

BRIARWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**A LIFESTYLE OF
FAITHFUL GIVING**

2019

EVERY MEMBER COMMITMENT

WHAT IS THE EVERY MEMBER COMMITMENT (EMC)?

1) **EMC (Tithe)** — The EMC occurs annually and funds the church's day-to-day ministries such as worship, community outreach, operations, meeting our members' spiritual needs, and equipping us to be salt and light in this world.

2) **Faith Promise (Offering above the tithe)** — The Faith Promise occurs annually and funds Briarwood's world missions ministries.

3) **Capital Campaigns (Offering above the tithe)** — Capital campaign resources fund new building programs, campus expansion, debt reduction, and other one-time needs.

“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much...”

Luke 16:10

On the following pages you'll find a brief description of some of the ministries your tithe supports, along with ministry impact stories illustrating the significance of your tithe in the lives of others.



BIRMINGHAM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

BTS was established in 1972 to provide practical theological training for pastors and other church leaders, especially those unable to attend seminary full time. During the seminary's 45-year history, more than 5,000 students have taken courses, and BTS graduates serve in churches and ministries throughout Alabama and beyond. Through its distance education program and international relationships BTS now has students (in Spanish and English) in over 130 countries.

MINISTRY IMPACT

A BTS student, Carl, is studying Biblical Counseling because he desires to continue to grow his skills in counseling while serving as a missionary pastor to First Nation Tribes with Village Missions in Snohomish, WA. He states that BTS offers an outstanding program from a Reformed perspective and delivers it in such a way that he can study while continuing his ministry. Many of the people he counsels are seeking help with marriage and family problems, so he is able to immediately apply what he has learned in class in his ministry setting.

BRIARWOOD BALLET

Since 1980, thousands of students have been taught to use dance for the praise and worship of our Savior at Briarwood Ballet. Our performing companies—Ballet Exaltation and Immanuel—perform locally, nationally and internationally. This year over 400 area students will receive dance training that is artistically excellent and biblically based. We also strive to share the gospel with each student while using productions as an opportunity to allegorically present God's truths.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"I came to Briarwood Ballet from a professional dancing career, and to say that the Lord rescued me would be an understatement. My experience in the professional world was like drinking from a well that could not replenish itself. I became weary—neglecting my spiritual needs, and my life became very dark. When I connected with Briarwood Ballet, the Lord showed me that I needed to re-learn why I was dancing, for Whom I was dancing, and how I was to use my body to honor Him. That is exactly what Briarwood Ballet did." ~ Briarwood Ballet Instructor



BRIARWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

As a ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church, BCS is committed to providing a Christ-centered environment and education based on academic excellence through exemplary leaders who will challenge and inspire each student to know Christ and make Him known in every sphere of life.

MINISTRY IMPACT

One of the great things happening at BCS is our student missions program. Through this program our students are engaging with the Gospel through cross-cultural, kingdom-building experiences. This past year we built a house for a family in Haiti, shared the Gospel among tribes in Panama, and operated medical clinics in Nicaragua and Guatemala that saw many people come to know Christ. But not only is God doing great things through this program, He is also doing great things in the lives of our students as He calls them into a deeper relationship with Him that extends to the nations. 111 students, faculty, alumni, and parents participated in this year's trips.



CAMPUS OUTREACH

Briarwood Presbyterian Church began Campus Outreach in 1978 with two staff members on one campus. Today there are 710 Campus Outreach staff members serving 126 campuses in 11 countries. Our mission is to build Christ-like laborers on the campus for the lost world for the Glory of God.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Ministry in Thailand is very hard. For the past 28 years CO Thailand has typically seen one man come to Christ for every five women that came to Christ. They have prayed that God would bless the men's ministry. Since January 2018, CO Khon Kaen University has seen at least one Thai man come to Christ each month. Six men came to Christ in June alone. The ministry at Khon Kaen is now beginning to multiply with more and more men being discipled and discipling others. Please continue to pray for multiplying fruit on all of our campuses around the world.



BIBLICAL COUNSELING

The Briarwood Biblical Counseling ministry is a place of marital reconciliation, personal growth, and community development. We provide personal counseling for a variety of life issues as well as train lay counselors and mentors who assist and extend the reach of the pastoral staff. We contribute to the mission of Briarwood to reach Birmingham to reach the world for Christ through counseling, training, and assisting other churches establish biblical counseling ministries.

MINISTRY IMPACT

A man came to counseling whose wife had left him for another man. He came for months. At first he was angry and condemning, but over the months he softened. One day his wife came. Her words were clipped and she didn't make eye contact, but she came. And then she came again. And then they came together. The weeks passed and they began to hold hands. Then she moved home and they renewed their wedding vows. She told me that they were checking into a hotel one night and the clerk told them that she wished she could have a marriage like theirs. She told her that a year before they had been separated and she had moved in with another man. The clerk was stunned and asked what happened. She told her about the Lord and the counseling ministry at Briarwood.

CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNITIES

In order to place the emphasis on our need for communion with Christ and community with other Christians, we refer to our adult Sunday School classes as Congregational Communities. These 31 vibrant communities are where many of our members find a place to participate in the body of Christ with fellow Christians. In addition to excellent teaching, our Congregational Communities assist our members in connecting with others in our church with whom they can fellowship and provide ministry.

MINISTRY IMPACT

In light of our LEAD theme this year, several of our congregational communities have placed a special concentrated emphasis on praying for their lost friends and family. During this focused effort, one community has experienced a special movement of the Holy Spirit in seeing several of their family members profess faith in Christ. The results have served to encourage these members and spur them on to pray together in anticipation of how the Lord will continue to grow their faith.

CHRISTIAN MEDICAL MINISTRY OF ALABAMA

CMMA was established in 1982 to reach and disciple those in the healthcare professions, especially students in medicine, dentistry, physical therapy, etc. We also work with professionals in each field. We *“care for those who care for others”* so that they can survive the rigors of training, thrive spiritually and multiply to help reach the world for Christ. CMMA impacts 250–350 students and professionals each week.

MINISTRY IMPACT

“We shared the gospel with a patient who was not ready to receive Christ because she was in a tough season in her marriage and her husband was ‘a man of the streets’. She felt she was not good enough. I told her how I, too, struggle with this and have tried to present the ‘better me’ to Jesus but always fail. Jesus is aware of our struggles, yet died for us when we were still sinners! She did not accept Christ, but she tearfully accepted a Bible and expressed a desire to read it. We believe a seed was planted.”

~ CMMA Student



THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The Children's Ministry at Briarwood desires to partner with parents to lead children to a saving, growing relationship with Christ by presenting the Gospel, training children to worship and equipping them to impact others for God's glory.

MINISTRY IMPACT

During CONNECT (4th–6th grade) last March, we taught about what it means to seek Christ. We discussed how we have a desperate need for a Savior and that Jesus is our deliverer. The next day an email arrived from one of our parents saying their daughter needed to talk. She explained to them how she recognized that she is a sinner and in need of Jesus as her Lord and Savior. After further discussion they led their daughter in a prayer for salvation. We are rejoicing with this family and continue to seek ways to lead her in her walk with the Lord.



CHURCH REVITALIZATION

The church revitalization ministry equips and encourages church leaders to build healthy churches that produce healthy disciples. At our national and international Embers to a Flame conferences, we teach ten biblical strategies leading to church health and the three-fold paradigm for church revitalization found in Rev. 2:5—REMEMBER, REPENT, AND RECOVER. Three to four conferences are held annually and church leaders are urged to follow-up with our coaching ministry, Fanning the Flame. In addition, the Embers to a Flame ministry is now working alongside other evangelical denominations as they seek to establish church revitalization ministries.

MINISTRY IMPACT

The Church Revitalization Ministry was blessed to lead an Embers to a Flame Conference in Taipei, Taiwan in March of 2018. Over 350 pastors/church leaders from 16 countries (many of which were Muslim countries) gathered to study the attributes and characteristics foundational and essential for church health. This was a great time of fellowship and training for all those present. We continue to follow-up with our brothers in Christ as we seek to establish an Asian Center for Pastor Training.



THE COLLEGE MINISTRY

We are a community of college students from around the Birmingham area who gather at Briarwood on Sunday morning and in various settings for development and outreach during the week. We desire to be a community that seeks to worship the Lord, engage in Christian fellowship, love and encourage one another, and to reach our campuses, city, and the world for Christ.

MINISTRY IMPACT

One of our small group volunteers, Ernie Brown, is living out and modeling this year's LEAD theme for his group of college students from UAB, Samford, and BSC. Ernie is constantly trying to establish these men in the disciplines of the Christian life by teaching them how to study God's Word, pray, and the importance of biblical community. They are all working together to gain a vision to share with their classmates and coworkers through evangelism. Please pray for Ernie and the other College Ministry staff and volunteers as they participate in and lead students to live a lifestyle of evangelism and discipleship.

BRIARWOOD FELLOWS

The vision of the Briarwood Fellows is to develop future generations of leaders from the church to the world. We equip recent college graduates to influence their vocation, church, family and culture. Our Fellows invest nine months working in marketplace internships, in ministry within the church and city along with theological study in order to be thoroughly equipped to engage our culture with the Gospel. The Briarwood Fellows is entering its 7th class and has graduated 67 Fellows.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Briarwood Fellows graduates are now mobilized from Colorado to New York City and engaged in lifestyles of evangelism and discipleship, seeking to live a seamless life for Christ and His Kingdom. Like Allison, who teaches at an urban school in Memphis, or Nathan, a dentist in rural Alabama, or Ben, a talented carpenter and furniture maker who has created a non-profit to train inmates in the craft of high end furniture making. He has created a way to pay inmates for their work while in prison by holding their earnings in an account that is waiting for them as a nest egg to start a new life after incarceration.

GRADUATES AND CAREER

Graduates and Career (G&C) is a community for young single adults, early 20's to mid 30's. We are focused on growing in personal spiritual formation, servant leadership and revealing Christ to the world around us. Our goal is to train and equip individuals to navigate the culture and relationships in ways that honor and glorify God.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"Reaching out to Internationals has been the sweetest gift from the Lord. He has taught me about Himself and His heart for the nations. Specifically, I have seen him pursue two of my friends who come from Buddhist and Muslim backgrounds. It started by us relating over some trials we have experienced, and God used that to open them up to conversations about Jesus. We have now been studying the Bible together for several months and God is showing them Himself through a Creation to Christ study. I am learning patient endurance while I pray for the Spirit to open their eyes through the Bible and friendship." ~ G&C Member



MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Ministry's goal is to glorify God by helping our visitors and members connect to Christ and His church here at Briarwood. We focus on providing a warm welcome to our guests, connecting new members into the body through our Christ-centered assimilation objectives, and partnering with seasoned members in providing continued support and guidance in various ministry endeavors. This is facilitated through various small group meetings and partnering with other church ministries.

MINISTRY IMPACT

In the past year, we had a young woman join our church who is new to our area and was nervous about being away from the comforts of home, family and friends. She said that at first it was intimidating to consider attending Briarwood due to its size, but decided to try it because she heard from friends that it is a great church. To her delight, she became friends with several other young adults in similar situations as her at Briarwood. She also said that the combination of being part of community and the teaching of Briarwood moved her to join. Since becoming a member, she has gotten involved in several ministries and continues to grow in her relationship with the Lord and other believers.



MEN'S MINISTRY

We believe that Christ-like men of character and conviction is one of the highest priorities in the mission of Briarwood. Discipleship-oriented courses make up the nucleus of the Men's Ministry, enhanced by special events such as the Sportsman's Blast, Men's BBQ Dinner and Men's Retreats. All work together to focus on equipping men to "act like men of God."

MINISTRY IMPACT

I Samuel 16:7 says, "...For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." In our Men's ministry we desire to be authentic before each other and honest before the Lord. This year we have seen several men in honesty and transparency share about their struggles and ask for help. They have been meeting with other men for accountability, discipleship, prayer and the study of God's Word.



MERCY MINISTRY

The Mercy Ministry of Briarwood is committed to ministering to those in need. The deacons and volunteers of the Mercy Ministry are able to engage in the lives of both members and non-members and to walk with them through times of struggles and offer them the mercy of God. The Mercy Ministry also dispenses the mercy of God through New Direction Ministry in Fairfield and Fostering Hope.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Several years ago a woman who graduated from our New Focus financial literacy class was diagnosed with cancer. She called the Mercy Pastor to tell him of this battle and for the next 14 months, she would call him weekly and they would pray together. One of the major prayer requests was for the salvation of her son and daughter. She talked a lot about the dream of seeing both her children come to Christ. In January of 2018, her Savior called her home. Several weeks after her funeral, her son and daughter, along with her sister sat in the office of the Mercy Pastor. The discussion about their mother led to an open door for the Gospel. Both the son and the daughter came to Christ that day. Their mom is celebrating in the presence of her Savior over the salvation of her children.

MIDWEEK

Briarwood MidWeek is a Wednesday night fellowship and discipleship opportunity for the entire family. The evening begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall and is followed by a host of activities including: Bible studies, adult choir rehearsal, seminary classes, evangelism training, children's programs, nursery, and Youth Ministry activities. For a full list of MidWeek opportunities, visit briarwood.org/midweek or the Briarwood App.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Recently a new member commented that he came to a MidWeek dinner with his wife as they were visiting the church. She went to a Bible study leaving him to pick something to do. He found his way to a men's group where he was challenged with an issue that was a major stumbling block for him and his family. Through the quarter he was encouraged to trust God in finding victory over that struggle. As a result, he has experienced healing over that sin and a renewed love for Christ.



MOTHER'S DAY OUT

This fall MDO begins our 31st year of loving children! We have a wonderful group of teachers who love, nurture and teach each child in our care. Our deepest desire is that these precious children hear about and experience the love of the Lord! We want each parent to feel fully confident that their child will be well cared for and loved each and every day while they are at Mother's Day Out.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"What a blessing to come alongside parents in training up a child in the way they should go! It is a joy teaching about and sharing the love of Christ with children. We share Bible stories and explain to our kids that it is not enough to simply know about Jesus but they must have a relationship with Him by asking Him to forgive their sins and to save them. Several have gone home from Mother's Day Out and talked with their parents about asking Jesus into their heart. We are blessed each time a parent shares with us that their child prayed to receive Christ. To God be the glory, great things He has done!" ~ MDO Teacher

MUSIC AND WORSHIP

The Music and Worship Ministry exists to equip Christians to worship, mainly through our Lord's Day morning and evening worship services. This enables God's people to more effectively fulfill the calling God has given us to make disciples (and ultimately worshipers) of all the nations. The Music Ministry provides opportunities for all members, ages five and up, to find their voice in worship through graded choirs, youth choirs, the Chancel (adult) choir, orchestra, praise teams and bands.

MINISTRY IMPACT

A new choir member from the singles ministry told me that he was so encouraged by a particular sermon of Pastor Reeder's on evangelism that he prayed for the Lord to show him someone to talk to. Within a day or so, he ran into another young man of another religion and struck up a conversation on music. They have developed a friendship. "I don't know where this is going to go, John," he told me, "but I'm going to talk to him about Jesus because I'm taking music ministry and evangelism seriously for the first time in my life. This is a blast!" ~ John Haines, Worship Pastor



NATIONAL MISSIONS

Briarwood's National Ministries Department currently partners with 130 stateside ministry workers and organizations committed to reaching the lost for Christ. National Ministries' focus includes church planting, ministry partnerships, and urban ministry. In regards to church planting, we are hoping to focus on non-Gospel-saturated locations. Our partnerships include ministries which take the Gospel to prisons, college campuses, military bases, recovery programs, etc. Our urban ministry focuses primarily on the city of Fairfield, Alabama where Briarwood is currently investing in church planting and other holistic ministries.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"As a runner for the University of Alabama track team, I feel like track can become my idol. Track used to distract me from putting the Lord first in my life. I started cutting out social media and using my phone for more Christ-centered communication with others and to help me memorize scripture. The more I keep my mind on God the less I idolize things. So in this season of growing I've gained more than I have lost because I am choosing to pursue the Lord." ~ CRU Member



NURSERY

The Briarwood Nursery provides a service to the parents of the church by providing a safe and pleasant atmosphere in which to leave their children while they pursue spiritual growth and fellowship with other believers. We are open during church on Sunday and Wednesday nights during MidWeek classes. We are also open to meet the needs of church members and Briarwood School, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"The Briarwood Nursery was an incredible ministry to my family during a highly stressful time last year. We had newborn twins, a 2-year old and my husband was out of town every weekend for training, including missing church. I would not have made it each week without the encouragement and love of the nursery staff. They knew my kids, our routine, loved on them and me, and even helped me out to my car on occasion. They are thoughtful, kind, qualified childcare specialists and friends, and I'm thankful for them and their ministry to my family every day." ~ Briarwood Member

PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care Ministry serves as part of the Shepherding Team and assists elders, pastors and Congregational Communities in caring for members and friends of the church—especially in times of sickness, disability, bereavement or family crisis. Through specially trained laymen and women, we also serve homebound members and widows.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Sometimes, because of various circumstances, including illness, the attendance and involvement of church members can become sporadic. Recently, one such member was hospitalized for an ailment. Members of the staff and Sunday School class made their normal visits to him in the hospital and the impact was profound. Following his illness, his wife wrote that his attendance at services improved dramatically, and he later told her with delight, “My church showed up for me!” Such visits are part of the “lifestyle of discipleship” which truly renews people in their relationship with Christ.

PRAYER MINISTRY

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus for you.” 1 Thess. 5:16–18. The Prayer Ministry at Briarwood exists to “glorify God through providing opportunities and equipping Christians to pray in order to impact Birmingham to reach the world for Christ.”

MINISTRY IMPACT

Prayer is an essential part and focus of Briarwood Church and God’s people. There are many ways to participate in prayer at Briarwood. After each service, several members stand ready to pray for and with anyone in need. During the Sunday worship services the Prayer Room is available for prayer. There are weekly prayer groups that pray for the nation. Sunday School classes gather prayer requests and send them out so class members can pray for each other. The Pastoral Care Ministry sends out a list of those in the hospital, those with family members who are in the hospital or have gone on to be with the Lord. The National Day of Prayer is observed each year at Briarwood and the Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast is attended to pray for officials in our cities, the State of Alabama and the nation. Corporate prayer is available through special times each year. This fall, there was a Prayer Summit on September 22 at Briarwood with Rev. Al Baker leading.



QUEST (RECREATION)

All the ministries of Quest exist to provide our youth God-honoring recreation. Camp Briarwood is a summer camp ministry for grades 1–10. Begun in 1964, Camp Briarwood has served as a camp and leadership training ground for approximately 20,000 children and counselors. The Briarwood Soccer Club was established in 1981 to provide instruction on the game of soccer; but more importantly, to use the game to further the Gospel of Christ. The club has grown to participation of over 1000 players and coaches annually. Trail Life USA is a Christ-centered, outdoor, character-developing adventure program open to boys and young men aged 5–17.

MINISTRY IMPACT

“Trail Life has been an amazing experience for both my son and for me. He loves the monthly adventures; I love how he’s growing spiritually, almost without him even knowing it. We’ve both made great new friends who share our faith, and we’re having a blast and building a stronger father-son relationship by going fishing, camping, building pine cars, and having new experiences together. It’s a fantastic ministry experience for young men and their dads.” ~ Trail Life Father



SPECIAL CONNECTIONS

The vision of the Special Connections Ministry is for the Gospel to be made accessible to all as the body of Christ shows equal concern for people with disabilities and their families. The ministry provides teaching and worship opportunities as well as care for children, youth and adults with special needs. High school buddies accompany the children to inclusive Sunday School classes as well as Vacation Bible School. The ministry also provides respite care and numerous other activities throughout the year.

MINISTRY IMPACT

“This is the first time my husband and I have been able to attend church together since our son was born.’ ‘Our child was not welcomed in the church we were attending.’ These are a few of the comments I have heard from parents coming to Briarwood who are seeking a place where their child with special needs would be accepted, cared for and would hear the Gospel message proclaimed. Making the Gospel accessible is vital in teaching our children and adults with special needs about the saving grace of Jesus each week through Bible lessons and worship.” ~ June Cork, Special Connections Director

TRAILBLAZERS

Trailblazers is a ministry to all adults over 55 here at Briarwood, many of whom God used to help build this church. Goals of the ministry include helping seniors grow spiritually, integrating them into the life of the church through service, providing educational seminars, fellowship luncheons, and using excursions to increase their awareness of the creative majesty of our great God.

MINISTRY IMPACT

Recently the Trailblazers group went to a large shipping warehouse in Atlanta to assist with the packing of shoe-boxes for Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse. These shoe-boxes are filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Our group worked in a station that specifically prepared boxes that went to children in sensitive areas of the world where Christianity is prohibited.



WALK THROUGH NATIVITY

The Walk Through Nativity is a moving depiction of the story of Jesus Christ's birth and life presented by our congregation over 3 nights each December. This is an exciting opportunity for our Briarwood family, as more than 950 volunteers join together to reach out to our community and share God's love and the good news of Jesus Christ. We are expecting over 7,000 people to come this year and hear the story of Christ through 14 scenes with audio narration, live actors, and live animals.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"I brought a friend to the Walk Through Nativity last year who, when standing at the crosses, asked me, 'Why did Jesus have to die on the cross and rise again'? I shared the Gospel of Christ with her and she agreed to study the Bible with me. After about six months, she received Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. She brought her unbelieving husband to this year's Walk Through Nativity. Pray with us that he will receive Christ also." ~ Briarwood Member

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The Women of the Covenant Mission Statement is "Equipping women to know God, and to glorify Him in our Home, Church, Community, and World." We seek to do this through Bible studies, small groups, retreats and special events designed for personal spiritual growth as well as opportunities to reach out to family, friends, and our community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

MINISTRY IMPACT

The Women's Ministry started a Prayer Walking initiative in January to get women engaged in praying for their neighbors. As they walk, the women have specifically prayed for opportunities for gospel conversations. Phyllis Walton, who lives in the Brookdale Senior Center, said, "I was walking last week and had so much fun! I know it is serious business, but running into folks in the hallway sometimes results in face-to-face prayer. To hear requests, pray together, and see folks respond with joy is great. I call it a 'blessing bonus.'"



YOUNG BUSINESS LEADERS

Since 1981, the mission of YBL has been to reach men in the marketplace, build them in the faith and send them back to their families, communities, nation and world for God's glory. In 2014, we launched the same mission to women in the marketplace. On any day of the work week, men and women are seeking to worship God and live a life that reflects Him wherever they work, serve and lead. Our discipleship groups, outreach events and mentors build friendship, accountability and direction to live biblically every day.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"A young man attended our Summer Series at Samford. He had begun to work for one of our guests on the panel. On his response card he checked every box for involvement and called me that afternoon. At lunch the next day we went over the Bridge to Life diagram. He had not made that commitment, but was in process. He asked if he could take the napkin home and I encouraged him to show it to his wife. He's planning on attending one of our studies. I can't wait to see what will be his God story." ~ YBL Leader

YOUNG MARRIEDS

Believing that our young couples are the next generation of elders and leaders, the Young Couples Ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church exists to bring Glory to God by equipping young couples for the work of the ministry in order that they be rooted and built up in Christ, established in the faith, and growing towards maturity as a part of Christ's Church.

MINISTRY IMPACT

"There is a gentleman I see almost daily that I've been witnessing to over the past 12 months. He's very judgmental and critical towards Christians. I've been able to find common ground in our discussions and we have formed a nice friendship. Some days I never mention my faith, and other days I'll pivot to the Gospel based on the topic of our conversation. He's still not a Christian, but it's been encouraging to see his heart slowly soften. Knowing what eternity looks like for an unbeliever is what drives me to want to share my faith. I certainly don't do it perfectly, but I've tried to make it a habit over the last year, primarily through building friendships and letting spiritual conversations flow from those relationships." ~ Briarwood Member

YOUTH MINISTRY

The Youth Ministry has touched the lives of thousands of young people throughout the years through retreats, conferences and mission trips. Over the last several years, The Youth Barn has enhanced and facilitated even more ministry opportunities to our youth, both here in the church and in the community. Through weekly meetings, discipleship groups and special events, the Lord has blessed us to reach and disciple more and more students for Christ!

MINISTRY IMPACT

This year our 7th–12th graders have had a focus on reaching their schools and friends with the Gospel. One of our high school students, Ben, invited a big group of his friends to an event at The Barn last fall. Over time, one of his friends, Max, started showing interest in Christ because of the way Ben modeled Christ in his own life. Max noticed a difference! Through the Lord's working and Ben's faithfulness to show Christ love, Max was led to Christ by Ben and one of the youth staff!



THESE MINISTRIES BENEFIT FROM YOUR FAITHFUL TITHE:

- Administrative Services
- Birmingham Theological Seminary
- Briarwood Ballet
- Briarwood Christian School
- Campus Outreach
- Children's Ministries
- Christian Counseling Ministry
- Christian Education
- Christian Medical Ministry
- Church Planting
- Church Revitalization
- Church and State
- College Ministry
- Communications
- Congregational Communities (Adult Sunday School)
- Discipleship Groups
- Evangelism
- Fellows Ministry
- Grace Ladies
- Graduates and Career (G&C)
- In Perspective Radio
- L.O.V.E. Ministry
- Membership
- Men of the Covenant
- Mercy Ministry
- MidWeek @ Briarwood
- Mother's Day Out
- Music Ministry for all ages
- National Ministries (130 Ministry Partners)
- Nursery
- Pastoral Care
- Prayer Ministry
- Quest/Recreation Ministry
- Shepherding
- Special Connections
- Trailblazers/Senior Adult Ministry
- Urban Missions
- Vacation Bible School
- WLJR-FM
- Walk Through Nativity
- Women of the Covenant
- Young Business Leaders
- Youth Ministry





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