



# The Journal

Local Edition of  
The Alabama Baptist

March 31, 2011

## MINISTERS

### EVERY MEMBER

**Bro. Morgan Bailey**  
SENIOR PASTOR

**Bro. Charles Teague**  
JOURNEY PASTOR

**Bro. Jeff Stith**  
WORSHIP PASTOR

**Bro. Russ Price**  
CHILDREN'S MINISTER

**Bro. Michael Gay**  
STUDENT MINISTER

**Mae McDonald**  
MINISTRY ASSISTANT  
EDUCATION, ADMINISTRATION

**Kerri Brown**  
MINISTRY ASSISTANT  
PASTOR / FINANCES

**Kay Sutton**  
MINISTRY ASSISTANT  
RECEPTIONIST / WORSHIP

Canaan Baptist Worship Ministry  
Presents

## A Moment of Grace

April 15, 16 & 17

Friday 7:00 PM

Saturday 7:00 PM

Sunday 6:00 PM

*Jesus came as the Messiah and in a moment changed the course of history forever. He does the same in lives today. In a moment, He brings grace and peace that changes our lives. Come and experience that Moment of Grace with us as we tell the story of our Savior and Messiah.*

ADMISSION FREE! We invite you to come and bring your family and friends to celebrate the life of Christ. A life that changed the world in a moment ... **A Moment of Grace.**



Are you reading  
through the Bible?

We would love to  
hear from you!

Write your testimony  
on Sunday's  
registration form or email us

CONGRATULATIONS  
TO...

**Bro. Morgan**

April 2, He  
celebrates his  
5th Year  
Anniversary here at  
Canaan!

## Bible Drill

**April 3, 4:45pm-**  
Church wide Bible Drill  
in the children's wing.

**April 10, 2:00pm**  
Associational Bible  
Drill in the Sanctuary.

**April 18, 3:30pm,**  
Registration ~  
District Bible Drill at  
Meadowbrook BC,  
B'ham (18 miles,  
south on Hwy 280)  
Children will  
participate in order  
they register.

*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.



Special Guest:  
The Bass Chaplain,  
Chris Wells  
Chaplain for the BASS  
Elite Series

## CHURCH-WIDE

**Men & Boy's Fish Fry**  
Canaan Baptist Church  
Friday, April 1  
7:00pm

All tournament participants must  
attend the fish fry. *Come out  
and enjoy a great evening!*



Sign up for

## Men's Fishing Tournament

Saturday, April 9  
6:00am-3:00pm

**Midlake Public Launch**  
\$50.00 per boat

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## CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

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**Saturday,  
April 2  
Noon-9:30pm**

## SPAIN PARK

Artist: Toby Mac, Casting  
Crowns: James Spann, Kevin  
Derryberry, Rick & Bubba, GJ  
Blount, Bella & Ronnie Davis

**GAMES!  
FREE! FUN!**

*A family friendly event to invite last  
family and friends!*

## Mission Meal & Class Fellowship Sunday, March 27



**Donations received  
\$3,634.00**

*Special thank you to  
Ms. Margaret Rosser,  
WMU & all the folks  
who worked behind the  
scenes to make this  
such a special  
occasion!*

## SYMPATHY

The Canaan family sends  
Christian love and  
sympathy to:

→ The Lil Robertson  
Family.

## SERMON SPOTLIGHT

*Praying like Jesus*

**Luke 1:1-13**  
Led by Bro. Morgan

### 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.

## From The Editor

- KEYBOX CODES FOR MARCH** - 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.

**NATIONAL GOAL: \$70 MILLION ...**

**Our Goal: \$11,410.00**  
Received to date: \$6,318.01

## EASTER LILY

**ORDERING TIME!** Deadline will be April 10 ~ \$10 cost

Fill out the Easter Lily form placed throughout the campus.

## Special Gifts

Special gifts were received for:

- **Annie Armstrong** in loving memory of Jim Clayton from Liz Clayton.
- **BTF** in honor of Malcolm & Mary Sue Dennis' 70th Wedding Anniversary from Clifford & Madie Skelton.
- **Mission Meal Offering** in honor of Charles Burnett, Bob Fox, and Neal Sanders for all the great help they did for the Missions meal from Gerri Meadows.
- **Music Offering** in loving memory of Henry Sims from Alan & Nancy Thornton.

## BIRTHDAYS

In the Canaan family, April 1 - 7

Sarah Quinn (4/1)	Maxine Murphree (4/5)
Colten Lowe (4/1)	Wanda Grissiom (4/5)
Debbie Hill (4/2)	Linda Mayo (4/5)
Cindy Lee (4/2)	Teresa Grimes (4/5)
Theresa Coleman (4/2)	Piper Lowery (4/5)
Carl Gamble (4/3)	Reese Lowery (4/5)
April Sampley (4/3)	Mary Sue Dennis (4/6)
Jessica Parker (4/3)	Barbara Marcus (4/6)
Brenda Mitchell (4/4)	Janet Mackson (4/6)
Dodd Hendrix (4/4)	Don Doyle (4/6)
Leslie Stinson (4/4)	Chandler Tressillian (4/6)
Brad Meacham (4/4)	Kenneth Sanders (4/7)
Joseph Killian (4/4)	Harold Langston (4/7)
Nathan Ray (4/4)	Fred Bell (4/7)
Bill Bixon (4/5)	Candi Thomas (4/7)
Bonnie Hinton (4/5)	Jacquelyn Crumpton (4/7)

**Happy Birthday!!!**

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

### The Blessing of His Body

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making requests for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now." Phil 1:3-5

Ritta and I count ourselves uniquely and wonderfully blessed to be a part of such a caring church family. While we, like everyone, face the unknown future with some sense of trepidation we do not tread alone. You have remembered us with your kind thoughts, showered us with generous gifts and most of all, you have bathed us in your prayers. Paul's admonition to the Philippian church comes to life in the Family of Families each week. Indeed, you are a living epistle and we are the benefactors! Indeed, you enable us to face the future with God's courage (Josh 1:9) and His comforting peace (Phil 4:6). Together, we can be a portrait of God's Grace to our community.

I thought I'd give a brief report of our trip to Mobile, because so many have asked. Of course we had the procedure on Thursday afternoon after a consultation with the attending doctors (Selective Internal Radiation Therapy). The process lasted about 2 hours. During that time, they radiated the tumors until the pain became too intense. Afterwards, we spent the night in the hospital Thursday and then Friday night in a motel before coming home Saturday after another consultation with the doctor. I guess we were trying to set a record so we had every symptom listed on the sheet. By Sunday, we were over the worse but had flu like symptoms and no energy. While the advances of medicine are awe inspiring, the Father's work in the crown of His creation leaves one breathless. Let's just keep praying and believing. (Mark 1:40-41)

This will be another huge weekend for the Canaan Family! Friday will be our Annual Men & Boys Fish Fry at 7PM in the FLC. Mike Turley has done another wonderful job. There will great food, gifts and fellowship. This year, we have a special treat with BASS Chaplin Chris Wells as our speaker. God uses him wherever he speaks, let's be sure to fill the house with the unchurched and lost. Also, it's not too late to sign up for the fishing tournament on April 9th. This is always a great time of fellowship with proceeds supporting missions.

**Don't forget StadiumFest on Saturday!** There is something for everyone in the family. Check out the Journal for details.

Let me close by asking you to begin praying for a historic April at Canaan. Lift up TOUCH as we get into full swing with record numbers of participants. We have a very special calendar planned for this year's Easter season. Our Easter musical should be the best ever. We'll introduce the "I WILL" campaign this coming Sunday. If we will each do our part, I know God will do His part to enable us to set a new benchmark on Easter - All for the souls of men and the glory of our great God!

Your partner on the Journey, *Bro. Morgan*

## START SOMETHING NEW BRO. CHARLES TEAGUE

A Challenge to each of our members Easter  
**"Start Something New"**  
Begins with you!

During the next four weeks, will you join with your church family to make an intentional invite to someone new?

### ATTENDANCE GOALS

**650 IN WORSHIP**  
**550 IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
New Attendance Records

"If my people will... 2Chronicles 7:14

## If I Will...

Pray for Someone New (April 3)

Contact Someone New (April 10)

Share with Someone New (April 17)

Bring Someone New (April 24)

## God will...

enable us to reach an all time high  
for His glory this Easter Sunday.

## WEDNESDAY MEAL MENU

April 6, Catfish, Sloppy Joe Sandwich, Tator Tots, Slaw & Dessert

RSVP is always needed by noon on Monday for those who are not on the permanent list.

**FRIENDLY REMINDER:** If you are on our permanent list, you only have to call if you aren't able to be present Wednesday. Call by noon on Monday to cancel.

## SUNDAY INVOLVEMENT MARCH 27

### Morning Worship

9:00am.....	191
10:30am.....	223
Preschool Care.....	52
Children.....	13
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>479</b>
<b>Bible Study.....</b>	<b>446</b>
Discipleship Training.....	204
Ministry Budget Offering Rec'd.....	\$10,513.41
2011 Budget Offering Req. Wkly.....	\$17,633.67
Bridge to the Future Received (166 Commitments)	\$801,883.00
<b>BTF Offering 124 wks of 156 wks.....</b>	<b>\$561,436.10</b>
<b>BTF Offering Received this week.....</b>	<b>\$1,815.08</b>
"Property & Building" to date.....	\$13,605.00

"Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice"

# TOUCH MONDAY NIGHT RESPONSE!

	# on Team	Home Attempts	Visits Completed	# of People	Gospel Accepted	SS Attempts	SS Enrolled	Total Contacts
20-Mar	18	33	25	51	0	1	0	926