

February 11, 2024

MAKING THE MOST OF  
**EVERY**  
*Opportunity*  
GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2024

**FEBRUARY 25–MARCH 3**  
**DR. NEIL STEWART, SPEAKER**

[BRIARWOOD.ORG/GMC](http://BRIARWOOD.ORG/GMC)



*Briarwood*  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Global Ministries Conference Volunteer Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## HOUSING: (Please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> First half of the week                            | <input type="checkbox"/> We can host a single male.         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Second half of the week                           | <input type="checkbox"/> We can host a single female.       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full week   | <input type="checkbox"/> We can host a couple.              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This will be our first time housing a missionary. | <input type="checkbox"/> We can host a family with children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> We haven't hosted missionaries for a few years.   | Please list any pets that you own: _____                    |
|  | _____   |

## TRANSPORTATION:

- ☐ I can provide a vehicle for use during the Conference.  
Times available: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year and make of car: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Manual ( ) Automatic
- ☐ I can help drive missionaries to their assignments during the Conference.

## SERVING CREW:

- ☐ I can help serve evening dinners starting at 5:00 p.m. on:  
( ) Mon. Feb. 26 ( ) Tues. Feb. 27 ( ) Wed. Feb. 28
- ☐ I can help clean up after dinner at 6:30 p.m. on:  
( ) Mon. Feb. 26 ( ) Tues. Feb. 27 ( ) Wed. Feb. 28
- ☐ I can help serve desserts following the evening activities:  
( ) Sun. Feb. 25 ( ) Mon. Feb. 26 ( ) Tues. Feb. 27 ( ) Wed. Feb. 28
- ☐ I can help clean up after dessert starting at 8:15 p.m. on:  
( ) Sun. Feb. 25 ( ) Mon. Feb. 26 ( ) Tues. Feb. 27 ( ) Wed. Feb. 28

## OFFICE SUPPORT:

- ☐ I can help with administrative tasks as needed.
- ☐ I can help by ironing flags during the second week of February.

## PRAYER:

- ☐ I would like to be a part of the conference Prayer Team.

## GLOW: (children's program Sunday-Wednesday in the children's auditorium)

- ☐ I would be willing to volunteer with this children's program:  
( ) I can help with the children on Sun. Feb. 25 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
( ) I can help with the children from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on:  
( ) Mon. Feb. 26 ( ) Tues. Feb. 27 ( ) Wed. Feb. 28

## COOKIES:

- ☐ I will bake 2 to 3 dozen cookies for Cookie Night on Sunday, Feb. 25.

## CAKES:

- ☐ I will decorate a cake with a missions theme for the contest.  
( ) Adult contest ( ) Teen contest ( ) Children's contest

Please return this form to one of the black boxes outside the Worship Center or to the Missions mailbox in the Mailroom. For more information, contact Heather McDougall in the Missions Office at (205) 776-5279 or [hmcDougall@briarwood.org](mailto:hmcDougall@briarwood.org).

## FEATURED EVENTS

### **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 in our 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. Find additional information at [briarwood.org/gmc](http://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 great missions teaching. Bring your child to the Children’s Auditorium Sunday night through Wednesday night. No registrations are required.

### **Women’s Missionary Coffee — Briarwood Women | February 27 \***

Women, join us Tuesday, February 27 from 9:30–11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and prayer for our visiting ministry partners. Register for the coffee at [briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women). Nursery available by reservation.

### **Faith Promise Sunday — Briarwood Missions | March 3 \***

During the Morning Worship Services, we will have the opportunity to place our Faith Promise Pledges at the feet of our ministry partners as they prepare to go back out into the world to spread the gospel and make disciples. Be in prayer, asking the Lord what He would have you pledge by faith to the Global Missions Fund. Return Sunday evening as we close out the conference in worship and hear the report of our Faith Promise giving.

\* Nursery is available for select events upon reservation at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).  
Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

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## IN THE BRIARWOOD BOOKSTORE

### ***O Sacred Head, Now Wounded: A Liturgy for Daily Worship from Pascha to Pentecost* by Jonathan Gibson | Adult Book**

This newly-released book presents a 48-day devotional liturgy to help readers effectively prepare their hearts from Pascha (Easter) to Pentecost. Following the same format as *Be Thou My Vision*, each daily reading includes applicable Scripture readings, hymns, prayers, creeds, and prompts for petition and confession to enrich personal meditation and family worship. Price: \$26.99

### ***Darkest Night Brightest Day: A Family Devotional for the Easter Season* by Marty Machowski | Children’s Book**

Start a new Easter season tradition with your family by reading this beautifully illustrated “upside down” book that includes 14 Bible stories for Passion and Easter weeks. Begin on Palm Sunday with the first side, *Darkest Night*, which has 7 stories that recount the events of Passion week, ending with Christ’s crucifixion and burial. Flip the book over on Easter morning and continue by reading *Brightest Day*, featuring 7 more stories that progress from Christ’s resurrection to His ascension and Pentecost. Price: \$15.00

Featured books are available to purchase online at [briarwood.org/bookstore](http://briarwood.org/bookstore).

# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Cards for Missionary Coffee** — February 1–22. Write an encouragement card with a favorite verse or two to give to our visiting missionaries on Tuesday, February 27 at the Missionary Coffee. Cards can be dropped off in the Women's Ministry Office (A106).

**Special Persecuted Church Prayer** — Sunday, February 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel. You are invited to hear from a visiting missionary who serves in a country with the highest level of Christian persecution. Please Join us for a time of sharing, Q & A, and prayer.

**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](https://bit.ly/YBLBreakfast).

**Foster/Adoption Connection Meeting** — Wednesday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Brides Room. Current and interested foster and adoption parents are invited to meet with other like-minded families to encourage and equip one another. Email [w.carter.ralph@gmail.com](mailto:w.carter.ralph@gmail.com).

**Trailblazers Dinner** — Thursday, February 22 at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner with music from Jay and the Elders, Briarwood's local band. Come and invite a friend. Get your tickets (\$10) online at [briarwood.org/trailblazers](https://briarwood.org/trailblazers), in the Bookstore or email [sjohnston@briarwood.org](mailto:sjohnston@briarwood.org).

**2024 College Missions Retreat** — Friday, February 23–Sunday, February 25 at The Barn. Kick off the weekend with dinner at 5:30 p.m. then join us all weekend for a time of food, fellowship, and worship. We will be connecting with our missionary speakers as we are challenged to spend our lives in service to Christ's Great Commission!

**VBS Volunteers Needed** — We need your help for this summer's VBS, June 3–7! If you are interested in volunteering, email Raleigh Macoy at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org). Child registration will open in April at [briarwood.org/vbs](https://briarwood.org/vbs).

**Sacrament of Baptism** — Infant Baptism is offered in our Sunday morning services. Contact Leigh Ann Reese at 205-776-5301 or [lreese@briarwood.org](mailto:lreese@briarwood.org) for available dates.

**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](https://briarwood.org/midweek).

**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.

**Summer Camp Employment** — Camp Briarwood 2024 counselor applications are now available at [campbriarwood.org](https://campbriarwood.org).

**Job Opening: Membership Pastor** — Seeking a pastor to shepherd visitors and members into the life of our Church. Needs to relate well with people and have skills of leadership and management. Candidate must be ordained or ordainable in the PCA. Send resume to [pclaud@briarwood.org](mailto:pclaud@briarwood.org) or call 205-776-5282.

**Job Openings: Full-time & Part-time Staff** — There are a number of ministry positions open. See all employment and job openings at [briarwood.org/employment](https://briarwood.org/employment).

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

## **Monday, February 12 — Briarwood Prayer Focus**

Pray for our Global Ministries Conference February 25–March 3. Pray for the final details being made, volunteers that are needed and the preparations of the ministry partners who are attending.

## **Tuesday, February 13 — Birmingham Prayer Focus**

Pray for Christian Service Mission ministry that partners with churches to reach their communities through resources, education and construction. Pray as they utilize the skills of volunteers and non-profits to advance the work of the Kingdom here in the greater Birmingham area.

## **Wednesday, February 14 — Missions Prayer Focus**

Pray for Chris and Savannah Kitchen who serve with Mission to the World on a ministry team in southern England, where they have an outreach to Persians living in the United Kingdom. Pray for several Persians who are studying with Chris and responding to the Gospel as they learn and seek church membership.

## **Thursday, February 15 — Global Ministry Partners**

Pray for Dan and Kimi Lewis with Campus Outreach SERVE in Thailand; Samuel and Mildred Ling with China Horizon serving Internationally; Grant and Liz Linneman with Campus Outreach SERVE in Australia; and Martin and Connie Londono with International Outreach Ministries in Colombia.

## **Friday, February 16 — National Ministry Partners**

Pray for Chris and Mary Granberry with Sacred Road Ministry in Washington; Mack and Chris Griffith with Mission to North America in Alabama; Luke and Kristen Hembree with Campus Outreach in Mississippi; Daniel and Courtney Hightower with Reformed University Fellowship at Jacksonville State; and Restoration Academy.

## **Saturday, February 17 — Briarwood Officers and Staff**

Pray for Briarwood elders David Battles, Craig Gilbert, Chuck Powell; deacons Ken Barton, Mike Felton, Phillip Landers; and Interim Pastor Dan Doriani and wife, Debbie.

## **Sunday, February 18 — Church Family**

Pray for hospitalized members Rosine Feist, Annie Hall, Janice Hamil, Chuck Potter, Buddy Runnels, Den Terry, Gwen Cason, Kathy Lawrence, and Chuck Potter.

We offer our love and sympathy to Charles Daniel and family on the death of his father, S. Daniel Samikanu, on February 3.

We rejoice with Charles and Shea Terry on the birth of their son, Charles ‘Den’ Roden IV, on January 29.

*For the Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Hebrews 4:12*

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## THIS LORD'S DAY

### **Sunday Morning Worship Services:**

“Jesus Is the Compassionate Healer”

Matthew 8:1–13

Dr. Dan Doriani

### **Sunday Evening Worship:**

Rev. Byron West

Watch our live-stream on the Briarwood App, Facebook, YouTube or [briarwood.org](http://briarwood.org).  
Watch or listen to previous sermons on the Briarwood App.