

First Baptist Church Montgomery

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



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He Gave
WE GIVE

• 2019 FBC Stewardship Emphasis •

FBC Goal: \$6,825,000

This is how we know what love is:
Jesus Christ laid down His life for us.
— 1 John 3:16



NOVEMBER 4 • Prove the Tithe Sunday

Every person is asked to prayerfully consider giving a tithe of one week's income. This demonstrates our church's giving capacity. Plus, giving shows our love, loyalty, and obedience to the Lord, which positions us to receive His blessings.

Grocery bags will be placed on the windshield of your car for you to return filled with food items for the Caring Center on Commitment Sunday, November 11.

www.montgomeryfbc.org/stewardship

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY VISITORS

If you have not been contacted and would like to serve as a ministry visitor on Victory Sunday, November 18, call Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120.

**The Living Christmas Tree
Ticket Request Form Inside**



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



CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

Your Money Serves as God's Heart Monitor!

Jesus revealed an astonishing truth when He taught, *"Do not lay up treasures for yourselves on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth and rust destroy and where thieves do not break in and steal. **For where your treasure is, there your HEART will be also.**"* While we can't take our earthly treasure with us, Jesus encourages us to send it on ahead by opening up and filling up a heavenly investment account.

Furthermore, Jesus instructed that our money functions as a heart monitor. When a paycheck or an inheritance is placed in your hands, it is equivalent to attaching a spiritual EKG. Your expenditures reveal your true passions and priorities.

Jesus clearly explained that our ultimate investment is heavenly treasure. All earthly assets will eventually rust, bust or turn to dust but what we place in our heavenly account will yield endless dividends!

Sid Richardson was a Texas oilman who accumulated a vast fortune. However, he lost most of his earthly wealth during the Great Depression. In the years prior to his great loss, Richardson had given away millions of dollars to his church and Christian causes. Someone asked him, *"Do you regret giving away so much money because you lost everything?"* He responded, *"Not at all. As a matter of fact, the only thing I have really kept is what I gave away!"*

We all know that you can't take your material possessions beyond the grave, but you have the capacity to set up an eternal investment account through your gifts to Kingdom causes. That is why the Lord tells us to lay up treasures in Heaven because it is the most secure investment you can ever make. So learn to use your earthly resources to make an eternal difference and your heartbeat will be synchronized with the Savior!

Using Earthly Treasure to Enlarge Heaven TOGETHER,



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For more information on how you can make a commitment to the budget visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/stewardship

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, October 28, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5201 | Bible Fellowship Attendance 1598
Weekly Attendance 2139 | Discipleship Attendance 2106

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$128,365.38 | Received Sunday \$79,591.28
Required To Date \$5,519,711.34 | Received To Date \$5,052,473.56
Building Fund Sunday \$15.00 | Building Fund to Date \$18,442.85
Global Hunger Offering \$18,938.39 | Disaster Relief \$5,331.00

Under Budget | \$467,237.78



Fall Back for FBC Bible Fellowship

Prove the Tithe High Attendance
Sunday, November 4  Goal: 2000

Join us on Prove the Tithe Sunday
and help make a difference for
His Kingdom...

-  Invite friends & neighbors to join you for worship and bible fellowship class.
-  Bring your joyful offering to the Lord and help us "prove the tithe."
-  Give your time change hour back to the Lord.

Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

On **Sunday, November 4**, the **Missions Friends** will have a **Pizza & PJ's Party**. They are collecting the following items for the schools destroyed by Hurricane Michael: pencils, crayons (8 and 16 count), yellow highlighters, paper, spiral-bound notebooks, plastic pocket folders with brads, tape and tape dispensers, Lysol wipes, hand sanitizer, Post-It notes, pens, dry erase markers, paper clips, staplers and staples, and composition notebooks. If you can donate any items, bring them to the Preschool Desk on Sunday, November 4.

Children's Ministry

Kids, bring a jar of **Peanut Butter** for the **Caring Center** on **Sunday, November 11**. For more information, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164.

College Ministry

College students and high school seniors are invited to join us for the **2019 Passion Conference** on **Wednesday, January 1 through Friday, January 4** in Atlanta, GA. Register and pay (\$170) online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. Deadline is November 18. For more information, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

First Family Thanksgiving Meal

Sunday, November 18 | Fellowship Hall

Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings
Serving lines open at 4:45 PM
Adults: \$7 | Children (12 & under): \$4

RSVPs needed by November 12. Register at www.montgomeryfbc.org/thanksgiving or call 834.6310.



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, November 7

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)

Churchwide News & Events

Cruise to Alaska with Jay and Mary Ruth on September 18 through 25, 2019! There will be an **Interest Meeting on Sunday, November 4** at 7:30 PM in room 347 for friends interested in a week-long Alaska Inside Passage Cruise. The cruise is roundtrip from Vancouver, BC on Princess Cruises and includes Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay National Park, and Ketchikan. Details including price and airfare will be provided at the meeting. Come see majestic scenery from God and hear His mighty Word revealed from Jay. For more information, contact Ben Hulseley at ebjhulseley@gmail.com or 399.9876.

Operation Christmas Child is underway! Please bring a shoebox filled with toys, hygiene items, and school supplies, for children in desperate situations worldwide. Drop off boxes at the main sanctuary foyer or bring them to the Scott Street entrance during **National Collection Week, November 12-19**. For details, visit <http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/occ>.

There will be a **WorldCrafts Christmas Gift Market** on **Sunday, November 18** from 3:30 to 5:00 PM in room B112. The First Baptist WMU invites you to learn about WorldCrafts and purchase unique gifts made by artisans from all across the world.

Volunteers are needed in the Prayer Room! Available time slots can be found on the prayer room door (located next to the elevator on the 3rd floor, main building) or contact Sally Frazier at 274.8989 or 224.9895.

Will you be away from FBC on Sunday? Then join us **Sunday** at 11:00 AM as we broadcast our service live on the FBC app and website (www.montgomeryfbc.org/livestream) as well as our main **Facebook page, First Baptist Church Montgomery** (@montgomeryfirstbaptist).

New Members

By Baptism

**Mrs. Sonja Hucherson
Fantasia Smith**

3503 Castle Ridge Road | Montgomery, AL 36116

Mr. Juan Melara

PO Box 244024, AUM Box 912 | Montgomery, AL 36124

Our Church Family

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

Sympathy Extended to

Mrs. Bennie Hollon (Betty) in the death of her sister-in-law Inez Jackson

Baptist East

Lottie Monroe

Encompass Health

Renis Jones

Capitol Hill Healthcare

David Hataway

UAB Medical Center

Brian Gullede

Interested in joining First Baptist? Want to know more?

DISCOVER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11
12:15 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

WAR ROOM
PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON
11.07.18 :: MAIN SANCTUARY :: 12:10 TO 12:50 PM

The Living Christmas Tree 2018 Ticket Request

Tickets are distributed to give our church members first priority. Therefore, request your tickets EARLY as our ticket office opens to the public on Monday, November 26. Remember that the Living Christmas Tree began to reach the lost. This remains our core purpose for this wonderful Christmas gift. PLEASE invite friends, family and neighbors to join you and use this as a purposeful opportunity to share Christ.

To help us be as efficient as possible, please remember:

- **Request no more than 10 tickets.** Ticket requests may be returned in the offering plate on Sunday, or one of the large LCT boxes located in the main sanctuary foyer and the Scott Street foyer. Ticket request forms are also available on the tables in the main sanctuary foyers.
- Tickets may be picked up beginning **Sunday, November 18.**

Name _____ Daytime/Cell Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Member of First Baptist Church

PRESENTATIONS	# OF TICKETS NEEDED
Friday, December 7 • 7:00 PM	
Saturday, December 8 • 4:00 PM	
Saturday, December 8 • 7:00 PM	
Sunday, December 9 • 4:00 PM	
Sunday, December 9 • 7:00 PM	

- Please mail my tickets.** No tickets mailed after November 30.
- I will pick up my tickets.** Beginning pick up date for FBC members is **Sunday, November 18** from 9:30 AM to 12:15 PM in the main sanctuary foyer.

**You are encouraged to order tickets online
at www.thelivingchristmastree.org**

Final pick-up date for tickets being held is Friday, November 30.

Since no offering will be taken during the presentations, a
\$5 per ticket donation is suggested.

Detach the form and leave in one of the marked boxes at First Baptist or mail to:
The Living Christmas Tree
First Baptist Church | 305 South Perry Street | Montgomery, AL 36104

**For more information, visit www.thelivingchristmastree.org
or call the Living Christmas Tree ticket office at 241.5156.**

This week at FBC

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

Sunday, November 4

- 8:30 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
Citizenship Class
- 5:00 Children's Missions
Discipleship Classes
One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 7:30 Alaska Cruise Interest Meeting

Monday, November 5

- 7:30 R.O.M.E.O.
- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
- 12:00 Foundation Board Meeting
- 5:15 Sanctuary Handbells
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

Tuesday, November 6

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study
- 12:00 Deacon's Staff Appreciation Lunch
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
- 8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, November 7

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 12:10 War Room (Churchwide Prayer)
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:22 WMU Leadership Team Meeting
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
Tutoring
- 5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
Discipleship: Godly Parent Training
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
Discipleship: DivorceCare
LCT Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:40 Church Leadership Council
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, November 8

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 11:00 Senior Adults to Anderson Farm
- 5:00 Single Adult Thanksgiving Fellowship

Friday, November 9

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group
- 6:00 Parents Night Out
- 7:00 For Love of the Kurds

Saturday, November 10

- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member
Anne Smart

PO Box 241501 | Montgomery, AL 36124-1501



305 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

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

Blessed Assurance | Sanctuary Orchestra

It Is Enough | Sanctuary Choir

Offertory | Michele Lott & Sarah Cearley

Message | Jay Wolf

Prayer Room

Billy Irvin (Student Ministry)

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

How He Loves | One Heart & One Voice Choirs

Offertory | Pat Hendrix

Message | Mark Bethea



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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