



# BRIARWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WINTER / SPRING 2024

[briarwood.org](http://briarwood.org)



## BRIARWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For God's glory, Briarwood is committed to equipping Christians to worship God and reach Birmingham to reach the world for Christ.

To fulfill our mandate and mission,  
Briarwood desires to be an "Equipping Church"  
which radiates the Gospel of grace by making disciples.

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Morning Worship** • 8:00 and 10:55 a.m. • Meets in the Worship Center

**Sunday School Communities** • 9:30 a.m. • Meet in various classrooms

**Hispanic Worship** • 10:30 a.m. • Meet at 5521 Double Oak Lane

**Japanese Worship** • 1:30 p.m. • Meet in G101

**Korean Worship** • 11:20 a.m. • Meet at 2209 Rocky Ridge Rd.

**Evening Worship** • 6:00 p.m. • Meets in the Worship Center

## CHURCH SENIOR STAFF

**Dan Doriani** – Interim Senior Pastor

**Bruce Stallings** – Executive Pastor • [bstallings@briarwood.org](mailto:bstallings@briarwood.org)

**Matt Moore** – Church Administrator • [mmoore@briarwood.org](mailto:mmoore@briarwood.org)

**Benny Parks** – Ministries Team Pastor • Ministries Team Pastor

**Benny Youngblood** – Shepherding Team Pastor • [byoungblood@briarwood.org](mailto:byoungblood@briarwood.org)

**Bryan Wintersteen** – Global Missions Pastor • Global Missions Pastor

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

### **Briarwood Inquirer Classes**

Are you interested in discovering what Briarwood Presbyterian Church is all about? Are you interested in membership at Briarwood Presbyterian Church? Six times a year the Briarwood Inquirer Class explore "What is a Christian?" "What is the Church?" and "What is Briarwood?"

These classes vary in meeting times with the church annual calendar. Details on the next class will be provided when you contact us about attending. Pre-school child care is available for all classes. Attending these classes in no way obligates you to join Briarwood, but is a prerequisite for membership.

Register by calling 205-776-5208 or emailing [wlong@briarwood.org](mailto:wlong@briarwood.org).



## FOR GOD'S GLORY

"Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name give glory,  
for the sake of your steadfast love and faithfulness!"

Psalm 115:1

Stay up-to-date on church events on the Briarwood App  
or go to [briarwood.org/events](https://briarwood.org/events).

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## SPRING EVENTS

<b>Women's Studies Begin</b>	January 8
<b>Men's Studies Begin</b>	January 8
<b>MidWeek Begins</b>	January 10
<b>BYG/RAIDERS D-Groups Begin</b>	January 14
<b>BTS Classes Begins</b>	January 16
<b>Lampstand Conference</b>	January 18–21
<b>Sanctity of Life Sunday</b>	January 21
<b>Women's In-Town Retreat</b>	January 26–27
<b>Ligonier Youth Conference</b>	February 2–3
<b>Working Women's Fellowship Dinner</b>	February 8
<b>Sportsman's Blast</b>	February 9
<b>Global Missions Conference</b>	February 25 – March 3
<b>Faith Promise Sunday</b>	March 3
<b>Women's Pathway to Preparation Training</b>	March 15–16
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	March 24
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	March 28
<b>Good Friday</b>	March 29
<b>Easter Sunday / Sunrise Service</b>	March 31
<b>Parenting Conference</b>	April 12–14
<b>Jr. Ballet Program</b>	April 26–27
<b>Officer Nomination Month</b>	Month of May
<b>National Day of Prayer</b>	May 2
<b>Choir Concert</b>	May 5
<b>Working Women's Fellowship Dinner</b>	May 8
<b>Ballet Spring Recital</b>	May 11–12

# SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

The purpose of Briarwood's Sunday School Community Ministry is to teach consistently the whole counsel of God in the context of our congregational communities; to encourage the fellowship of believers; and to build disciples by equipping Christians to make an impact for Jesus Christ, beginning in the home and church and moving to Birmingham and beyond.

Classes meet Sunday mornings 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.



**Shepherding Team Pastor, Benny Youngblood**

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## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

<b>Abundant Life</b>	Empty nesters and grandparents
<b>Branches</b>	A community of singles & couples
<b>College Community</b>	College age
<b>Covenant Keepers</b>	Families with infants to middle-school-age children
<b>Deeper Life</b>	Empty nesters and grandparents
<b>Discovery</b>	A class for all ages and stages in life
<b>Encounter</b>	Young married couples with infants to middle-school-age children
<b>Faithful Followers</b>	Women of all walks and stages of life
<b>Family Life</b>	A class for the entire family
<b>Graduates and Career</b>	A community for graduates to early 30's
<b>Growing In Grace</b>	Families with preschool to high school-age children
<b>Growing Together</b>	Families with preschool to high school-age children
<b>Hearts and Homes</b>	Families with children in college
<b>Heritage Builders</b>	Families with preschool to high school-age children
<b>Homestead</b>	Empty-nesters through great-grandparents
<b>In One Accord</b>	A community for singles 40's and up
<b>Inside Out</b>	Families with children in high school or older
<b>International</b>	English-speaking internationals
<b>Joyful Hearts</b>	Empty-nesters through great-grandparents
<b>Kingdom Builders</b>	Empty-nesters and Grandparents
<b>Kingdom Seekers</b>	Families with children in Middle School or older
<b>Legacy</b>	Young married couples with infants to elementary-age children
<b>Mountain View</b>	A class for all ages and stages in life
<b>Next Step</b>	Families with children in high school or older
<b>REAL Matters</b>	Families with children in high school or older
<b>Sojourners</b>	Families with preschool to high school-age children
<b>The Oaks</b>	Engaged and newly married couples
<b>Women Impacting the World</b>	Women of all walks and stages of life



## MIDWEEK AT BRIARWOOD

Wednesday night offers many new and exciting small group studies, so find the best fit for you and jump in! All ministry opportunities start at 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Join us for our dinner in the Fellowship Hall each Wednesday evening from 5:15–6:30 p.m.



**Pastor, Eric Reebals**

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## COMMUNITY STUDIES

The Sermon on the Mount – Saeyoung Park	G103
Warrior “Shattered Glass” – Mike Wheeler	A105
Women’s Study of 2 Kings – Kristie Harrick	G101
Home Groups – Various Teachers	Various Locations

## CHILDREN & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Infants Nursery – Up to 3 years old (reservations required)	Nursery Hallway
CONNECT – K4–3rd grade	Children's Auditorium
IGNITE – 4th–6th grade	GYM
RAIDERS – 7th & 8th grades	The Barn
BYG – 9th–12th grades	The Barn

## MINISTRY CLASSES

Personal Evangelism: The Bridge to Life – Eric Reebals	A202
Missions MidWeek – Max Bunn, Rob Looper, & Bryan Wintersteen	Chapel
Counseling in the Local Church – Dr. Greg Norfleet & Dr. Eyrich	A201
Adoption Connection – Carter Ralph	Bride's Room
Chancel Choir & Briarwood Orchestra	Choir Room / Worship Center
ESL Classes – Joel Richards	School Third Floor Lobby – E313
GriefShare – Jim Alexander & Mark Cushman	W203
DivorceCare – Lance & Ruth Radbill	W203
New Focus – Chris Thompson	E003/005
Jobs for Life – Adrian VanderWoude	E007/009
Briarwood Inquiry Class – Wendy Long	A209
Prayer for our Church – Joyce Ann Jackson	Prayer Room
Sign Language Beginner Class	S205
Sign Language Intermediate Class	S207
Sign Language Intermediate Class	S209
Sign Language Religious Interpreting	S203

## 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.

**Men's Ministry Pastor, Eric Reebals**  
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## MEN'S STUDIES

### **Study of Colossians – Rob Looper**

- Mondays at 6:30 a.m.
- Starts January 8
- Fellowship Hall E & F

### **The Role of God's Moral Law in the Life of Believers – Olan Stubbs**

- Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m.
- Starts January 9
- Cajun Seafood House (2531 Rocky Ridge Road, Vestavia, AL 35243)

### **John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress – Benny Parks**

- Fridays at 6:30 a.m.
- Starts January 12
- Fellowship Hall E & F

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### **Sportsman's Blast – February 9**

Men, bring a friend for a barbeque dinner and to hear the gospel message! This year's speaker is Hugh Jacks. In addition to being a long-time Briarwood Church member and Elder, Hugh was on the planning committee for the very first Sportsman's Blast and has served and attended every event since! An avid hunter, he has hunted all over the world and taken 175 trophy animals.

This is a great opportunity to invite non-believers to hear the Gospel. Tickets are available for \$12 in the Briarwood Bookstore or by calling 205-776-5210. For additional information go to [briarwood.org/blast](http://briarwood.org/blast).

### **Briarwood Officer Nomination – Month of May**

The month of May is the time during which nominations are accepted for officer candidates. It is a very important duty that we have as members and leaders to nominate quality men for these offices. We would ask that you pray diligently and thoughtfully in consideration of the men that you know who meet the criteria for officers laid out in I Timothy 3 and Titus 1. Learn more at [briarwood.org/officers](http://briarwood.org/officers).



# BRIARWOOD WOMEN

Equipping women to know God and to glorify Him  
in our home, church, community and world.

Spiritual formation and growth opportunities including Bible studies, theology seminars, and conferences. COMMUNITY – Fostering healthy intergenerational relationships including retreats, social activities, worship nights, etc. OUTREACH – Ministry service and evangelistic opportunities including special events focused on evangelism, ministry to the homebound & assisted living, knitting ministry, mission trips, etc.

**Women's Ministry Director, Kristie Harrick**

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briarwood.org/women

## WOMEN'S STUDIES

### **Ezra & Nehemiah**

- Mondays at 10:00 AM
- Michele Cantley
- Starts February 5
- A202 & Zoom

### **1 & 2 Peter (part 2)**

- Tuesdays at 9:30 AM
- Cindy Reeder & Mary Lou Morrison
- Starts January 9
- FH-A

### **Study of Titus**

- Tuesdays at 9:30 AM
- Mary Anne Turnbull & Amanda Leon
- Starts January 9
- G101

### **Study of 2 Kings**

- Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
- Kristie Harrick & Elizabeth Bondurant
- Starts January 10
- G101 & Zoom

### **Study of Hebrews**

- Thursdays at 9:30 AM
- Donna Evans
- Starts: January 11
- G101

### **Study of John**

- Thursdays at 9:30 AM
- Yvonne Welch
- Starts: January 11
- G103

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### **Women's Ministry In-Town Retreat - January 26-27**

This year's theme will be "By Design" and our keynote speaker will be Courtney Denton, Director of Mercy and Women's Ministries at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Cost is \$45 per person. Register online at [briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women).

### **Working Women Fellowship Dinner - February 8**

Working Women, join us for an evening of food, fellowship, engagement and encouragement from those with shared experiences.

### **Women's Missionary Coffee - February 27**

Write an encouragement card with a favorite verse or two for our visiting global missionaries. Meet and have coffee with a missionary on February 27.

### **Pathway to Preparation Training - March 15**

We will walk through training that teaches us how to understand the context and structure of a passage of scripture, how to filter the passage through the Gospel lens and then ultimately how to connect it to our day to day living.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Briarwood's Children's Ministry desires to partner with parents to lead children to a saving, growing relationship with Christ by presenting the gospel, training children to worship, and equipping them to impact others for God's glory.

**Children's Director, Jake Stallings**

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## SUNDAY CLASSES

### Children Sunday School

- K4–6th Grades
- 9:30–10:30 a.m
- Email Raleigh Macoy at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org) to find your child's class.

### Children's Worship

K4–3rd Grades are dismissed during the 8:00 & 10:55 AM Worship Services to the Children's Auditorium. 8:00 AM children are escorted to Sunday Schools.

### Sunday Nights – Children's Choirs

- K4 – 6th Grades
- Meets each Lord's Day evening during the worship hour at 6:00.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

### CONNECT: K4–3rd grade

- 6:30–8:00 p.m.
- Children's Auditorium
- Meets during MidWeek
- January 10 – April 24

### IGNITE: 4th–6th grade

- 6:30–8:00 p.m.
- Church Gym
- Meets during MidWeek
- January 10 – April 24

## SPECIAL EVENTS

<b>Passport Night</b>	January 12
<b>IGNIGHT Girls Event</b>	February 16
<b>GLOW: Go Light Our World!</b>	February 25–28
<b>IGNIGHT 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament</b>	March 15
<b>IGNIGHT Father/Daughter &amp; Mother/Son Event</b>	April 5
<b>Passport Night</b>	April 19
<b>IGNIGHT Barn Extravaganza</b>	May 3

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Briarwood's student ministries exist to equip students to worship God,  
to reach their schools, to reach Birmingham,  
to reach the world for Christ—all for God's glory.



**Family Pastor, Jay Shaw**

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## SUNDAY CLASSES

### Youth Sunday School

- BYG (9th – 12th graders) meets at 9:30 a.m in room C-200
- RAIDERS (7th – 8th graders) meets at 9:30 a.m in room E-313

### Sunday Night D-Groups

- 7th – 12th graders
- January 21 – April 28
- 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. at The Barn

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We have the opportunity to gather students together every Wednesday Night at The Barn for a time of fellowship, singing, and teaching. This time is so important for students because it serves as a spiritually refreshing night during a school week that often brings its own set of stresses and challenges. We see this as an opportunity to pour into students so they can go to school as lights in the darkness for Christ!

### RAIDERS: 7th – 8th graders

- \$5 Dinner: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- January 10 – April 24
- Meeting: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

### BYG: 9th – 12th graders

- \$5 Dinner: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- January 10 – April 24
- Meeting: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

## SPECIAL EVENT

### RAIDERS: Laser Tag @ the Barn

January 12

### RAIDERS Getaway

January 20–21

### Always Ready: Ligonier Student Conference

February 3

### RAIDERS: Pedestal Joust Challenge

February 7

### BYG Girls Event: Galentine's Party

February 9

### BYG Guys Event: March Madness Tournament

March 15

### RAIDERS: Eat It / Act It / Draw It

April 3

### BYG: Barn Spring Shindig

April 3



# BRIARWOOD MINISTRIES

Briarwood desires to be an "EQUIPPING CHURCH"  
which radiates the Gospel of grace by "making disciples" through:

Gospel Ministries of Evangelism and Discipleship  
Gospel Church Planting Initiatives and Church Revitalization Efforts  
Gospel Leaders Developed and Deployed  
Gospel Deeds Of Love, Mercy and Justice

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## ADDITIONAL COMMUNITIES

### **College Ministry** – College-age Adults

Mark Purser (mpurser@briarwood.org) • [briarwood.org/college](http://briarwood.org/college)

### **Singles Ministry** – Single Adults ages 20–40's & up

Saeyoung Park (spark@briarwood.org) • [briarwood.org/singles](http://briarwood.org/singles)

### **Young Couples** – Young Couples and New Families

Stephen King (sking@briarwood.org)

### **Special Connections** – Children & Adults with special needs

Michael Johnson (mjohnson@briarwood.org) • [briarwood.org/sc](http://briarwood.org/sc)

### **Trailblazers** – Senior Adults

Sharon Johnston (sjohnston@briarwood.org) • [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers)

### **Briarwood International Outreach** – Ethnic Congregations & Intl. Students

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## BRIARWOOD RESOURCES

### **The Briarwood App**

Watch the livestream and keep up with sermons, podcasts & events.

Download the app by going to [briarwood.org/app](http://briarwood.org/app).

### **Briarwood B-Mail**

Weekly newsletter emailed each Thursday with upcoming events & information.

Sign up for B-Mail at [briarwood.org/bmail](http://briarwood.org/bmail).

### **Briarwood Weekly**

Weekly newsletter printed and mailed to your home each week.

Sign up to receive the Weekly by emailing [wlong@briarwood.org](mailto:wlong@briarwood.org).

### **Briarwood.org**

Briarwood webpage with Ministry & Communities info & additional resources.

## BRIARWOOD MINISTRIES

<b>Birmingham Theological Seminary</b>	<a href="http://bts.education">bts.education</a>
<b>Briarwood Ballet</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/ballet">briarwood.org/ballet</a>
<b>Briarwood Christian School</b>	<a href="http://briarwoodchristianschool.org">briarwoodchristianschool.org</a>
<b>Campus Outreach</b>	<a href="http://campusoutreach.org">campusoutreach.org</a>
<b>Christian Counseling Ministry</b>	<a href="mailto:CounselingCoordinator@Briarwood.org">CounselingCoordinator@Briarwood.org</a>
<b>Christian Medical Ministry</b>	<a href="http://cmmaub.org/index.html">cmmaub.org/index.html</a>
<b>Church Planting</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/missions/church-planting">briarwood.org/missions/church-planting</a>
<b>Church Revitalization</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/missions/church-revitalization">briarwood.org/missions/church-revitalization</a>
<b>Church and State</b>	<a href="mailto:info@briarwood.org">info@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Discipleship Groups</b>	<a href="mailto:LReese@briarwood.org">LReese@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Evangelism</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/evangelism">briarwood.org/evangelism</a>
<b>Fellows Ministry</b>	<a href="http://briarwoodfellows.org">briarwoodfellows.org</a>
<b>Global Missions</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/missions/global-ministry">briarwood.org/missions/global-ministry</a>
<b>Mercy Ministry</b>	<a href="mailto:altadena@briarwood.org">altadena@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Music Ministry</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/music">briarwood.org/music</a>
<b>National Ministries</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/missions/national-ministry">briarwood.org/missions/national-ministry</a>
<b>Nursery</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/nursery">briarwood.org/nursery</a>
<b>Pastoral Care</b>	<a href="mailto:AltadenaMinistries@Briarwood.org">AltadenaMinistries@Briarwood.org</a>
<b>Prayer Ministry</b>	<a href="mailto:dmatthews@briarwood.org">dmatthews@briarwood.org</a>
<b>QUEST / Recreation Ministry</b>	<a href="http://briarwood.org/quest">briarwood.org/quest</a>
<b>Shepherding</b>	<a href="mailto:pclaud@briarwood.org">pclaud@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Mobilization Ministry</b>	<a href="mailto:mbunn@briarwood.org">mbunn@briarwood.org</a>
<b>WLJR Radio</b>	<a href="mailto:jreagan@briarwood.org">jreagan@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Walk Through Nativity</b>	<a href="mailto:pclaud@briarwood.org">pclaud@briarwood.org</a>
<b>Young Business Leaders</b>	<a href="http://ybl.org">ybl.org</a>
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