



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



"A Passion Fulfilled"

DR. DORTCH | SENIOR MINISTER | OCTOBER 3, 2019

Preaching is my passion in ministry. While I acknowledge the other legs of the pastoral stool (administration and pastoral care), preaching is the part of ministry that gets my heart racing. The privilege of proclaiming sacred texts in ways that relate ancient ...

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Churchwide Service Day

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 | 8 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Our annual Churchwide Service Day will be Saturday, October 5. We'll meet at the church at 8 a.m. for breakfast before heading out to serve. We'll return to enjoy lunch together at 12:30 p.m. This is a great day in the life of our church because it provides opportunities for us to connect with local mission partners, to serve together, and to grow in relationship with one another. We hope you'll consider participating. This year's projects include Grantswood Community School, Cornerstone High School, The Foundry Ministries, and low-impact projects in Hudson Hall. Learn more about the projects and register by visiting [this link](#).



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Sunday Worship Preview

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

We will have concurrent services on Sunday, October 6 as we begin a new series, "Because..." This Sunday's sermons will focus on Matthew 6:19-21.

Dr. Doug Dortch, our Senior Minister, will be preaching in our Traditional Worship Service. Dr. Wayne Splawn, our Associate Minister, will be preaching in our Contemporary Worship Service. This Sunday is World Communion Sunday; we will observe the Lord's Supper in both services. We will have a Parent-Child Dedication for Evan and Tyler Thrasher and their son, Rhett Evans Thrasher, in the Traditional Worship Service. We will also have a Parent-Child Dedication for Katie and Geoff Johnson and their son, Geoffrey Grantham ("Grant") Johnson, in the Contemporary Worship Service.

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2020 Ministries Plan Vote

VOTE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

You should have received a copy of the 2020 Ministries Plan, our church budget for 2020, last week. We discussed the 2020 proposed budget on Wednesday, September 25 at 6 p.m. in Heritage Hall. The final vote will happen at both morning worship services at a Called Church Conference this Sunday, October 6. After the vote, we will begin our "Because" stewardship campaign to call our congregation to financial faithfulness.

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S.H.A.P.E. Spiritual Gifts Study

BEGINS THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

As part of our Vision 2020 emphasis on discipleship, we will have a spiritual gifts study during the month of October based on Eric Rees's book *S.H.A.P.E.* We hope you will consider attending this study as we thoughtfully engage how the Lord has gifted us individually and

how we might use those gifts for the kingdom. We will have concurrent activities for children; contact Sharon Howard (sharon@mbbc.org or 205-803-3445) if you plan to attend the study and need preschool-age childcare. Dinner will be served after the study (\$6 adults/\$3 kids/\$20 maximum per family).

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Birmingham Metro Baptist Association: Ladies Fall Fair

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 | 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

All ladies are invited to hear Edna Ellison, a well-known author and speaker from Spartanburg, South Carolina, at the 2019 Ladies Fall Fair. She will present her book *Stronger Still*, about the godly power inside each of us to change the world. Her books will be available for purchase and there will be a book signing. Other guests include The WellHouse, WorldCrafts, and WorldSong Missions Place. Shop with artisan groups rescued from human trafficking and from impoverished areas. Plus 20% of your WorldCrafts purchase in October will support the Alabama Baptist Children's Home. This event is free, but you must register by October 10 by emailing wmu@bmbaonline.org or calling 205-599-3245. A donation for Christmas Backpacks Missions will be appreciated: Children's Bibles, Bible story books, small toys, dolls, balls, games, and art supplies! Thanks.

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Trunk or Treat

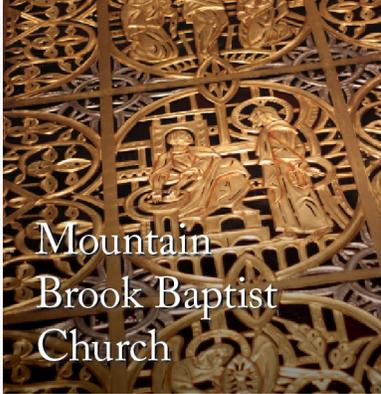
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 | 4-6 P.M.

It's that time of year again; we're preparing for Trunk-or-Treat and we need your help with this annual outreach event to our community. Here are ways you can help!

- Decorate your trunk and hand out candy
- Make snow cones, cotton candy, and popcorn
- Help with grilling and serving hot dogs and chips
- Set up and/or take down
- Supervise children on inflatables

The possibilities are endless—visit [this link](#) for more information about how you might get involved, or contact Mary Splawn (mary@mbbc.org) to sign up to help.

More Upcoming Events



To view a full listing of upcoming events, visit our [website](#) or download a copy of our October [Monthly Guide](#).

Generosity Scorecard

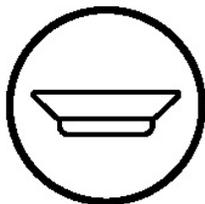
As of Sunday, September 29, 2019

2019 Ministries Budget: \$3,447,078.00

Weekly Receipts	\$14,225.39
Average Weekly Budget	<u>\$66,289.90</u>
Weekly Net	-\$52,064.51
YTD Receipts (includes prepays)	\$2,072,948.05
YTD Budget	<u>\$2,585,308.38</u>
YTD Net	-\$512,360.33

Remaining receipts required to achieve annual budget: \$1,374,129.95

Ways to Give



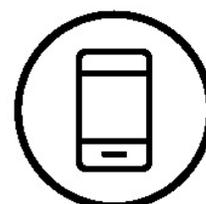
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Place your tithes and offerings in the offering plates during a worship service.



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To give by text, text STOREHOUSE to 73256.



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