

January 28, 2024

BRIARWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MEN OF THE COVENANT

WINTER/SPRING 2024

Men, join us Mondays, Tuesdays
and Fridays starting January 8.



Join a Men's or Women's Studies
in this new year!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

MONDAYS

10:00 AM

EZRA & NEHEMIAH

Michele Cantley

A-202 &
Zoom

TUESDAYS

9:30 AM

TITUS

Amanda León and
Mary Anne Turnbull

G-101

THURSDAYS

9:30 AM

JOHN

Yvonne Welch

G-103

TUESDAYS

9:30 AM

1 & 2 PETER

Cindy Reeder and
Mary Lou Morrison

Fellowship Hall A

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 PM

2 KINGS

Kristie Harrick and
Elizabeth Bondurant

G-101

THURSDAYS

9:30 AM

HEBREWS

Donna Evans

G-101

Nursery Available. Reservation required at briarwood.org/nursery.
REGISTER FOR STUDIES ONLINE AT BRIARWOOD.ORG/WOMEN.



Briarwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MEN'S & WOMEN'S STUDIES

MEN OF THE COVENANT

The Men's Ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church is called "Men of the Covenant," and our goal is to ensure that our church and our families, in this generation and the next, are led by strong, able, Christ-like men.

"Study of Colossians"

Leader: Rob Looper

Mondays at 6:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall-E & F

"The Role of God's Moral Law in the Life of Believers"

Leader: Olan Stubbs

Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m. at Cajun Seafood House

"John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress"

Leader: Benny Parks

Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall-E & F

Contact Eric Reebals at ereebals@briarwood.org or 205-776-5338.

Find additional information at briarwood.org/men.

BRIARWOOD WOMEN

*Women, pick from six available classes meeting Monday–Thursday.
See full class descriptions and sign up at briarwood.org/women.*

"Ezra & Nehemiah"

Leader: Michele Cantley

Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in A202 and on Zoom

"1 & 2 Peter (part 2)"

Leader: Cindy Reeder and Mary Lou Morrison

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall-A

"Titus"

Leader: Mary Anne Turnbull and Amanda Leon

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in G101

"2 Kings"

Leader: Kristie Harrick and Elizabeth Bondurant

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in G101 and on Zoom

"Hebrews"

Leader: Donna Evans

Book: *Hoping for Something Better* by Nancy Guthrie

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in A202

"John"

Leader: Yvonne Welch

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in A201

Contact Kristie Harrick at kharrick@briarwood.org or 205-776-5258.

Childcare is available by reservation only at briarwood.org/nursery.

FEATURED EVENTS

Always Ready: Ligonier Ministries Youth Conference | February 3

We are excited to be hosting the Always Ready Ligonier Student Apologetic Conference! This is a one-day conference with teaching on key issues that will help equip our students with the Bible's answers to common attacks against the Christian faith. For additional information and to register, go to briarwood.org/youthevents.

Sportsman's Blast — Briarwood Men | February 9

Men, bring a friend for a barbeque dinner and to hear the gospel message! This year's speaker is Hugh Jacks. Tickets are available for \$12 in the Briarwood Bookstore or by calling 205-776-5210. For additional information go to briarwood.org/blast.

Global Ministries Conference — Briarwood Missions | February 25 – March 3 *

This year we will be focused on "Making the Most of Every Opportunity" in our evangelistic ministry to others and personal walks with the Lord. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Neil Stewart and we will have the opportunity to hear and learn from our supported global ministry partners. We need your help hosting missionary families! See the many ways you can help facilitate this conference at briarwood.org/gmc.

GLOW — Children's Missions | February 25 – 28

During the Global Ministries Conference, children will have the opportunity to hear from Ministry Partners from all around the world. There will be plenty of fun, games, trivia and music each night along with the great missions teaching. Bring your child to the auditorium Sunday night through Wednesday night. No registrations are required.

* Nursery is available for select events upon reservation at briarwood.org/nursery.
Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

IN THE BRIARWOOD BOOKSTORE

The Freedom of Self-Forgetfulness: The Path to True Christian Joy

by Timothy Keller | Adult Book

In this short and punchy book, bestselling author Timothy Keller shows that gospel-humility means we can stop connecting every experience, every conversation with ourselves and can thus be free from self-condemnation. A truly gospel-humble person is not a self-hating person or a self-loving person, but a self-forgetful person. This freedom can be yours... Price: \$4.99

Charlie and the Preschool Prodigal

by Ginger M. Blomberg | Children's Book

We so often desire to save ourselves, either through running from rules or self-righteously following them—missing the true joy and rest found in the Father's unconditional love. In this picture book for kids ages 3–7, author Ginger M. Blomberg retells the story of the prodigal son through the eyes of wild-child Eddie and his rule-following brother Charlie. New release. Price: \$10.99

Featured books are available to purchase online at briarwood.org/bookstore.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

MidWeek at Briarwood — January 10–April 24. Join us on Wednesdays for dinner in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15–6:30 p.m. Classes and activities start at 6:30 p.m. Find information, select an activity, and register for dinners at briarwood.org/midweek.

Women's Spring Studies — Women, pick from six available classes meeting Monday–Thursday. See class topics, teachers, and additional information at briarwood.org/women. Nursery is available upon reservation at briarwood.org/nursery.

Men's Spring Studies — Find the right class for you. Mondays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Tuesdays at 11:45 at Cajun Seafood House, and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See class topics, teachers, and additional information at briarwood.org/men.

Briarwood Soccer — It's time to register for spring soccer! Register boys and girls age 5–14 at briarwoodsoccer.com or 205-776-5114 by February 2.

Young Business Leaders Winter Breakfast — Friday, February 16 from 6:30–7:45 a.m. at the Harbert Center (2019 4th Avenue North). Join us for our YBL Winter Breakfast to hear Judge Bill McCurine. To register and get more information, go to bit.ly/YBLBreakfast.

VBS 2024 — We are busy making plans for this summer's VBS: June 3–7! Mark your calendar and make plans to attend. Registration opens in April at briarwood.org/vbs. Email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org if you are interested in volunteering.

Griefshare MidWeek Class — Wednesdays from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in W203. Begin your journey from mourning to joy. Join our 13-week, video/small group program designed to offer comfort and encouragement. Workbook is \$20. Call 205-776-5227.

Mission Trip Needs — Christian Medical Ministry is collecting donations of ibuprofen (200mg), antifungal cream and 1% hydrocortisone cream for the spring, summer and fall Dominican Republic mission trips. Contact CMMA with questions at 205-776-5470.

Ladies' Exercise Classes — Weekly in M111. Monday/Wednesday/Friday, 8:30–9:30 a.m. for all ages and Monday/Friday, 9:30–10:30 a.m. for those needing chair assistance. First class is free. Go to questrecreation.org/fitness-classes for details.

Trailblazer Travel: Florida — March 11–15. Come travel with friends to Amelia Island, St. Augustine, and Jacksonville. We'll go on guided tours, visit a plantation, and cruise the St. Johns River. Go to briarwood.org/trailblazers or email sjohnston@briarwood.org.

Summer Camp Employment — Camp Briarwood 2024 counselor applications are now available at campbriarwood.org.

Job Openings: Nursery Administrative Supervisor — Full-time position supporting the nursery director with day-to-day needs, interacting with parents, and supporting nursery staff in the rooms. Contact Alison at acraig@briarwood.org or 205-776-5214.

Job Opening: ESL and Friendship Partner Director — Part-time position open for the leader of our English as a Second Language (ESL) Ministry. For more information or to send your resume, email Heather McDougall at hmcdougall@briarwood.org.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Monday, January 29 — Briarwood Prayer Focus

Continue to pray for Dr. Dan Doriani as he travels back and forth from St. Louis. May the Lord give him renewed strength. Pray the Lord will guide him as he ministers to us during this interim time.

Tuesday, January 30 — Birmingham Prayer Focus

Pray as plans are being made for the development of the Disaster Relief Team here at Briarwood. Pray for the Lord to call the right people to serve on this vital team. Pray for the preparations of the upcoming training on January 27.

Wednesday, January 31 — Missions Prayer Focus

David and Joan Walker work through StoryRunners to help launch church planting movements to unreached people groups through oral Bible story sets in more than 100 languages. These oral Bible stories have been reaching others for over 20 years. Pray for the people who have come to faith in Christ, disciples who have been developed, and the churches which have been planted.

Thursday, February 1 — Global Ministry Partners

Pray for Mike and Stephanie Kuhn with International Theological Education Network (ITEN), serving internationally; Davor and Sandra Kucek with Ministry Essentials, Intl. in Croatia; Mark and Jane Kuo with Calvary Reformed Evangelical Church in Taiwan; and Tim and Barbie Kusserow with Serving in Mission in West Africa.

Friday, February 2 — National Ministry Partners

Pray for John and Victoria Fluevog with Campus Outreach in Georgia; John and Penny Freeman with Harvest USA in Pennsylvania; Debbie Friley with Navigators in Florida; Tom and Linda Fritz with Cru in Georgia; and Grace House Ministries.

Saturday, February 3 — Briarwood Officers and Staff

Pray for Briarwood elders Billy Ball, Jim Gewin, John Phillips, Jr.; deacons Brandon Ball, Tim Eller, Cale Kreger; and National Ministries Pastor Rob Looper and wife, Lisa.

Sunday, February 4 — Church Family

Pray for hospitalized members Sharon Mason, Buddy Runnels, Jeanette Pressgrove, Janice Hamil, Terry Chase, Amy Butler, Joy Weaver, John Murphy, L.D. Meredith, Kathy Davis, Betty Gibson, Warren Jones and Chuck Crawford.

We offer our love and sympathy to Mark Faurot and family on the death of his father, William 'Bill' Faurot, on January 14; to Kevin, Marni, and Drew Ulch and family on the death of their son and brother, member Jamie Ulch, on January 17; to Nedra Rooker and family on the death of her husband, member Larry Rooker, on January 19; to Suzy Johnson and family on the death of her mother, Mildred Heyser, on January 21; and to Kathy (Jeff) Davis and family on the death of her mother, Betty Shubert, on January 23.

We rejoice with Woody and Karla Woodruff on the birth of their daughter, Anne Carol, on January 18.

...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

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THIS LORD'S DAY

Sunday Morning Worship Services:

“Blessed Character”

Matthew 5:1–10

Dr. Dan Doriani

This Lord's Day, Dr. Doriani continues in his teaching on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ through the scenes and stories in the gospel of Matthew. In this sermon,

Dr. Doriani will challenge us with the question, “What traits of character do you admire and would love to possess?”

Sunday Evening Worship:

“Scripture: Our Guide for Faith and Life”

II Timothy 3:14–17

Dr. Dan Doriani

Sunday evening, Dr. Doriani preaches on our only guide for faith and life... the Scripture. Dr. Doriani will overview the power and nature of the Word of God and will give practical advice on how we can read, pray, and live by Scripture alone.

Watch our live-stream on the Briarwood App, Facebook, YouTube or briarwood.org.
Watch or listen to previous sermons on the Briarwood App.