy Tiller at 263.9491.

Community Ministries

Volunteers are needed to help with October Field Trips to the Master's Garden. Join us in helping kindergarten through second graders from the Nehemiah Center learn how fruits/vegetables are grown, understand the important role of a farmer, handpick pumpkins and collards, and encourage healthy eating choices on **Tuesdays and Thursdays, October 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, and 26** from 9:30 to 11:00 AM. Come learn more about the FBC Community Ministries' Master's Garden while you lead these young children through fun activities, and bring your family!

New Members

By Baptism

Mrs. Richard Alsabrook (Cindy)
1928 Cedar Ridge Loop | Prattville, AL 36067

Mrs. Janelle Garrett
3565 Wilmington Road | Montgomery, AL 36105

Trey Gilder
67 Scottsdale Street | Millbrook, AL 36054

By Letter/Statement

Mr. Richard Alsabrook
1928 Cedar Ridge Loop | Prattville, AL 36067

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. Al Stroh (Brenda) in the death of his mother; Miss Keely Stroh in the death of her grandmother

Mrs. Libby Walraven in the death of her husband, Charlie

Rev. & Mrs. Curtis Pace (Dolores) in the death of his sister, Janette

Baptist South

Wade Fuller

Jackson

Jeannette Martin

Capitol Hill Healthcare

Sarah Lawson

Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Mark Bethea (October 13)

Save the Date

December 8-10

The Living Christmas Tree



Call Robin Caddell at 546.7902 or rmcaddell@hotmail.com to sign up.

We Still Need Your Help to Get Ready for Christmas! We are collecting gifts for families in need. Items can be left in our regular donation box at the Scott Street entrance throughout the week or delivered to the Caring Center. Simple toys, balls (football, basketball, soccer), puzzles, games, Bibles and books for children, Hispanic Bibles, clothing for all ages (socks, underwear, slippers, etc.), diapers, linens, wash cloths and towels, kitchen towels, throws, etc. For more information, contact Tim Cearley at 241.5141.

Churchwide News & Events

The In-Home Ministry and Living Hope Cancer Care Ministry will have a **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and Planning Meeting** on **Tuesday, October 10** at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall. Contact Connie Hulseley at 399.1126 or email ecphulsey@gmail.com if you are planning to attend.

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is coming November 13-20! The gifts in your shoebox thrill the heart of the child who receives it and open doors for ministry partners to share the Good News of God's Greatest Gift—His Son, Jesus Christ—with boys and girls and their families. If you would like to help, contact Ben Hulseley at bhulsey@fbc-cm.org or 399.9876.

Alabama Baptist State Convention

Tuesday, November 14 & Wednesday, November 15
Whitesburg Baptist Church | Huntsville

If you would like to serve as a messenger at the Alabama Baptist State Convention, contact Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120 or cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org.

Connections from Your Pastor's Heart (continued from page 2)

Jesus. Samuel said that he did not know Jesus yet, but he was working on it, and Russell was helping him. On September 10, we hosted our annual *Team Night* featuring Gabe Gross, a former Auburn quarterback and pro baseball player. Hundreds of students attended. When the invitation to follow Jesus was shared 70 young people made decisions for the Lord. One of those making a commitment to follow Christ was Samuel Robinson. At the end of the program, everyone present filled out a card, and we used the cards in a drawing to give away an iPad. When I randomly pulled out the card, the winner was Samuel Robinson!

Jesus said, *"Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men."* Our partnership with the Lanier Football Team has produced the fabulous fruit of more Christ-followers! Only Heaven will reveal the vast earthly and eternal impact of our Christ-honoring Lanier link.

Growing Champions for
Christ TOGETHER,

This week at FBC

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

Sunday, October 8

Mission Project: Haiti

- 8:30 Worship Service
- Prayer Room in Media Center
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- Nearly/Newlywed Class
- Children's Ministry: New Christians Class
- 11:00 Worship Service
- Prayer Room in Media Center
- 2:00 Judgment House Work Day
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- Mission Team Leaders Meeting
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
- 5:00 Discipleship Classes
- Children's Missions
- One Heart/One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, October 9

Mission Project: Haiti

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
- 11:30 Amy Cooper Women on Mission
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:00 Judgment House Rehearsal
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery

Tuesday, October 10

Mission Project: Haiti

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study: Covenant MOPS
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- In-Home Ministry Volunteer Appreciation
- 6:00 TIPS Foster Care Training
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, October 11

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 2:15 Student Ministry: Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- Tutoring
- 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
- 6:40 Finance Committee
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, October 12

Mission Project: Haiti

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 10:30 Jackie Swan Women on Mission
- 6:00 Judgment House Rehearsal

Friday, October 13

Mission Projects: Haiti & Talladega

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, October 14

Mission Projects: Haiti & Talladega

- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member Mary Folds

1775 Halcyon Blvd, Room 312
Montgomery, AL 36117-3487



305 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
montgomery

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

Christ is Risen Indeed | Sanctuary Orchestra

Days of Elijah | Sanctuary Choir

The Prayer | Lottie Monroe & Terry Veazey

Message | Jay Wolf

Prayer Room

Ken Love (Ashley/Byrne/Hendrix Class)

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

Oceans | One Heart Choir

Message | Preston Adams



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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