

First Baptist Church Montgomery

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# DISCOVER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**12:15 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**



## Youth Choir Festival

Sunday, September 30 :: 6:15 PM



**Myers-Mallory**  
State Missions Offering

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# CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

## God's Victory of Team Night

Heaven came down into the sanctuary of our FBC Family when we hosted Team Night. Our 5th Edition of sharing Christ with the students of our region by using the platform of sports yielded a tremendous harvest. All type of people attended and it was a glorious picture of God's purpose. We assembled under the banner of CONNECTING TO JESUS. **When the invitation was given to connect with Jesus 115 people stepped forward to record a public decision!** I am certain many more people made far-reaching decisions for Christ which will be recorded in God's book.

A Christian rapper from Houston named Corey Paul shared his message of growing up in extreme dysfunction. His Mother shot his Father when Corey was 7 years old. Jesus intervened and changed Corey's life and re-directed the melody of his music and mission.



Jeremiah Castille, the Chaplain of the University of Alabama football team for 17 years, brought an extremely powerful message. Castille was an All-American cornerback for Alabama who played for Bear Bryant. He played 6 seasons in the NFL. Jeremiah spoke with prophetic intensity calling us to be **"Champions for Christ!"** Jeremiah offered this spiritual coaching: *"I grew up in the hood but the hood did not grow up in me because I started following Jesus. My home life was marked by alcoholism, abuse, violence and dysfunction. But I am not the world's victim because I became a **VICTOR** in Christ. God made you to be His Champion. **You must choose if you will be a champion at winning or losing.** I had to walk 6 miles to go to high school. I did not walk, I ran and that good exercise helped me run all the way to the NFL! Jesus kept me away from alcohol, drugs, harmful sexual activity, and a victim mentality. Christ calls you to be His Champion by being a person of high moral character who will not compromise but instead you will choose to serve God's purposes. When you follow Jesus He will break the generational curses. I am the first college graduate in my family and now all 6 of my children are college graduates and faithfully serve the Lord."*

We praise God for the privilege of sharing His love and light with His Children and seeing a great harvest that will impact earth and eternity!

**FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, September 16, 2018**

### ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship Enrollment** 5206 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1771  
**Weekly Attendance** 2311 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1561

### OFFERING

**Required Weekly** \$128,365.38 | **Received Sunday** \$113,269.91  
**Required To Date** \$4,749,519.06 | **Received To Date** \$4,454,027.45  
**Building Fund Sunday** \$348.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$16,681.85  
**Myers Mallory Offering** \$13,893.33

**Under Budget | \$295,491.61**



# 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**  
**Registration Deadline: October 12**  
**Call or text Cheri Love at 202.8303**

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

## Ministry Announcements

### Preschool Ministry

There will be a **Parent/Child Dedication** on **Sunday, October 21** in the 8:30 & 11:00 AM worship services. To register for this special dedication, visit [www.montgomeryfbc.org/dedications](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/dedications) or call Tiffany Alewine at 241.5165 by October 5.

### Children's Ministry

Don't miss the **New Christians Class** beginning **Sunday, September 23** at 9:45 AM in the Pastor's Office. This 3-week class, for all first through third graders who accepted Jesus this summer, will disciple your child in what baptism is, the Lord's Supper, and how to grow as a Christian. For more information, call Glen Leathers at 241.5164.

**Stay connected to the Children's Ministry by signing up for the Remind App.** Text this message: @fbcmontg to number 81010. It's quick and easy! For more information, call Glen Leathers at 241.5164 or [gleanthers@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:gleanthers@montgomeryfbc.org).

### Student Ministry

Parents...Mark your calendars for **Sunday, October 21!** We will welcome Tal Prince for **Parenting in the Digital Age** from 2:00 to 4:30 PM in the main sanctuary.

### College Ministry

College Students...Join us for **ELEVATE** on **Tuesday, October 2** 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 [jlw@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jlw@montgomeryfbc.org).

### Senior Adult Ministry

Join us for the **Abundant Living Conference** on **Tuesday, October 16** from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM at Gardendale First Baptist Church. The conference will feature Dennis Swanberg "America's Minister of Encouragement." There is no charge



### First Family Dinner | Wednesday, September 26

*No reservations required!*

**Adult & Children's Meal:** Spaghetti, Vegetable, Bread, Salad, Dessert

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

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

for the event or transportation, but you will need to bring \$10 for lunch. The bus will leave from Scott Street at 7:00 AM. To register, call Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180 by Tuesday, October 8.

## Music Ministry

Our Sanctuary Choir has begun preparations for the **2018 Living Christmas Tree!** Now is the time to be part of this wonderful experience. Join us **Wednesday, September 26** 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

**Volunteers are needed to help with the 2018 River Region Judgment House.** For more information about possible areas of service, or to register to be on a team, visit [www.judgmenthouse.org](http://www.judgmenthouse.org) or contact Brian Gay at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

## Churchwide News & Events

Families are needed to minister to college students through our **Connections Ministry.** Connections pairs an FBC family with a college student for the school year. A Connection family gets the blessing of knowing, loving, and discipling a college student which makes an immediate and eternal difference. Families will meet their student on **Sunday, September 30** for lunch in the youth center after church. To sign up, contact Justin Law at [jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org).

**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](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org/livestream)) as well as our main **Facebook page, First Baptist Church Montgomery** (@montgomeryfirstbaptist).

## New Members

### By Baptism

**Francine Ashurst**  
8201 Tuscany Manor | Montgomery, AL 36117

### By Letter/Statement of Faith

**Mr. Carl Finkbeiner**  
1052 Pelham Street | 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. Johnny Hartzog (Summer) in the death of his brother

Dr. & Mrs. Don Williamson (Anita) in the death of his father

Mr. & Mrs. Josh Holmes (Stephanie) in the death of her uncle

### Baptist South

Mary Wickham

### Capitol Hill Healthcare

Norma Barnes

### Encompass Health/HealthSouth

Sherri Timberlake

### UAB Medical Center

Cindy Matthews

### Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Benjy Harris (Janet) in the birth of a grandson

Mr. & Mrs. Dustin Wallace (Kayla) in the birth of a daughter; Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Shaw (Sandy) in the birth of a granddaughter

### Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Justin Law (September 23)

Patti Shoemaker (September 29)



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# Fall 2018 FBC Discipleship Classes

For a complete list with descriptions, visit [www.montgomeryfbc.org](http://www.montgomeryfbc.org).

## Beginning Times (Study of Genesis 1,2,3)

Sundays, September 16 – October 21 | 5:00 PM | B412

## RightNow Media Showcase

Sundays, October 7 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B411



*Nearly Newlyweds Class*

Sundays, September 30 through November 11  
9:45 AM | B409

"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](mailto:airvin@montgomeryfbc.org) or 241.5127.

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## This week at FBC

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

### Sunday, September 23

- 8:30 Worship Service  
Prayer Room in Media Center
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes  
Children's Ministry: New Christian Class
- 11:00 Worship Service  
Prayer Room in Media Center
- 12:15 Discover First Baptist
- 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 Student Ministry Fellowship

### Monday, September 24

- 9:00 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 JOY Singers Rehearsal
- 5:15 Sanctuary Bells Rehearsal
- 5:30 Deacon/CLC Budget Discussion  
Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

### Tuesday, September 25

- 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, September 26

- 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 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse  
Discipleship: DivorceCare
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

### Thursday, September 27

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 1:30 Lanier Football Team Dinner

### Friday, September 28

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

### Saturday, September 29

- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

## In Home Ministry Member Jeanette Martin

404 Daphne Lane | Montgomery, AL 36108

305 South Perry Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104



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

**Call to Worship** | Sanctuary Orchestra

***I Know Who Holds Tomorrow***  
Sanctuary Choir

***The Ground is Level at Calvary***  
Mark Lanier

**Message** | Jay Wolf

**Prayer Room**  
David Martin (Martin/Castleberry/McGregor Class)

### Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

***I Surrender All*** | One Heart/One Voice Choirs

***Defender*** | Abbie Ammons

**Message** | Justin Law



## 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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