

THE

# BRIARWOOD WEEKLY

• MAY 4, 2018 •



## *The King's Garden*

May 12 – 2:30 & 7:00 p.m.

May 13 – 2:30 p.m.

Barbara B. Barker Auditorium • Briarwood High School

Tickets \$8 - Reserved seating  
[briarwood.org/balletevents](http://briarwood.org/balletevents)

*Briarwood Ballet*



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# **Community Worship Service**

*"O Praise His Name!"*



## **FEATURING:**

*Briarwood Choirs and Orchestra*

*Praise Teams and guest soloists*

*Birmingham Community Mass Choir*

*Track 7 Gospel Quartet*

**Sunday, May 6 • 6:00 p.m.**

**Briarwood Worship Center**



Summer is almost here, which means a busy season for our Graduates and Career Ministry. We'll kick off the summer with our annual Memorial Day Beach Retreat at Panama City Beach. This year's speaker is Jason Dollar, Senior Pastor of Rock Mountain Lakes Baptist Church in McCalla. Jason will be teaching excerpts from his book *Drowning Swine: How Christ Defeats Darkness, Demons, and Death*. These retreats are very strategic for our ministry because they not only deepen fellowship within

our community, but also provide a wonderful opportunity to pull away and set our focus on the Lord.

Next on the calendar is our Summer Series at the Caroline House—a weekly study in which we have a mix of teaching and small group discussion. This year we will discuss various topics in apologetics such as: “The Intolerance of the New Tolerance,” “How Can a Good God Allow Suffering?” and “Does Science Conflict with Christianity?” Our aim is not only to equip our members to better engage in gospel conversations, but to also provide an event to which they can invite those they are seeking to reach.

Finally, at the end of July we will send a team to Bristol, England to serve Headley Park Church in a Vacation Bible School program called Adventurers. As you may be aware, England is spiritually barren with few professing believers and even fewer gospel-centered churches. So it is a great joy to serve a church that not only takes Christ seriously, but also wants to advance God's kingdom by strategically engaging their community with outreach programs such as Adventurers.

Thank you so much for all your prayer and support. Please continue to pray for us as we seek to follow Christ and make Him known this summer.

*Stephen King*  
Graduate & Career Pastor

## *Great Mother's Day Gift Ideas* **now at the Briarwood Christian Bookstore!**



**Monday–Friday 9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. • Sunday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

# LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

XI. I Peter in Biblical Perspective

*The Elect in the Exile*

“Elect Exile Lifestyle Axiom #1 — The Hope that Purifies”

I Peter 1:13

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

## Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

“O Praise His Name!”

Community Worship Service

## Serving in the Nursery

Sun., May 6 ~

In One Accord, Growing in Grace

## PRAYER FOCUS

**Luke & Michelle  
Stannard  
Budapest, Hungary  
CRU**

Pray for Luke and Michelle Stannard with CRU in Hungary as he teaches the next generation to study Scripture; may hearts be open and communication clear. Pray for new plans to launch three short-term mission trips to recruit university students in this equipping and training for future ministry.

**May 4**

Tom & Linda Fritz  
CRU • Georgia

Shohei & Sawako Ueki  
Christ Bible Institute • Japan

**May 5**

Chris & Kristin Gadsden  
CRU • Missouri

Johan & Stephanie van der Westhuizen  
Mission to the World • Chile

**May 6**

Rob & Carla Genin  
YBL • Alabama

Richard & Louise Verreyne  
World Thrust • South Africa

**May 7**

John & Cindy Gibbons  
FCA • Alabama

Diego & Fabiana Vidal  
Campus Outreach • Brazil

**May 8**

Bob Roark  
Briarwood Elder

Doug Adair  
Briarwood Deacon

**May 9**

Mike Lanier  
Briarwood Elder

Chase Crawford  
Briarwood Deacon

**May 10**

Bruce Stallings  
Executive Pastor • Leadership Team

Discovery Clubs of Alabama

**Church Revitalization Ministry Prayer** • You are invited to gather for prayer Sun., May 6 at 5:00 p.m. in W202. All are welcome.

**Working Women's Bible Study (WW2T)** • Join us May 10 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. in the Board Directed Ministries Building as we study the Word and fellowship together. Sponsored by WOC and WBL. Nursery not available.

**The Persecuted Church Team** will meet for prayer in G103 on Sun., May 13, at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us to pray for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Caroline House Open House** • Wed., May 16 from 5:00–7:00 p.m. You are invited to drop in to see all the updates of the newly renovated Caroline House.

**Memorial Day Dinner** • Benefitting Support Our Soldiers Alabama, May 31 at 6:00 p.m. in the FH. The featured speaker is Dr. Jack Hawkins, Marine combat veteran and Chancellor of Troy University. Tickets are \$25 each or \$300/table of 8. Please RSVP by May 24 to 918-7976, or at [supportoursoldiersalabama.org](http://supportoursoldiersalabama.org).

**Interested in serving in the Birmingham area?** • Go to [briarwood.org/urban](http://briarwood.org/urban) for information on volunteering with our local ministry partners.

**L.E.A.D. Testimonies** • God has been faithfully using many of you to lead the lost to Christ. We want to join in celebrating with you what God has done, so if you have had an experience of sharing your faith or leading someone to Christ, then please email your story to Eric Reebals at [ereebals@briarwood.org](mailto:ereebals@briarwood.org) or call 776-5338.

**Worship Service Prayer Time** • Join us whenever you can in the Prayer Room during either the 8:00 a.m. or 10:55 a.m. Worship Service. This on-going intercessory prayer time is focused on the Worship Service, the health of our church and revival in each of our hearts.

**Camp Briarwood** • Give your child or grandchild the gift of a lifetime of memories that only summer camp can give! Registration is now open for June–July camps at [briarwood.org/camp](http://briarwood.org/camp).

**Get away to Florida with Pastor Reeder** • July 27–29 in Pensacola. McIlwain PCA, in partnership with the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals, will host *Insuppressible... Glory, Gospel, and the Design of Life*. For information, go to [briarwood.org/conferences](http://briarwood.org/conferences). The conference will feature the teaching of Douglas Axe, Gabriel Fluhrer, Derek Thomas and Pastor Reeder.

**Officer Nominations** • Deacon and Elder nominations for the Class of 2021 are being accepted from the congregation during the month of May. Nominating forms are available at the various information stations throughout the church. The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2018.

**TRAILBLAZER Travel** • Oct. 26–31 to Washington D.C., including the recently opened Museum of the Bible! Attend the Information Meeting for a discount on Tues., May 8 at 4:00 p.m. in FH-A. For information, go to email [dmatthews@briarwood.org](mailto:dmatthews@briarwood.org) or [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers).

**Current Job Openings:**

**Assistant to the Nursery Director.** Part-time position for a Briarwood member. If you are organized and love children, this job is for you! If interested, contact Alison Craig at [acraig@briarwood.org](mailto:acraig@briarwood.org) or call 776-5214.

**Administrative Assistant for Embers to a Flame.** A talented and detailed leader is needed to manage Briarwood's Church Revitalization ministry. Skills needed for this 28-hour per week position include the areas of social media, publications, database and conference management, financial record-keeping, and pastoral support. Contact Joseph Franks at [jfranks@briarwood.org](mailto:jfranks@briarwood.org).

**Junior High Ministry Director.** Full-time position working under the Youth Pastor to include programming, personal ministry, volunteer recruiting and developing, assisting parents, discipling and shepherding students. Send résumé to [jshaw@briarwood.org](mailto:jshaw@briarwood.org) or call 776-5269.

**Part-Time Accountant.** Briarwood seeks a part-time accountant with prior experience in compensations and benefits. Three years accounting experience, proficiency in Microsoft Office and accounting degree preferred. Hours are Mon.–Fri. 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Email résumé to [fmorris@briarwood.org](mailto:fmorris@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.

**Teacher Positions.** See current openings and job descriptions at [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).**



**SUMMER FUN**  
For KIDS

**Make your plans for summer for spiritual growth and having fun, too!**  
[briarwood.org/summerkids](http://briarwood.org/summerkids)

# VBS: JUNE 4–8

## “UNDER CONSTRUCTION”

### FROM 9:00 A.M. TO NOON

**VBS Shepherd Meetings** are Tues., May 15 at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in FH A&B. All rising K5–6th grade shepherds should make plans to attend one of the meetings. Nursery is available for the morning meeting with a reservation at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).

**VBS registration is underway!** Register your children at [briarwood.org/vbs](http://briarwood.org/vbs) by May 31.

**We need YOU...**to help with VBS.

- Nursery shepherds needed for the 2's, 3's, or 4's. Sign up at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).
- 6 rising 3rd–6th grade VBS shepherds are still needed. Please email Raleigh Macoy to sign up at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org).

**Preschool VBS/Nursery is open to children of VBS volunteers only.** To register for preschool VBS/nursery use the password provided to volunteers online.

**Calling all nurses!** VBS needs one more nurse per day June 4–8 from 8:45 a.m.—12:15 p.m. each day. Please email Raleigh Macoy if you are available any day of VBS at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org).

**Register to be a VBS Teen Helper!** Rising 7th–12th grade teens register at [briarwood.org/vbsteen](http://briarwood.org/vbsteen). Rising 7th and 8th grade teens **MUST** have a parent volunteering at VBS to be a teen helper. Register **EARLY**—we are only taking 100 teens!

## BRIARWOOD FAMILIES

- We rejoice with **Harrison and Julia Jones** on the birth of their son, **Harrison “Harris” William, Jr.**, on Apr. 24, and with his grandparents **Charlie and Lisa Hoke**.
- Our love and sympathy to **Diane Parker** and family on the death of her brother, **David Flatt**, on Apr. 21; to **Shirley Turpin, Tommy Turpin, Jenni Saville** and family on the death of their husband and father, **member Curtis Turpin**, on Apr. 26; and to **Mary Hargrove** and family on the death of her husband, **member Harry Hargrove**, on May 1.
- Congratulations to Joseph Bannon Ricketts and Sarah Elaine Whittle who were married on Sun., April 22 in Pensacola, Florida.