

THE

BRIARWOOD WEEKLY

• JANUARY 18, 2019 •

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LEADING THE

GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2019

NATIONS TO JESUS

FEBRUARY 24-MARCH 3

With Featured Speaker:
NEIL STEWART

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MERCY MINISTRY

Diaper & Wipe Drive



Sun., Jan. 20

Support Fostering Hope Ministry
Leave diapers and wipes behind your vehicle for
the Mercy Ministry to collect while you are in church.



Our theme for 2019 is LEAD—Lifestyle of Evangelism and Discipleship, with an emphasis this year on discipleship. So what does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? Well, that can be complicated, and as Pastor Reeder often says, “You can’t fit it on a bumper sticker.” That being said, here’s a definition:

A mature disciple of Christ is one—who by the power of the Holy Spirit—has embraced the gospel and joyfully strives to glorify God with his or her entire being through Christ’s preeminence in every aspect of life. Disciples are grounded in the Word of God, steadfast in faith, growing in holiness, marked by love, a vitally functioning members of a local church. Disciples are equipped and contributing to the advancement of the Kingdom of God while living expectantly in the hope of the return of Christ.

At Briarwood, we want to be disciples, and we want to make disciples. In order for us to make disciples we have to first seek to be one. How thankful I am for our church, where becoming a mature disciple is the hope for every member. One opportunity to grow in maturity is through our MidWeek ministry. MidWeek dinners and studies are on Wednesday nights, beginning with dinner from 5:15–6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. At 6:30 p.m., everyone in the family can participate in opportunities such as choir, seminary, evangelism training, men’s and women’s or co-ed studies, and children and youth activities. MidWeek offers many opportunities, so please visit briarwood.org/midweek to reserve a spot for dinner and a place in the nursery. Don’t miss out— sign up today and let’s encourage one another to be mature disciples of Christ.

Eric Reebals

Director of Evangelism and Discipleship



*Please join us
Sun., Jan. 27
in celebrating
Harry and Cindy
Reeder’s
50th wedding anniversary
at a reception in the
Fellowship Hall
immediately following
the evening worship service.*

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

XXIV. L.E.A.D. in Biblical Perspective
Lifestyle of Evangelism and Discipleship
"Discipleship 101—Part 3"
Matthew 28:16–20
Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

Sunday Evening

II. Ecclesiastes in Biblical Perspective
From Vanity to Vitality
"Is There Any Hope?"
Ecclesiastes 1:12
Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

Serving in the Nursery

Sun., Jan. 20 – Teambuilders, Women Impacting the World

PRAYER FOCUS

Briarwood International Outreach

Praise God for the International Game Night hosted by the Harts on January 4. Pray for the Briarwood International Outreach ministry to have more opportunities to show hospitality to international students this semester and for relationships to be formed with UAB's newly-enrolled international students.

Jan 18	Seth & Bethany Terrell Campus Outreach • Alabama	Neil Powell 2020 Birmingham • United Kingdom
Jan 19	Mark & Darby Travers Turning Hearts Ministry • Alabama	Besiana Rajta CRU • Albania
Jan 20	Gene & Laura Twilley Coalition Christian Outreach • Pennsylvania	Ben & Jenny Roberts World Gospel • Mission Kenya
Jan 21	Adam & Lisa Venable RUF • Alabama	Michael & Kambria Robertson CTEN • Guatemala
Jan 22	Brad Ainsworth Briarwood Elder	Phillip Adams Briarwood Deacon
Jan 23	Bill Armistead Briarwood Elder	John Asbeck Briarwood Deacon
Jan 24	Jay Shaw Youth Pastor • Leadership Team	Discovery Clubs of Alabama

Calling all men! • Sportsman's Blast is Feb. 15 and popular speaker Dr. John Morgan will be our guest. Tickets are on sale online at briarwood.org/blast and in the Bookstore. Invite a friend or relative to hear the gospel!

Are you willing to be a friend to an international? Spring Friendship Partner application deadline is Fri., Jan. 18. For information, contact Laura at ldanner@briarwood.org.

Interested in playing handbells? • All 7th graders to adults are invited to a crash course this Sun., Jan. 20 at 3:45 p.m. in the Choir Room. You're not obligated to join the Bell Choir...just come and see if it's right for you!

Travel with Pastor Reeder • Come to the Chapel after the evening service on Jan. 20 to hear more about his next Christian Discipleship Tour July 27–Aug. 6. This "The Travels of Paul" tour aboard the historic *Sea Cloud* sailing vessel will be a unique and exciting trip. Contact Amy Lattner 776-5364 for more information.

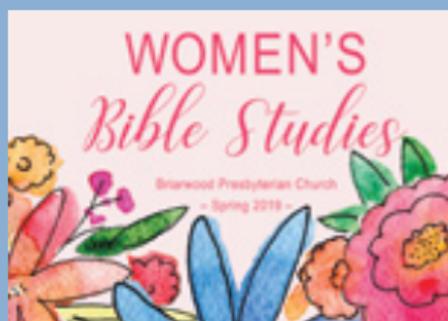
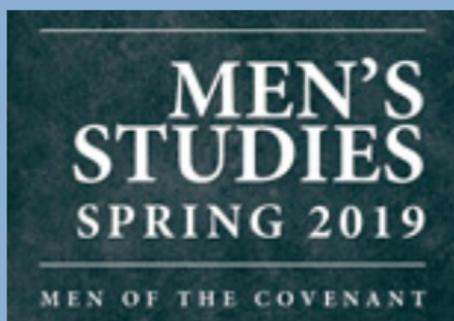
Children's Communicants Class Parent Meeting • Jan. 27 at 9:30 a.m. in S308. Communicants Class will begin Feb. 3 for grades 4–6. To sign up your child or ask questions, call Page Dollar at 776-5526.

Forgiven and Set Free • Free, confidential and caring small group Bible study for post-abortive women starting in Feb. Every woman who has had an abortion will benefit from this study. Contact Heather at 578-2022.



BRIARWOOD
MIDWEEK
JANUARY 9 – APRIL 10, 2019

Sign up for dinners, classes and nursery at:
briarwood.org/midweek



Spring Studies

See days and times on the Briarwood App, at briarwood.org/women or briarwood.org/men.

The Choir and Orchestra Want You! • We're just beginning to prepare for our Holy Week and spring concert music that will feature great choral works. Come to the Worship Center Wed. at 6:30 p.m. and be a part of this exciting ministry!

Trailblazers Breakfast • Tues. Feb. 5 at 9:00 a.m. Hear Brain Health Institute's Dr. Kristine Lokken share the latest on cognitive decline and the brain intervention aimed at improving thinking, memory, mood and well-being. Tickets \$6 in the Bookstore or at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

Missionary "Favorite Things" Goodie Bags • Pamper our 21 missionary women attending the upcoming Global Ministry Conference. Bring cute dish towels, spices, note cards, manicure items, lotions, lip balms, bookstore gift certificates or other "favorites" they would enjoy. Drop off at the Women's Ministry office by Tues., Feb. 19.

Mongolia ESL Mission Trip for May 2019 • Are you interested? Join us for an information meeting over dinner Wed., Jan. 16 at 5:30 in the FH. EE, medical, and military conversation partners also needed for this trip. Contact Laura Danner at ldanner@briarwood.org for details.

Yucatan Spring Break Trip • Join Olan and Lynna Stubbs, Mar. 25-30, to serve on this short-term mission trip. Construction projects, visiting homes and hosting a VBS are some of the areas to be served. Families with children 6 and up are welcome. Go to reel-life.org/trips/yucatan for details.

Do you have a child who loves to sing and dance? MoTowne Productions is an auditioned summer musical theatre camp for current 3rd-11th graders. Auditions are Feb. 23, with a new, more streamlined process. For details, go to motowneproductions.com.

BRIARWOOD MIDWEEK

January 23 Dinner Menu

Sloppy Joe Sandwich, Chicken Sandwich, Potato Chips, Fruit Salad, Garden Salad, Dessert

For reservations, visit briarwood.org/dinner or call 776-5238 by Tuesday at noon.

VBS 2019 • Coming June 3–7. We are busy making plans so mark your calendar now to attend. Registration opens in April. Interested in volunteering at VBS? To sign up, email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org.

Job Openings (more at briarwood.org/employment):

Power Point Operator. College age and up. Needed for Sun. services and Wed. rehearsals. Music reading a plus. Contact Frank Barker III at fb3@briarwood.org.

See details on other positions and how to apply by going online to briarwood.org/employment.



BRIARWOOD CHRISTIAN
BOOKSTORE

Pastor Reeder's Sermon Series Recommendations



Morning

Evening

EXTENDED HOURS

on Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. for MidWeek.

776-5210 • briarwood.org/bookstore

BRIARWOOD FAMILIES

- We rejoice with **George and Claire Childs** on the birth of their daughter, **Anne Lucy**, on Jan. 8 and with grandparents **Larry and Julie Childs**; and with **Martin and Laura Snook** on the birth of their son, **John Gilbert**, on Nov. 20 and with grandparents **Craig and Brenda Gilbert**
- Our love and sympathy to **Donna Gray, Raleigh Macoy** and family on the death of their sister and aunt, **Sherry Bonner**, on Jan. 10; to **Craig Miller** and family on the death of his father, **Mike Miller**, on Jan. 13; and with **JD Freeman** and family on the death of his wife, **member Ardeth Freeman**, on Jan. 14.