

# SUPER SUMMER 2025

June 9 – July 31 briarwood.org/supersummer



## **SUPER SUMMER 2025**

Do you want your children to learn about who God is, grow in relationship with Him, take exciting field trips, and get to know great counselors? Look no further! Super Summer is just around the corner. Super Summer is a Gospel-centered, activity-based summer program for rising K5 through 6th graders. All children are welcome!

#### This Year's Theme:

We cannot wait for Super Summer this year! The theme is "I AM" based on John 14:6, which says, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Throughout the summer, we will solve the mystery of "Who does God say He is?" We will search through Scripture to solve this most important mystery, and we want your children to join us in the adventure!

#### Thank you, Counselors!

Our counselors are the ones who make Super Summer so fun. They bring high energy and pour into the kids so intentionally. Their impact on the children is priceless, and we can't say thank you enough to all the counselors who help us pull this off each summer. One of the biggest takeaways we get from the children is how much they liked their counselors.

## **Details & Registration:**

Dates: June 9 – July 31, 2025

Cost: \$10 for K5 students and \$15 for grades 1-6

Lunch: Send a packed lunch. For all Chuck E Cheese days, lunch is provided.

Register: Each day in the Gym Lobby. There is no early registration unless noted.

Registration for the Georgia Aquarium & Splash Adventure opens May 1.

Pick-up: Gym Lobby

For additional information, visit briarwood.org/supersummer.

## **SUPER SUMMER SCHEDULE**

June 9 – July 31, 2025 (Except the week of July 4)

Mondays	Rising K5	9:15 a.m12:30 p.m.
Tuesdays	Rising 1st & 2nd	9:15 a.m3:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	Rising 3rd & 4th	9:15 a.m3:00 p.m.
Thursdays	Rising 5th & 6th	9:15 a.m3:00 p.m.

June 23–27Catechism CampRising 1st and 2nd gradersJuly 21–25Created for a Purpose3rd to 8th grade girls

For the full week-by-week schedule, visit briarwood.org/supersummer.

## 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. T-shirts are available for \$10. Register your child or purchase a shirt at briarwood.org/vbs.

### 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.

\* 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

# Surviving Religion 101: Letters to a Christian Student on Keeping the Faith in College by Michael J. Kruger | Graduation Book Recommendation

For many young adults, the college years are an exciting period of self-discovery full of new relationships, new independence, and new experiences. Yet college can also be a time of personal testing and intense questioning—especially for Christian students confronted with various challenges to Christianity and the Bible for the first time. Drawing on years of experience as a biblical scholar, Michael Kruger addresses common objections to the Christian faith—the exclusivity of Christianity, Christian intolerance, homosexuality, hell, the problem of evil, science, miracles, and the reliability of the Bible. If you're a student dealing with doubt or wrestling with objections to Christianity from fellow students and professors alike, this book will equip you to engage secular challenges with intellectual honesty, compassion, and confidence—and ultimately graduate college with your faith intact. Price: \$13.99

## The Deep-Rooted Marriage: Cultivating Intimacy, Healing, and Delight by Dan B. Allender & Steve Call | Recommended by Dr. Doriani

Marriage is designed to be a glorious, transformative, joyous union of two imperfect people seeking profound love, empathy, and connection. Yet today's world is rife with marriages that are barely hanging on, with one or both spouses quietly checked out, desperate for a different experience. In *The Deep-Rooted Marriage*, Dr. Dan Allender and Dr. Steve Call offer personal and rich insights that point the way toward healing and intimacy. Sharing authentically about the past traumatic events they carried into their own marriages—from abuse and neglect to toxic shame and abandonment—they offer hard-earned wisdom that will strengthen any marriage, whatever its condition. Marriage is not about merely getting along or resolving conflict through compromise; it reveals who you are and invites you to who you can become. Marriage offers a space for you to experience what you are made for—honor, delight, and tastes of heaven. From this book, you can gain wisdom and encouragement for your own marriage, as shared with every couple this month at the Briarwood "Seek First the King in Marriage" retreat. Price: \$17.99

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

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Local Ministry Prayer** — Sunday, May 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room. All are invited to come and pray for our local ministry partners and mobilization opportunities.

**Ten-Minute Choir** — June 1 – August 31. 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.

**Mission Trip Needs** — Christian Medical Ministry is collecting ibuprofen (200mg) and Tylenol (500mg) for May Mission Trips. Donations can be left in the CMMA box in the Mailroom. Email cmmaadmin@briarwood.org with any questions.

**VBS Volunteers Needed** — We still need four more people to be VBS shepherds. We also need floaters, people to be on the prayer team, and 20 more teen helpers. Email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org. Nursery classroom shepherds are also needed. Contact Sarah at sstewart@briarwood.org or 205-776-5214.

**Camp Briarwood Summer Employment** — Camp Briarwood 2025 counselor applications are available at campbriarwood.org.

**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 livestream cameras, and more. Volunteer and paid positions are available. If you are interested, email lmckee@briarwood.org or go to briarwood.org/mediateam.

**Pickleball** — Tuesdays and 2nd/4th Thursdays from 6:00–9:00 p.m. in the Church Gym. Join us for open play. We have extra paddles if you don't have one. No sign up needed.

**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.

**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 18 — Briarwood Prayer Focus

Pray for those who are graduating from high school, college, and seminary. Give thanks for their hard work and accomplishments. Pray they seek God for direction of their future and follow the marvelous plan He has prepared for them.

Thank you for praying for the Pulpit Search Committee as they discern God's will for our next Lead Pastor. Pray also for the Godly man and his family as well as for our church to continue being the place where God's glory dwells. (Psalm 26:8)

#### Monday, May 19 — Birmingham Prayer Focus

Pray for the Life on Wheels ministry as they use mobile units in Birmingham, Montgomery, and Tuscaloosa to provide ultrasounds, save babies, and share the Gospel. For more information or to get involved, visit lifeonwheelsalabama.com.

## Tuesday, May 20 — Missions Prayer Focus

Please pray for Pastors Bryan Wintersteen and Rob Looper as they travel this week to Kuala Lumpur for a Malaysia Lampstand Conference. Pray for the church leaders who attend to take away a message of hope for spiritual health and vitality in their local congregations. The flag of Malaysia will be featured in Sunday's service.

### Wednesday, May 21 — Global Ministry Partners

Pray for Zsolt and Erika Novak with Novo in Romania, Haruaki and Asami Odate with Mission to the World in Japan, Jae and Jesslyn Park with Ministry to the Military & Internationals (MMI) in South Korea, and Raul and Vivi Pacheco with Campus Outreach SERVE serving Internationals.

## Thursday, May 22 — National Ministry Partners

Pray for Leonard and Cecelia Mahoe with Cru in Hawaii, Hank and Chrisy Marshman with Cru in Tennessee, Jack and Sheri McGill with Cru in Florida, and Bob McPherson with Cru in Alabama.

#### Friday, May 23 — Briarwood Officers and Staff

Pray for our elders Terry Steelman, Don Hendry, David Myers; deacons Gary Hudson, Philip Johnson, Gerald Jowers; and Singles Pastor Saeyoung Park and his wife Mikyung.

## Saturday, May 24 — Church Family

Pray for our hospitalized members Bill Feist, Mary Lunsford, Mary Jo Hand, Jean Chase, Sharon Head, Sharon Huffstutler, Paul Bankston, Shelle Henderson, Phillip Powell, Elaine Willis, Carol Payne, George Whaley, Ellen Fox, Ashok Mujumdar, Darlene Kerr, Rob Saunders, Susan Stofel, and Andy McGehee III.

Our love and sympathy to Dale Keller and family on the death of his brother-in-law, Jeff Jackson, on May 7.

...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

Receive each day's prayer as a notification through the Briarwood App. In your Briarwood App settings, enable "Weekly Prayer Guide" notifications. Non-Profit Org. U.S. Postage PAID Permit # 2143 Birmingham, AL

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## THIS LORD'S DAY

## **Sunday Morning Worship Services:**

"The Great Reception" Romans 15:1–7 Dr. Dan Doriani

## Sunday Evening Worship: Installation of Benny Youngblood as Associate Pastor

1 Samuel Dr. Dan Doriani

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