



First Baptist Church Montgomery

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

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FBC NIGHT @  
RIVERWALK STADIUM

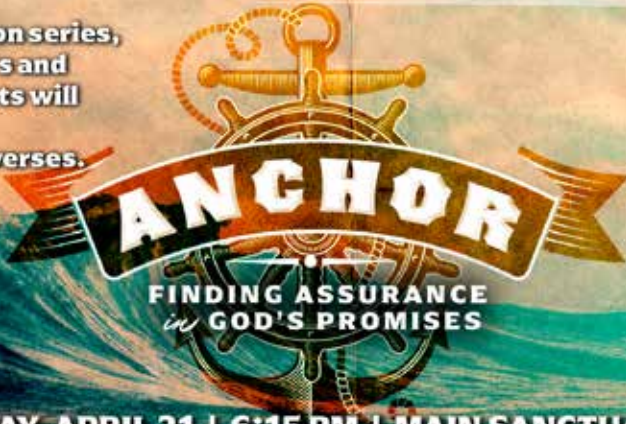
SATURDAY, MAY 4 | 5:00 PM

\$10 PER PERSON 4 AND OLDER  
(3 AND UNDER ARE FREE)

REGISTER BY APRIL 21

[MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENT](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENT)

In this sermon series,  
our ministers and  
special guests will  
share their  
life/anchor verses.



SUNDAY, APRIL 21 | 6:15 PM | MAIN SANCTUARY  
JUSTIN LAW | LAMENTATIONS 3: 22-23

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24 | MEMORY

[montgomeryfbc.org/scripture](http://montgomeryfbc.org/scripture)

## APRIL

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

— Mark 10:45 —



## SUMMER SCHEDULE AT FBC

It's hard to believe summer is right around the corner! I want to update you on what Sundays during the summer will look like at FBC!

- ▶ We will have **normal Sunday AM** services and Bible Fellowship through the summer. We will continue two services at 8:30 and 11:00 am with Bible Fellowship at 9:45 am. With our increased worship attendance this year, we aren't all able to fit in one service comfortably through the summer. That's a great reality! We'll also kick off a new summer sermon series.
- ▶ We will adjust our PM service schedule through the summer. Starting with Memorial Day on May 26, we will not have summer PM services except for special event nights. We're encouraging Bible Fellowship groups to get together to fellowship, do family mission projects, and connect with neighbors and friends through these summer Sunday nights. We'll share more options and suggestions of how to use these Summer Sunday nights to be intentional gospel opportunities.
- ▶ We **will gather on these dates at 5:15 for Sunday PM services** (you'll see these dates advertised as it gets closer to the summer). Go ahead and mark these down!
  - **June 16:** One Heart / One Voice Homecoming Concert
  - **June 23:** VBS Family Night
  - **July 21:** Youth Camp + Kids Camp Review Night
  - **August 4:** Deacon Ordination
- ▶ We will resume discipleship and PM services at normal times with Promotion Sunday on August 11!

I'm looking forward to a great summer of activities, programs, ministry, missions, and fellowship. You are loved and prayed for!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bethea'.

**MARK BETHEA**  
Senior Pastor



## Deacon Nominations Due By Sunday, April 28!

Forms are available in the sanctuary foyer or  
online at [montgomeryfbc.org/deacon-nominations](http://montgomeryfbc.org/deacon-nominations).



**Thursday, May 9**  
 6:00 to 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall  
 Featuring Mary Ruth Wolf, and the Wolf girls  
 Cost: \$14.50/adults and \$8.50/children  
 Reserve your tickets online at [montgomeryfbc.org/event](http://montgomeryfbc.org/event)  
 Reservation deadline is Wednesday, May 1. For more information contact Sharon Windham at [swindham@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:swindham@montgomeryfbc.org)

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Vacation Bible School

**Save the Date for Vacation Bible School on June 17-21.** Volunteers are needed to share Jesus with our preschoolers and children. Sign up by contacting Judy Bryant (241.5166 or [jbryant@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jbryant@montgomeryfbc.org)) or Carol Roberts (241.5164 or [croberts@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:croberts@montgomeryfbc.org)).

**All adult VBS teachers are encouraged to attend the VBS Teacher Training in the fellowship hall on Sunday, April 28 at 11:30 AM or on Monday, April 29 at 5:30 PM.** A meal will be served. RSVP which training you will attend to Judy Bryant at 241.5166 or Carol Roberts at 241.5164.

### Preschool + Children's Ministries

**Parents, don't miss Parents Night Out on Friday, May 17, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM.** This is your time to have a date night or sit at home in peace and quiet! Preschoolers and children are invited to wear their "coolest" luau attire and join us for an evening of games, crafts, and fun. The cost for the event is a bag of canned fruit for the Caring Center. Be sure to bring a beach towel (labeled with your name, please). Dinner will be provided while parents enjoy an evening out. Register your children (8 weeks to 6th grade) by Sunday, May 12 at [montgomeryfbc.org/event](http://montgomeryfbc.org/event).

### Senior Adult Ministry

**Save the Date for our Senior Adult Vacation Bible School on Monday, May 20 through Wednesday, May 22 from 10:00 AM to noon in the fellowship hall.** Get ready for Lifeway's *Breaker Rock Beach*. You

### Wednesday Night Supper | April 24



**Children:** Mini Corn Dogs, Chips, Dessert

**Adults:** Pulled Pork, Hashbrown Casserole, Baked Beans, Garlic Bread, Salad, Dessert

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

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

will be challenged as you discover that God's truth never changes, everyone needs Jesus, and learn to speak the truth in love. Adventure awaits each day. Register by calling Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180.

## Missions Ministry

**There will be a New Orleans Mission Trip Interest Meeting on Sunday, May 3 at 5:00 PM in room 347.** This mission trip will take place on May 31 through June 2. For more information, contact Brian Gay at 334.220.4402

**Supplies are needed for the Cuba Mission Project on May 31 through June 7.** Items include aspirin, Tylenol, Aleve, Advil, stool softener, hydrocortisone, multivitamins for adults and children, Neosporin, first aid ointments for injuries, burns, bruises, Benadryl, antibiotic ointments, penicillin, amoxicillin, doxycycline. Drop your donations in the bins at Scott Street or the main sanctuary by May 26.

## Churchwide Events

**Are you looking for an area to plug in and serve at FBCM? The Broadcast Ministry needs you!** Join us for a Broadcast Ministry Lunch & Learn on Sunday, April 28 at 12:15 PM in room 413 to learn more about how our broadcast team serves every week and how you can get involved. No experience is required! This event is for new and existing Broadcast volunteers. For food planning purposes, register by April 24 at [montgomeryfbc.org/event](http://montgomeryfbc.org/event).

## NEW MEMBERS

### By Baptism

**Mr. Connor Holstun**  
**Mrs. Connor Holstun (Katelyn)**  
8821 Andress Court  
Montgomery, AL 36117

### By Letter/Statement of Faith

**Mrs. Agness Kwibisa**  
5600 Carmichael Road, Apt 2136  
Montgomery, AL 36117

**Mr. Parker Wright**  
**Mrs. Parker Wright (Lori)**  
**Henry Wright**  
**William Wright**  
7725 Wynlakes Blvd  
Montgomery, AL 36117

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, contact Carolyn Bryan at 241.5120 or [cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:cbryan@montgomeryfbc.org).

### Sympathy Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Ashley Nichols (Daphne) in the death of her father; Thomas Nichols in the death of his grandfather  
Mr. Jerry Bryan in the death of his brother  
Mrs. Harold Snyder (Joyce) in the death of her brother

### Baptist East

Bobby Yates

### Capitol Hill Healthcare

Mary Lou McKay • Dee Dee Jackson

### Crowne Healthcare

Carolyn Moss

### Hillview Terrace

Robert Smith

### John Knox Manor Rehab

Barbara Smith

### Brookwood Medical Center

Bill Ward

### Children's of Alabama

Liesl Langer

### Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Rush Stallings (Shan) in the birth of a grandson  
Mr. & Mrs. Dustin Connell (Victoria) in the birth of a son

### Ministerial Staff Birthdays

Brad Brand (April 26)



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PRAYER BREAKFAST

Coinciding with the National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2, 2024

7:00 AM // \$30 per person

Alabama Activity Center

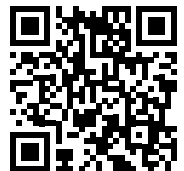
For tickets, visit [hisvessel.org](http://hisvessel.org)



REGISTRATIONS FOR SUMMER EVENTS  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AT  
[MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/SUMMER](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/SUMMER)



## MINISTRY SAFE



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](http://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!

## FBC FAITHFULNESS | SUNDAY, APRIL 14

### ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship: Enrollment** 3529 | **Attendance** 1142

**Weekly Attendance** 1728 | **Discipleship Attendance** 378

### OFFERING

**Required Weekly** \$136,500.00 | **Received Sunday** \$100,448.14

**Required To Date** \$2,047,500.00 | **Received To Date** \$1,754,386.93

**Annie Armstrong Offering** \$109,160.54

## THIS WEEK AT FBC

Visit [montgomeryfbc.org](http://montgomeryfbc.org) for the complete calendar of events.

### Sunday, April 21

- 7:45 Prayer Time (*Welcome Center*)
- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship
- 10:00 Pastor's Class
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 4:30 GriefShare
- Becoming His Vessel: The Essentials
- 5:00 Visitation
- Preschool + Children's Missions
- Grandparenting Matters
- Return to Mayberry
- One Heart + One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Monday, April 22

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 JOY Singers at John Knox Towers
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 7:00 College Ministry: The Gathering
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Tuesday, April 23

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study: Gideon
- Becoming His Vessel: The Essentials
- 6:30 God of Order
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Wednesday, April 24

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 5:00 First Family Dinner
- 5:15 Tutoring Party
- 5:45 Sanctuary Orchestra
- 6:00 First Family Prayer Time
- Parenting: Habits of the Household
- Preschool & Children's Choirs
- 6:45 Sanctuary Choir
- Student Ministry: Powerhouse
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Thursday, April 25

- 9:00 Conversational English
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Friday, April 26

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group
- 5:00 Children's Choirs Mock Lock In
- 6:30 Kilby Correctional Facility Service
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Saturday, April 27

- 9:00 GIFT rEcess
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### IN-HOME MINISTRY MEMBER

#### Frank McCollough

2641 Boykin Pl  
Montgomery, AL 36117-4637



305 South Perry Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104

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## FBC Livestreams

### Website

[montgomeryfbc.org](http://montgomeryfbc.org)

### Facebook

@montgomeryfirstbaptist

### App

First Baptist Church Montgomery

### Vimeo

[vimeo.com/fbcmontgomery](http://vimeo.com/fbcmontgomery)

### YouTube

First Baptist Church Montgomery

## Broadcast Schedule

**Frazer Channel 13** (*Montgomery & Prattville*)

**Bighthouse Channel 122** (*Elmore County*)

**Full Hour:** Sunday, 12:30 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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