

First Baptist Church Montgomery

BEACON

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



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DIGITAL AGE PARENTING

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21
2 TO 4:30 PM // MAIN SANCTUARY

WITH **TAL
PRINCE**



FREE sunday **OCTOBER 28** 4 to 6 pm
www.montgomeryfbc.org/fallfestival

2018 FALL FESTIVAL

First Baptist Church Montgomery

Free Games Fun Fellowship
Fantastic Prizes Food Trucks*

Wear a Fun, Happy Costume!



RIVER REGION judgment-house

4003 Eastern Boulevard // Montgomery Towne Center

www.judgmenthouse.org

This Week's Dates:
6 to 9 PM

Sunday, October 21
Wednesday, October 24
Friday, October 26
Saturday, October 27

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



CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

Alfred Nobel Changed His Life After Reading His Obituary

The Nobel Prize is the world's most famous award which is presented for outstanding achievements in literature, peace, economics, medicine and science. These renowned accolades were created by Alfred Nobel, a Swedish industrialist who amassed his fortune by producing explosives. He concocted 355 inventions with the most famous being **dynamite**. What persuaded the "King of Dynamite" to dedicate his vast wealth to the purpose of affirming and inspiring people to serve humanity? The Answer: HE READ HIS OWN OBITUARY!

In 1888, Alfred Nobel's brother Ludvig died in Paris. A French newspaper, due to poor reporting, ran an obituary on the **wrong** Nobel. The paper produced a scathing obituary branding Alfred as the "Merchant of Death." The writer stated Alfred had grown rich by developing new ways to "mutilate and kill." The error was later corrected, but not before Alfred had the unpleasant experience of reading his own death notice. The incident created a crisis of conscience and led Nobel to re-evaluate his life. According to his biographer, Nobel "became obsessed with his posthumous reputation so in 1891 he rewrote his will, bequeathing his fortune to a cause upon which no future obituary writer would be able to cast disdain." Nobel composed a new will dedicating his fortune of \$265,000,000 to acknowledge and reward people who "during the preceding year, shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind."



Thinking about how your obituary may read can motivate you to rethink how you spend your time and resources. Jesus offers the ultimate guidance by revealing, "**Do not lay up for yourselves treasure on earth where moth and rust destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in HEAVEN.**" In His revelation of trust-worthy truth, Jesus explains that you can open and fill-up an imperishable bank account in heaven by how you live on earth! When you seek first Christ's Kingdom by emulating the Lord's core values of being a person of love, purity and serving; then you are amassing eternal riches. When you share God's glorious gospel of salvation in Christ and do His good works of compassionately helping your neighbor as His Good Samaritan; then you are amassing eternal riches.

Right now, you are writing your obituary. Be Christ-centered and Kingdom-driven so the Headlines of Heaven will one day read: "**Well done, my good and faithful servant, enter into the Joy of your Master!**"

It's Dynamite to Serve Christ TOGETHER,

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, October 14, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5198 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1830
Weekly Attendance 2371 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1410

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$128,365.38 | **Received Sunday** \$145,630.71
Required To Date \$5,262,980.58 | **Received To Date** \$4,868,902.03
Building Fund Sunday \$739.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$18,060.85
Global Hunger Offering \$9,630.02

Under Budget | \$394,078.55

"Being a banker, the thoughts about all the potential legalities and complexity were barriers we faced. The process seemed so complicated. Having trust in Pastor Jay and the experience of others from the church helped us feel comfortable in taking the initial step with PhilanthroCorp. This was the best and easiest thing to do!"

— Tim and Lesli Riley



You're invited to join **Jay Wolf and Barry Bledsoe** for a
Legacy Conversations Lunch

Monday, October 22

12 to 1 PM \ \ Fellowship Hall

This is a great opportunity to have lunch with your Pastor and learn about services available to you through the First Baptist Foundation. Jay and Barry will share about our services with PhilanthroCorp, an estate planning firm out of Colorado. Our church has partnered with them to provide planning services to you at no cost.

Please RSVP to Alissa Parrish at airvin@montgomeryfbc.org or 241.5127.

Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

Parents, don't miss **Parents Night Out** on **Friday, November 9** from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. This is your time to have a date night or just sit at home in peace and quiet! The event is free, but you need to register your children (8 weeks to 6th grade) by noon on Friday, November 2. Register online at montgomeryfbc.org/parents-night-out.

Children's Ministry

Kids, don't forget **Outrageous Outfits. Sunday, October 21 is Jersey Sunday**. 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. For more information, contact Justin Law at 241.5162 or jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Senior Adult Ministry

Join us for a **Trip to the Anderson Farm** on **Thursday, November 8** at noon. Call Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180 to make your reservation for this free event. RSVP deadline is November 1. We will depart from the Scott Street parking lot at 11:15 AM. Plans include lunch and wonderful fellowship!

Missions Ministry

Counselors are needed to help with the 2018 River Region Judgment House. To view a 3 minute training video visit www.bit.ly/jhcounselor. For



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, October 24

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Catfish, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Salad, Dessert

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

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

more information visit www.judgmenthouse.org or contact Brian at 220.4402.

Community Ministries

Volunteers are needed to help with October Field Trips to the Master's Garden on Tuesday, October 23 and Thursday, October 25 from 8:45 to 10:00 AM. Come learn more about the FBC Community Ministries' Master's Garden while you lead these children through fun activities! Call Robin Caddell at 546.7902 to sign up.

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 Hulse at ebjhulse@gmail.com or 399.9876.

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is coming November 12-19! This year's campaign is in honor of our dear friend and FBC member, Ann Palmer, who has ALS and is on hospice care. Over the past 7 years, Ann has individually packed more than 700 shoeboxes and donated countless boxes of filler items to make hundreds of additional shoeboxes. Plan to pack one or more shoeboxes this year in honor of Ann's dedication, and make a difference in the life of a child! To volunteer, contact Ben Hulse at 399.9876 or ebjhulse@gmail.com.

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 Letter/Statement of Faith

Mr. Bill Cox
Mrs. Bill Cox (Cyndi)
Haley Cox
Kelsey Cox
Shelby Cox
320 Center Drive | Montgomery, AL 36113

Mr. R. Blake Pierce
Mrs. Blake Pierce (Candace)
Judah Claire Pierce
3139 Fieldcrest Drive | Montgomery, AL 36106

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. Don Kendrick (Beth) in the death of his mother; Joshua, Lauren & Ashley Kendrick in the death of their grandmother

Baptist South

Vicki Olszewski

Baptist East

Kendall Shehane • Janis Lowther **Capitol**

Hill Healthcare

David Hataway

Encompass Health

Dot Robinson • Riley Trehern

UAB Medical Center

Terry Treadwell

Alabama Baptist State Convention

Tuesday, November 13 & Wednesday, November 14
First Baptist Church | Trussville

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.



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.

WAR ROOM

PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON

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

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.*



December 7 – 9
The
Living Christmas
Tree

Apples OF Gold

A Mentoring Program for Young, Married Women

Thursdays, January 24 through March 7 // 9:30 to 11:45 AM

Limited to 13 participants
Call or text Cheri Love at 202.8303

Cost is \$25
(includes book, notebook and meals)
Unfortunately, no childcare available

This week at FBC

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

Sunday, October 21

- Mission Project: Peru
8:30 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
11:00 Worship Service
Prayer Room in Media Center
2:00 Digital Age Parenting
4:00 Reflections Ensemble
4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
Citizenship Class
5:00 Children's Missions
Discipleship Classes
One Heart/One Voice Choirs
6:00 Judgment House
6:15 Worship Service
7:30 Student Ministry Fellowship

Monday, October 22

- Mission Project: Peru
9:00 English as a Second Language
10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
12:00 Legacy Conversations Lunch
5:30 Men's Bible Study
Deacon's Meeting
6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

Tuesday, October 23

- Mission Project: Peru
9:00 English as a Second Language
9:30 Ladies Bible Study
5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
8:00 College Ministry: Elevate

Wednesday, October 24

- Mission Project: Peru
9:00 English as a Second Language
2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
4:45 First Family Dinner
5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
Tutoring
5:45 Preschool & Children's Choirs
Discipleship: Godly Parent Training
6:00 Judgment House
First Family Prayer Time
6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
Discipleship: DivorceCare
6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, October 25

- Mission Project: Peru
9:00 Conversational English
10:00 Caregivers Support Group

Friday, October 26

- Mission Project: Peru
6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, October 27

- Mission Project: Peru
5:30 College Ministry: Fall Fellowship
6:00 Judgment House
7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member Maureen Parks

3801 Oak Grove Drive | Montgomery, AL 36116

305 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
montgomery

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

Call to Worship | Sanctuary Orchestra

Parent/Child Dedication

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name
Sanctuary Choir

Who You Say I Am | Josh & Jessie Jacobs

Message | Jay Wolf

Prayer Room

Douglas McElvy (College Ministry)

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

Ride On King Jesus | One Heart Choir

Known | Hudson Cornett

Message | Tal Prince



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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