

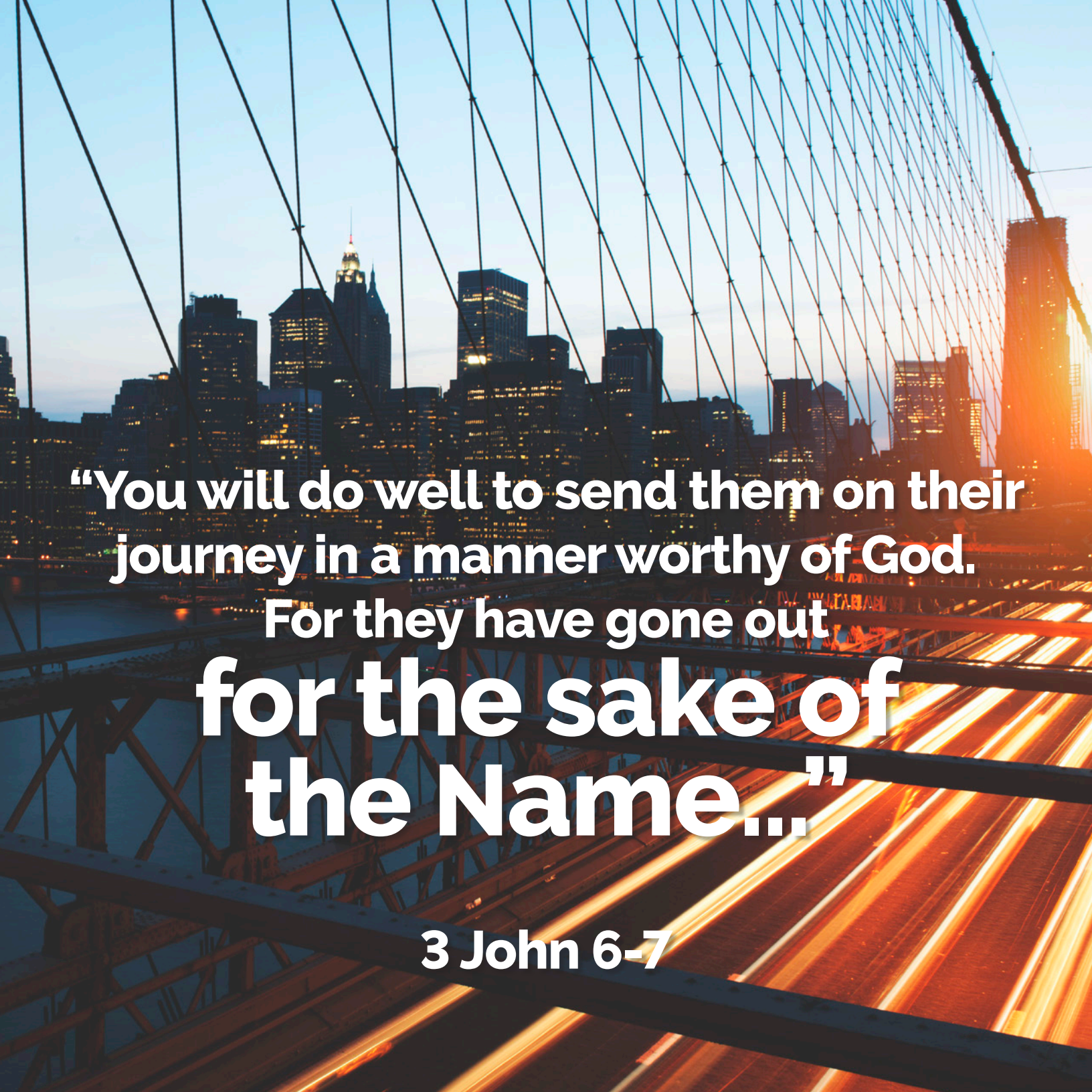
*"For they have gone out for the sake of the Name..." - 3 John 7*

# for the sake of

NATIONAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2024

# the Name





**“You will do well to send them on their  
journey in a manner worthy of God.  
For they have gone out  
for the sake of  
the Name...”**

**3 John 6-7**

# welcome from our pastors

## Dear Fellow Workers for the Truth,

The theme for our 2024 National Missions Conference is “For the Sake of the Name” taken from 3 John. It is a great privilege to send workers out to promote the Kingdom of Christ. This year, as we engage with our National and Local ministry partners, may we see that our support for missions is a direct act. As 3 John 8 says, we are fellow workers as we send others out with funding, counsel, love, and prayer.



**Max Bunn**

*Local/Mobilization Pastor*

The Great Commission calls us to use our hands, not just our words, and for that reason, we will kick off our 2024 National Missions Conference with IMPACT Birmingham, using our hands to show the love of Christ through deeds of love and mercy.

Over the next two days of our conference, we will get to know and encourage our featured ministry partners as they share how God is at work through our support. As you hear their stories, you will discover what God is doing in Birmingham and across the USA. As Dr. H.B. Charles preaches God’s Word, ask Him to show you what that looks like in your day-to-day walk with Jesus.



**Rob Looper**

*National Ministries and  
Church Revitalization Pastor*

Your Local/Mobilization and National Ministries Teams are eager to serve you and help you develop and deploy your gifts as we reach out to Birmingham, to Alabama, and to our nation for the sake of the Name.

In Christ,

**Max Bunn & Rob Looper**

# conference speaker



## Dr. H.B. Charles, Jr.

**Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist Church  
Jacksonville & Orange Park, Florida**

Dr. H.B. Charles, Jr. is the Pastor and Teacher at Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist Church of Jacksonville and Orange Park, Florida, where he has served since 2008. He is primarily responsible for preaching-teaching, vision casting, and leadership development. Outside of his ministry with his congregation, he regularly speaks and teaches at churches, conferences, and conventions around the country.

He has contributed to several books and journals. Pastor Charles is the author of *It Happens After Prayer*, *On Preaching*, *On Praying*, *On Worship*, *The Difference Jesus Makes*, *Getting Right With God*, and *Reaching God's Goals for Your Life*. Pastor Charles and his wife, Crystal, have 3 children: H.B. III, Natalie, and Hailey.

# conference schedule



## Saturday, October 19

- 8:00 AM Nursery Opens \*  
for IMPACT volunteers only
- 9:00 AM IMPACT Birmingham \*
- 11:45 AM Lunch with your IMPACT team

Nursery open Saturday 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

\* Nursery reservations are required: [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery)

## Sunday, October 20

- 8:00 AM Early Morning Worship
- 9:30 AM Congregational Communities  
Ministry Partners share in Sunday School classes
- 10:55 AM Late Morning Worship
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship with Dr. H.B. Charles \*
- 6:00 PM SHINE Children's Conference \*
- 6:45 PM Ministry Partner Glimpses \*
- 7:20 PM Dessert and Displays

Nursery open Sunday 8:00 AM–12:15 PM and 6:00–7:30 PM

\* Nursery reservations for evening events are required:  
[briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery)

## Monday, October 21

- 5:15 PM Dinner
- 6:30 PM Evening Worship with Dr. H.B. Charles \*
- 6:30 PM SHINE Children's Conference \*
- 7:10 PM Ministry Partner Glimpses \*
- 7:50 PM Dessert and Displays

Nursery open Monday 6:30–8:00 PM

\* Nursery reservations are required: [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery)

# meet our national ministry partners



**tyler clark**  
**campus outreach • birmingham, al**

Tyler and Ginnie Clark work with Campus Outreach Birmingham. Campus Outreach is a college ministry that began out of Briarwood in 1978. The focus is on evangelism and reaching the lost. Their strategy is from Matthew 9:35-38, which says the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. COB desires to lead men and women to Christ, establish and equip them through discipleship under the local church to send out laborers into the lost world to effectively be a part of the Great Commission.



**micah & brianna evans**  
**campus outreach central florida • lakeland, fl**

Micah and Brianna Evans live in Lakeland, FL and serve with Campus Outreach Central Florida. Before moving to Central Florida to join this expansion work, Micah and Bri served on staff with Campus Outreach at Samford University. Currently, they minister to staff and students in Lakeland at Florida Southern and Southeastern University. They seek to win new disciple-makers and launch them out into the nation's fastest growing area as laborers for Christ.



**jennifer gerelds**  
**love life • birmingham, al**

Jennifer Gerelds serves as Development Director for Love Life Alabama's House of Refuge initiative. She works with Outreach Director and Briarwood ministry partner, Shaylene Burlage, to mobilize the evangelical Church to fast and pray for the end of abortion. They also equip churches to become Houses of Refuge with trained Life Team members. These members will know how to embrace women and men facing unplanned pregnancy or post-abortion suffering with grace and loving support. Jennifer serves the whole state of Alabama and is based in Birmingham.



## **brian goessling** **restoration academy • fairfield, al**

Restoration Academy is a K-12th school with more than 400 students. It is committed to meet students at their point of need, provide dynamic curriculum, competitive sports, and outlets for kids to grow how God desires. The prayer is for students to recognize God has called them as agents of change in their own neighborhoods (Isa. 58:12). The desire of Restoration Academy is for all students, upon graduation, to have a lasting, personal relationship with Christ. For the past 17 years, all graduating seniors have been accepted to college.



## **alexa james** **blanket fort hope • columbiana, al**

Blanket Fort Hope is a restoration home for child trafficking survivors. Through God's guidance and His church answering the call, a new restoration home will be ready to shelter young ladies in March 2025. Blanket Fort Hope is debt-free, enabling them to focus their resources on the restoration of each child. While their home will house nine girls, God has expanded their reach to allow them to place both boys and girls into their foster homes. This opportunity positions Blanket Fort Hope to share the Gospel with child survivors, as well as birth foster families.



## **mike & trisha kennamer** **mna disaster response • rome, georgia**

Mike Kennamer serves as the Mission to North America (MNA) Disaster Response Specialist for the TAG (Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia) Region and the manager of the denomination's disaster response warehouse in Rome, Georgia. In these roles he helps churches prepare for disasters and supports their work after disasters strike. He volunteered with MNA Disaster Response before joining the staff part-time in 2015. In 2022, he retired from his job as a community college dean and now devotes full-time effort to the ministry.



## **stephen & kate king** **church plant • tampa, fl**

Stephen King currently serves as the Young Couples Pastor at Briarwood Presbyterian. Over the last two years, he and his wife have been exploring a call to church planting. Through a process of prayer and counsel they have been led to plant in Tampa, FL. Tampa Bay is experiencing rapid growth and has a great need for the Gospel. Approximately 35% of the residents in the target area claim no religious preference. Their vision is to plant a multiplying gospel-driven and disciple-making church to reach Tampa to reach the World for Christ."



## **jackson & natalie king** **grace klein • alabama**

Natalie and Jackson King of Grace Klein empower the community by using marriage as ministry. Their influence inspires next generation leaders to choose authentic lives with Jesus by sharing resources, building relationships and fostering restoration which Jesus uses to transform entire nations. They work to build connections and community engagement, through living out early church principles, both locally and globally. The Kings link arms with diverse people by hosting a community home, activating local and international serve teams, hosting meals, worship nights and providing rest for missionaries.



## **dr. erik mcdaniel** **grace presbyterian church • jasper, tennessee**

Erik and his wife, Maggie, have been engaged in a church revitalization opportunity at Grace Presbyterian Church in rural Jasper, TN, for the past eight years. Grace's mission is to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost and found, in word and deed, near and far. Erik is President of the Marion County Chamber of Commerce, on the Board of Champion Recovery Community, serves on his Presbytery's Pastoral Care Committee, and coordinates the Marion County Men's Jail Ministry. Erik and Maggie have seven children and three grandchildren.



## **brad owens** **reformed university fellowship • birmingham, al**

Brad Owens is the Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) campus minister at UAB. He and his ministry staff seek to spread the gospel among college students and make disciples of students during a critically important season of their lives. Brad loves gospel ministry with college students and leading them in magnifying Jesus, marveling at His grace, and moving toward others with the hope of the gospel. Brad has been married to Anna for 13 years, and together they have 4 children: Haddie (6), Ella Kate (5), Caleb (3), and Jack (1).



## **pamela phipps** **grace house • birmingham, al**

Pamela Reed Phipps has served as Executive Director of Grace House Ministries since 2010. At Grace House, she is responsible for managing day-to-day operations as well as raising awareness and funds to support the ministry. Pamela became part of Grace House during her college years as a volunteer mentor. Her 10-year modeling career was the key that unlocked her passion for mentoring young ladies. She is an advocate for young girls and committed to equipping and empowering them to be confident, Godly women. A Birmingham native, Pamela and her husband, Bennie, reside in Hoover with their three sons.





## **phil & amy pippenger** **crossroads of east tennessee · cleveland, tn**

Phil and Amy are lifelong residents of Cleveland where they minister in their community through evangelism and discipleship. Phil has served as chaplain for Bradley Central High School wrestling and Ocoee Middle School Boys Basketball. Phil and Amy minister at a storefront chapel, The 5 Stones Fellowship, on Wednesday evenings. In partnership with The 5 Stones Fellowship, Crossroads developed The Berean School, a 16-week course to equip men in "examining the Scriptures daily, to see whether these things are so." (Acts 17:11) Crossroads is also involved in ministering to southeast Europe.



## **lance ragsdale** **french camp academy · french camp, ms**

French Camp Academy (FCA) is a Christ-centered home and school that serves young people who come from broken home situations. Children between the ages of 7-18 come to FCA to experience a safe place to live, a quality Christian education, and mentoring by mission-focused adults. These mentors leverage their lives and FCA resources to students for the next season of their lives. Surrounded by 1,000 acres of beautiful pines and hardwoods, French Camp Academy is a grace-filled community offering children and teenagers opportunities to thrive and grow into productive young people in Christ.



## **matthew schmidt** **engage 360 · north carolina**

Matt Schmidt is founder and CEO of Engage 360 Ministries which was established to train Christians to share their faith in everyday conversation. Matt and Erica grew up in Nebraska and moved to Charlotte, NC for Matt to pursue a Master's Degree in Philosophy, Theology, and Apologetics at Southern Evangelical Seminary. Matt and Erica spent seven years serving in Campus ministry and then formed Engage 360 along with a small team.



## **george & jill shamblin** **the center for executive leadership · birmingham, al**

Since 2012, George has been a pastor at The Center for Executive Leadership in Birmingham. He teaches Bible Studies and disciples others at various stages of spiritual growth. He previously served on the board of Reel-Life International and has been an adjunct professor at Birmingham Theological Seminary. In 2023, he and his brother, Keith, co-founded a mission's ministry, The Overseas Initiative. An avid outdoorsman, George and his wife of 32 years, Jill, have five children: Sydney, Bailey, Miller, George Jr., and Trevor Anderson.



## **todd & cindy sproul** **mtw lummi nation • blaine, wa**

Todd, Cindy, and their daughters serve cross-culturally among the Coast Salish people of Lummi, Nooksack and other indigenous tribes in the northwestern-most corner of Washington State. They strive to walk humbly with the LORD, help break down long-held resistance to the gospel of Jesus Christ and help facilitate the establishment and growth of a Native-led church. Deepening relationships have led to discipleship ministries through kids' summer camp, monthly Bible events, and weekly worship. The Sproulls also facilitate building relational bridges between the Native people and nearby off-reservation churches.



## **adam venable** **church plant • huntsville, al**

Adam lives in Huntsville AL where he serves as Church Planter sent by Providence Presbytery of North Alabama. Adam is organizing a new Church to live out Jesus's command in Matthew 28 "to go make disciples... baptizing them and teaching them everything I have commanded you." Huntsville is the largest and fastest growing area in Alabama. Families and individuals move from all over the world to live in Huntsville. Adam worked for years as RUF Minister at UAB in Birmingham AL.



## **joel & holly wallace** **engaging disability with the gospel • birmingham, al**

Joel and Holly are long-time Briarwood members. For more than 20 years, they have served churches and families impacted by disability. Their desire is for every church to embrace organic disability ministry where everyone grows in Christ and thrives at church. Joel coaches churches to disciple and enfold kids, teens, and adults with disabilities through one-on-one consultations, online and on-site trainings, and creating adapted discipleship resources. He oversees all Engaging Disability's operations. Holly volunteers in her spare time. They are also regularly involved with Briarwood's Special Connections Ministry.

**“Therefore we ought to support people like these,  
that we may be fellow workers for the truth.”**

**3 John 8**

**Briarwood Children's National Ministries Conference**

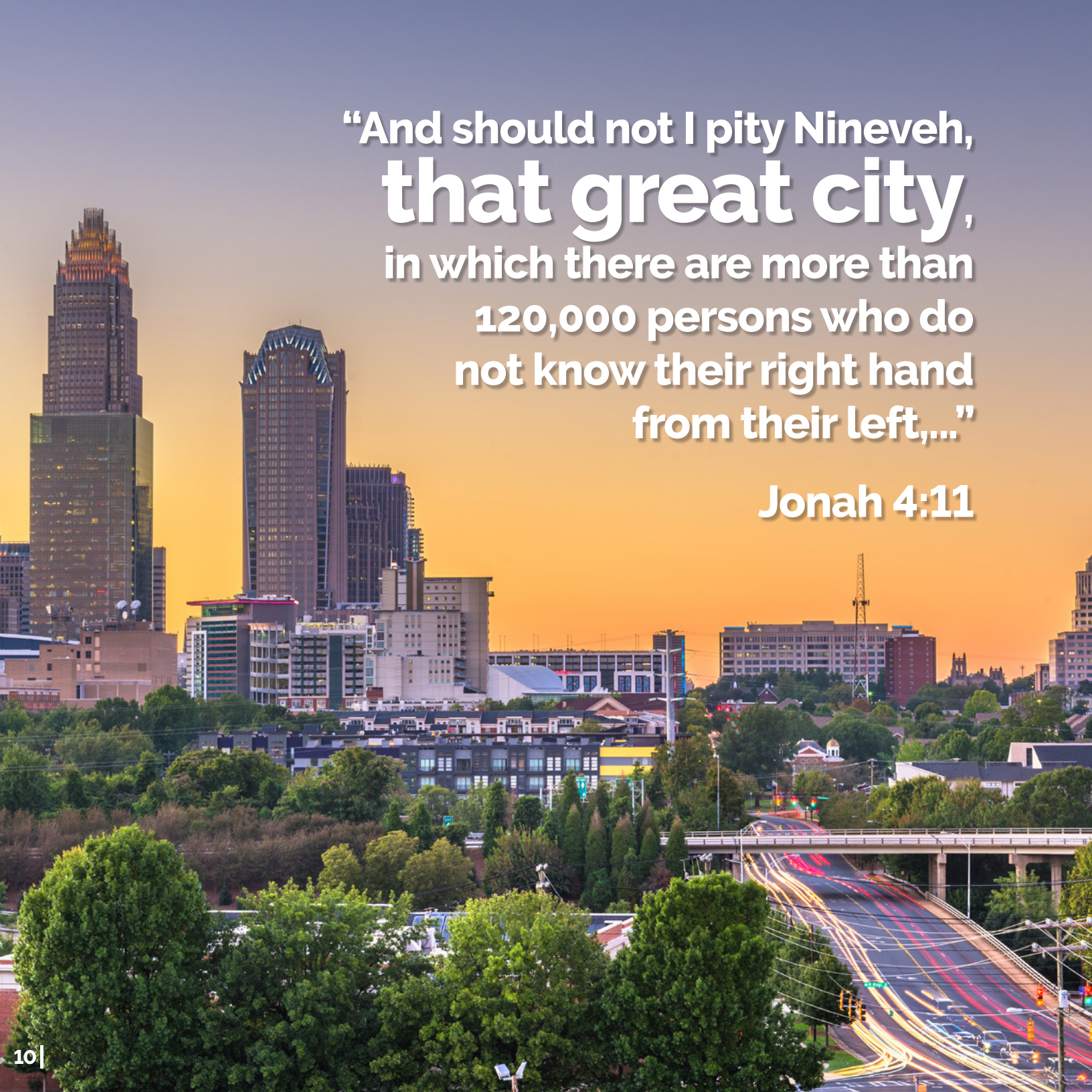
# SHINE

*(Sharing Him In Neighborhoods Everywhere)*

**K4-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
OCTOBER 20 & 21**

**K4-6<sup>th</sup> Grades meet in  
Children's Auditorium for  
SHINE during the  
National Ministries  
Conference**



A cityscape at sunset with a highway in the foreground. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. In the foreground, a multi-lane highway has light trails from cars, with red trails for taillights and white/yellow for headlights. There are green trees and a bridge over the highway. In the background, several skyscrapers are visible, including a prominent one with a pointed top and another with a distinctive blue-tinted facade. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

“And should not I pity Nineveh,  
**that great city,**  
in which there are more than  
120,000 persons who do  
not know their right hand  
from their left,...”

**Jonah 4:11**

# from our interim senior pastor

**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

One of the great, indeed truly unique traits of Briarwood is its consistent devotion to missions. When we say “Missions” people traditionally think of global missions. Rightly so, since the gospel must go “to the nations.” Psalm 22:27 says *“All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.”* From someone living in Israel, the Americas would be “the ends of the earth;” for that reason, Briarwood’s missions emphasis is local too.

As you may know, Briarwood supports Local and National ministries through the stewardship of our tithes and offerings to the General Fund (not our Faith Promise gifts.) So then, the way we support local and national ministries has three focal points.

- 1** First, we can participate in conference events. This year, our featured speaker is H. B. Charles, a gifted and godly pastor.
- 2** Second, we can join in local service events like IMPACT Birmingham.
- 3** Third, you can ask how you can encourage one of our local or national ministry leaders.

Finally, you may want to help with logistics, whether in modest ways or by serving on either the Local or National Ministry Teams.

All that we do flows from our Mission Statement—“For God’s Glory, Briarwood is committed to equipping Christians to worship God and to reach Birmingham to reach the world for Christ.”

In Christ,

**Dan Doriani**  
Interim Senior Pastor  
Briarwood Presbyterian Church



**Dr. Dan Doriani**  
*Briarwood Interim  
Senior Pastor*

ON MISSION • ON MESSAGE • IN MINISTRY

# IMPACT

## BIRMINGHAM



Over the last year,  
we have been able to  
mobilize over 400 of our  
members to partner with 15+  
local ministries and accomplish  
20+ projects in the  
Birmingham area.



OCTOBER 19

On the morning of October 19, we will partner with local ministries to do service projects ranging from yard work, construction, packing food boxes, and repair projects. This will be an opportunity to serve together as the body of Christ and IMPACT Birmingham for Christ!

## Grace House

1. Lawn Care: cutting grass if needed, raking leaves, trimming hedges, etc
2. Organizing supplies, clothing, etc

## Big Oak Ranch

1. Spreading Pine Straw
2. Weed-eating grounds (Big Oak Ranch will provide weed-eaters)

## The Wellhouse

1. Painting an apartment to get ready for the next resident. Includes the foyer, living area, two bedrooms, and two bathrooms
2. Pressure Washing Porches & Breezeways at Apartment  
-Pressure wash four small porches and the breezeways of the apartments – only have one pressure washer, so more is needed

## Hearts in Hands

1. Replace Siding
2. Replace Door locks and repair back door
3. Build small wheelchair ramp

## Christian Service Mission

1. Packing Thanksgiving food boxes inside warehouse

## Foundation Early Learning & Family Center

1. General Clean up around the building, trimming some branches around the fence's property (may include some weed-eating), putting together some raised beds and filling some planters

## Vapor Ministry

1. Variety of tasks of handling donated goods

## Urban Hope

1. **Construction project:** help tear out for renovation of girls ministry home in Fairfield

## Grace Klein

1. **Morgan Location:** Diaper Distribution preparation, organizing donations, writing scripture cards, assisting with projects for the We Sew Love team, general housekeeping, light landscape work
2. **Acres and Acres Community:** preparing the house to host Mission teams and families – light housework, bagging leaves, pulling weeds, cutting grass, making scripture cards and thank you signs

## Prayer Team

- 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. in the CHAPEL



**Sign up today to serve our ministry partners through one of the projects listed above. For more details, go to [briarwood.org/impact](http://briarwood.org/impact).**



# local ministries

blanket fort hope |  
columbiana, al



**Since 1963, Briarwood** has been engaged in reaching the city of Birmingham through a wide array of ministries. Our city is vast and the opportunities and needs are plentiful. Because of this, Briarwood has had a long-term commitment to equip its members to reach the city with the Gospel. This has allowed us to humbly serve and love our neighbors through partnerships with:



**Churches**



**Christian Schools**



**Medical Care**



**Mentoring/  
Outreach**



**Godly Homes for  
Kids in Foster Care**



**Visiting the  
Prisoner**



**Sports  
Outreach**



**Service/  
Resourcing**

Local Missions offers opportunities for all to be actively involved in reaching Birmingham for Christ. Visit [briarwood.org/localmissions](http://briarwood.org/localmissions) to view our ministry partner videos and for volunteer opportunities.

**Local Missions Team:** Amy Wood (Administrative Assistant) Jason Crowe (Team Leader), Amy Butler, Pat Goff, Leon Chadwick, Marvin Keffer, Sarah Moseley, Ernie Brown, Russell Long, Richard Kalehoff



**urban hope  
community church**



**restoration  
academy**



**grace  
klein**



**engaging  
disability**

# church planting

southside presbyterian  
huntsville, alabama

**Church Planting** is the New Testament model for fulfilling the Great Commission. In Acts, as the Gospel advanced, the apostle Paul planted churches and made church-planting disciples. Briarwood is committed to this model, both in partnering with experienced church planters and in raising up and equipping new planters.

In 2023 the PCA's Mission to North America announced its goal to grow the PCA to 3,000 congregations by 2033. Briarwood's Church Planting Team, a sub-group of the National Ministries Team, works with MNA, PCA Presbyteries, and various church planting networks to partner with church planters to plant PCA churches that are:



**Biblically saturated**



**Theologically Reformed (PCA)**



**Means of Grace practitioners**



**Focused on making disciples locally and globally**



**Committed to planting new churches**

## Current Supported Church Plants

- All Saints Reformed (Utah)
- Christ Church Presbyterian, Knoxville (Tennessee)
- Covenant Community Church, Richmond (Kentucky)
- Heart City Church, Elkhart (Indiana)
- Mercy Hill, Winter Haven (Florida)
- Red Tree Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor (Michigan)
- Trinity Church, Collierville (Tennessee)
- Southside Presbyterian Church, Huntsville (Alabama)
- Vive Charlotte Church (North Carolina)

**National Ministries Church Planting Committee:** Ward Bursley, Brett Owens (Team Leader), Bill Foreman, Scott and Amy Pylant, Jim Randall, Mike Stewart



**vive charlotte church**



**trinity church, collierville**



**all saints reformed church**



**heart city church, elkhart**

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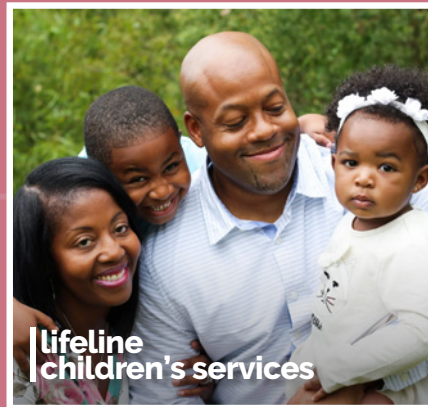
**life  
team**

**sav-a-life vestavia |  
vestavia, alabama**

# The Briarwood Life Team

a sub-group of Briarwood's National Ministries Team, works to further the mission and vision of Briarwood Presbyterian Church by educating, and engaging the members of Briarwood to support and serve Pro-Life issues in Birmingham, Alabama, and the nation. As Christians, being consistently Pro-Life means much more than advocating for the unborn. Because we are made in God's image, the entire span of human life—from "womb to tomb"—must be viewed through a Gospel lens.

In addition to supporting our current Pro-Life Ministry Partners, the Life Team seeks to develop new ministry partner relationships and mobilize Briarwood's members into areas of service over the entire Pro-Life spectrum. This includes crisis-pregnancy care, early childhood parent training, abortion recovery, adoption and foster care, marriage and family support and education, and end-of-life issues.



## Briarwood's Sanctity of Life Ministry Partners

- Abortion Recovery Alabama
- Forgiven and Set Free
- Alabama Pro Life Coalition & Southeast Law Institute
- Alabama Physicians for Life
- Briarwood World Orphan Outreach
- Fostering Hope
- Bundles of Hope
- Life On Wheels
- Lifeline Children's Services
- Sav-A-Life Vestavia
- United for Life
- Love Life Ministry
- Adoption Connection

**Briarwood's Life Team:** Josh Calhoun, Eric Johnston, Matt Moton, Carter and Kami Ralph, Greg Thompson, Darby Travers, David and Tami Wells (Team Leader)

# national ministries



campus outreach |  
central florida |

**Briarwood's National Ministry** seeks to be obedient to the command of Jesus in Acts 1:8 to "...be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." For the National Ministries Team, the United States is our Samaria. The Team prayerfully seeks to prioritize evangelism, discipleship, leadership development and deployment, and deeds of love, mercy, and justice. The National Ministry is privileged to be a part of ministries throughout the country laboring to build Christ's church and impact our nation.

Briarwood's National Ministries Team (NMT) currently partners with more than 130 local, state and national missionaries and ministries that are committed to reaching the lost.

We are  
**passionate**  
to see the  
**good news**  
of the  
**Gospel**   
**Jesus Christ**  
proclaimed in:

**schools**

**universities**

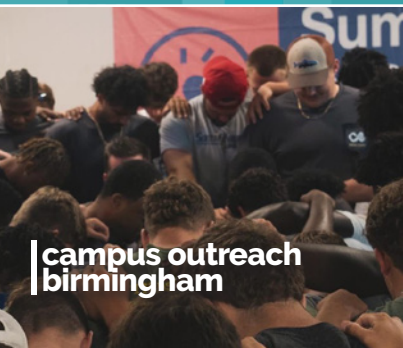
**sports organizations**

**business professionals**

**local, state & national  
government leaders**

The NMT's service includes sub-teams that focus on Church Planting and Pro-Life issues as we prayerfully seek to help build and strengthen the church in Birmingham, Alabama, and the nation.

**National Ministry Team:** Christi Bono (Administrative Assistant), John Brown, Clark Browne, Al & Rebecca Caskey, Mike & Ginny Green, Allison Haynes, Ed Henderson, Jackie Morris, TN & Janet Norden, Linda Rose, Tim & Lee Scott (Team Leader), Mike Stewart, David & Tami Wells



**campus outreach  
birmingham**



**mission to north  
america disaster relief**



**crossroads  
of east tennessee**



**reformed university  
fellowship**

A photograph of two men sitting at a table, reading Bibles. The man in the foreground is a bearded man with a dark blue sweater, looking down at his Bible. The man in the background is wearing a blue and white plaid shirt and has his hand to his face. The scene is indoors, likely a conference room, with other people visible in the background.

# church revitalization

lampstand conference |  
2024 birmingham |





**Although many fear the church in America is on its last legs, the Lord Jesus said in no uncertain terms, “I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” (Matt. 16:18)**

God has blessed Briarwood to be in a position of influence, not only in the PCA, but also in our nation. God has also blessed Briarwood with disciples who love Jesus and who love his church. These two facts together mean the Church Revitalization Ministry at Briarwood has the unique opportunity to minister to churches across multiple denominations to disciple and develop spiritually healthy church leaders to pursue biblical health in their churches.

**Lampstand** is a teaching and resource ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church that equips churches and their leaders to implement biblical strategies for church vitality. Our annual Lampstand Conference provides pastors and church the opportunity to benefit from the experience and wisdom of a team of godly pastor-theologians, such as Dr. Sandy Wilson, Dr. John Currie, Dr. Tom Hawkes, and Dr. Brian Cosby.

### **Church Planting – Igniting the Flame**

Our experienced church planting faculty and coaches provide instruction and insight that is both Biblical and practical for starting spiritually healthy churches that are committed to worship, evangelism, discipleship and leadership development.

### **Church Revitalization – Embers to a Flame**

Lampstand uses the Biblical paradigm found in Jesus’ words in Revelation 2:5 to the church at Ephesus—“Remember, Repent, and Recover the First Things”—Lampstand’s revitalization track equips churches that have fallen into spiritual decline and functional malaise.

### **Church Acceleration – Fanning the Flame**

As a church grows spiritually and expands its impact functionally, it is crucial to stay on Mission, on Message, and in Ministry. Our church acceleration track focuses on next-level leadership development, decision-making, and faithful shepherding for the next season in the life of Biblically healthy churches.

**Church Revitalization Ministry Team:** Donna Arrington, Bill & Judy Black, Nancy Bourne, Roger & Caryle Butts, Michael Clayman, Joyce Ann Jackson, Walter Leveille, John Salmon (Team Leader), John Spencer, Beth Thomas, Theo Woo, Charles Woodall



**Register for the upcoming Birmingham Lampstand Conference on January 23-26, 2025.  
For more details, go to [briarwood.org/lampstand](http://briarwood.org/lampstand).**

# meet the kings



planting a church |  
in tampa, fl |

Stephen and Kate have been serving at Briarwood for the last 11 years and have recently sensed a call to plant a church. After much prayer and many conversations, the Lord has provided an opportunity to plant a church in Tampa, FL.

**Tampa Bay** is one of the fastest growing regions in the U.S.

largest religious demographic in tampa are those with  
**“no religious preference”**

over **72%** are not involved in any  
**religious congregation**

Tampa is also home to two universities (University of Tampa and University of South Florida) and it is their aim to partner with Campus Outreach Central Florida to reach these campuses. Both Stephen and Kate were involved with Campus Outreach as college students and Stephen went on to serve as the Campus Director of College of Charleston after graduation. To be able to partner with CO to reach the next generation would be an incredible opportunity.



**“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.”**

**Tampa needs more churches laboring for the Gospel.**

# why tampa heights?

## 1

### strategic location

Tampa Heights is centrally located among The Heights District, Ybor City, Downtown, South Tampa and West Tampa. A church in this location has the potential to draw from a wide range of people and areas making it key for Gospel ministry and multiplication.

## 2

### rapid growth

119% Projected growth – According to Plan Hillsborough, zip code 33602 (Downtown & Tampa Heights) is expected to add 21,248 residents by the year 2045.



# 3

## campus ministry opportunity

University of Tampa is within a ten-minute drive of Tampa Heights, giving our church an excellent opportunity to minister to the campus.

# 4

## gospel need

According to MissionInsite, 72.1% of the residents in the target area are not involved in a religious congregation or community and 35% claim no religious preference.

***“Our vision is to plant a multiplying gospel-driven and disciple-making church to reach Tampa to reach the world for Christ.” – The Kings***



# ministry partners

## WASHINGTON

Chris & Mary Granberry  
Todd & Cindy Sproull

## CALIFORNIA

Buster & Gina Holmes  
Peter & Rebecca Jones  
Dan & Peggy Ruple

## UTAH

Ben & Melanie Kappers

## COLORADO

Tammy Murden  
Doug & Pam Nuenke  
Paul & Peggy Reynoso

## HAWAII

Leonard & Cecelia Mahoe

## TEXAS

Stephen & Eva Long  
Byron West  
Lee & Sarah Wright

## LOUISIANA

Shane & Vickie O'Hara

## MISSISSIPPI

Stuart Gunner  
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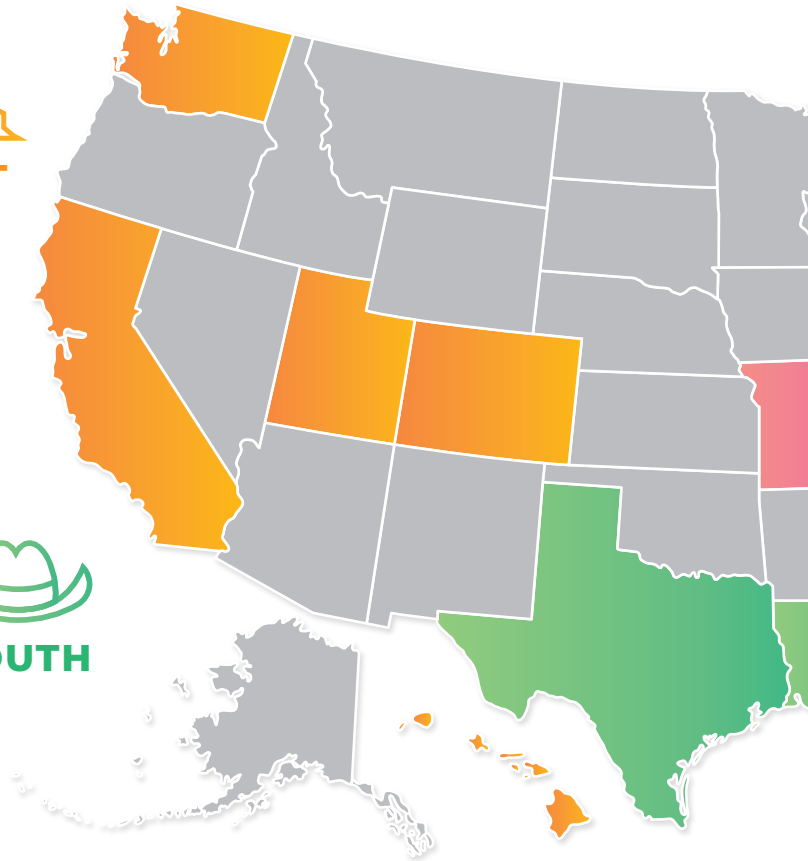
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## NEW MINISTRY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Blanket Fort Hope, one of National Mission's newest ministry partners, is committed to restoration and hope for every child trafficking survivor. Located near Birmingham, Alabama Blanket Fort Hope provides essential services, compassionate care and a Gospel witness for every child trafficking victim who enters their home.





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**“While our home will house nine girls, God has expanded our reach to allow us to place both boys and girls, ages 0-21 into our foster homes. God orchestrated this opportunity to position us to share the Gospel with child survivors, birth and foster families.”**



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# national & local organizations

Abortion Recovery Alabama  
Alabama Teen Challenge  
Angel Tree  
Aspire Movement  
Big Oak Ranch  
Birmingham Theological Seminary  
BTS Prison Initiative  
Briarwood Prison Ministry  
Chaplain Ministry, Mission to North America  
Engage 360 Ministries  
Focus on the Family  
Foundations Early Learning & Family Center  
French Camp Academy  
Gideon's International  
Grace House  
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Hope Health  
Institute for Creation Research  
Lifeline Children Services  
MNA Ministry to the State  
NorthStar Soccer Ministries  
Promise Christian Academy  
Reformed Theological Seminary  
Restoration Academy  
S.A.F.E (Sex and Family Education)  
Sav-a-Life  
Shepherd's Fold  
UHope Success Academy  
Urban Hope Community Church  
Urban Young Life  
The Wellhouse  
Westminster Theological Seminary



# get involved! what's next?

Has the Spirit called you to further engagement in His work? Are you interested in learning more about how you might serve on one of the teams here at Briarwood?

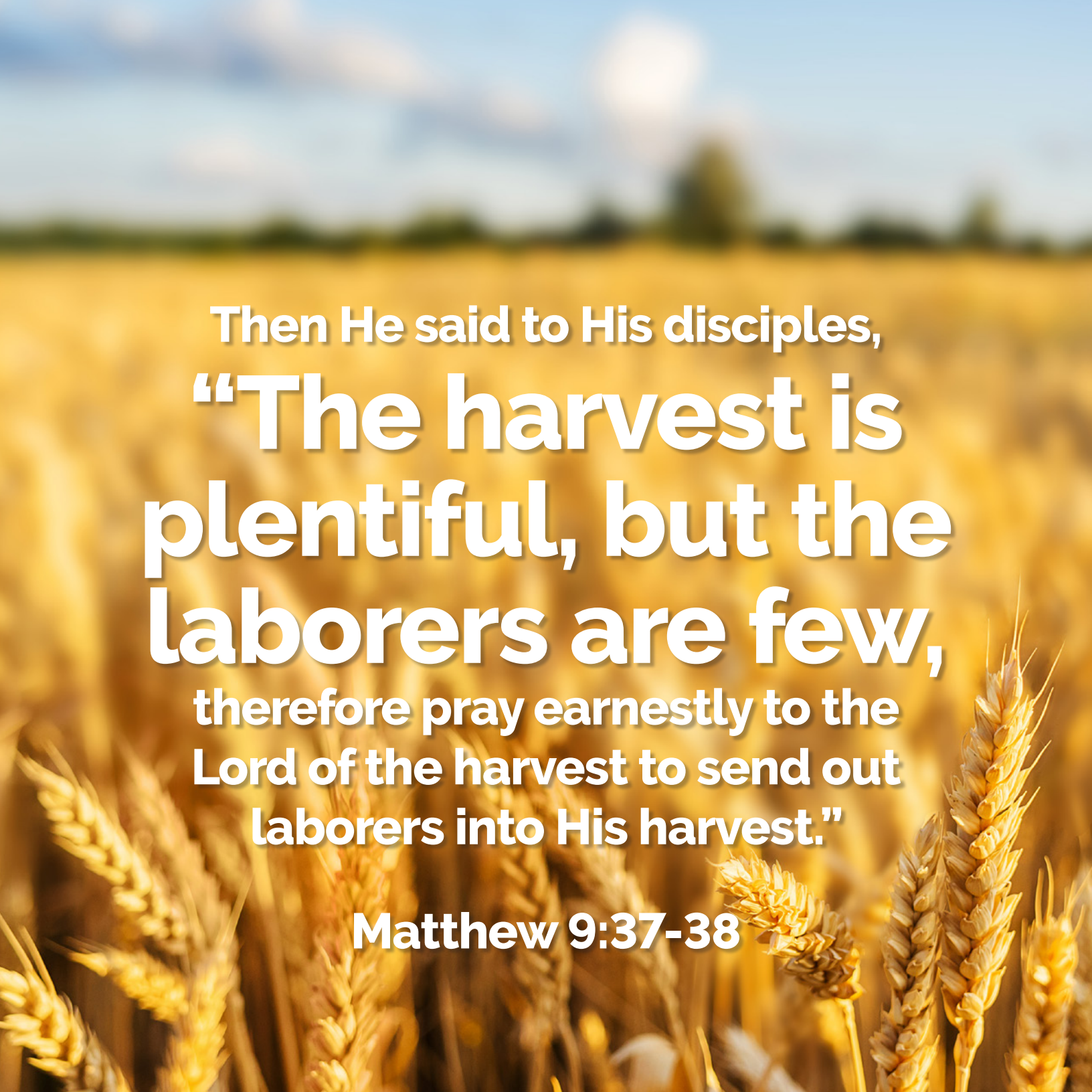
## WE WANT YOU TO ON THE TEAM!

Perhaps you have interest in one or more of the following areas:

- **Local Missions Team** | 205.776.5222 - [apwood@briarwood.org](mailto:apwood@briarwood.org)
- **Church Planting Team** | 205.776.5243 - [nmt@briarwood.org](mailto:nmt@briarwood.org)
- **Briarwood's Life Team** | 205.776.5243 - [nmt@briarwood.org](mailto:nmt@briarwood.org)
- **National Ministry Team** | 205.776.5243 - [nmt@briarwood.org](mailto:nmt@briarwood.org)
- **Church Revitalization** | 205.776.5243 - [lampstand@briarwood.org](mailto:lampstand@briarwood.org)

For a list of current mobilization opportunities, go to [briarwood.org/mobilization](http://briarwood.org/mobilization).

Please contact the Missions Office at [nmt@briarwood.org](mailto:nmt@briarwood.org) to get an explanation in further detail of what each team does and how you can become involved.

A golden wheat field under a bright sky with a sun flare. The wheat stalks are in the foreground, and the background is a vast field of wheat stretching to the horizon. The sky is a clear, bright blue with a large, soft sun flare in the upper center.

Then He said to His disciples,  
**“The harvest is  
plentiful, but the  
laborers are few,  
therefore pray earnestly to the  
Lord of the harvest to send out  
laborers into His harvest.”**

**Matthew 9:37-38**



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