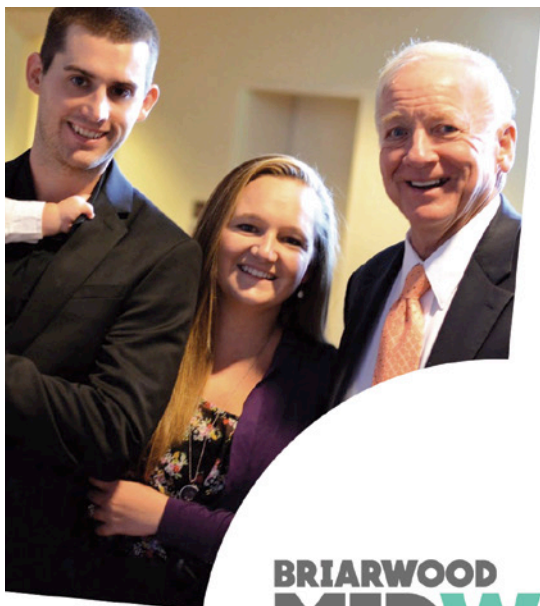


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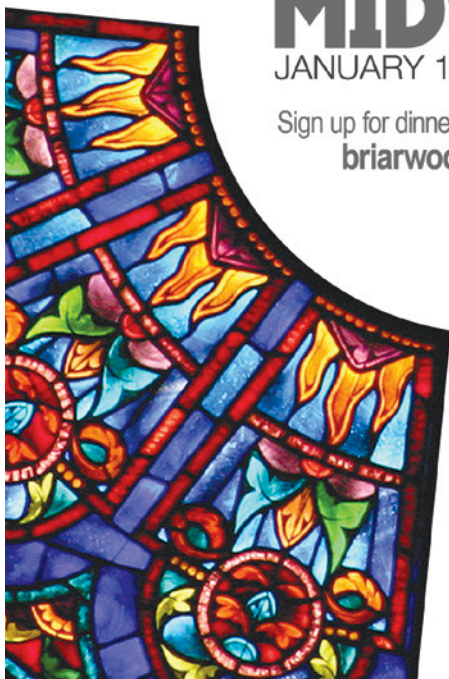
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## BRIARWOOD MIDWEEK

JANUARY 10–APRIL 25, 2018

Sign up for dinners, classes and nursery at:  
[briarwood.org/midweek](http://briarwood.org/midweek)



Briarwood  
Presbyterian Church, PCA

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[info@briarwood.org](mailto:info@briarwood.org)

# Spring Studies



## MOC

Men's studies begin  
the week of Jan. 8.

Studies meet  
Mon. morning, Tues. lunchtime,  
and Fri. morning.

Topics include:

- *Bridge Building*
- *Pilgrim's Progress* Book Study  
Email [Ireese@briarwood.org](mailto:Ireese@briarwood.org).

## WOC

Women's studies begin  
the week of Jan. 8.

See a list of  
classes and times  
in the brochure, on the App  
or on the website.

Contact

[lfinks@briarwood.org](mailto:lfinks@briarwood.org)  
or 776-5311 with questions.

**Find a complete list of studies  
and times on the Briarwood App.**

**[briarwood.org/men](http://briarwood.org/men)  
[briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women)**

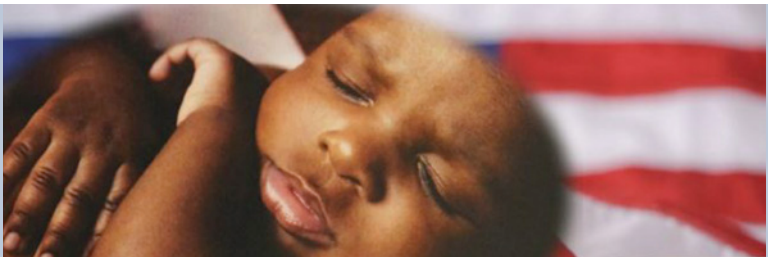
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I am grateful for the opportunity to write the opening communication for the first Weekly of 2018. The first reason that I am grateful is so that I can declare before the Lord how thankful that I am for the privilege to serve Him as your pastor. The presence and power of the Gospel of Christ in your life as a church family continues to both challenge and encourage not only me but Cindy as well. On a side note, let me thank you for the many kind thoughts, words and expressions of love throughout the year in general and the Advent season in particular.

This coming year is another year of significant opportunities. We want to follow up last year's theme with another ministry theme that is foundational to our mission and vision. The ministry theme encouraged by our elders is "L.E.A.D.: Lifestyle of Evangelism and Discipleship," which is certainly appropriate since our ministry theme focus and our prayers have been "Revive Us Again" this past year and the fruit of revival is not only authentic worship but also intentional personal evangelism joined with effective discipleship. I am so looking forward to our Lord's blessing upon this year's ministry theme. Oh to see multitudes come to Christ through intentional personal evangelism and then followed up with effective Christ-honoring and Bible-saturated discipleship.

I know this year holds many challenges economically, politically and culturally but I also know such times provide many wide open doors to extend the Kingdom through Christ-centered, Gospel-driven and Holy Spirit-empowered evangelism and disciple-making.

For Christ the Gospel and His Church,



## **Birmingham March for Life**

**Saturday, January 13, 10:45 AM**

**Brother Bryan Park**

22nd Street South at 10th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama

Rain, Snow or Shine

Bring your Family and your Friends!

Information: 205.705.9158

**BirminghamMarchforLife.org**



# LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICES

## Sunday Morning - 8:00 and 10:55 a.m.

I. L.E.A.D. in Biblical Perspective

*Lifestyle of Evangelism and Discipleship*

"The World-Shaking Ministry of the Apostles"

Luke 24:44-49; Acts 17:1-9

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

## Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.

"By His Love Compelled"

II Corinthians 5:11-20

Rev. Bobby Parks

## Serving in the Nursery

Sun., Jan. 7

Faithful Followers, Growing in Grace

## PRAYER FOCUS

**John Gibbons**

**Fellowship of Christian  
Athletes  
Alabama**

Pray for John Gibbons who serves as State Director of Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Alabama. Pray for the many students who are in need of a personal, life-changing relationship with our Lord and Savior, and for additional staff to meet the needs of FCA.

<b>Jan 5</b>	Jeff & Ann Nelson Children's Bible Mission • Alabama	Steve & Sherri Letchford SIM • Kenya
<b>Jan 6</b>	Doug & Pam Nuenke Navigators • Colorado	Marc & Sherri Lewis Campus Outreach • U.S./Intl
<b>Jan 7</b>	Shane & Vickie O'Hara Team 5:18 • Louisiana	Jack & Misty Lindsey Navigators • U.S./Intl
<b>Jan 8</b>	Jack & Diane Parker Cru • Alabama	Samuel & Mildred Ling China Horizon • U.S./ Intl
<b>Jan 9</b>	Steve Adams Briarwood Elder	Lester Mason Briarwood Deacon
<b>Jan 10</b>	Lance Black Briarwood Elder	Bill Rudd Briarwood Deacon
<b>Jan 11</b>	Kotaro Hamamatsu Japanese Pastor • Leadership Team	Urban Hope Community Church Fairfield

**Church Revitalization Ministry Prayer** • You are invited to gather for prayer Sun., Jan. 7 at 5:00 p.m. in W202. All are welcome.

**Pastor's Inquirers' Class** for newcomers and prospective members begins Jan. 7. It includes two Sunday morning classes (Jan. 7 and 14), Wed. night (Jan. 10) plus a weekend class (Sat. morning, Jan. 13). By attending, you are not obligated to join. For more information or to sign up for the class, call 776-5208 or email [wlong@briarwood.org](mailto:wlong@briarwood.org).

**Spring Friendship Partners** • Deadline for applications is Thurs., Jan. 11. Contact Laura at [ldanner@briarwood.org](mailto:ldanner@briarwood.org).

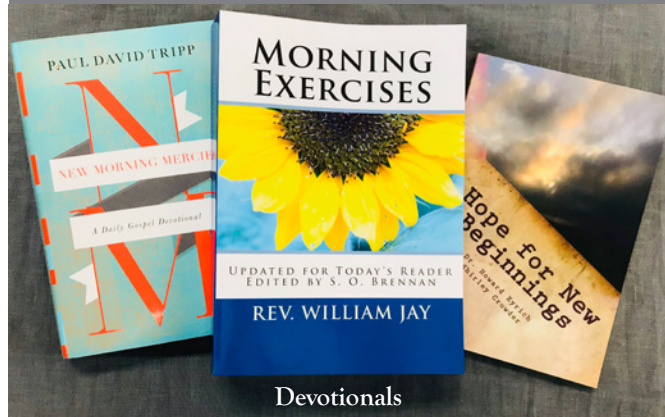
**BTS Seminar** • Jan. 11–13 Techniques of Church Planting, both will be Thurs.–Sat. from 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. For information, call 776-5356 or see [bts.education](http://bts.education).

## In the Bookstore

Begin 2018 with these recommendations to guide you through your study of the Bible!



Read-Through-the-Bible Plans for Adults and Children



Devotionals

Visit the Bookstore for these and other devotional materials.

**EXTENDED HOURS** on Wednesdays  
9:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. during MidWeek.

776-5210 • [briarwood.org/bookstore](http://briarwood.org/bookstore)

**Pro-Life Rally and March** in support of life will be held on Sat., Jan. 13 at 10:45 a.m. at Brother Bryan Park (22nd St./10th Ave. S). Legal and peaceful, rain or shine. Children are welcome! Details at [birminghammarchforlife.com](http://birminghammarchforlife.com).

**Embers to a Flame Conference** • Jan. 18–22. Volunteers needed to provide housing, loaner cars, transportation and to serve snacks and meals. Contact Lee at 776-5399 or [embers@briarwood.org](mailto:embers@briarwood.org).

**HONEY, STOP THE CAR...** I forgot to make my nursery reservations for 2018! Please remember to re-make your reservations on the Briarwood App or by going online to [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery) for your Bible Study, Wednesday Night, and weekday needs.

**CONNECT registration** • Only new students in K4–3rd grade should register now at [briarwood.org/connect](http://briarwood.org/connect).

**GriefShare** begins Wed., Jan. 10 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in W202. If you or someone you know is adjusting to the death of a loved one, come to this 13-session class.

**Crown Ministries** • Time to sign up for Crown MidWeek financial study. Joe Gibbs says the principles learned are powerful and life changing. Register at 776-5211 or [dmatthews@briarwood.org](mailto:dmatthews@briarwood.org).

**Become a Foster Parent** • Wed. night classes with Lifeline begin Jan. 17. Childcare available. This 10-week class licenses Shelby County parents to Foster/Adopt. Call Amy at 776-5364 or go to [briarwood.org/fostercare](http://briarwood.org/fostercare).

**TRAILBLAZER Travel: Final call** • “Fixer-Upper Tour of Texas” Mar. 19–24! We will see Dallas, Waco (featuring Magnolia Market), Austin, San Antonio. For details, email [delliott@briarwood.org](mailto:delliott@briarwood.org) or go to [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers).

**Intercessory Prayer** • Volunteer to pray for our worship services on Sunday mornings in the Prayer Room. Signup at [briarwood.org/intercessoryprayer](http://briarwood.org/intercessoryprayer).

**Pocket Change** • Deposit into wall containers around the church to be used by the Exec. Mercy Ministry Team to distribute food for those in need. Coin canisters are available at the Altadena House to collect at home.

**The Briarwood App** • Start the New Year right by adding our free app to your mobile device. Look for BriarwoodPCA in your app store and get the pastor’s programs, events, online forms, and much more with one button.

## BRIARWOOD MIDWEEK

### January 10 Dinner Menu

Chicken Sandwich, Sloppy Joes,  
Cheesy Potatoes, Green Salad, Dessert

For reservations, visit [briarwood.org/dinner](http://briarwood.org/dinner)  
or call 776-5238 by Tuesday at noon.

**Clothing Only, Please!** • Please do not leave any items at the church besides clothing for your Thrift Store donations. We have limited storage space in our shipping/receiving area. Thank you!

**Current Job Openings:**

**Children's Program Coordinator.** Full-time Children's Ministry. The Coordinator should have strong leadership skills, be personally engaged and involved in the programs for children, able to recruit, motivate and equip others in this programming area of Children's ministry. Send résumé to Page Dollar at [pdollar@briarwood.org](mailto:pdollar@briarwood.org).

**Nursery Sunday Supervisor.** Individual needed to work with three other supervisors to ensure safety and well-being of the children and coordinate church or S.S. attendance. If interested, email [acraig@briarwood.org](mailto:acraig@briarwood.org).

**Facilities Room Set-up Postitions.** Help needed to assist in setting up and breaking down rooms. Two shifts available: Full time, 2:30–10:00 p.m./Mon.–Fri. (with benefits); or Part time, 1:00–5:00 p.m./ Sat.–Sun. Call Dale 776-5231.

**President of Birmingham Theological Seminary (BTS).** Briarwood seeks a new President of BTS with a heart for its mission to provide sound biblical, practical theological training; gifted in vision casting, a proven fundraiser, and an effective recruiter. Send résumé to Amy Lattner at [alattner@briarwood.org](mailto:alattner@briarwood.org).

**Briarwood Christian School Superintendent.** Seeking a committed Christian leader to effectively lead our faculty to embrace the school's mission. Master's degree required.

**Briarwood Christian School Director of Accounting.** Full-time, includes benefits. For information on BCS positions, visit [briarwoodchristianschool.org/employment](http://briarwoodchristianschool.org/employment).

***See details on additional positions and how to apply by going online to [briarwood.org/employment](http://briarwood.org/employment).***

## BRIARWOOD FAMILIES

Our love and sympathy to **Mal Brown** and family on the death of his mother, **Ruby Delle Brown**, on Dec. 6; to **Terry Ray** and family on the death of his mother, **Marilyn Cruse Ray**, on Dec. 19; to **Tina Goebel** and family on the death of her sister, **Evelyn Jadick**, on Dec. 22; to the family of **member Sue Darnall** on her death on Dec. 24; to **Sherri Smith** and family on the death of her mother, **Barbara Smith**, on Dec. 25; to the family of **member Lil Green** on her death on Dec. 27; and to **Brenda Pennington, Lori Cooper** and **Leslie Carlton** and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, **Mary Frances Mayton**, on Dec. 30.