

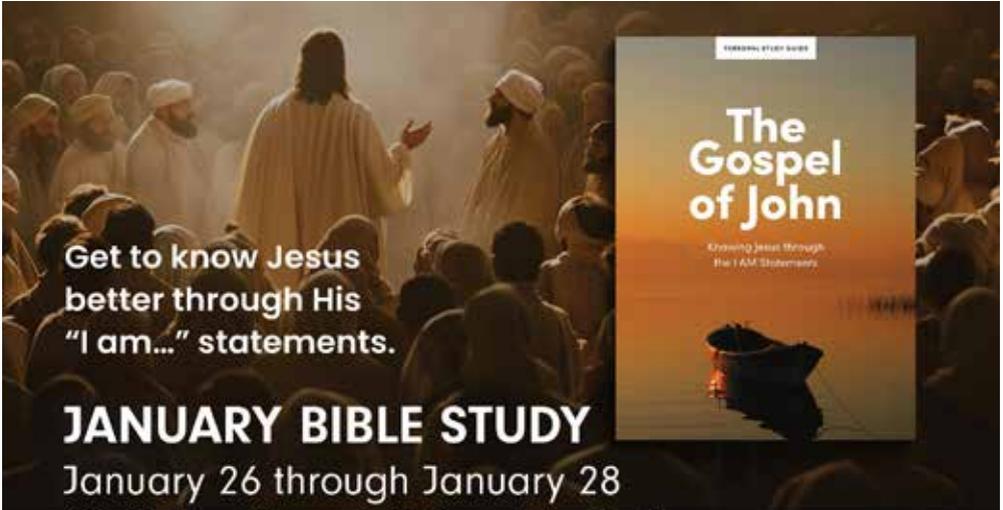


First Baptist Church Montgomery

# BEACON

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

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Get to know Jesus better through His "I am..." statements.

## JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

January 26 through January 28  
10 AM to Noon | Fellowship Hall

### MONDAY

Session 1:

"The Bread of Life"

Mark Bethea

Session 2:

"The Light of the World"

Kenny Hoomes

### TUESDAY

Session 3:

"The Good Shepherd"

Chris Weide

Session 4:

"The Resurrection & Life"

Chris Weide

### WEDNESDAY

Session 5:

"The Way, Truth & Life"

Dale Huff

Session 6:

"The True Vine"

Ed Cleveland

# WINTER GAMES

@ First Baptist Montgomery

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026**

**FIRST BAPTIST ADAMS AVENUE LOT**

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1.  
[MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/WINTER-GAMES](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/WINTER-GAMES)



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

For more information or to volunteer, contact  
**Carol Roberts (241.5164 or [croberts@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:croberts@montgomeryfbc.org))**  
 or **Judy Bryant (241.5166 or [jbryant@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:jbryant@montgomeryfbc.org))**.

## A BIG YEAR FOR MISSIONS

Every three years, we hold a massive celebration called the **GLOBAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION**. I cannot overstate the importance of this five-day event for our church's life and for refocusing our attention on our church's most important calling. I wish it were possible to require every church member to attend!

Please check the schedule at [montgomeryfbc.org/global-missions-celebration](http://montgomeryfbc.org/global-missions-celebration) and register for the events today. Missionaries we partner with throughout the city, nation, and world will be at the church to connect with us so we can hear what God is doing and widen our Kingdom vision.

My desire is to one day see our Global Missions Celebration become an opportunity to bring back missionaries who have been sent out from our church directly. That vision starts with these opportunities to engage with those on the field and with short-term trips.

Which is why the **MISSIONS MENU** was created! This incredible document is now available and showcases all the opportunities we have to be engaged in local, state, national, and international missions. We give this to you at the beginning of the year to show the vast array of opportunities available to you.

If you aren't able to go to the nations, start by engaging locally. If you don't have a week, look for a day. In the pages of the Missions Menu, you'll find photos, testimonies, and many opportunities waiting for you! Prayerfully read, celebrate, and discern where the Lord is leading you!

Let's celebrate the work of the Lord together in missions. The urgency to share the gospel in our neighborhoods and across the nations is greater than ever. Let's do it together!



**MARK BETHEA**  
Senior Pastor

**PURSUE  
EVERYONE**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18  
THROUGH  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

2026 GLOBAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION

[MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/GLOBAL\\_MISSIONS\\_CELEBRATION/](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/GLOBAL_MISSIONS_CELEBRATION/)



# LADIES WHO READ BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, February 24 | 6:30 to 8:00 PM

**Book:** *I Dared to Call Him Father*  
by Bilquis Sheikh

**Discussion Leader:** Lisa Powell

**Where:** Home of Ann Amster  
(1607 Croom Drive, 36106)

Mark your calendar and make plans to join us as we discuss this new book. All ladies invited! Happy Reading!



## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Preschool + Children's Ministries

There will be a Parent/Child Dedication on Sunday, March 1 in the 8:30 & 11:00 AM worship services. To register for this special dedication, visit [montgomeryfbc.org/dedications](http://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](mailto:asmith@montgomeryfbc.org) by Sunday, February 15.

### 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 20 & 21. This year the conference is at First Baptist! To sign up, contact Ryan Gray at 241.5162 or [rgray@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:rgray@montgomeryfbc.org).

### Senior Adult Ministry

Pack your bags and join us for a wonderful getaway to Florida's beautiful East Coast—including Amelia Island, St. Augustine, and Jacksonville on April 13–17, 2026. Don't miss out on this fun-filled trip. We already have 70 people signed up and have reserved another bus. There is plenty of room for you, so sign up TODAY! The cost is \$650 per person (double occupancy) or \$850 (single occupancy). For more information or to register, visit [montgomeryfbc.org/events](http://montgomeryfbc.org/events).

### Music Ministry

It's a great time to jump into the Music Ministry! The choir and



### Wednesday Night Supper | January 28

**Children:** Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Dessert

**Adults:** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Limas, Roll, Salad, Dessert

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

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

orchestra have begun preparations for Palm Sunday and Easter! The orchestra rehearses at 5:45 PM in the main sanctuary and the choir meets at 6:45 PM in the Roper Music Suite. For more information, contact Brad Brand at [bbrand@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:bbrand@montgomeryfbc.org).

## Missions Ministry

**The 2026 Missions Menu is now available!** Pick up your copy in the welcome center or online at [montgomeryfbc.org/mission-projects](http://montgomeryfbc.org/mission-projects).

## FBC Foundation

**The FBC Foundation is here to support you on your educational journey!** We have scholarships available for those pursuing undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degrees. The 2026-2027 scholarship applications are available now at [montgomeryfbc.org/foundation](http://montgomeryfbc.org/foundation). All completed applications must be returned by March 31.

## Community Ministries

**Volunteers are needed to serve with the Department of Youth Services (DYS) at**

**Mt. Meigs**, supporting a chapel service held every 4th Sunday in partnership with another local church. Required DYS training will be offered on February 10 & 12 at 5:00 PM. These opportunities allow you to invest spiritually in young people at a critical time in their lives. Additionally, women are needed to serve with the FBC Prison Ministry Team at Tutwiler Women's Correctional Facility, sharing Christ's hope and encouragement with incarcerated women. For more information, contact Chuck Latham at 221.4587.

## Churchwide News + Events

**Looking for a simple way to make a big impact on Sundays?** Join our hospitality team as a greeter, usher, or golf cart driver and help create a warm, welcoming experience for everyone who walks through our doors. To learn more or get involved, contact Caden Lockett at 322.4226 or [clockett@montgomeryfbc.org](mailto:clockett@montgomeryfbc.org).

## NEW MEMBERS

### By Letter/Statement of Faith

**Mr. Dalton Benefield**

7095 AUM Drive  
Montgomery, AL 36117

**Ms. Sequita (Vette) King**

743 Ryefield Road  
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

Family and friends in the death of  
Al Umphrey

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Patty (Janet) in the death  
of her mother

Mr. & Mrs. Kent Hornsby (Susan) in the  
death of her mother Norma Tonnell

### Baptist South

Carolyn Martin

### Baptist East

Bud Raybon

### Crowne Healthcare

Rachel Teel

### John Knox Manor Rehab

Barbara Smith • Barbara Owen  
Jeanette Martin

### FBC Staff Birthdays

Alissa Parrish (January 28)

Joy Brown (January 29)

Gwen Keene (January 31)

# SENIOR ADULT VALENTINE'S BANQUET

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 | 5:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

\$15 PER PERSON | REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 1 AT [MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENTS](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENTS)

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT BY  
**DAVID GARRARD, ILLUSIONIST**



## Ladies Who Bake

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

6:00 TO 8:00 PM

HOME OF BETH MORGAN

6407 KATHMOOR DRIVE



LADIES, JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF  
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP WHILE ENJOYING  
A SHARED INTEREST IN BAKING.

FEATURED  
RECIPE: *thinking outside the  
cake box - creative  
shortcuts using cake mix*

DEVOTION  
BY: *cheri love*

NUMBER OF  
PARTICIPANTS: *fifteen*



THIS EVENT IS FREE, BUT REGISTRATION IS  
REQUIRED. USE THE QR CODE OR VISIT  
[MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENTS](http://MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG/EVENTS). FOR MORE  
INFORMATION, CALL 554.202.8505.

*On*  
**MISSION**  
at First Baptist Church Montgomery

**SOUTH AFRICA** (January 7-30)

Webb McGregor

**NEW YORK CITY** (ongoing)

Wes & Ashley Costello and Alonza Lewis

**UGANDA** (ongoing)

Mary Conley Teel

## FBC FAITHFULNESS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2026

### ATTENDANCE

**Bible Fellowship: Enrollment** 3222 | **Attendance** 1239

**Weekly Attendance** 1579 | **Discipleship Attendance** 573

### OFFERING

**Required Weekly** \$140,519.23 | **Received Sunday** \$75,626.80

**Required To Date** \$281,038.46 | **Received To Date** \$134,434.36

## THIS WEEK AT FBC

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

### Sunday, January 25

- 7:45 Prayer Time (*Welcome Center*)
- 8:30 Worship Service
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship
- 10:00 GMC Bible Fellowship Coordinators
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 4:00 Reflections Ensemble  
Missions Committee
- 4:45 Grandparenting Matters  
GriefShare
- 5:00 Discipleship Classes  
Preschool + Children's Missions  
One Heart + One Voice Choirs
- 6:00 Bible Drill + Bible Buddies
- 6:15 Worship Service
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Monday, January 26

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 January Bible Study
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study  
Deacon's Meeting
- 7:00 College Ministry: The Gathering
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Tuesday, January 27

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 9:30 Ladies Bible Study: Esther
- 10:00 January Bible Study
- 7:00 Helen Hancock Women on Mission
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Wednesday, January 28

- 8:30 English as a Second Language
- 10:00 January Bible Study
- 5:00 First Family Dinner  
Prayer for Unreached People Groups
- 5:15 Tutoring
- 5:45 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:00 Winter Sessions  
Preschool + Children's Choirs  
DivorceCare
- 6:45 Student Ministry: Powerhouse  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Thursday, January 29

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

### Friday, January 30

- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group
- 6:30 Worship at Kilby Correctional Facility
- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

### Saturday, January 31

- 8:00 Daily Prayer Time (*virtual*)

## IN-HOME MINISTRY MEMBER SUE BARLEY

1555 Taylor Road, Apt E13  
Montgomery, AL 36117

305 South Perry Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104



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## JANUARY

Set your minds on things  
that are above, not on  
things that are on earth.

Colossians 3:2

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download resources at  
[montgomeryfbc.org/scripture](http://montgomeryfbc.org/scripture)

### Broadcast Schedule

#### Greater Love TV Channels

Local Antenna: 33.1

Direct TV & AT&T U-Verse: Channel 34

WOW Way: Channel 13

Spectrum: Coming Soon

Full Hour: Sundays, 12:00 PM

#### WSFA-TV Channel 12

Half Hour: Sundays, 10:30 AM

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