# First Baptist Church Montgomery

BRING THEM IN...BUILD THEM UP...SEND THEM OUT

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### JANUARY

SCRIPTURE montgomeryfbc.org/scripture

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

- Matthew 5:16

### CONNECTIONS from your Pastor's Heart



### FBC'S CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Over the next eight months, we will walk through an initiative to implement a Protection and Safety Plan for the children and students in our care as a church. This plan has been put together by a lay team of our church and approved by our

Church Leadership Council, Deacons, and Finance and Administrative Committee. Our policy is consistent with most other evangelical churches and institutions that have children in their care.

Our staff has completed the training and safety steps. And this week, we'll begin asking volunteers to walk through the safety steps.

It's critical that we take these simple steps to ensure the safety of children, students, and vulnerable individuals in our care. It takes minimal time to be trained and background checked, but it helps to create the safest place to hear the good news of Jesus.

To serve in any ministry involving children, preschoolers, students, or vulnerable individuals, every volunteer at FBC will complete the following steps:

- 1. Go to **montgomeryfbc.org/ministry-safe** and read and sign the protection policy.
- 2. Complete the one-hour training on sexual abuse awareness.
- 3. Complete the simple background check.
- 4. You're ready to serve!

I'd strongly encourage our entire faith family to go ahead and walk through the process now to be ready to serve!

You can go to montgomeryfbc.org/ministry-safe to complete the process, get more information, and get ready to serve! Feel free to contact me (mbethea@montgomeryfbc.org) or Carolyn Bryan (cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org) if you have any questions about completing the steps.

You are loved, prayed for, and appreciated!





### MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Preschool Ministry**

There will be a Parent/Child Dedication on Sunday, February 25 in the 8:30 & 11:00 AM worship services. To register for this special dedication, 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, February 11.

### **Children's Ministry**

Young Worshiper's Club (YWC) is coming! On Sundays, February 4, 11, 18, and 25, all 1st through 6th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in this annual worship emphasis. Worship sheets will be available at the Information Desk each week. For more information, contact Carol Roberts at 241.5164 or croberts@montgomeryfbc.org.

### **College Ministry**

Join us as we unite with college students from across the state for a weekend of worship, discipleship, and fellowship at the Pursue Collegiate Conference on February 9 & 10. This year the conference is at Taylor Road Baptist Church. Contact Ryan Gray to register at rgray@montgomeryfbc.org or 803.767.9236.



### Wednesday Night Supper January 31

Children: Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Dessert

Adults: Roast Beef, Rice, Lima Beans, Salad, Roll, Dessert

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

Family Amount - \$20 (2 adults and children under 12 living in the same household)

### **Missions Ministry**

The 2024 Missions Menu is now available! Pick up your copy in the welcome center or online at montgomeryfbc.org/mission-projects.

Join us on Sunday, January 28 at 7:15 PM in room 347 for a Romania Interest Meeting for a trip this summer. We'll be joined by Romanian Pastor John lubas as he explains the needs of ministry in Romania and to Ukrainian Refugees. For more information, contact Ken Webb at 462.5800 or kewebbsr@gmail.com.

The Onion Prayer Conference on March 1-8 is an exciting trip to Central Asia which includes two days of gathering with workers and local believers followed by four nights spent in local villages sharing the gospel. The cost for this trip for FBC members is \$1200 and includes airfare! To learn more visit

### **NEW MEMBERS**

### By Letter/Statement of Faith

Mr. Thomas Benjamin Mrs. Thomas Benjamin (Jamie) 3840 Duquesne Drive Montgomery, AL 36109

Mr. Sellars McCurdy Mrs. Sellers McCurdy (Joanna) 36 Chapel Hill Street

Pike Road, AL 36064

**Ms. Medridget Smith** 20 Bishop Street Fort Deposit, AL 36032

### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, contact Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120 or cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org.

### Sympathy Extended to

Mrs. Faith Nichols in the death of her father

Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Smith (Melinda) in the death of his sister Diane

Family and Friends in the death of Ronnie Brassell

John Knox Manor Rehab
Barbara Smith

### **Congratulations Extended to**

Ms. Janis Lowther in the birth of a great-granddaughter

**FBC Foundation** 

**2024-2025 First Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications are available now.** All completed applications must be returned by Sunday, March 31. For an application, visit montgomeryfbc.org/foundation or email Alissa Parrish at aparrish@montgomeryfbc.org.

OnionPrayer.com or contact Brian Gay at 220.4402.

### **Churchwide News + Events**

Spend a weekend, right here in Montgomery, strengthening your marriage at the Weekend to Remember FamilyLife marriage conference. This conference is for married couples of all ages. The dates are Friday, March 1 through Sunday, March 3 at the Embassy Suites downtown, and the cost is only \$100/couple (that's \$250 savings) for FBC members. Space is limited so don't delay. You can learn more at familylife.com/weekend-to-remember and register by February 18 at montgomeryfbc.org/event.

The Spring 2024 Men's Softball Season is approaching. If you are interested in playing we will have an organizational meeting

and practice on Saturday, February 24 at 10:00 AM at the field on Coliseum Blvd (Exchange Club Park). Games are planned to be played on Monday or Tuesday nights in May and June. Contact Luke Granthum at (334) 462-2638 to signup or for more information.

Men, join us for the Glenn Gordy Golf Retreat on Thursday, May 2 through Saturday, May 4 at Callaway Gardens Resort. This is a great time to meet new friends, play golf, eat fantastic food, and most importantly, draw closer to the Lord. The cost is \$500, which includes lodging in Southern Pine two bedroom cottages, green fees, 18 hole cart per day, and prizes. Deadline for reservations is March 10! Sign up by contacting Steve DuBose at 782.2460 or dstevedubose@gmail.com.

## SUMMER EVENTS

### **MAY 24-26**

Student Ministry:
Outdoor Adventure

### **JUNE 4-6**

IncrediKids Camp (1st-3rd Grades)

### **JUNE 8-15**

One Voice Choir Tour

### **JUNE 10-14**

One Heart Choir Tour

### **JUNE 17-21**

Vacation Bible School

### **JUNE 26**

Student Ministry:
Mission Montgomery

### **JULY 15-19**

Kids Kamp (4th-6th) Youth Camp (7th-12th)

### FBC FAITHFULNESS | SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship: Enrollment** 3505 | **Attendance** 1165 **Weekly Attendance** 1389 | **Discipleship Attendance** 780

### **OFFERING**

Required Weekly \$136,500.00 | Received Sunday \$83,721.15 Required To Date \$409,500.00 | Received To Date \$264,405.67

### THIS WEEK AT FBC

Visit montgomeryfbc.org for the complete calendar of events.

### Sunday, January 28

7:45 Prayer Time (Welcome Center)

8:30 **Worship Service** 

Bible Fellowship 9:45

10:00 Pastor's Class

11:00 Worship Service

4:00 Reflections Ensemble

Mexico Mission Team Meeting

4:30 **Evangelism Essentials** 

GriefShare

5:00 Discipleship Classes

Preschool + Children's Missions One Heart/One Voice Choirs

6:00 Bible Buddies & Bible Drill

6:15 **Worship Service** 

Romania Mission Trip Interest Meeting 7:15

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### Monday, January 29

8:30 English as a Second Language

10:00 JOY Singers

5:30 Men's Bible Study

Deacons' Meeting

7:00 College Ministry: The Gathering

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### **Tuesday, January 30**

8:30 English as a Second Language

9:30 Ladies' Bible Study: Covenant

6:30 God of Order

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### Wednesday, January 31

English as a Second Language

Baldwin Bible Study 2.15

5:00 First Family Dinner

5:15 **Tutoring Program** 

5:45 Sanctuary Orchestra

6:00 First Family Prayer Time

Divorce Care

Parenting: Habits of the Household

Preschool & Children's Choirs

6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Student Ministry: Powerhouse

Church Leadership Council

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### Thursday, February 1

9:00 Conversational English

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### Friday, February 2

6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

6:00 Parent's Night Out

6:30 Kilby Correctional Facility Service

8:00 Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### Saturday, February 3

Daily Prayer Time (virtual)

### **IN-HOME MINISTRY MEMBER**

### Frank McCollough

2641 Boykin Place

Montgomery, AL 36117-4637



### **FBC Livestreams**

### Website

montgomeryfbc.org

#### **Facebook**

@montgomeryfirstbaptist

First Baptist Church Montgomery

vimeo.com/fbcmontgomery

#### YouTube

First Baptist Church Montgomery

### **Broadcast Schedule**

Frazer Channel 13 (Montgomery & Prattville)

**Brighthouse Channel 122** (Elmore County)

Full Hour: Sunday, 12:00 PM & 6:00 PM

Half Hour: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,

Friday, 6:00 PM

#### **WSFA-TV Channel 12**

Half Hour: Sunday, 10:30 AM

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