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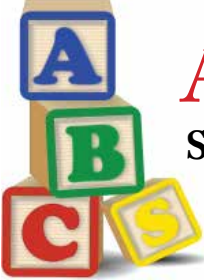
BEACON

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

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Do you know your ABCs? Can you share them with others?



Join Jay as he teaches the
ABC's of Evangelism

Sundays, August 19 through October 21

4:30 PM | 413

A Practical Guide to Sharing Your Faith

EMPOWERED

To live a life of influence and purpose

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25
9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM / FELLOWSHIP HALL

featuring
JENNIFER KENNEDY DEAN
and **JO HANCOCK**

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.MONTGOMERYFBC.ORG

Capital City
Gospel Sing

Sunday, August 26
6:15 PM | Main Sanctuary



CONNECTIONS

— from your Pastor's Heart

A Look, A Word and A Touch

Around the start of every school year, I recall an outstanding Christian educator named Dottie Lytle who was awarded the recognition of being one of the top teachers in America. She instructed 3rd graders for over three decades and served as a master mentor.

I asked Dottie, *“What are the principles that have guided your impactful instructional career?”* She instantly responded by saying, *“Each day, I employ the strategy of **a look, a word and a touch.**”* She hooked my curiosity and I asked for further explanation so she said, *“When the children arrive into my classroom, I look into their eyes. I try to look intentionally into the little window of their soul. I make myself look for the color of their iris. After peering into my pupil’s pupil, it assures them that they have my full attention along with my respect and affirmation.”* As she described this technique, I noticed that she was looking into her new pupil’s eyes. She further explained, *“When you look into someone’s eyes, you are giving them your undivided attention which means you believe that person is important because they bear God’s image and they are worthy of your time and respect. The best way you can listen to anyone is with your eyes.”*

I affirmed my appreciation for and agreement with her visual connection to the children. Dottie continued her instructions by explaining the importance of the next portion of her strategy, *“So many of my children live in the negative environment of a hurting home, so I want to lift them up each day. Therefore, I select a characteristic or some positive attribute that they possess and I magnify it with affirming words.”*

“That is how Jesus treated His disciples,” I observed. *“And that’s how I like for people to communicate with me. Encouraging words build our self-esteem and grow friendships.”*

“And lastly,” she said, *“The tender touch is extremely important. After all, we do not touch things we consider dirty. When I hug that child or pat them on the shoulder, it conveys my tangible encouragement. Jesus touched lepers, the eyes of the blind, the filthy feet of His followers and the souls of seeking sinners. Those precious children need to experience His transforming touch through me.”*

Dottie’s observations had a profound impact upon me. I have tried to convey the essence of her message to you in this essay and through my ministry. All of your relationships would soar to a new level of health and strength if you delete negative communication patterns and consistently use the Christ-like pattern of sharing a kind **look, word and touch!**

Pass It On,

FBC Faithfulness | Sunday, August 12, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Bible Fellowship Enrollment 5211 | **Bible Fellowship Attendance** 1888
Weekly Attendance 2343 | **Discipleship Attendance** 1048

OFFERING

Required Weekly \$128,365.38 | **Received Sunday** \$130,139.81
Required To Date \$4,107,692.16 | **Received To Date** \$3,739,030.58
Building Fund Sunday \$575.00 | **Building Fund to Date** \$15,347.35

Under Budget | \$368,661.58

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MONTGOMERY

TEAM NIGHT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

6:15 PM • Main Sanctuary

Bring your team and wear your jersey or favorite school colors for this special, back-to-school event featuring...

a powerful testimony by

JEREMIAH CASTILLE

chaplain for the University of Alabama football team

and special music by

COREY PAUL

an American Christian hip hop musician from Houston, Texas.



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

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Ministry Announcements

Children's Ministry

All first graders and their families are invited to join us for **The Big Church Tour** on **Sunday, September 9** at 12:15 PM in the fellowship hall. During this time you will be given information about our Children's Ministry, meet with Jay, and get a tour of the church. Please RSVP for lunch and the tour online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/event-registration or by contacting Tiffany Alewine at 241.5165 by Wednesday, September 5. Childcare will be provided for younger siblings during the tour. You also don't want to miss the evening service on **Sunday, September 9** as we present all of our **first graders with Bibles**.

College Ministry

College Students...Join us for **ELEVATE** on **Tuesday, August 28** 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 jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

Senior Adult Ministry

The **Senior Adult Fish Fry** is **Tuesday, August 21** at noon in the fellowship hall. Our resident Mayberry expert, Doug Rogers, will share "Life Lessons from Mayberry." Cost is \$6 per person. A few tickets remain. Call Mary Virginia Crum at 241.5180.

Music Ministry

Our Sanctuary Choir will soon begin preparations for the **2018 Living Christmas Tree!** Now is the time to be part of this wonderful experience. Our **LCT Kickoff** on **Wednesday, September 5** at 6:35 PM in the Roper Choir Suite, located just



First Family Dinner | Wednesday, August 22

No reservations required!

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

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

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

behind the fellowship hall. For more information, contact Donna Haney at 241.5150 or dhaney@montgomeryfbc.org.

Missions Ministry

Join us for the **River Region Judgment House Banquet** on **Monday, August 20** at 6:00 PM at Frazer United Methodist Church. This Banquet is an event to thank previous volunteers and inform new volunteers about opportunities to participate in this year's outreach. The event is free to attend. For more information, visit www.judgmenthouse.org or call 546.8088.

Interested in leading a Missions Team in 2019? Join us for a **Missions Team Leaders Meeting** on **Wednesday, August 22** at 7:00 PM in room 443. We will start planning 2019 and go over some important missions procedures and reminders. For more information, contact Brian at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

On **September 9 through 16** we will remember the lives of "Two Spiritual Giants," as we pray for the work of Alabama Baptists, and give through the **Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering**. Your gifts will help support these Great Commission Ministries: Alabama WMU, Disaster Relief, Church Planting, Church Revitalization and Global Partnership Missions. Our church goal is \$20,000.

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 or contact Brian Gay at 220.4402 or briang@montgomeryfbc.org.

Community Ministries

Want to make a difference in the life of a child in kindergarten through 5th

2019 Budget Input

On **Sunday, August 19**, a representative from the Finance Committee will visit the Adult Bible Fellowship Classes to receive input for the 2019 Church Budget. There will be Budget Input response sheets in the preschool, children and youth departments for the teachers and directors in these areas. You may also email your input or suggestions by **Sunday, August 19** to [Patti Shoemaker](mailto:pshoemaker@montgomeryfbc.org) at pshoemaker@montgomeryfbc.org.

New Members

By Baptism

Keenan McMann

5712 Calmar Drive, Apt 3 | Montgomery, AL 36116

Mr. Grant Rogers

85 Menawa Pass | Millbrook, AL 36054

By Letter/Statement of Faith

Ms. Valerie Bell

4208 Strathmore Drive, Apt G | Montgomery, AL 36116

Mr. Mickey Watson

6146 Atlanta Highway | 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. Ralph Dewey (Faye) in the death of his sister-in-law

Mr. & Mrs. Haygood Poudstone (Beth) in the death of her father; Miss Elizabeth Poundstone in the death of her grandfather; Mr. & Mrs. Jack Poundstone (Abigail) in the death of his grandfather

Dr. & Mrs. Kevin Pace (Melanie) in the death of her father, Charles Webb; Lauren & Melissa Pace in the death of their grandfather; Mr. & Mrs. Tommy McGregor (Andrea) in the death of her father; Webb & Wolf McGregor in the death of their grandfather

Baptist South

Franklin Buzbee • Johnny Holleman

Jackson

Norma Barnes

UAB Medical Center

Marguerite Egge

Congratulations Extended to

Mr. & Mrs. Derek DuBose (Luv) in the birth of a son; Mr. & Mrs. Steve DuBose (Janet) in the birth of a grandson

Fall 2018 FBC Discipleship Classes

For a complete list with descriptions, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org.

Experiencing God

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B402

Return to Mayberry

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B405

Missions Download

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B403

Next Steps

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B404

Citizenship Class

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 4:30 PM | B415

Disciple-Maker Mentor Training

Sundays, August 12 – November 11 | 5:00 PM | B416

Godly Parent Training

Wednesdays, August 15 - November 7 | 5:45 PM | B402

Ladies Bible Study: What Love Is (1, 2, 3 John)

Sundays, August 19 – October 14 | 5:00 PM | 443

grade? Then, we need your help in the Tutoring Program on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 PM beginning September 3. If interested, please attend one of the **Tutoring Workshops on Wednesday, August 22 or August 29** from 5:30 to 6:45 PM in the Huff Building. Also, a video of last year's workshop is available for viewing online at www.montgomeryfbc.org/videos. It is packed with information that prepares you for this year's workshop. For more information, contact Tim Cearley at 241.5141.

Churchwide News & Events

On **Wednesday, September 5**, our new **Woman to Woman** group will begin studying *God of Order*. The group will meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 9:45 to 11:45 AM. All women are invited to join us for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer. For more information, visit www.montgomeryfbc.org/woman2woman.

Families are needed to minister to college students through our **Connections Ministry**. Connections pairs a 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 student center after church. To sign up or for more information, contact Justin Law at jlaw@montgomeryfbc.org.

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).

This week at FBC

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

Sunday, August 19

- Mission Project: Haiti
- 8:30 Worship Service
- Prayer Room in Media Center
- 9:45 Bible Fellowship Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
- Prayer Room in Media Center
- Bible Fellowship Appreciation Lunch
- 4:30 ABCs of Evangelism
- Citizenship Class
- 5:00 Children's Missions
- Discipleship Classes
- One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- 6:15 Worship Service

Monday, August 20

- 11:00 Senior Adult Ministry Council
- 5:30 Men's Bible Study
- 6:00 Judgment House Banquet (Frazer UMC)
- 6:30 Freedom in Christ Recovery Group

Tuesday, August 21

- 12:00 Senior Adult Fish Fry
- 5:30 Women with Emotional Pain
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, August 22

- Mission Project: New York City
- 2:15 Baldwin Bible Study
- 4:45 First Family Dinner
- 5:30 Sanctuary Orchestra Rehearsal
- Tutoring Workshop
- 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
- 7:00 Mission Team Leaders Meeting

Thursday, August 23

- Mission Project: New York City
- 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
- 5:00 GIC Planning Meeting

Friday, August 24

- Mission Project: New York City
- 6:45 Friday Morning Men's Group

Saturday, August 25

- Mission Project: New York City
- 9:00 Empowered Teaching Event
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous

In Home Ministry Member Mary Lee Hancock

150 Oakwood Drive | Deatsville, AL 36022

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
- Jesus Paid It All** | Sanctuary Choir
- You Say** | Madison & Hudson Cornett
- Message** | Jay Wolf

Prayer Room

Brian Castleberry (Seabrook/Monroe Class)

Evening Worship (6:15 PM)

- Call to Worship**
- One Heart & One Voice Choirs
- Good, Good Father** | Hope Coon
- Message** | Ryan Gray



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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