



The Journal

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The Alabama Baptist

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Sunday
Worship Celebrations
9:00 A.M./10:30 A.M.
6:00 P.M.

Sunday Schools
9:00 A.M./10:30 A.M.

Discipleship
4:45 P.M.

Mid Week Service
6:30 P.M.

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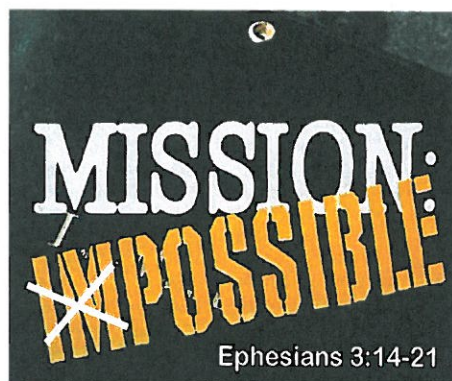
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Annual Sunday School Summit



Saturday, August 27

8:00 - 2:45

"Mission Possible"
Theme

SS Leaders, please call the
office and signup this week!

Refreshments, Lunch &
Childcare provided

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

July/Aug

A Faith Worth Learning
(The Non-negotiables)
A Survey of Colossians

Sunday (Aug 28)

The Relationship Place-
Sunday School (Col 4:2-6)

Led by Bro. Morgan

WELCOME

NEW MEMBER!



Tim Vining
8817 Bluff Ridge
Road
Bessemer, AL
35022

205.994.1365

DEACON Nominations

Called Church
Conference
Wed, August 24
6:30pm

Must be present
to cast a ballot.

I Tim 3:8-13



You
are
invited
to

**Amanda Todd's
Bridal Tea**
Sunday, August 21
1:30-3:30pm
Canaan Baptist
Church
Casey Hall

* Registered at Bed, Bath &
Beyond, Target & Belk

The Staff of Canaan Baptist Church invites you to

Family Milestones

Beginning Sunday, August 21 @ 4:45pm

Family Chapel

Come and explore what it means to lay stepping
stones for our families today and tomorrow.

Join with others as we build a network
of families encouraging and learning
from one another.

**Preschool/Children Programs begin @ 4:45 in the
Children's Wing**

SOUL SISTERS

&

BAND OF BROTHERS

Boys & Girls meet at Canaan

10:00am

for Laser Tag & Pizza

in Vestavia

Saturday, August 20.

ENCOURAGING



...Encourage the young women to
love their husbands, to love their
children." Titus 2:4

YOUNG WOMEN

Thurs, August 25 / 11am-1pm / Casey Hall

\$5 Donation ~ Childcare provided

Please RSVP Angela Price

205.266.3218 or angelaprice80@gmail.com

Abbreviation meanings:

A.A. = Alcoholics Anonymous
ABC = Always be Christian,
Cheerful & Creative
BTF = Bridge to the Future

CLT = Church Leadership Team
CW = Children's Wing
EB = Education Building
FLC = Family Life Center

WC = Worship Center
W.I.N.G.S. = Women in God's Service
YAH = Young At Heart

"The Canaan Family is on a journey loving God, sharing life, serving others and showing Jesus to our world.
Process Statement

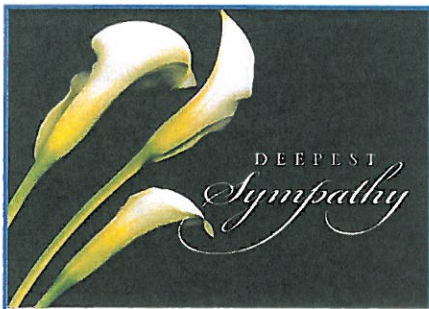
Journal Publication Requirements
All articles must be in by Thursday,
to make publication the following week.

**THE SHEPHERD'S JOURNAL
FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART**

**THE JOURNEY PASTOR
BRO. CHARLES TEAGUE**

From The Editor

- KEYBOX CODES FOR AUGUST** - If you have a need to access the church buildings after normal office hours — *contact the office during office hours to obtain the appropriate codes.*
- FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE** available at the welcome center. **MINISTRY TEAMS.** Please check your mailboxes in the mailroom **WEEKLY.**
- CBC WEBSITE** - Login to our website for our membership directory.
- ARE YOU GETTING YOUR Offering Envelopes or your newsletter "The Journal"?** If not, contact the church office.



The Canaan Family express Christian love and sympathy to:

- The Janice Sharpe Family.
- The Ralph Overstreet Family (Brother of Willine McDonald).
- The Christy Avery Family (Sister of Lori Patterson).

THANK YOU

A thank you card has been received and placed on the Bulletin Board from:

→ M. H. Smith (Concord B. C.).

BIRTHDAYS

In the Canaan family, August 19-25

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| P. J. Isbell (8/19) | Jim Gamble (8/23) |
| Shamblin Griffice (8/19) | Edmond Deerman (8/23) |
| Lu Braswell (8/20) | Ginny Roy (8/23) |
| Diane Fowler (8/20) | Deavin Cottingham (8/23) |
| Mike Cottingham (8/20) | Casey Smith (8/23) |
| Karen Smith (8/21) | Brinkley Argo (8/23) |
| Zane Yates (8/21) | Malcolm Dennis (8/24) |
| Connor Dunn (8/21) | Lean Looney (8/24) |
| Van Klein (8/21) | Jim Knight (8/24) |
| Emma Ross (8/21) | Kayla McDonald (8/24) |
| Eloise Piper (8/22) | Dallas Wallace (8/24) |
| Mitch Mitchell (8/22) | James Demotte (8/25) |
| Kacey Thompson (8/22) | Donna Hall (8/25) |
| Raven Hensley (8/22) | Stephanie Ross (8/25) |
| Joseph Stratton (8/22) | Macie Sampley (8/25) |
| Bonnie Oglesby (8/23) | |

Happy Birthday!!!

Blessed!

"We give thanks (for each of you) to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you..." Col 1:3

Those of us who call Canaan our church home are blessed to be a part of the Family of Families! As we conclude another incredible Church year at Canaan there's reason to reflect. The first word that comes to mind is simply a feeling of being *Blessed!* God is so good. The Health of this Body of Believers is good. We've enjoyed a record year in attendance and overall giving — *in spite of all the doom and gloom that surrounds us.* The Family of Families has experienced the best year of additions in my 5 plus years of ministry here — *nearly 80 additions with over half being by baptism, to God be the glory!* As we conclude 2011 we'll see a record number of members involved in missions. I believe we're also witnessing the highest level ever of people using their gifts to serve in the Life of the Church. We're on the Journey at Canaan - *the Journey is more than a motto it is who we are.*

I'm blessed to be your pastor and friend! I'm surrounded by a wonderful staff. We have a dedicated core group of leaders who love Christ and His Church. Ritta and I feel supported and encouraged daily by a loving Family of Faith. *Yes I feel blessed!* Know that we give thanks for you daily and lift you up to the Lord in prayer (Col 1:3).

I guess most of all we're all blessed as children of God. The apostle Paul said it all in Col 3:4 "*Christ is our life!*" Every blessing of life pales in comparison to the reality that by faith *the Hope of Glory* (Col 1:27) takes up residence in our lives. And as we were reminded Sunday, this Same Jesus is one day soon coming for us. *Then, we will appear with Him in glory!* ((Col 1:4).

When you read this article this week, we'll be on vacation with the Manleys. You'll not want to miss Bro Charles message on Sunday morning and Russ' that evening. There are so many important events on the horizon. Please join me in praying that Jesus would work through them to continue to build His Church...

- We launch Family Milestones Sunday (21st)
- Deacon Nominations are Wednesday (24th)
- Our Annual Sunday School Summit is (27th)

As always, I'm asking the Father to bring all of our Shepherds and support personnel to this critical Annual S.S. equipping and planning event.

Sunday, August 28th will be our Annual Sunday School Sunday. I've planned a special message for this day. *We'll end the day with our SS Rally (we have some surprises!).* I hope you'll make your plans to support these key events in the life of our Church.

Your grateful partner in the Journey,
Bro Morgan

NOTICE ~ Offering

Banks allow automatic debit free on most accounts. Check with your bank to see about adding your church to the list.

With a Thankful Heart!

Is it appropriate to have a thankful heart during this time of year? While it is not surrounded by a great feast, I am thankful for so many blessings. I was reminded this past Sunday that our greatest blessing is answered prayer. We make our petitions to God making Him *"aware"* of our list of prayer concerns, but how often do we return back to Him to ... thank Him! Take today as a start to give Him thanks for all the blessings the Lord has given to you. Help encourage others to join with you to *"count our many blessings"* day by day!


Being thankful for our Class Shepherds and Apprentice Shepherds, we are gearing up to offer them some quality training on Saturday, August 27. While Conference Leaders from all around the state will be coming to lead us in this training, I want to encourage all of our classes to send their leaders to this vital conference. Please contact the office for more information.

NEW CLASS ALERT:

Medium Adult Class (40-60yrs) with Bob Fox as the Class Shepherd has begun in the 2nd Hour in EB 412. This class is **open** for you to join them on this journey to *reach, teach, care, and multiply* to impact our community. Come join them as they grow!

Reserve Saturday, August 27! Childcare will be provided by RSVP to the church office.


Serving @ His Pleasure, *Bro. Charles*



Adult \$3.50 / Child \$2.50

Menu: Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Texas Toast & Dessert

Wednesday Night Meal, August 24. RSVP weekly by noon on Monday or signup on permanent list which agrees to pay weekly, unless office is notified by noon on Monday.



Fall Adult Choir Retreat
Sept 9-10 / \$50 3 Meals & Room
4-H Camp, Columbiana, AL
Christmas Preview

**SUNDAY INVOLVEMENT
AUGUST 14**

Morning Worship	
9:00am.....	197
10:30am.....	207
Preschool Care.....	57
Children.....	34
Total.....	495
Discipleship Training.....	137
Bible Study.....	446
Ministry Budget Offering Rec'd.....	\$12,974.33
2011 Budget Offering Req. Wkly.....	\$17,633.67
Bridge to the Future Received (166 Commitments).....	\$799,000.00
BTF Offering 145wks of 156 wks.....	\$626,224.68
BTF Offering Received this week.....	\$2,296.00
"Property & Building" to date.....	\$14,848.00