



The Journal

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The Alabama Baptist

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PASTOR / FINANCES

Kay Sutton
MINISTRY ASSISTANT
RECEPTIONIST / WORSHIP

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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Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

Here at Canaan

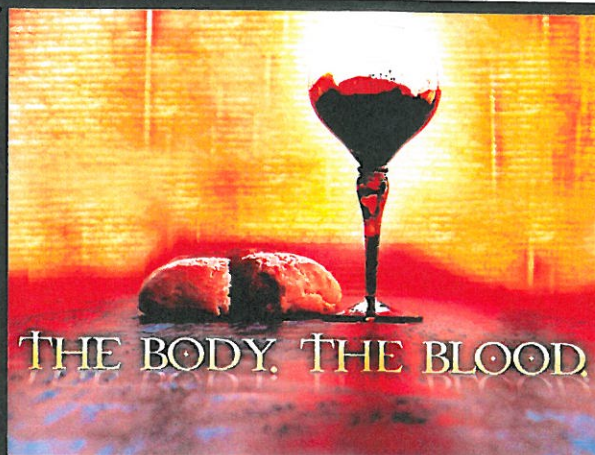
Sunday, November 20, 6:00pm

*Canaan will be leading the service. Our
choirs will sing and Bro. Morgan will
preach. There will be a Finger Food
Fellowship afterwards.*

All churches are bringing food!

Deacon's Meeting & Annual Ministry Team Training

Sunday, November 13
Beginning with
Deacon Meeting
3:30pm
Training ~ 4pm



Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sunday, November 13, 6pm

Let us give thanks for the greatest gift!



We will also hear from our
Bible Drill Participants, as well!

Commissioning Service for our VBS/Sports Camp Guatemala Team

In both services
Sunday, November 20

FALL SERMON SERIES

September - November
A Future Under Living ~
Living Life on Purpose

Sunday (Nov. 13)
Our Plan for Temptation
(James 1:12-16)

Led by Bro. Morgan

Alabama State
Convention
Nov 15-16 &
Pastor's Conference
November 14
Dauphin Way, Mobile

Our Journey Challenge Update

216 families
Total is
\$764,481.39

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

Abbreviation meanings:

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.

From The Editor

- KEYBOX CODES FOR NOVEMBER** - 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.*



FAMILY MILESTONES

At 4:45pm

Milestone #5:

Preparing My Student to Leave Home

Session 3: November 13
Bro. Morgan

ALCAP SUNDAY
with **Dr. Joe Godfrey**
November 27, 6:00pm

Adult \$3.50 / Child \$2.50

Menu: Chicken & Rice
Casserole, Broccoli,
Buttered Carrots, Roll,
& Dessert.

Wednesday Night Meal, November 16. RSVP weekly by noon on Monday or sign up on permanent list which agrees to pay weekly, unless office is notified by noon on Mondays. *Take-outs are discouraged.*

~ Thank you!

BIRTHDAYS

In the Canaan family, November 11 - 17

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| Sima Atkinson (11/11) | Jerri Vining (11/15) |
| Chase Smith (11/11) | Jean Henderson (11/15) |
| Fran Witherspoon (11/12) | Rhena Maharry (11/15) |
| Laura Cairns (11/12) | Jim Phillips (11/15) |
| Ronald Gamble (11/13) | Danielle Patton (11/15) |
| Harold LeSueur (11/13) | Noah Robbins (11/15) |
| Roy Hawk (11/13) | Earl Bell (11/16) |
| Denise Jones (11/14) | Alexander Shendric (11/16) |
| Jeanette Ray (11/15) | Nadia Champion (11/17) |
| Jackie Gamble (11/15) | |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

THE SHEPHERD'S JOURNAL
FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART

To Him Be Glory

"To Him be glory in the Church..."
Ephesians 3:21

When you read this article, Ritta and I will be enjoying a few days away in the mountains. While most of God's kaleidoscope of cascading colors will be gone, hopefully they'll be a few left for us to enjoy. It has been a marathon Fall and we've been looking forward to getting away. Continue to pray for her healing and for my nursing (ability)! We're so very grateful that you afford us this opportunity; we feel loved and love our church family. *We are giving the Great Physician glory for the good news concerning Ritta's tumor – we're grateful for your prayers.*

We give God the glory in His church for our **Guatemala partnership**. Over 100 heard the gospel and nearly 20 prayed to receive Christ on our Evangelism trip in September! A solid foundation is being laid for a new church in Conrado De La Cruz. There is still time to make contributions for our VBS trip the end of this month and our Medical Mission trip in January. Lift our teams as they prepare to leave. We'll commission the VBS team on Sunday, November 20th.

We give God the glory for the **Our Journey Challenge campaign results - \$764,481.39 committed with 216 families and growing!** Considering this is our third campaign and the state of our economy we have much to celebrate. Our obligation over the next three years is \$670,000 and we have \$51,000 more in commitments. I am most encouraged that we have 55 more families on the Journey than our last campaign – *that reflects a deepening commitment by our Body.*

We give God the glory for an incredible **Hallelujah Carnival!** Our largest ever with 800 in attendance and 22 decisions for Christ! This is a significant *Showing Jesus* event in our Jerusalem. We'll begin at our Shepherd's Gathering to follow up on those decisions and others that were made at the Carnival.

We give God the Glory for the **Budget process that we'll soon embark upon.** In the third year of a deepening recession our giving has remained solid even while we're entering our third capital campaign. God is awesome and you are faithful!

Our 2012 Budget adoption process:
* Nov 13 ~ Presented * Nov 19 ~ Discussed
* Nov 20 ~ Adopted

Most of all we give God the Glory in His **Church for our wonderful Family of Families!** Ritta and I can't wait to see you this Sunday. I'm looking forward to sharing an important message on *Tackling Temptation in our lives. I hope to see you with a Bible in one hand and a new friend in the other.*

Your grateful partner on the Journey,
Bro. Morgan

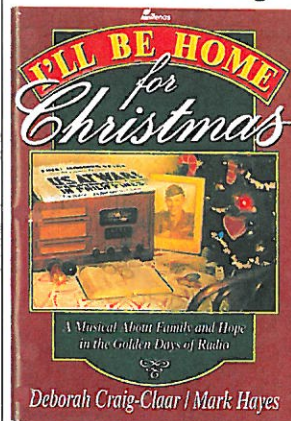


DINNER THEATER

Sat & Sun

December 10 & 11

6:00pm



TICKETS ON SALE IN THE FOYER AND WELCOME CENTER FOR

Includes dinner and performance

\$8 = Adults
\$4 = Child

GUATEMALA GIFT BAGS

Small is the key, since we will transport this in our luggage!

ITEMS: small Hotwheels™ cars, Yo-Yos, Jump Ropes, small Bouncy Balls, Pencils, Pencil Sharpener, Toothbrush and eight pack Crayons.

1 Timothy 3:15 ~ ...The pillar & foundation of the truth.

SUNDAY INVOLVEMENT
NOVEMBER 6

Morning Worship

9:00am.....	161
10:30am.....	194
Preschool Care	49
Children.....	33
Total	437

Discipleship Training.....	229
Bible Study.....	416
Ministry Budget Offering Rec'd	\$26,716.01
2011 Budget Offering Req. Wkly.....	\$17,633.67
Our Journey Challenge Received (216 Commitments)	\$764,481.39
BTF Offering 1wk of 156 wks	\$672,357.34
OJC Offering Received this week.....	\$7,150.86
"Property & Building" to date.....	\$14,998.00

"Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice"