PWeek of Prayer

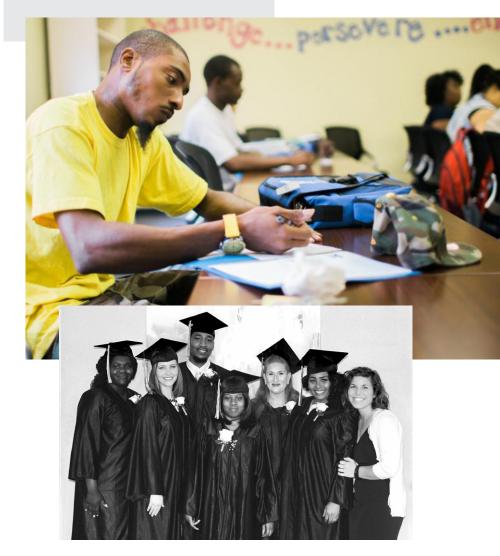
LOCAL MISSIONS AND GENEROSITY SUNDAY



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR LOCAL MISSIONS AND GENEROSITY SUNDAY Mountain Brook Baptist Church has a rich history of supporting missions both at home and abroad. We provide this support by sending mission teams and volunteers, providing financial support, and praying for our mission partners. This year we are combining our passion for missions and our desire to love God and live with grace and generosity by engaging in a week of prayer for our local mission partners in the week leading up to Generosity Sunday, which will take place on April 29. As you pray for our partners during this week of prayer, ask the Lord to show you ways He might be calling you to volunteer on a regular basis with one of these local mission partners.







Our Featured Partner

M-POWER Ministries is a faith-based nonprofit which seeks to help people develop the tools to break the cycle of poverty. Recognizing that the Bible and the teachings of Jesus call men and women to help "the least of these," M-POWER equips volunteers to minister to the vulnerable in our community. M-POWER operates an education center, including GED classes, literacy assistance, and job training, as well as a health center which provides free primary care services to adult patients without access to health insurance, helping to alleviate chronic illnesses. By receiving treatment to combat chronic diseases, people are better able to fight off illness and ensure their ability to be at work every day.

In addition to providing financial support through our Missions Budget, MBBC members regularly volunteer with M-POWER. For example, our Cooks On A Mission (www.mbbc.org/cooksonamission) regularly provide breakfast for M-POWER's GED students.

Also, a team of ladies from our church (Tasha Bates, Elisabeth Branch, Lisa Elliott, Jane Jordan, Lauri Jordan, Leslie Mapes, and Jan Rice) have been providing lunch once a month for GED students since 2010. These ladies became aware of this ministry opportunity and took it upon themselves to extend the love of Jesus Christ and His witness in a very practical way.

In addition to praying for our local mission partners, we are going to donate 10% of the offering we collect on Generosity Sunday to support the work of M-POWER Ministries.

Local Missions Prayer List

We encourage you to pray along with us as designated below.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22 SERVING YOU MINISTRIES

Serving You Ministries provides hope to families in the greater Birmingham area by providing sustainable solutions to challenges they face. They assist in education, child care, job readiness, safe and affordable housing, health and nutrition, and crisis relief through their U Ministry Hub. Mountain Brook Baptist Church has a partnership with Serving You Ministries. Through this partnership, we refer benevolence requests to the staff at Serving You Ministries.

Volunteer | www.servingyou.org/volunteer-application www.servingyou.org | (205) 777-3653 6523 1st Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35206

MONDAY, APRIL 23 WORLD CHANGERS

World Changers equips students to confidently share the gospel in word and deed by providing focused, meaningful missions experiences in strategic cities of all sizes. Each summer, Nan Crow organizes our efforts to provide lunch for youth mission teams who are in Birmingham serving with World Changers. In 2018, we will serve lunch to teams the week of June 11-15.

Sponsor a Day of the Week | Nan Crow (ncrow19@aol.com) www.lifeway.com/worldchangers

THE WELLHOUSE

The WellHouse exists to honor God by rescuing and providing opportunities for restoration to female victims of human trafficking who have been sexually exploited.

Volunteer | https://the-wellhouse.org/volunteer-2 https://the-wellhouse.org | (800) 991-9937 P.O. Box 868, Odenville, AL 35120

TUESDAY, APRIL 24 GRACE HOUSE MINISTRIES

For over 25 years, Grace House has been providing stable, Christian homes for Alabama girls in foster care on their residential campus in Fairfield, AL. Grace House's comprehensive approach seeks to end the cycles of poverty and abuse that are so prevalent in the lives of the girls that they serve by educating, equipping, and empowering them to become mature, godly women.

Volunteer | www.grace-house.org/untitled www.grace-house.org | (205) 786-4663 4911 Farrell Avenue, Fairfield, AL 35064

GRANTSWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Mountain Brook Baptist Church has formed a partnership with Grantswood Community School in Irondale. We provide food for students through the Backpack Buddies program, read with students who need extra help developing their reading skills, have breakfast with students before school, and support the faculty and administration of the school in other areas as needed.

Volunteer | Sherrie Futch (sherriefutch@gmail.com) Volunteer | Meredith Cale (caleme@aol.com) http://grantswood.jefcoed.com | (205) 379-3700 | www.mbbc.org/lovegrantswood 5110 Grantswood Road, Irondale, AL 35210

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity seeks to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

Volunteer | Melanie Jacobi (mjacobi@habitatbirmingham.org) www.habitatbirmingham.org | (205) 780-1234 4408 Lloyd Noland Parkway, Fairfield, AL 35064

RED MOUNTAIN GRACE

Red Mountain Grace is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing gracious housing to out-of-town patients and caregivers during their extended medical stays in Birmingham.

Partner | www.redmountaingrace.com/partner-with-us-1 www.redmountaingrace.com | (866) 656-9064 P.O. Box 382562, Birmingham, AL 35238

THURSDAY, APRIL 26 IMPACT FAMILY COUNSELING

IMPACT Family Counseling is a 501(c)(3) Christian-affiliated, United Way agency located in Birmingham, AL. Founded in 1991, they continue to make an impact in the lives of others. The agency provides outpatient counseling and a variety of other services such as mentoring, relationship education, family strengthening, and anger management to all people, regardless of religion, sex, race, ethnicity, age, or disability.

Volunteer | www.impactal.org | (205) 916-0123 Vestavia Hills - 701 Montgomery Highway, Suite 202, Birmingham, AL 35216 Southside - 1000 24th Street South, Birmingham, AL 35205

RESTORATION ACADEMY

Restoration Academy believes that every child in the Birmingham area deserves an excellent, Christ-centered education. Their mission is to provide this opportunity through advancing the two greatest commandments in the life of each student: to love God with all of your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love others as yourself. They work individually with students from remedial to accelerated and offer free in-school and after-school tutoring, teach foreign languages, and provide opportunities for art. They also require the study of US and world history, all sciences, language, literature, government, finance, physical education, the arts, Bible, and apologetics. Restoration Academy is accredited with AdvancED, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), the Alabama Independent School Association (AISA), and the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

Volunteer | Bridgette Antonello (bantonello@restorationacademy.org) www.restorationacademy.org | (205) 785-8805 Elementary Building - 4600 Carnegie Avenue, Fairfield, AL 35064 High School Building - 4801 Gary Avenue, Fairfield, AL 35064

FRIDAY, APRIL 27 COMMUNITY GRIEF SUPPORT

Community Grief Support is a safe place where people grieving the death of a loved one can find hope and healing and meet with others who have had this experience and understand. Together they learn how to regain control of their lives in an environment of care, comfort, and healing.

Volunteer | Katie Harris-Levoy (communitygriefsu@bellsouth.net) www.communitygriefsupport.org | (205) 870-8667 1119 Oxmoor Road, Homewood, AL 35209

CORNERSTONE SCHOOLS OF ALABAMA

Their mission is to inspire and develop critically-thinking and compassionate young people in a Christ-centered learning community that is committed to academic excellence and character development. They strive to empower lifelong learners to be responsible and productive citizens of the world, all to the glory of God.

Volunteer | Eve Hennessy (ehennessy@csalabama.org) www.csalabama.org | (205) 769-0035 Elementary School Campus - 118 55th Street North, Birmingham, AL 35212 High School Campus - 959 Huffman Road, Birmingham, AL 35215

SATURDAY, APRIL 28 FAMILY PROMISE OF BIRMINGHAM

Family Promise of Birmingham, founded in 1998 as the Birmingham Hospitality Network, is a network of diverse faith and civic organizations working together to provide safe, home-like lodging where homeless families can stay together while working to regain their independence. On any given day, more than half the guests served by Family Promise of Birmingham are children.

Their goal is to help in maintaining a stable life for homeless families by:

- Bringing shelter, meals, and support services to families without homes
- Making a difference in homelessness in our own community
- Informing, energizing, and motivating congregations about homeless families
- · Providing opportunities for host families to volunteer their time

Mountain Brook Baptist Church Associate Deacons host Family Promise of Birmingham guests three to four weeks a year. We will host again the weeks of June 24 and September 23.

Help Host | Wayne Splawn (wayne@mbbc.org) General Questions | Rana Cowan (director@familypromisebham.org) www.familypromisebham.org | (205) 918-0246 1016 19th Street South, Birmingham, AL 35205

SUNDAY, APRIL 29 M-POWER MINISTRIES

M-POWER Ministries is a faith-based nonprofit formed in 1997 through a coalition of volunteers, donors, and churches to provide services to individuals and families in need. Over time, the organization has turned its focus to addressing poverty through education and health services.

Volunteer | www.mpowerministries.org/volunteer www.mpowerministries.org | (205) 595-5959 4022 4th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35222

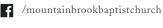




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