

# IMPACT weekend

AUGUST 1 - 3

Join us for an entire weekend of discipleship groups, worship, activities & teaching from God's Word that will IMPACT your life & launch you to IMPACT others for Christ.

Speaker: Ike Reeder

Theme: Authentic Fellowship

Worship: Will Carlisle



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# BYG IMPACT WEEKEND

*An entire weekend that will IMPACT your life & launch you to IMPACT others for Christ. The weekend is full of discipleship groups, worship, activities & teaching from God's Word to start the school year off right!*

## **This Year's Theme: Authentic Fellowship**

We live in a world of distractions. There are often hundreds of different things competing for our attention, all day, every day – from commitments to activities, from possession to culture. Often, we give in to these distractions, resulting in us not prioritizing an important pillar in our lives – authentic fellowship.

### **Fellowship with God**

Throughout the weekend, Ike Reeder will teach on three different aspects of this theme, starting with "True Fellowship with God". This roots our topics in Gospel Transformation from the start by focusing on what it looks like to enjoy time with God after we've entered a relationship with Him.

### **Fellowship with Other Believers**

Then, we move to how our fellowship with God affects our view of the church. Prioritizing authentic fellowship is not merely a suggestion for ourselves; your presence in the church is a blessing to everyone there. Even when distractions hit, it's important for our relationship with God and our relationship with other believers to prioritize time with the body of Christ.

Finally, we send students out with the emphasis on a missional mindset. After we experience fellowship with God and other believers, it's natural that we want to share that gift with more people. We will talk about how to share our faith at school and at home. The weekend concludes on Sunday morning with breakout sessions on brotherly and sisterly fellowship.

### **Family Involvement**

The students will be hosted by Briarwood families who will provide a place to sleep and breakfast in the mornings. Discipleship groups will be held at these host homes each day to exemplify intentional discipleship within the home. We hope this is an encouragement to parents and students to seek out life-on-life ministry with each other.

### **Registration**

Registration is open now until July 23. Please go to [briarwood.org/impactweekend](https://briarwood.org/impactweekend) or use the QR code below to view the schedule and sign your students up today!



## FEATURED EVENTS

### **“What a Beautiful Name” — Briarwood Ballet | July 11 & 12**

He is Yahweh, Alpha and Omega, Jehovah Jireh, El Shaddai... Our Briarwood Ballet summer intensive students will offer a contemporary program celebrating the names of God on July 11 and 12 in the Barbara B. Barker Auditorium at Briarwood Christian High School. Learn more and purchase tickets for \$16 online at [briarwood.org/balletevents](http://briarwood.org/balletevents).

### **Impact Weekend — Briarwood Youth | August 1–3**

9th–12th grade students, join us for our annual Impact Weekend, a weekend with speakers and discipleship groups at students' homes. This year, Ike Reeder will be our featured speaker on the topic of Authentic Fellowship and Will Carlisle will be leading worship. Come and allow the Lord to Impact your life and learn how to have an Impact on others! Register online at [briarwood.org/impactweekend](http://briarwood.org/impactweekend).

\* 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

### ***A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23: Discovering God's Love for You***

**by W. Phillip Keller | Adult Book**

Travel the Shepherd's path to the green pastures and cool, refreshing waters of Psalm 23. As a shepherd himself, W. Phillip Keller shares his insights into the life and character of sheep and of the Good Shepherd who loves and cares for them. *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23* will give new meaning to the ageless Shepherd Psalm, enriching your trust in and love for the Lord who watches closely over you. As we lie down in green pastures or walk through the shadowy valley, we're assured that whatever our path, whatever our stumbling, the Shepherd will lovingly guide, carry, and protect us. We can depend on His goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Readers will find comfort, guidance, and reassurance with this book. Price for Paperback: \$6.99; Large Print: \$11.99; Gift Edition: \$12.99

### ***The Good Shepherd and the Stubborn Sheep: A Story of God's Redemptive Love***

**by Hannah E. Harrison | Children's Book**

*The Good Shepherd and the Stubborn Sheep* is a humorous and heartwarming picture book about God's unconditional love. This story beautifully captures the essence of Psalm 23, showing the importance of trusting God, our Good Shepherd, with our lives. Meet George, a silly and sometimes stubborn sheep living happily under the care of a Good Shepherd. But when shearing time comes, George decides it's time to make a run for it and soon finds himself on a journey full of unexpected disappointment, discomfort, and danger. Ultimately, he finds rescue and learns why he really does need a shepherd. The Bible is full of references to sheep and shepherds, but what does it mean to be a good shepherd? And how are we like sheep? This children's book uses an unforgettable character and riveting story to bring biblical truth to life for kids and illustrate the many comforting and loving attributes of God. Price: \$14.99

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

# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**YBL Summer Series #2** — July 9 from 7:00–8:00 a.m. at Samford's Regions Room. Hear panelists Todd Carlisle, Jim Weaver, and Robert Jolly share on "Founders, Builders & The Kingdom of God." Learn more and register online at [ybl.org](http://ybl.org).

**Young Couples BBQ** — Saturday, July 12 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Briarwood Gym. Bring your family and friends to enjoy summer fellowship, tasty food, and plenty of fun for the kids! Email [sking@briarwood.org](mailto:sking@briarwood.org) with questions.

**Doriani Reception** — Sunday, July 13. All are invited to a special reception in honor of the Dorianis immediately following the evening service in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us in expressing our gratitude to Dan and Debbie for their faithful service.

**Created for a Purpose** — 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! Learn more and sign up online at [briarwood.org/createdforapurpose](http://briarwood.org/createdforapurpose).

**Trailblazers Ice Cream Social** — July 22 from 2:00–4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall E&F. Beat the heat with the Briarwood Trailblazers and Summer Sounds with John Livingston. Register online at [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers).

**Super Summer 2025** — 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](http://briarwood.org/supersummer).

**Women's Summer Bible Study** — 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.

**Men's Summer Study** — 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](http://briarwood.org/men).

**WBL Summer Series** — Wednesday, July 9 at Grace Church. Join us at noon for a topical, lunch-hour study on "What the Bible Says About..." Find details at [wblbirmingham.org](http://wblbirmingham.org).

**Summer Evangelism Training** — Evangelize with us on Wednesday nights. We will meet for dinner and a lesson on how to share your faith in different contexts. We will then split up and go out to share our faith. For details go to [briarwood.org/evangelism](http://briarwood.org/evangelism).

**ESL Volunteers Needed** — Do you have a passion for internationals? Do you speak English? Then you would make a great addition to our ESL ministry! All necessary training will be provided. Contact [cmcgregor@briarwood.org](mailto:cmcgregor@briarwood.org) for more information.

**Children's Sunday School Promotion** — If you are planning on holding your child back for the 2025–26 school year, let Raleigh Macoy know so we can make sure to place him/her in the appropriate Sunday School class for the fall. Email [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@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](http://briarwood.org/employment).

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

## **Sunday, July 6 — Briarwood Prayer Focus**

May God bless the July sessions of Camp Briarwood, Super Summer, and Created for a Purpose Camp and guide them to be a place of spiritual growth and fun for our children. Give thanks for the church leaders and the many volunteers as they build relationships with our children and point them to Christ.

## **Monday, July 7 — Birmingham Prayer Focus**

Please pray for the men at Shepherds Fold who are at risk of incarceration or recidivism as they receive housing, counseling, job training, and spiritual support. Pray for strength and lasting transformation through Christ. For ways to help or get involved, go online to [shepherdsfold.org](http://shepherdsfold.org).

## **Tuesday, July 8 — Missions Prayer Focus**

Pray for Shelby Myers, a new Briarwood pastoral intern from Louisiana, who is serving in the Missions office. Pray for him as he settles in Birmingham, and prepares, teaches, and ministers in the International Sunday School class during the summer quarter. The flag of Louisiana will be featured in the Worship Center this Sunday.

## **Wednesday, July 9 — Global Ministry Partners**

Pray for Cynthia Ruble with Global Outreach International in Japan, Barry and Dee Dee Rush with Cru serving Internationals, Stephen and Satomi Sakamoto with The Evangelical Alliance Mission in Japan, and Guy and Ying Sakitkhwa with Campus Outreach SERVE in Thailand.

## **Thursday, July 10 — National Ministry Partners**

Pray for Trent Taylor with Campus Outreach at Samford University, Seth and Bethany Terrell with Campus Outreach at University of Alabama, Matthew and Megan Terrell with Reformed University Fellowship in New York, and Mark and Darby Travers with Turning Hearts Ministry in Birmingham, Alabama.

## **Friday, July 11 — Briarwood Officers and Staff**

Pray for our elders John Bentley, Bill Armistead, Bobby Bardin; deacons Jason McMillian, Andrew Miller, Wes Pruet; and staff Ben Stallings, Raiders Director and his wife Kathleen.

## **Saturday, July 12 — Church Family**

Pray for our hospitalized members Sandy Bell, Campbell Blake, Jane Bush, Jean Cannon, Robert Rutledge, LaTrelle Grayson, Debbie Lange, JoAnn Weston.

We rejoice with Larkin and Hannah Delk on the birth of their daughter, Spencer Elizabeth, on June 25, and grandparents David and Brenda Harris.

Our love and sympathy to Don and Leta Westmoreland and family on the death of their daughter, Leigh W. Dowe, on June 24.

*I call upon the LORD, Who is worthy to be praised... Psalm 18:3*

Receive each day's prayer as a notification through the Briarwood App.  
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## THIS LORD'S DAY

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

“Jesus Our Leader, Our Hero”

Hebrews 2:5–10, 14–15, Philippians 4:8–9

Dr. Dan Doriani

### **Sunday Evening Worship:**

“Gatekeeper”

Psalm 1

Rev. Saeyoung Park, Singles Pastor

Watch our live-stream on ROKU, Apple TV, Facebook, YouTube or [briarwood.org](http://briarwood.org).

Catch up with previous sermons and series on the Briarwood App.