

First Baptist Church Montgomery

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



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WAR ROOM

PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON

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

**One Voice Choir Tour :: Cincinnati, Ohio
June 9-17**



Parent's Meeting

Sunday, June 3

7:15 PM • Roper Choir Suite

Homecoming Worship Concert :: Sunday, June 17 :: 6:15 PM

**One Heart Choir Tour :: Mobile, Alabama
June 11-15**



Parent's Meeting

Sunday, June 3

4:30 PM • Stakely Choir Suite

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CONNECTIONS

from your Pastor's Heart

God is in the Recycling Business!

"For all who mourn, God will give beauty for ashes, a joyous blessing and praise instead of despair. In their righteousness they will be like great oaks the Lord has planted for His glory." Isaiah 61:3

Cateura, Paraguay is a community formed around a garbage dump. Most people in Cateura make their living by selling plastic bottles or anything they can recycle from garbage. There is trash everywhere combined with poverty and a lack of education. The young people of Cateura gravitated to drug addiction and defeat for decades until Mr. Chavez came to town.

Things started to change when a visionary named Favio Chavez moved to Cateura. Favio possesses the skills of a church choir director, a music teacher and an environmental technician. Mr. Chavez started the **"Recycled Orchestra."** The name came from the fact that all the instruments the children play in Favio's orchestra are made with materials found in the trash. Old water pipes become saxophones. Knives, spoons and coins become the keys. Cans, discarded boxes and baking trays are used to make violins and other instruments. Percussion drums are made from trash cans.

"This is a social project that uses music as a catalyst," Chavez explained. "We work with many families and children. We propose a life change that can change a family's future. I feel God's presence in doing this mission. I believe things happen according to His plans."

No one had ever heard of Cateura until a documentary was made entitled *"Landfill Harmonic."* The inspiring film prompted invitations for the Recycled Orchestra to perform concerts in 20 nations. It has received awards from the Royalty of the Netherlands and Spain. Favio Chavez and the children of Cateura have given lectures at the famous TED conferences. They are inspiring millions. One of the young musicians, Estela Leon, recites Chavez's maxim: *"Having nothing is not an excuse for doing nothing. I know this is all God's work."*

Mr. Chavez's music school now consists of 20 classrooms to accommodate 200 children who receive instructions along with an amphitheater for 300 people. The music school also functions as a community center. The concerts have generated so much money that a fund exists for all the students to receive scholarships to go to college.

"The solution is not to run away from a place," Chavez said. "The solution

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FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, May 27, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5226 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1139
Weekly Attendance 1474 | **Discipleship Attendance** 405

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$128,365.38 | **Received Sunday** \$67,897.25
Required To Date \$2,695,672.98 | **Received To Date** \$2,429,104.86
Building Fund Sunday \$2.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$10,588.70
Alabama Baptist Children's Home Offering \$8,271.00

Under Budget | \$266,568.12



M.I.C. (Membership Information Class)

Sunday, June 10 | 12:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

Thinking of joining First Baptist? The Membership Information Class explains what is involved in becoming effective members of FBC. The class is led by our pastor, Jay, and is an excellent opportunity to ask questions and make new friends. Be our guest for lunch and discover how to become a part of the First Family. For more information or to register, call Mark Bethea at 241.5133.

Ministry Announcements

Preschool Ministry

There will be a **Parent/Child Dedication** on **Sunday, June 17** in the morning worship services. To register visit 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, June 3.

Children's Ministry

All fourth through sixth graders are invited to **Kids Kamp** on **Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 13**. We will head back to Camp Lee! Early registration (\$250) is due by June 6. You can register and pay online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration. Scholarships are available, contact Glen Leathers at 241.5164 for more information.

Save the Date for these upcoming events: Wild Animal Safari (June 28); and Butter & Egg Adventures (July 19). For more information, visit montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration.

Student Ministry

Save the Date for these upcoming events: Outdoor Adventure (June 28-29); Youth Camp (July 23-27); Crossover Lake Retreat (August 3); and the Senior Lake Retreat (August 10-11). For more information, visit www.fbmsm.com.

Students, if you want to serve at VBS, please register at www.montgomeryfbc.org/vbs. If you have any questions, contact Nancie McQueen for two's through kindergarten at nmcqueen@montgomeryfbc.org or Glen Leathers for first

Online Pictorial Directory

Did you know that you can update your family photo in the **FBC Online Member Directory**. Just email a recent photo to Amanda Smith at asmith@montgomeryfbc.org. If you haven't started using this ministry tool, now is a great time to start. For full instructions on using the online directory visit:

www.montgomeryfbc.org/member-directory



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, June 6

No reservations required!

Adult & Children's Meal: Chicken & Dumplings, Vegetable, Salad, Dessert

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

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

through sixth graders at 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 6:00 to 8:00 PM. On **June 5**, we will meet at the home of Kenny & Sarah Hall (464 County Downs Court). Visit fbccollege.com for the entire summer schedule.

Adult Ministry

Feel Unplugged? Then get plugged in as Jay begins a new round of his **Pastor's Class** on **Sunday, June 10** at 10:00 AM in the main sanctuary. The 13-week class, open to everyone, will be an overview of the Bible.

Missions Ministry

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 briangay@montgomeryfbc.org.

Volunteers are needed for the Guatemala Well-Drilling Mission Project on August 4 through 11. Cost is \$1,500 (airfare included). This is an exciting hands-on well drilling project that uses a hydraulic gas powered drilling rig to find clean water for the community. For more information, contact Steven Faulkner at 850.0257 or sfaulkner101505@gmail.com.

Community Ministries

The **Caring Center** is looking for **volunteers!** If you can help, contact Sharon Hyatt at 241.5144 for details.

Churchwide News & Events

Would you like to serve as a messenger at the **Southern Baptist Convention** on **Tuesday, June 12 and Wednesday, June 13** in Dallas, Texas? If so, please call Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120. We will confirm all messengers at the Wednesday evening prayer service before the convention.

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).

We are updating our records! Please help us by visiting montgomeryfbc.org and clicking on the "Update Member Information" graphic to update your contact and family information for our membership files. If you have any questions, contact, Amanda Smith at 241.5122 or asmith@montgomeryfbc.org.

If you would like to have the **Beacon electronically delivered** to you each week instead of receiving a printed version, send your email address to Amanda Smith at asmith@montgomeryfbc.org or visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/newsletter-signups.

New Members

By Letter/Statement of Faith

Mr. George Kellum

Mrs. George Kellum (Carol)

1348 Hidden Ridge | Montgomery, AL 36117

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. Keith Hancock (Jo) in the death of his sister

Mrs. Bob Donahue (Gay) in the death of her brother, Charlie Phillips; Mr. & Mrs. Avery Phillips (Ann) in the death of his brother

Ms. Amanda Smith in the death of her uncle

Jackson

Doris Collins • Marcella Anderson

Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Tim Cearley (June 8)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 18-22

9:00 AM TO NOON

AGES 4 THROUGH 6TH GRADE // FREE!

IMPORTANT VBS DATES

Mark Your Calendar!

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

Preschool Head Coaches &
Assistant Coaches Meeting
B112 // 4:30 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

Prayer Walk // 347 // 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 17

Decorating Set-up Afternoon



REGISTER TODAY!

All children, including those currently enrolled in Sunday School at First Baptist Montgomery, must register for VBS. Online registration closes on Tuesday, June 12. After June 12, you will need to wait and register the first day of VBS.

* Child must have turned 4 by August 31, 2017 to attend VBS.

ORDER T-SHIRTS AND MUSIC CDS

Help us by pre-ordering your VBS T-shirts and Music CDs online. They will be available for pickup beginning Sunday, June 10.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

Blue Painters Tape or Green Frog Tape • Red & Black Sharpie Pens
Royal Blue & White Spray Paint • Fabric Glue
Zinc Plated Washers (5/16 in x 1 1/2 in) (Home Depot),
Sports Themed Stickers

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER VISIT

WWW.MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/VBS

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

is to change the place. You see God's plan and resources will come."

Dear Friend, whatever your garbage looks like, give it to the Lord. Jesus makes sinners into saints. He transforms ashes to beauty and mourning to joy. The Savior can make your tragedies into His trophies and your misery into His ministry. Let Jesus turn your discord into harmony as He directs your Recycled Orchestra!

Making His Music of
Redemption TOGETHER,

This week at FBC

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

Sunday, June 3

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 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 VBS Preschool Meeting
One Heart Choir Tour Parent Meeting
- 5:00 One Heart & One Voice Choirs
Visitation
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 7:30 One Voice Choir Tour Parent Meeting

Monday, June 4

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 7:30 R.O.M.E.O.
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

Tuesday, June 5

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 6:00 College Ministry: Bible Study
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, June 6

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 12:10 War Room (Churchwide Prayer)
- 5:00 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 6:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 Ejamat Prayer Time

Thursday, June 7

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 8:30 IncrediKids Camp
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group

Friday, June 8

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, June 9

Mission Projects: Haiti, Cuba & Puerto Rico

- One Voice Choir Tour to Cincinnati
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member Jean York

521 Mockingbird Lane | Pike Road, AL 36064



305 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

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

Call to Worship | Sanctuary Orchestra

The Mind of Christ | Sanctuary Choir

God Walks the Dark Hills | Karen Mullins

Message | Mark Bethea

Prayer Room

Greg Lipscomb (Prayer Committee)

Evening Worship (5:30 PM)

This I Believe | One Voice Choir

Message | Russell McCrory



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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