Men's & Women's Fall Studies 2025

MEN'S FALL STUDIES

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FALL STUDIES

MONDAY, TUESDAY, & THURSDAY MORNINGS AND WEDNESDAYS EVENINGS

Nursery Available briarwood.org/nursery. Register online at briarwood.org/women.



MEN'S FALL STUDIES

Mondays at 6:30 a.m.

"Study of Revelation" led by Rob Looper Fellowship Hall E & F • Starts September 8

Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m.

"Study of 2 Timothy" led by Eric Reebals & Bob McGregor Cajun Seafood House • Starts September 9

Thursdays at 7:00 a.m.

"Real Change: Becoming More Like Jesus in Everyday Life by Andrew Nicholls" Led by Greg Norfleet • Fellowship Hall F • Starts September 11

Fridays at 6:30 a.m.

"Precious Remedies Against Satan's Devices by Thomas Brook" led by Benny Parks Fellowship Hall E & F • Starts September 12

For more details go to briarwood.org/men.

WOMEN'S FALL STUDIES

Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

"Genesis, Part 1" led by Michele Cantley A202 and Zoom • Starts Monday, September 15

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

"Saved: Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Acts, Part 2 by Nancy Guthrie" led by Mary Anne Turnbull & Karen Duffey G101 • Starts Tuesday, September 9

"Let's Meet the Girls" led by Cindy Reeder FH-A • Starts Tuesday, September 16

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

"I, 2 & 3 John" led by Elizabeth Bondurant G103 and Zoom • Starts Wednesday, September 3

"Thinking Biblically, Living Covenantally" led by Kristie Harrick & Amanda Leon A209 • Starts Wednesday, September 3

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

"With All My Heart, a study of Psalm 119" led by Donna Evans G101 • Starts Thursday, September 4

> "Hebrews" led by Yvonne Welch G103 • Starts Thursday, September 4

Register for Women's Studies online at briarwood.org/women.

FEATURED EVENTS

Women's Fall Kickoff — Women's Ministry | August 23 *

Join us for a fun and festive Women's Fall Kickoff on Saturday, August 23, from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall. This year's theme is the Roaring 20s, and it's all about fellowship, food, and fun! Expect 1920s-themed decorations, a curated playlist of vintage tunes, and plenty of exciting activities to bring it all to life. The event is free, but registration helps us plan well. To register go to briarwood.org/women.

MidWeek at Briarwood — Church Wide | September 3 – November 12 *

Join us for dinner, classes and activities for the entire family each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. and classes and activities start at 6:30 p.m. Find additional information and register for dinners at briarwood.org/midweek.

* 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

The Message of Ephesians

By John Stott | "The Bible Speaks Today" Commentary

A common blind spot for evangelical Christians is to overlook the central importance of the church, emphasizing individual salvation more than the saved community. Yet no one can come away from a careful reading of Ephesians with a privatized gospel. Paul's letter to the Ephesians clearly sets forth God's eternal purpose to create the church—God's new society. In this revised volume, John Stott expounds Paul's theme of uniting all things in Christ by uniting his church. Guiding readers passage by passage through Ephesians, he provides helpful background, highlights key themes, and offers applications for Christians today. Drawing from his many years of studying and teaching Ephesians, Stott lays out the book's compelling vision of what the church should be and its ongoing need for renewal. Christians are called to new life, new standards, and new relationships within the new society, where God breaks down all the barriers that have divided us from God and each other. Price: \$19.99

Precious Remedies Against Satan's Devices by Thomas Brooks | Men of the Covenant Recommendation

"Christ, the Scripture, your own hearts, and Satan's devices, are the four prime things that should be first and most studied and searched..." The detailed analysis of Scripture together with the malfunctions, diseases, and spiritual cares of members of the body of Christ found in *Precious Remedies Against Satan's Devices* is an outstanding example of Thomas Brooks' deep knowledge and understanding. Many have benefited from his insights into gospel antidotes to the means Satan employs in unsettling God's people. This Puritan Paperback continues to be a "help-book" to Christians today. Price: \$11 (includes tax)

Featured books are available in the Bookstore or online at briarwood.org/bookstore.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Canned Food Drive — Sunday, August 17. Begin gathering your canned goods and non-perishables for Grace Klein. Leave your donations behind your vehicle for the Mercy Ministry Team to pick up while you are in church.

Local Ministry Prayer — Sunday, August 17 at 5:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room. All are invited to come and pray for our local ministry partners and mobilization opportunities.

Trailblazer's Lunch — August 19 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Fellowship together and hear meteorologist Jason Simpson speak on "Jesus Calming the Storm". Register online at briarwood.org/trailblazers or email sjohnston@briarwood.org.

Trail Life Open House — Thursday, August 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Gym. All boys and their parents are invited to learn about Trail Life. This is a Christ-centered character, leadership, and outdoor adventure ministry for boys ages 5-17 and their dads.

Become a Briarwood Member — August 20, 23 and 24. All newcomers and prospective members are invited to attend our Briarwood Inquirers Classes. Attending these classes does not obligate you to join. To sign up, email Wendy at wlong@briarwood.org.

Children's Sunday School Promotion — Sunday, August 24. If you plan on holding your child back for the 2025–26 school year, please email rmacoy@briarwood.org.

Women's Fall Studies — Beginning September 2. Women, pick from classes meeting Monday—Thursday. See class topics and information at briarwood.org/women.

Youth Wednesday Nights — Beginning September 4. Students gather for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at The Barn. Raiders (7th–8th graders) meet 6:30–8:00 p.m. BYG (9th–12th graders) meet 7:00–8:30 p.m. For information, contact Kristin Smith at k.smith@briarwood.org.

Children Wednesday Nights — Beginning September 4 at 6:30 p.m. Children K4–3rd grade will meet in the Children's Auditorium for CONNECT and 4th–6th grade in the Church Gym for IGNITE. Contact Jake Stallings at 205-776-5305.

Children's Choirs — Beginning September 7. Our Children's Choirs (preschool and elementary age children) meet Sunday evenings during the worship hour at 6:15 p.m. For more information, please contact Shanna Phillips at 205-222-1062.

Youth Sunday Night D-Groups — Beginning September 7 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. at The Barn. All 7th – 12th graders are invited to come for discipleship groups with their peers. For information, contact Kristin Smith at k.smith@briarwood.org.

Men's Fall Studies — Beginning September 8. Mondays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Tuesdays at 11:45 at Cajun Seafood House, Thursdays at 7:00 a.m. and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See additional information at briarwood.org/men.

Children's Catechism Sunday School Class — Registration is now open for rising 4th through 6th graders. This nine-month class requires weekly homework and memorizing. Space is limited to 20 participants. Email Raleigh at rmacoy@briarwood.org to register.

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, August 17 — Briarwood Prayer Focus

Give thanks for all the canned food given to the Grace Klein Community. Pray this ministry will provide food items to those in need in our community. Father, we praise You for providing Dr. Scott Redd as our Pastor. We acknowledge and thank You for Your sovereign work in this process. Please bless him as he shepherds Your flock here at Briarwood.

Monday, August 18 — Birmingham Prayer Focus

Pray for the Aspire Movement as they connect students with mentors committed to Life-on-Life influence. Ask for wisdom for mentors as they guide students to grow in leadership and faith in Jesus. To learn more visit aspiremovement.org.

Tuesday, August 19 — Missions Prayer Focus

Pray for follow up discussions and participation of pastors who sought more information at General Assembly regarding the January Lampstand Conference. Also pray for the Lord to continue opening doors to future conferences in the U.S. as well as potentially in Europe.

Wednesday, August 20 — Global Ministry Partners

John and Karen Stodghill with Mission to the World in Belize; John and Prisy with Africa Inland Mission in East Africa; J and E with Mission to the World in the Middle East; and Vek and Samoeun Taing with New Life Missions in Cambodia.

Thursday, August 21 — National Ministry Partners

Ron Comoglio with Capitol Commission in Montgomery, Alabama; Melody Copenny with Cru in Florida; Gary and Wendy Cramer Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Alabama; and Josh and Tara Crawford Church Planter, Kentucky.

Friday, August 22 — Briarwood Officers and Staff

Pray for our elders Craig Gilbert, Stephen Bunn, Jeff Dunn; deacons Mark Rose Doug Robertson, Josiah VanPuffelen; and Pastoral Care Pastor Jim Alexander and his wife Pam.

Saturday, August 23 — Church Family

Pray for our hospitalized members Susan Bailey, Renee Graves, Mark Green, Gene Head Sr., Bill Matthews, Mildred Risner, Cindy Shaw, Jack Tester, Leslie Wilson, Zeke Sillers, and Esther Brown.

Our love and sympathy to Stephen Boyd and family on the death of his grandmother, Linda Boyd, on August 4, and his grandfather, Henry Boyd, on August 7; to Bill Brazeal and family on the death of his mother, Willetta Schanz Brazeal, on August 10; and to David, Savannah, Amelia Lee Crawley, Emma Sakon and family on the death of their brother and uncle, Larry Crawley, on August 12.

The flowers in the Worship Center this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Wanda Bennett from Jim Bennett and Benny and Brenda Parks.

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



THIS LORD'S DAY

Sunday Morning Worship Services:

Ephesians: The One Body of Christ "Authority, Power and Dominion" Ephesians 1:15–23

Sunday Evening Worship:

Christian Education Convocation "Cultivating the Whole Person" Deuteronomy 6:4-9

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