



# The Journal

Local Edition of  
The Alabama Baptist

July 14, 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

**Samara Haynes**  
MINISTRY ASSISTANT  
WORSHIP / RECEPTIONIST

*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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# GOD of His CITY

**A MUSICAL ABOUT SERVING FOR KIDS**

**SUMMER SINGER'S CAMP**  
M-F, July 18-22  
9:00-Noon / 1st-6th Grade  
Tuesday - Lunch & Water Games till 3pm  
Friday - Lunch & Dress Rehearsal till 3pm

**Children's Concert**  
Sunday, July 24, 6pm

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Celebration**  
Sunday, July 17th  
9:00 & 10:30am

**Sunday Night Hymn Sing**  
July 17th, 6pm

**Student Retreat Weekend at Shoeco**  
F-S, July 22-23, \$75 total cost  
*"How You Study The Bible"*

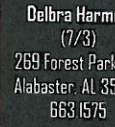
**Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon**  
Thursday, July 21, 10:30am  
**Potluck!**  
Special Music by Betty Schwarzkoﬀ, pianist  
(Neighbor of Christene Brown)  
Soloist, Sarah Grace Pugh  
(Granddaughter of Christene Brown)  
Duet, Sydney Shell & Hannah Stith

**SUMMER SERMON SERIES**  
July/Aug  
A Faith Worth Learning  
(The Non-negotiables)  
*Colossians*  
Sunday  
His Redemption--The  
Atonement of Christ  
*Led by Bro. Morgan*

## Welcome New Members!



**Jimmy Bortz (7/3)**  
5778 Myron Clark Rd  
McCalla, AL 35111  
229.0679



**Delbra Harmon (7/3)**  
269 Forest Parkway  
Alabaster, AL 35007  
663.1575



**Donna Palmer (7/3)**  
635 Delta Street  
Bessemer, AL 35020  
424.1352



**Gracie Gill (7/10)**  
*Profession of Faith*



**Carly Glover (7/10)**  
*Profession of Faith*

**CHURCH CONFERENCE**  
Wed., July 20  
6:30pm  
Family Chapel  
**2012 Sunday School Teacher Confirmations!**

**CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
2543 Morgan Road, SE  
Bessemer, Alabama 35022  
Telephone 205.425.4381  
Fax 205.428.7688  
Email: [family@canaanbaptist.net](mailto:family@canaanbaptist.net)  
Web Site: [www.canaanbaptist.net](http://www.canaanbaptist.net)

**SUMMER CONSTRUCTION MISSION**  
JULY 25-29  
Contact Leader, Rick Gandy.  
*Make your plans to be a part of both events! Sign up now!*

**FAMILY MISSION TRIP AT PLEASANT GROVE**  
JULY 29-30  
Contact Leader, Bro. Russ.

Abbreviation meanings:

A.A. = Alcoholics Anonymous	CLT = Church Leadership Team	WC = Worship Center
ABC = Always be Christian, Cheerful & Creative	CW = Children's Wing	W.I.N.G.S. = Women in God's Service
BTF = Bridge to the Future	EB = Education Building	YAH = Young At Heart
	FLC = Family Life Center	

*"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 JULY** - 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.

## SYMPATHY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

- \* **The Austin Rainey Family**  
*(Great nephew of Donna Cone).*
- \* **Betty Woods and family at the loss of her sister.**
- \* **The Elizabeth Roberts Family** *(Mother of Dave and Grandmother of Pam Donaldson).*

**Special gifts were received and placed in the General Fund from:**

- **Louis & Betty Clark** in loving memory of *Gisela Bailey (Mother of Bro. Morgan).*

## BIRTHDAYS

*In the Canaan family, July 8-21*

James Tubbs (7/8)	Dawn Wise (7/15)
Betty Butts (7/8)	Jason Close (7/15)
Donna Bonham (7/8)	Brent Turley (7/15)
Janelle Allen (7/8)	Charlene Burrage (7/16)
Glen Riley (7/8)	Jarad Aldridge (7/16)
Mark Tidmore (7/8)	Mary Shaw (7/17)
Debbie York (7/9)	Robbie Wear (7/17)
Beth Doyle (7/9)	Stanley Brooks (7/17)
Bryant Ray (7/9)	Felicia Hand (7/17)
Rebecca Ray (7/9)	Renea Walls (7/17)
Michael Hatton (7/10)	Jennifer Vining (7/17)
Robye Davis (7/10)	Stephanie Clark (7/17)
Stacy Hyde (7/10)	Kevin Lambert (7/17)
Sidney Webster (7/10)	Doris Dyle (7/18)
Nann Ray (7/11)	Lois Draper (7/18)
Steve Langston (7/11)	David Ammons (7/18)
Shane Valdes (7/11)	Melonie Fox (7/18)
Amanda Jones (7/11)	Amy Lagrone (7/18)
Belinda Hannah (7/12)	Correy Dodson (7/18)
Cathy August (7/12)	Zion Rupp (7/18)
Tammy Holland (7/12)	Meleah Keller (7/19)
Steve Baggett (7/14)	Meadors Akins (7/19)
Paula Cain (7/14)	Amanda Wright (7/19)
Barbara Dement (7/14)	Allison Rosser (7/19)
Becky Gamble (7/14)	Jerry Hughes (7/20)
Scott Berger (7/14)	Terry Holland (7/20)
Carrie Fisher (7/14)	Jeanene Roy (7/20)
Harold Bullock (7/15)	Jamie White (7/20)
Annette Byars (7/15)	Seth Berry (7/20)
Jack Mitchell (7/15)	Shannon McCoy (7/20)
Lecia White (7/15)	Nicole Cantrill (7/21)

**Happy Birthday!!!**

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

### Glorious Grace

*"Call upon Me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you and you shall glorify Me."*  
**Psalm 50:15**

The Psalmist reminds us that **God gives us His Grace for His Glory.** This past Wednesday was an encouraging milestone in our nearly three year journey with cancer. When the doctor in Mobile said, *"I see no tumors,"* our hearts leapt for joy! This week, we meet with our doctor at the clinic in Kenner, LA. He will look at all the tests and give us a more comprehensive evaluation. We are rejoicing in the healing of the Great Physician has given. The Psalmist reminds us of the purpose of any *deliverance* the Father supplies - *that His Grace and Glory may be magnified!* Indeed, it is a Glorious Grace. Thank you Family of Families for your steadfast support for us. We are so humbled and grateful.

**Sunday was yet another glorious day at Canaan.** God's Spirit fell, His Name was magnified and lives were changed. I'm excited about our survey of Colossians and series in the Non-Negotiables of our faith. I hope you'll make plans to be present each Sunday and invite someone to join you. We desperately need to develop a Christ Centered Biblical Worldview.

**Where have the lazy hazy days of summer gone?** Be sure to check your Journal or our website for all the exciting things happening in our church. The Youth will be involved in a *Service Week* this week and their summer retreat next weekend (22-23). Our children will enjoy a Summer Singer Music camp next week. The last week in July is our Construction Mission Trip to Concord and our Family Mission Trip (Block Party) in Pleasant Grove. We continue to support the recovery in these two communities.

**Thank you church family for your continued faithfulness in giving this summer.** Our budget giving remains strong and we're beginning to see an increase in our Bridge to the Future giving (for the children's building). I believe that we'll end our BTF program in a strong way.

*Don't forget to contact absentees weekly and everyone monthly. This Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Supper.*

*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.

## THE WORSHIP MINISTER BRO. JEFF STITH

Dear Family,

Our church family has been able to do so much already this summer. There is an exciting new event for our kids who have finished the first through the sixth grade. It is called Summer Singer's Camp. This is a week of music where the students will learn and perform an entire Children's Musical in one week. There will be music rehearsal times, craft time for creating and building props and sets, movement and motions class, and some fun recreation. We will meet everyday from 9:00 am until noon. Then on Tuesday and Friday, we will stay until 3:00 with lunch provided. Tuesday will be water games. Friday, we will do a dress rehearsal for our performance. Sunday evening, the students will perform the entire musical *"God of This City"* during our evening worship.

**I hope that you will bring your child, grandchild, or even a neighbor to the camp.** The cost is \$25 and can be paid the first day. The camp runs Monday July 18<sup>th</sup> through Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, with our performance on Sunday evening the 24<sup>th</sup>. This is a great experience for the children but also a great witnessing opportunity for our community as they share their faith through music and drama.

Have a great summer!

*Bro. Jeff*

**Canaan Family,**

**I would like to thank you for all your prayers and support of our Preschool and Children's Ministry.** As you know, we have been enlisting Class Shepherds and Apprentices for the new year. In our Preschool Ministry, we have a few opportunities for serving others in both the 9am and 10:30am services. If you are interested in serving in our Preschool Ministry, please let me or Bro. Charles know.

**We are also looking for a Class Shepherd in our 1st Grade Class for the upcoming year.** Please be in prayer on how God will use you. I would like to thank all of our missionaries that are currently serving.

Until He returns,

*Bro. Russ*

## SUNDAY INVOLVEMENT JULY 3

### Morning Worship

9:00am.....	187
10:30am.....	185
Preschool Care.....	53
Children.....	30
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>455</b>

<b>Discipleship Training.....</b>	<b>114</b>
<b>Bible Study.....</b>	<b>421</b>
Ministry Budget Offering Rec'd.....	\$1
2011 Budget Offering Req. Wkly.....	\$14,526.31
Bridge to the Future Received (166 Commitments).....	\$799,000.00

<b>BTF Offering 139 wks of 156 wks.....</b>	<b>\$608,480.76</b>
<b>BTF Offering Received this week.....</b>	<b>\$2,847.50</b>
<b>"Property &amp; Building" to date.....</b>	<b>\$14,798.00</b>