FELLOW WORKERS FOR THE TRUTH
GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2020

Serving the Servants | Global Ministries Conference
February 23–March 1

Make sure you save the dates for this important event that will impact your life!

We look forward to seeing you at the Conference!

GET INVOLVED AT THE CONFERENCE:

HOUSING  Children’s GLOW  CAKES
TRANSPORTATION  PRAYER  OFFICE SUPPORT
SERVING CREW  COOKIES  Other church-wide events

Be sure to complete the insert in Sunday’s bulletin or visit the Missions Office during the week.
I sometimes forget how many Sportsmen’s Blasts we have done here at Briarwood. I do know that it takes the combined efforts of many people to get it all put together. One of the ingredients that we absolutely cannot do without is your participation. The entire purpose of the Blast is to give a ready and easily accessible method for the men of Briarwood to share the gospel with a friend in a non-threatening environment and in an intriguing way. We continue to say that “real men share the gospel,” and that is absolutely true. If you don’t have a non-believing friend, or can’t find one to bring, come on anyway for the fun and fellowship.

Russell Thornberry, this year’s guest speaker, is a very interesting man. He was born in Texas, lived in Alabama, and now resides in Central Canada. He is talented in so many areas. He is a renowned author and master storyteller, a gifted songwriter and singer, a seasoned television personality, a professional outdoorsman, an ordained minister, and a devoted family man. All of that, and he is a genuinely nice guy. What he believes, the gospel he shares, and the charisma he brings makes him more than worth bringing back to Briarwood a second time.

We would love to have you with us for a great time of displays, prizes, good food, fellowship and a wonderful speaker on Fri., Feb. 7. Exhibits will begin in the Gym at 4:30 p.m., then we’ll enjoy a delicious barbeque dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30. Tickets are available in the Briarwood Christian Bookstore as well as online at briarwood.org/blast.

Dave Lewis
Shepherding Pastor
### Sunday Morning - 8:00 and 10:55 a.m.

II. Christian Stewardship in Biblical Perspective  
**Lifestyle Stewardship**  
“Stewardship in Real Time”  
*Genesis 39*

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

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

II. Eternity in Biblical Perspective  
*If I Should Die Before I Wake…*  
“The Bible and Death…Spread to All Men”  
*Romans 5; II Corinthians 5*

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

### Serving in the Nursery

Sun., Jan. 26  
Growing in Grace/The Oaks

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### PRAYER FOCUS

**Amy Baxter**  
**Campus Outreach**  
**Birmingham, Alabama**

Pray for Amy Baxter, serving with Campus Outreach in Birmingham. Pray for her as she focuses on mobilizing students by helping them make decisions about next steps after college in order to transition well and continue walking with God to make an impact in the world.

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Raiders Getaway • Jan. 25-26. Come “get away” for a weekend of teaching, worship, and fun activities! Sign up at briarwood.org/getaway.

Special Pastor’s Inquirer’s weekend class • Jan. 24–26. Sessions are Friday 6:00–8:00 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m.–noon, Sunday 9:30–10:30 a.m, and a required luncheon (Feb. 2) for those planning to join. Nursery available for all classes. Attending the class does not require you to join, but it is required that you attend before joining. To sign up, call 205-776-5208 or email wlong@briarwood.org.

Urban Ministry Prayer • Sun., Jan. 26 at 5:00 p.m. in the Bride’s Room. All are invited to pray for Urban Hope Community Church and urban ministries in Birmingham.

First Fostering Hope Meeting • Tues., Jan. 28 in A105 at 6:00 p.m. You may not be able to foster, but you can foster hope to prospective and current foster parents and foster children. Contact David Wells at 205-587-9553 for info. Come sign up or get info for this new ministry!

Bluegrass Fellowship • Thurs., Jan. 31 in the Choir Room from 7:00–9:00 p.m. If you like to play or sing bluegrass, country or mountain music, come join us. All levels welcome! Call Jim Blackmon at 205-482-4119.

Church Revitalization Ministry Prayer • All are welcome to gather for prayer Sun., Feb. 2 at 5:00 p.m. in W202.

Children’s Communicants Class Parent Meeting • Feb. 9 at 9:30 a.m. in S203. Communicants class for children in grades 4–6 begins Mar. 1. Call Page Dollar to sign up your child or with questions at 205-776-5526.

Trailblazers Lunch • Tues., Feb. 18 at 11:30 a.m. in the FH. Trailblazers welcomes popular Christian musician Kevin Derryberry. Tickets are $8 in the Bookstore or online at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

"Let your requests be made known to God.” • We have prayer cards in brown boxes by the kiosks around the church and your prayer requests (confidential) will be prayed for by our prayer team. If you have any questions, email dmatthews@briarwood.org.

CMMA Side-by-Side • A weekly Bible Study for wives of spouses in healthcare fields (either practicing or in training). We meet on Wednesdays in the Caroline House for fellowship and encouragement. Call Jan Parks at 205-807-9969.

Missionary “Favorite Things” Goodie Bags • Pamper our 16 missionary women attending the upcoming Global Ministry Conference. Bring cute dish towels, spices, note cards, manicure items, lip balms, bookstore gift certificates or other “favorites.” Please no used items, heavy items, candles or scented items, or liquid items. Drop off at the Women’s Ministry office between Tues., Feb. 11 and Wed., Feb. 19.
A Message for Life • Watch a recording of guest speaker, Zanthia Turner speaking in the Sun., Jan. 19 morning worship services at briarwood.org/life.

Interested in foster care? Check out Lifeline Children’s Services Foster Parent Training Classes! The 10-week classes not only include the state curriculum, but teach the curriculum from a biblical perspective. To register and learn more, click the link at briarwood.org/fostercare or contact Grace at grace.crabtree@lifelinechild.org.

Forgiven and Set Free Group • Free, confidential and caring small group Bible study for post-abortive women starting in February. Every woman who has had an abortion will benefit from this study. Contact Heather at 205-578-2022.

Worship Service Prayer Time • Drop in any Sunday you can in the Prayer Room during the 8:00 a.m. or 10:55 a.m. worship service to pray for the service, the health of our church, and revival in each of our hearts.

Service Signing • Invite your friends who have issues with hearing to worship in the 8:00 a.m. service. This service is signed by an interpreter every week.

Online Sermon Notes • Use the Briarwood App’s sermon notes feature to enhance your worship experience. You can add your own notes to the Pastor’s notes already there!

Briarwood Church Library • Take advantage of this great resource! Now you can search the library catalog and renew books online—just go to briarwood.org/library. We’re here for you and your family!

HONEY, STOP THE CAR… I forgot to make my nursery reservations for 2020! Re-make your reservations on the Briarwood App or by going online to briarwood.org/nursery for your Bible Study, Wednesday Night, and weekday needs.

Briarwood Members in the News • We want to hear about our Briarwood members being recognized for excellence in local, social or national news! Email copies/links to anuegent@briarwood.org or call 205-776-5387. Even though all articles will be considered, article usage will be based on theme, content and length.

Hearing Loop System • Briarwood has installed a hearing loop in the Worship Center to work with hearing aids equipped with a T-Coil. Visit the Information Desk to see the areas served or go to briarwood.org/hearingloop.

Job Openings (more at briarwood.org/employment):
Administrative Assistant for the Shepherding Team Pastor. Full-time position with benefits for an active Briarwood member. Proficient knowledge of Microsoft Office, effective organization, and excellent communication skills required. Send résumé to Benny Youngblood at byoungblood@briarwood.org or call 205-776-5321.

Briarwood Christian School: Openings on the website. See details on other positions and how to apply by going online to briarwood.org/employment.
January 29 Dinner Menu
Greek Chicken, Fried Fish, Green Chili Rice, Squash/Zucchini, Coleslaw, Pita Bread, Dessert

For reservations, visit briarwood.org/dinner or call 205-776-5238 by Tuesday at noon.

BRIARWOOD FAMILIES

• We rejoice with Mark and Bree Wiersma on the birth of their daughter, Anja Elizabeth, on Jan. 15.

• Our love and sympathy to Wayne Pressgrove and family on the death of his mother, Raynos ‘Ray’ Pressgrove, on Jan. 13; and to Randy and Christian DeRieux and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Virginia Deason DeRieux, on Jan. 15.

• Thank you on behalf of Bundles of Hope for all the diapers and wipes you donated on Sanctity of Life Sunday! We did a great job in showing our support for this wonderful ministry and look forward to continuing to partner with them in meeting this vital need in our Birmingham area. Continue to pray that God will use our contributions for God’s glory. —The Mercy Committee

Great Marriages don’t just Happen

Learn the skills you need to make your marriage a great one, Feb. 14–16 at FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember getaway in Montgomery. And save 50% off registration now through Jan. 27 by using the SAVE50 code while registering at weekendtoremember.com.