

THE

BRIARWOOD WEEKLY

• MARCH 6, 2020 •

EASTER LILIES

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in honor of someone
to be placed in the Worship Center
for Easter Sunday services.

COST \$10

per dedication/per plant.

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Daylight Savings



Don't forget
to move your
clocks ahead
one hour before
going to bed
this Saturday.

You don't
want to be late
for church!

Sunday, March 8



What an amazing Global Conference! Our hearts are filled with gratitude for all our Lord accomplished during Briarwood's 55th annual Global Ministries Conference. Our keynote speaker, Dr. Richard Pratt, effectively challenged us from God's Word to be Fellow Workers for the Truth. At our Global Glimpses, meeting face-to-face with thirty-one of our missionary partners who traveled from distant lands to be with us and share how God is at work was a highlight.

We heard dramatic mission testimonies in our pulpit from India, Indonesia, Russia, Syria, and Turkey; we welcomed nearly 200 university students to Briarwood as they attended our three-day college mission conference with many indicating an interest to serve the Lord on a cross-cultural mission project; the attendance at our GLOW (Go Light Our World) Children's Mission Conference reached new records for each night. At GLOW, Briarwood children had the opportunity to hear from our missionaries serving in the Congo, Hungary, Kenya, and Tajikistan. I loved seeing our children embracing Briarwood's priority to take the Gospel to the nations! This bodes well as we seek to train the next generation in The Great Commission priorities handed down from our founding generation.

Thirty-five cakes were baked and decorated for various mission fields for our mission cake baking contest, with prize money being awarded to those missionaries featured by the decorator.

Our first-day totals for our Faith Promise pledges were \$2,367,227.90. Praise the Lord for the faith-filled, prayerful commitments these represent! Those who were unable to turn in their Faith Promise cards this past Sunday are encourage to place them in the offering plates this week. The Global Missions Team has prioritized our Stretch Goal budget at \$2,408,372.00. Meeting this goal in 2020 would enable Briarwood to embrace ministry to the Persecuted Church, ministry to university students in New Zealand, multiple Bible Institutes across Latin America, International Church Revitalization, and Church Planting endeavors in both Bangladesh and Indonesia. If we are able to exceed this funding goal, we are prepared to further invest in eight additional global missions commitments outlined in our Halleluiah Goal.

Please pray for God to move in our hearts as we seek to be Fellow Workers for the Truth!

Bryan Wintersteen

Global Missions Pastor

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

"Found Faithful"

Hebrews 11:1-16; 12:1-2

Rev. Jim Alexander

Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

"Intending to Do Good, But Doing Wrong"

Judges 17; Galatians 5:16-23

Rev. Bobby Parks

Serving in the Nursery

Sun., Mar. 8

Encounter

PRAYER FOCUS

Embers to a Flame Ministry

Praise the Lord for Fanning the Flame coaches—Richard Verreynne, Joe Weatherly, and Bobby Wilson. Pray for these men as they travel, serve and coach churches this month. Pray for the Lord's guidance and wisdom as they help churches implement Biblical strategies for church revitalization.

Mar 6	Cedric & Alicia Brown Navigators • Maryland	Jay & Faith Jackson Global Empowerment • US/ Intl
Mar 7	Stephen & Lisa Bunn College Golf Fellowship • Alabama	Jacob Jasin RUF-I • US/ Intl
Mar 8	Joey & Margaret Carter Campus Outreach • Alabama	Wilfred Johnson Camino Global • Guatemala
Mar 9	Mark & Raylene Casson MNA (Prison Ministry) • Tennessee	Peter & Rebecca Jones TruthXchange • US/Intl
Mar 10	Wes Cline Briarwood Elder	Brett Butler Briarwood Deacon
Mar 11	David Cooper Briarwood Elder	David Cahoon Briarwood Deacon
Mar 12	Bryan Wintersteen Global Missions Pastor • Leadership Team	Briarwood Prison Ministry Birmingham

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University has started but it's not too late to join. Learn the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and more on Wednesday nights this spring. Contact Dave at 205-776-5211 or dmatthews@briarwood.org.

Persecuted Church Prayer ▪ Sun., Mar. 8 in G103 at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us to pray for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

Pastor's Inquirers' Class begins Mar. 8. The class for newcomers and prospective members includes two Sun. mornings (Mar. 8 and 15), two Wed. nights (Mar. 11 and 18), and a luncheon (Mar. 22, required if planning to join). Attending classes doesn't obligate you to join. For information or to sign up, go to briarwood.org/pic or email wlong@briarwood.org.

Special Connections children, youth, and adults with special needs want to get to know you! Volunteers are needed during the services on Sundays as well as for other events. Training will be Tues., Mar. 10 in A105 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. RSVP to June Cork at jcork@briarwood.org or 205-776-5291.

Foundations Early Learning Center Prayer ▪ Fri., Mar. 13 at 10:30 a.m. in A205. All are welcome to join us to pray for Foundations Early Learning Center in Fairfield.

Trailblazers Sunday Lunch ▪ Mar. 15 at 12:15 p.m. Alabama State Senator Dan Roberts will speak on the "State of the State." Tickets at briarwood.org/trailblazers and in the Bookstore.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group ▪ Join us Tues., Mar. 17 from 11:00 a.m.–noon in A201 to share concerns and practical strategies for dealing with the behaviors and communication difficulties of dementia patients. Call the Pastoral Care office at 205-776-5227 with questions.

Special Needs Moms Get-Away ▪ Apr. 17–18. Come join other moms of children (all ages) with special needs for a retreat at the Alabama 4-H Center. For more information, email June Cork at jcork@briarwood.org.

Ask the Pastor ▪ Wed., Mar. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bride's Room. All are invited to come for an interactive exchange with Pastor Reeder on any question that you might like to ask. Come enjoy a great dinner and great dialogue about great doctrines. Make Dinner reservation at 205-776-5238.

Trailblazers Travel ▪ Come to The Cove, May 11–13 to hear Stuart and Jill Briscoe. See briarwood.org/trailblazers or email Sharon at sjohnston@briarwood.org.

F. I. T. (Fitness Inspiring Togetherness) Class ▪ Meets on Mondays and Fridays at 10:00 a.m. and Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Ballet Room for 50 and beyond. Cost is \$25/month (first class is free). For information, email brendabparks@gmail.com or go to questrecreation.org.

FELLOW WORKERS FOR THE TRUTH GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE

Congratulations, Winners!

Cake Contest

1st Place Adult (\$500):

Benjamin Wesson
for Greg Doty ~ MTW (Scotland)

1st Place Teen (\$500):

Halsie Bardin & Anna Grace Hatchett
for John & Kelley Beth ~ MTW (South Asia)

1st Place Child (\$500):

Sherilyn Kau
for Suzy Triplett ~ Servant Partners (Thailand))

2nd Place Child (\$300):

Gracelyn Kau
for Tony Boyd ~ One Challenge (Asia)

3rd Place Child (\$100 each):

Caroline Flannery
for Rodrigo Puebla ~ CO Serve (Mexico)

Finley Corcoran
for Wayne & Amy Newsome ~ MTW (Japan)

Missions Pastor Award (\$250):

Hannah Blazer
for Alan & Junia Andrioni ~ CO Serve (UK)

Taylor Tylicki
for John & Kelley Beth ~ MTW (South Asia)

Essay Contest

Prize money to be used towards Mission Trip

First Place (\$700):

Abigail Stephenson

Second Place (\$500):

Grace Ann Tankersley

Third Place (\$300):

Anna Gardner Herren

Briarwood Fellow Request ▪ Carlisle Woodward is seeking members of the church willing to come into a low-income school and give presentations about their careers. If interested, email cwoodward@risinghopeacademy.org.

Spring Soccer ▪ Sign-up is open for both boys and girls, ages 5–14. Register with forms on kiosks at the church, at briarwoodsoccer.com or by calling 205-776-5114.

Hearing Loop System ▪ Briarwood offerd a hearing loop in the Worship Center that works with hearing aids equipped with a T-Coil. Visit the Information Desk to see the areas served or go to briarwood.org/hearingloop.

Camp Briarwood ▪ Registration is now OPEN for rising 1st–10th graders! Both Day and Overnight Camps are available. Brochures are on church kiosks, at cambriarwood.org, or available by calling the Quest Office at 205-776-5237.

Summer Cheer Camp ▪ June 8–12 from 9:00 a.m.–noon. Does your daughter love to cheer? Registration is now open for Cheer Camp for ages 4–10. Contact the Quest Ministry for more information at questrecreation.org, call 205-776-5237 or see briarwood.org/cheer.

VBS 2020 ▪ June 1–5. Interested in volunteering at VBS? To sign up, email Raleigh at rmacoy@briarwood.org. To sign up to help in the Nursery, click on the Nursery VBS Volunteer form at briarwood.org/nursery. Registration for attending children will open in April.

Job Openings (*more at briarwood.org/employment*):
Administrative Assistant for Christian Medical Ministry of Alabama. Full-time position with benefits. This job requires computer software skills—Word, Excel, Shelby (training available), basic skills in maintaining/updating websites and using social media to promote the ministry, as well as the ability to multi-task. Send résumé to Bobby Parks at bjparks@briarwood.org if you are interested.

Briarwood Christian School: Openings on the website. *See details on other positions and how to apply by going online to briarwood.org/employment.*

BRIARWOOD FAMILIES

Our love and sympathy to the family of **member Hugh Humphrey** on his death on Jan. 31; to the family of **member JD Freeman** on his death on Feb. 26; to **Tyler Sullens, Ashley Sanders** and family on the death of their mother and stepmother, **Gloria Adams**, on Feb. 29; to **Michelle Gewin, Marie Walker, Anne Marie Runnels** and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, **member Joyce Yancey**, on Feb. 29; and to **Doug Robertson** and family on the death of his grandmother, **Bea Marvel**, on Mar. 1.

BRIARWOOD MIDWEEK

March 11

Grilled Chicken Skewers, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans, Garden Salad, Roll, Dessert

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