

SUMMER STUDIES

at Briarwood

BRIARWOOD MEN OF THE COVENANT

SEEK FIRST THE

KINGDOM

of God

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 AM

THE PURSUIT OF GOD BY A.W. TOZER

FELLOWSHIP HALL A & B

TO REGISTER, GO TO
BRIARWOOD.ORG/MEN



BRIARWOOD
Women

Colossians

Summer Drop-In Bible Study

Tuesdays

9:30 AM | CHAPEL

June 10 - July 29

briarwood.org/women
nursery registration required



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MEN'S SUMMER STUDY

The Men's Ministry will be continuing this year's theme of Seek First the Kingdom of God by studying A.W. Tozer's *The Pursuit of God*. This book is a call to active discipleship and a deep, abiding relationship with God, emphasizing that the journey of faith is not a destination but a continuous pursuit. Tozer argues that this pursuit is not for a select few but should be the experience of every Christian.

Men, join us in Fellowship Hall A and B on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 a.m. You can register on our website at briarwood.org/men. *The Pursuit of God* is available in the Briarwood Bookstore. Find additional information at briarwood.org/men.

SUMMER EVANGELISM TRAINING

Summer Evangelism Training, Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 PM, meets in Fellowship Hall A & B from June 11 – August 13, no meeting on July 23. Join us for dinner together then an encouraging lesson on how to share your faith in different contexts.

Please register for dinner so we have a count, go to briarwood.org/evangelism to register. After dinner we will split up with qualified leaders and go out to share our faith in a friendly conversational style. All are welcome, please come and try it out!

WOMEN'S SUMMER DROP-IN STUDY

The Women's Ministry is hosting a drop-in style Bible Study on the epistle of Colossians that emphasizes the supreme authority of Jesus Christ over all things. No commitment is required, but all are welcome to come to as many meetings as possible. Each week, a different Briarwood woman will teach on a section of the book. Classes will meet in the Chapel on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. See the schedule below.

Drop-in Studies Schedule:

June 10	Donna Evans: "Gratitude in Prayer"	Colossians 1:1–14
June 17	Amanda Leon: "The Preeminence of Christ"	Colossians 1:15–23
June 24	Susan Dunn: "God's Mystery"	Colossians 1:24–2:5
July 8	Cierra Bragan: "Alive Together with Christ"	Colossians 2:6–23
July 15	Elizabeth Bondurant: "Christ is Your Life"	Colossians 3:1–17
July 22	Sonja Steelman: "You are Serving the Lord Christ"	Colossians 3:18–4:6
July 29	Kristie Harrick: "Fellow Workers for the Kingdom"	Colossians 3:18–4:6

Nursery registration is required.

Find additional information at briarwood.org/women.

FEATURED EVENTS

VBS 2025 — K5 – 6th Graders | June 2–6

Vacation Bible School will be June 2–6 from 9:00 a.m. to noon each day. VBS is free and open to both members and visitors. Register your child or purchase a shirt at briarwood.org/vbs. Come back for the VBS Celebration evening service on Sunday, June 8.

Super Summer 2025 — Children's Ministry | June 9 – July 31

Children ages 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.

Created for a Purpose — Children's Ministry | July 21–25

Created For A Purpose is a 5-day program that teaches 3rd–8th grade girls that they are masterpieces created by God with unique purposes! Each day of this summer camp is packed with hands-on activities and Biblical teaching. Learn more and sign up online at briarwood.org/createdforapurpose.

* 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

Pippa and the Singing Tree: Joining the Song of All Creation

by Kristyn Getty | New Children's Book

The whole earth is a symphony to God. The universe echoes His glory, and believers harmonize with songs of adoration. In the illustrated book *Pippa and the Singing Tree*, singer and hymn writer Kristyn Getty teaches children how they can answer Scripture's call to worship. Playing outside one chilly autumn day, Pippa is surrounded by the sights and sounds of nature. The great trees, robins, and icy winds—depicted in charming lyrical prose—all witness to God's majesty. Moved by the beauty around her, Pippa lifts her voice, adding her own song to the chorus. Price: \$13.99

A Paintbrush for Joni: The True Story of Joni Eareckson Tada and the Savior Who Turns Tragedy into Joy

by John Greco | New Children's Book

Joni Eareckson Tada was an adventurous, fun-loving girl until a diving accident changed her life forever. Instantly, Joni was a quadriplegic at the age of 17. However, that didn't stop her from becoming an accomplished artist, author, and advocate—not just for those with disabilities but for all people seeking a relationship with God. This uplifting story explores how the Lord used Joni's disability to help others and spread the good news of the gospel through her paintings, books, and ministry. Now Joni wants to pass her legacy on to the next generation, empowering all children with the hopeful message that God can use them to do incredible things, too! Price: \$15.99

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Dedicate a Flag — Dedicate a U.S. flag in memory or honor of someone this Independence Day. Each \$15 donation provides a flag on campus and the name of the dedication will be listed in our June 29 evening bulletin. Make dedications at briarwood.org/flag by June 15.

Ten-Minute Choir — June 1 – August 10. Come sing in the choir without weekly practices or commitments. Meet in the choir loft 10 minutes before each service and return to your seat after the opening hymn. All are welcome; no experience needed!

Summer Soccer Camp — June 9–13. All players ages 7–14 are welcome. Cost is \$140. Register and find details at briarwoodsoccer.com or call 205-776-5114.

Women's Summer Bible Study — June 10 – July 29. Join us this summer on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. This Bible Study will focus on the epistle of Colossians which emphasizes the supreme authority of Jesus Christ over all things.

Summer Evangelism Training — June 11 – August 13. Join us on Wednesday nights for dinner together and a lesson on how to share your faith in different contexts. We will split up with leaders and go out to share our faith. For details go to briarwood.org/evangelism.

Men's Summer Study — June 11 – August 13. Men, come this summer for a Wednesday study in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 a.m. We will be over-viewing A.W. Tozer's *The Pursuit of God*. See details and register at briarwood.org/men.

Care Portal Training — June 18. Care Portal is a way that local churches can help children in foster care and even prevent them from entering. Join us for Care Portal information and training on June 18 at 6:30 pm in the Chapel. Email cbono@briarwood.org to sign up.

VBS Volunteers Needed — We need floaters, people to be on the prayer team, and 10 more teen helpers! Email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org. Nursery classroom shepherds are also needed. Contact Sarah at ssewart@briarwood.org or 205-776-5214.

Briarwood Audio / Video Team — Worship God and serve in the church by contributing your talents to the Sunday AV Team. Tasks include running worship slides, operating live-stream cameras, and more. Email lmckee@briarwood.org if interested.

Job Opening: Maintenance / Custodial Manager — Candidate should possess strong knowledge in organization, HVAC, electrical, and carpentry. This position is full-time salaried with benefits. Contact Steve Goebel at 205-776-5230 or sgoebel@briarwood.org.

Job Opening: AV / Media Specialist — Full-time position to support the Briarwood AV Department. Audio mixing and production experience is required. Send your resume to Landon McKee at lmckee@briarwood.org.

Job Opening: Church Administrator — Briarwood is seeking a full-time Church Administrator who will oversee all financial, operational, and personnel matters affecting the church, staff, and members. If interested, send your resume to lreese@briarwood.org.

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, May 25 — Briarwood Prayer Focus

On Memorial Day, remember and honor the men and women who served in our military and sacrificed so much for our nation. Pray for the families whose loved ones died serving our country to preserve our freedoms.

Praise the Lord for His faithfulness as the Pulpit Search Committee continues their work. Please pray as in Habakkuk 2:14 that our next Lead Pastor will continue the work to expand God's kingdom and His will be done throughout the world. (Habakkuk 2:14)

Monday, May 26 — Birmingham Prayer Focus

Pray for Restoration Academy as they work to advance each student's life according to the two greatest commandments – to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love others as ourselves. For more information or to volunteer, please visit restorationacademy.org/volunteer.

Tuesday, May 27 — Missions Prayer Focus

Please pray for Campus Outreach Ministries and their leaders on college campuses across the United States. Numerous colleges have seen significant responses to gospel sharing and discipleship among students. Pray for these students as they enter summer break. Pray for the desire and opportunity to grow in their faith.

Wednesday, May 28 — Global Ministry Partners

Pray for Goce and Dragana Pecov with Cru in Macedonia, Robbie and Dena Pennington with Campus Outreach SERVE serving Internationally, Carlos and Ruth Perdomo with Impact International in Aruba, and Kristian Perdomo with World Reach in Honduras.

Thursday, May 29 — National Ministry Partners

Pray for Ryan & Megan McVicar with Red Tree Pres. Church in Ann Arbor Michigan, Kevin & Judith Moore with Mission Increase in Alabama, Tammy Murden with Navigators in Colorado, and Jeff & Ann Nelson with Children's Bible Mission in Alabama.

Friday, May 30 — Briarwood Officers and Staff

Pray for our elders Mark Thompson, Bruce Herrington, Tripp Reid; deacons Mike Jefferson, Marvin Keffer, Jonathan Kalehoff; and staff Benny Parks, Ministries Team Pastor and wife Brenda.

Saturday, May 31 — Church Family

Pray for our hospitalized members Vern Betsch, Mary Brackin, Jean Chase, Roy Costner, La'Trelle Grayson, Dennis Keeling, Mary Lunsford, Andy McGehee III, Sandy Bell, and Elaine Wright.

Our love and sympathy to the family of member Jean Condrey on her death on May 12; to Jennifer Bentley and family on the death of her mother, Norma Stagner, on May 14; and to Carla, David Jr. and Caroline Duffee and family on the death of their father and grandfather, John Bradford, on May 17.

The flowers in the Worship Center foyer this Sunday are given to the glory of God in memory of Frank Gutteridge from his loving wife Bud.

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THIS LORD'S DAY

Sunday Morning Worship Services:

"God in the Boat"

Mark 4:35-41

Rev. Saeyoung Park, Singles Ministry Pastor

Sunday Evening Worship:

"The Last Battle of Saul"

1 Samuel 29 & 31

Rev. Stephen King, Young Couples Pastor

Watch our live-stream on ROKU, Apple TV, Facebook, YouTube or briarwood.org.
Catch up with previous sermons and series on the Briarwood App.