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IMPACT

BIRMINGHAM

APRIL 26

Partner with local ministries to do service projects that include yard work, painting, distributing food, and repair projects. Let's serve as the body of Christ to IMPACT Birmingham!

View details of the available projects on the following page and sign up at briarwood.org/impact.



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IMPACT BIRMINGHAM PROJECTS

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Big Oak Ranch Outdoor spring projects & yard work	20 spots available Adults & Teens
Bundles of Hope Work in a warehouse bundling diapers	75 spots available All ages 5+
Christian Service Mission Working in warehouse sorting, organizing goods, etc.	50 spots available All ages 6+
Foundations Early Learning & Family Center Fence painting, outdoor spring projects & yard work	10 spots available Adults & Teens
Grace Klein: Pelham FeedBHM Hub Break apart pallets and clean slats Outdoor spring projects & yard work	60 spots available Adults & Teens All ages
Grace Klein: Morgan UMC FeedBHM Hub Event preparation & setup	25 spots available Adults & Teens
Grace Klein: Hoth Community Home Yard maintenance and indoor cleaning	20 spots available All ages 6+
Grace House Lawn care and organization	15 spots available Adults & Teens
Hearts in Hands Deck replacement & small wheelchair ramp replacement	15 spots available Adults & Teens
Prayer Team Praying for all the service projects and volunteers	25 spots available All ages
Vapor Thrift Store: Vestavia Handling donated goods & bagging small items for retail	10 spots available All ages 14+
Vapor Thrift Store: Greystone Handling donated goods & bagging small items for retail	10 spots available All ages 14+
Well House Outdoor facility projects	20 spots available Adults & Teens

Find additional information and register for IMPACT Birmingham projects at briarwood.org/impact or on the Briarwood App.

FEATURED EVENTS

Holy Week 2025 — Worship Services | April 13–20 *

Remember the death and celebrate the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ with us during this year's Holy Week. We will have Worship Services on Palm Sunday (April 13), an evening Communion Service on Maundy Thursday (April 17), a Service of Reflection at noon on Good Friday (April 18), and on Easter Sunday (April 20), a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. and Worship Services. Find details at briarwood.org/holyweek.

IMPACT Birmingham — Church Mobilization | April 26 *

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Seek First the King in Marriage — Couples Marriage Retreat | May 2–4

Come invest in your marriage and enjoy a weekend away together in beautiful downtown Huntsville! We will have three sessions with Dr. Doriani, a married couples panel discussion, and Sunday morning worship. Find additional information and register online by April 2 at briarwood.org/marriageretreat.

* 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

Saving My Assassin: A Memoir

by Virginia Prodan | Adult Book

"I should be dead. Buried in an unmarked grave in Romania. Obviously, I am not. God had other plans." A must-read for all generations, *Saving My Assassin* is the unforgettable account of one woman's search for truth, her defiance in the face of evil, and a surprise encounter that proves without a shadow of a doubt that nothing is impossible with God. At just under five feet, Virginia Prodan was no match for the towering 6' 10" gun-wielding assassin the Romanian government sent to her office to take her life. It was not the first time her life had been threatened—nor would it be the last. Price: \$13.99

The Hiding Place: A Graphic Novel

by Myrna Grant | Older Children's Book

On a city corner in Holland, one woman fights against injustice and darkness. In a quiet watchmaking shop, Corrie ten Boom and her close-knit family risk their lives to hide hundreds of Jews and others hunted by the Nazis in a secret hiding place they built into their home. Until one day when Corrie and her family are betrayed. They're captured and sent in cattle cars to the notorious Nazi concentration camps to die. Yet even in that darkest of places, Corrie still fights. This is her incredible true story, now a visually stunning graphic novel. With more than 1,500 engaging full-color illustrations, this real-life heroine comes to life—showing how even in the most desperate, loneliest, and darkest of times, faith, hope, and love will ultimately triumph. Price: \$18.99

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Faith Promise Pledges — Turn in your Faith Promise card during a worship service, mail your card to Briarwood, email faithpromise@briarwood.org with your commitment, or fill out the form at briarwood.org/faithpromise.

Pulpit Committee Update — Pray for the Pulpit Search Committee as they approach the next goal of completing interviews and move on to more detailed conversations. See the update from last Sunday from Chairman Billy Ball at briarwood.org/pulpit-committee.

Campus Security Update — Construction is scheduled to be completed in the coming weeks on a security fence around the Briarwood Christian Lower School. This project will not interfere with regular church activity or access. Learn more at briarwood.org/fence.

IGNITE 3-on-3 Tournament — Friday, March 14 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Gym. Students 4th–6th grade, register at briarwood.org/children by March 14 at 9:00 a.m. to participate. Email jstallings@briarwood.org with any further questions.

Unbound 216 Easter Hygiene Packs — March 23–30. Briarwood is partnering to deliver hygiene kits to prison inmates as an Easter gift. Bring new deodorant sticks (no sprays) to the Chapel hallway or Ministry Lobby by March 30.

Officer Nominations — April 1–30. Deacon and Elder nominations for the Class of 2028 will be accepted from the congregation during the month of April. Online submissions will be accepted through April 30 at briarwood.org/nominations. For more information, contact Leigh Ann Reese at lreese@briarwood.org.

Children's Passport Night — Friday, April 4 from 6:00–8:30 p.m. K4–6th graders, come and learn about a foreign country through food and fun! Parent volunteers are needed. Register online at briarwood.org/children by April 3 at noon.

Easter Lily Dedication — Sunday, April 6 ordering deadline. Purchase a lily to be placed in the Worship Center in memory or honor of someone special for Easter Sunday. Order now online at briarwood.org/lily or drop by the Membership Office (A101).

CMMA Human Trafficking Seminar — Thursday, April 24 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Healthcare providers are invited to hear from an expert in the field how to identify victims of human trafficking. Register at cmmauab.org/ministry-activities.

VBS 2025 — June 2–6. We are busy making plans for this summer's Vacation Bible School! Volunteers are needed. Email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org if you are interested. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

CMMA Mission Trip Need — Donate used full sized suitcases for mission trips—no carry-ons please. Drop off anytime Monday to Friday during business hours at the Board Directed Ministries building. Contact CMMA at 205-776-5470 or cmmaadmin@briarwood.org.

Job Opportunity: Young Couples Pastor — Seeking a pastor with leadership skills, shepherding gifts and management skills to lead our young couples. Candidate must be PCA ordained or ordainable. Send resume to 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.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Sunday, March 16 — Briarwood Prayer Focus

Pray for the Grace Ladies this Friday as they plan the next Lydia luncheon. Give thanks for the loving hearts of these ladies who care for and serve the widows in our church.

Pray for the members of the Pulpit Search Committee who have taken on this important task that requires significant time. Give thanks for their high level of commitment and a deep love for Briarwood.

Monday, March 17 — Birmingham Prayer Focus

Pray for the Blanket Fort Hope ministry that serves child survivors of human trafficking. Pray for God's guidance in finding a dedicated husband and wife with love, compassion, and a heart for healing and restoration to serve at their new Restoration home.

Tuesday, March 18 — Missions Prayer Focus

Pray for the internationals in Birmingham who are reading the Bible one-on-one with Briarwood members each week. Ask the Lord to reveal Himself as they read His Word and give them faith to believe, that they might come to know Him.

Wednesday, March 19 — Global Ministry Partners

Pray for Maddie Lebeter with Campus Outreach SERVE in Thailand; John and Terri with Mission to the World in the Middle East; Steve and Sherri Letchford with Serving in Mission in Kenya; and Dan and Kimi Lewis with Campus Outreach SERVE in Thailand.

Thursday, March 20 — National Ministry Partners

Pray for Dan and Lucy Allison with Globeworks International Ministries in Alabama; Latasha Allston with RUF in Washington DC; Carroll Baker with Fellowship of Christian Athletes in South Carolina; Jack and Amy Baker with Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Alabama; and The Aspire Movement.

Friday, March 21 — Briarwood Officers and Staff

Pray for our elders Josh Jones, Leon Chadwick, David Harris; deacons Jed Duke, Matt Frederiksen, David Duffee; and Women & Children's Counselor Chesley Kalehoff and her husband, Richard.

Saturday, March 22 — Church Family

Pray for our hospitalized members Don Davis, Steve Greenall, Gene Head, Joey Hyche, Zach Knighton, Jean Lathram, Barbara Matthews, Maggie Nabors, Marvin Keffer.

We rejoice with John and Amy Bennett on the birth of their son, Calvin Walker, on March 4.

We offer our love and sympathy to Bill Rudd and family on the death of his brother, Rodney Rudd, on March 6.

Love the Lord, all you His saints! The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord! Psalm 31:23-24

Receive each day's prayer as a notification through the Briarwood App. In your Briarwood App settings, enable "Weekly Prayer Guide" notifications.

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THIS LORD'S DAY

Sunday Morning Worship Services:

“The Spirit Gives Gifts to His People”

Romans 12:3–8

Dr. Dan Doriani

This Lord's Day, Dr. Doriani continues in Paul's teaching on the book of Romans. In this sermon, Dr. Doriani will challenge us with many questions including, “Do you know what your spiritual gifts are?” and “How are you honing and deploying your gifts today?”

Sunday Evening Worship:

“The Battle is the Lord's”

1 Samuel 17

Dr. Dan Doriani

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