

JULY 9, 2023

In His Presence

July 14, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Barbara B. Barker
Fine Arts Auditorium

Reserved seating
briarwood.org/balletevents



Briarwood Ballet



Briarwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WHAT IS PROJECT ANDREW?

• What is Project Andrew?

“Project Andrew: Bring Them to Him” is Briarwood’s focus and theme for 2023 chosen by the Briarwood Session and Pastor Reeder. This theme is based on the biblical mandate of personal evangelism which is essential in the life of every believer.

• Who was Andrew in the Bible?

Andrew was the brother of Simon Peter who was brought to Christ by John the Baptist. When Andrew found Jesus, he went out and brought his brother to Him saying “We have found the Messiah.” Peter then came to Christ and through the two brothers, as well as others, the gospel was multiplied and spread throughout the nations.

• How can I Bring Them to Him?

Bringing them to Him starts with coming to Him first. Do you desire to surrender your life to Christ and come to salvation through Him? Do you struggle with evangelism due to a lack of assurance of salvation? If your answer is yes, please call Eric at 205.776.5338, or email ereebals@briarwood.org to see how you can become a Christian.

If you have already given your life to Christ, then you are ready to bring them to Him! One of the ways you can do this is by bringing them to Briarwood. Let them hear, see, and feel Jesus’ work through the Gospel message. Bring them to Him by sitting down and talking with them about their thoughts on eternity. Invite them to your small group or ministry event. There are many ways to evangelize, and many of them start with a simple conversation and by bringing Him to them so that they might hear the good news of the gospel and then come to Him.

– Written by Briarwood Staff

IN THE BRIARWOOD BOOKSTORE

Children’s Book

***Polly and the Screen Time Overload* by Betsy Childs Howard**

In this new picture book, readers meet Polly while on a trip to her grandparents’ farm. During her visit she spends all her time on her new tablet instead of enjoying the farm and playing with her cousins. A chat with her grandfather teaches her that, though screen time can be good, it can also keep kids away from better things. Using simple language and beautiful illustrations, children are introduced to the idea that technology is best enjoyed within boundaries. Cost: \$10.99

Adult Book

***Inerrancy* by George Shamblin**

In *Inerrancy*, George Shamblin argues that the way Christians view biblical inerrancy is the main point on which the Church will stand or fall, that it is the most critical issue facing modern Christianity. Through real-world examples and personal stories, with a bit of humor and plenty of hard truths, Shamblin shares how the ultimate truth of God’s Word can and should act as the ultimate filter for everything we face in the world. Cost: \$10

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Series Panel Discussion — Young Business Leaders | July 11 & August 2

You are invited to attend the Young Business Leaders Summer Panel Discussion series at Samford's Cooney Hall Regions Room at 6:30 a.m. Light refreshments will be provided. Find additional details and register at ybl.org/events.

Working Women's Fellowship Dinner — Briarwood Women | July 12

We would like to invite you to join us for an evening of food, fellowship, engagement and encouragement from those with shared experiences. Join us 6:00–7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$7 at the door. Register at briarwood.org/women.

“In His Presence” — Briarwood Ballet | July 14

Come worship with Briarwood Ballet at the Barbara B. Barker Fine Arts Auditorium on July 14 at 7:00 p.m. as they present their annual contemporary showcase. Tickets may be purchased at briarwood.org/ballet. Cost: \$10

Friendship Partner Orientation — Briarwood International Outreach | August 2

Friendship Partners connects international college students to American individuals or families. It is a wonderful cultural exchange as you build an ongoing relationship to be an effective witness for Christ. If you are interested, email cbrown@briarwood.org.

Impact Weekend — BYG (9th – 12th grades) | August 4–6

Join us for a weekend with speakers and discipleship groups at students' homes. Come and allow the Lord to impact your life and learn how to have an impact on others! Go to briarwood.org/youth for registration and more information. Cost: \$75

Birmingham Conference on Theology and Life | August 11–13

Come hear from speakers Rosaria Butterfield and Peter Jones at this year's Conference on Theology and Life. Additional information and registration details will be provided on the church website at briarwood.org/events.

Lunch with James Spann — Briarwood Trailblazers | August 29

Have lunch with the Briarwood Trailblazers and meet with James Spann on Tuesday, August 29 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For details, contact Sharon Johnston at sjohnston@briarwood.org or buy tickets online at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

Women's Retreat — Briarwood Women | September 22–24

Ladies, join us for a time of rest, learning, and fellowship at our getaway retreat at Shocco Springs this September! Our speaker will be Lisa Looper and this year's theme is Rest. Find details and register online at briarwood.org/women.

The Lampstand Lancaster Conference — Church Revitalization | September 28–30

Hear from speakers Thomas Hawkes, Sandy Willson, Rob Looper, and Dr. John Currie at The Lampstand Conference on Church Health and Revitalization held at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lancaster, PA. Find details at briarwood.org/lampstand.

Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

email: info@briarwood.org — website: briarwood.org
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Super Summer 2023 — Children age K5 through 6th grade are invited to attend Super Summer at Briarwood. Each weekday, select age groups will meet in the gym and then go out to a fun activity. For details, go to briarwood.org/supersummer.

Women's Summer Studies — Women's Tuesday studies meet weekly at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. For additional details, go to briarwood.org/women. Nursery is available upon reservation at briarwood.org/nursery.

Men's Summer Studies — Men's Wednesday studies on "Rediscovering Christian Disciplines" will be in the Fellowship Hall for a morning study at 6:30 a.m. and a lunch study at 11:45 a.m. See details and registration for lunches at briarwood.org/men.

Summer Evangelism Training — June 21–August 9. Join us for dinner, a brief lesson, and then going out to evangelize. For more details, go to briarwood.org/evangelism.

Active Duty Military List — Update our Active Duty Military list of members and family members by providing us with name, rank, branch of service, and the relationship to you. Submissions must be made by July 14. Email Patti Claud at pclaud@briarwood.org.

Communion Service — The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated Sunday, July 16 in the morning services. An alms offering for the Mercy Ministry will be received. Elements are gluten-free.

Children's Catechism Sunday School Class — Begins August 27. This nine-month class for 4th–6th graders requires outside work for the student and parents. If your child is interested, email rmacoy@briarwood.org. There are only twenty spots available.

Children's SS Promotion — If you are planning on holding your child back for the 2023–24 school year, please let Raleigh Macoy know so we can make sure to place him/her in the appropriate Sunday School class for the fall. Email rmacoy@briarwood.org.

EMPLOYMENT & JOB OPENINGS

YBL Small Group Coordinator — Work with (YBL) Director in discipleship initiatives among the 20-to-30-year-old demographic. Skills needed would be strong interpersonal skills and facilitate small groups. Contact Rob Genin at rgenin@briarwood.org or 205-776-5455.

Nursery Administrative Supervisor — This position is full-time with benefits and supports the director of the nursery with day-to-day needs, interacts with parents, and supports nursery staff who are working in the rooms. Contact Alison Craig at acraig@briarwood.org or 205-776-5214 for more information on hours, pay and responsibilities.

Administrative Assistants & Part-time Staff — There are a number of full and part-time ministry positions open: Board Directed Ministries, Nursery, Special Connections Ministry, Briarwood Christian School and Church Facilities.

See all employment and job openings at briarwood.org/employment.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Briarwood Prayer Focus — Pray for the leaders in our church to trust Christ, grow in their knowledge of God and His Word, and devote their lives to following Him.

Birmingham Prayer Focus — Pray for the ministry of Hope Health Clinic in Fairfield. Hope Health Clinic is a non-profit clinic serving both children and adults. To sign up for prayer updates, call 205-785-1353 or email admin@hopehealthcenter.org.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for Todd and Cindy Sproull serving the Lummi Nation in Washington. Praise the Lord for the successful women's retreat Cindy helped lead to equip women from 25 churches with biblical principles. Pray that God will bring volunteers to serve the Lummi community, especially those who are following Christ, for summer projects in July.

July 9 Pray for Rob & Jenny Allen – Director of Accounting, Staff
Hope Health Center – Fairfield, Alabama

July 10 Pray for Bobby Bardin – Briarwood Elder
Billy Ball – Briarwood Elder

July 11 Pray for Alan & Junia Andrioni – CO Serve, England
Jerry & Joy Beverly – Leaders Unlimited, Florida

July 12 Pray for Daniel & Darling Aragon – Good News Ministries, Nicaragua
Jeff & Lauren Bolger – Campus Outreach, University of Alabama

July 13 Pray for Julian & Serina Arias – South America Mission, Columbia
Barry & Susan Bouchillon – CRU, South Carolina

July 14 Pray for Rick & Betty Aschmann – Mission to the World, Ecuador
Alonzo & Antionette Brown – Strong Tower, Birmingham, Alabama

July 15 Pray for Paul Bentley – Briarwood Deacon
Jeff Anderson – Briarwood Deacon

...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:25

CHURCH RESOURCES

Upcoming Preaching in the Briarwood Pulpit

View the schedule of upcoming preachers by going to briarwood.org/summerpreaching or see the list on the Briarwood App. Upcoming preachers include Kevin DeYoung, John Currie, Neil Stewart, Ligon Duncan, Peter Jones, Rick Phillips, and Nate Shurden.

Keep up with the “Pulpit Guests” sermons series on the Briarwood App.
On the App, go to “Media” – “Sermons & Services” – “Current Sermon Series”

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THIS LORD'S DAY

Sunday Morning:

“What Is This That You Have Done?”

Genesis 44

Dr. Kevin DeYoung

Sunday Morning we welcome Dr. Kevin DeYoung back to the Briarwood pulpit. Dr. DeYoung is the Senior Pastor of Christ Covenant Church, Charlotte, NC. Kevin is a member of the Council for The Gospel Coalition, associate professor of systematic theology at Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, and has published more than a dozen books for adults and children, including *Just Do Something* and *The Biggest Story*.

His book, *Crazy Busy: A Mercifully Short Book About a Big Problem*, was named the 2014 Evangelical Christian Publishers Association Book of the Year.

Sunday Evening:

III. Colossians: *The Preeminence and Prominence of Jesus Christ*

“Seeing Jesus”

Colossians 1:15–23

Reverend Stephen King

Watch our live-stream on the Briarwood App, Facebook or briarwood.org.

Watch or listen to previous sermons on the Briarwood App.