

October 2023 | Volume 45

# HEARTBEAT est. 1975

## *Ministerial Staff Appreciation Month*

### **Thursdays**

6:00pm Pickleball

### **October 3**

6:00pm Women's Ministry Meeting [CLC]

### **October 8**

3:00pm OCC Prep Day [CLC]

### **October 10**

6:00pm Women's Bible Study [CLC]

### **October 13**

5:30pm Young at Heart Lasagna Social

### **October 14**

4:00pm CBSM Fall Festival

### **October 15**

3:00pm Church Picnic at Camp Hobbs

### **October 17**

9:00am Sewing for Missions [CSFH]  
Bring sack lunch

### **October 18**

6:00pm Quarterly Business Meeting

### **October 22**

Men's & Women's Ministry Chili  
Cookoff [CLC]  
3:30pm Deacon's Meeting

### **October 24**

6:00pm Women's Bible Study [CLC]

### **October 25**

11:30am Brotherhood Lunch [Captain D's]

### **October 28**

3:30pm CBC Fall Festival

*Camellia  
Baptist Church*

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. —*Philippians 4:9*



## "Rise Up, O Men of God"

Being a leader is hard. It requires making tough decisions, to look after those whom you lead, and the responsibility to not lead others down a wrong or dangerous path. The responsibility to lead has been given to every man in some form or another. Husbands and fathers are to lead their homes. Men are to lead in the church.

This is a sobering thought for me. Naturally, I tend to want to follow, and let others lead. As an introvert, I would rather be in the background. But the calling God has placed in my life is greater than any fear I may have. We must step out of our comfort zone and die to ourselves daily for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Men, our children and wives have been designed by holy God to follow our leadership. This is a humbling reality. They need us to lead them in righteousness. How are we doing? Do we sit back and let life happen, or are we actively leading our families in worship, prayer, and studying His Word. 1 Corinthians 16:13 says, "Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong."

Men, the stakes are too high for us to get this wrong. Prioritize the things of God in your home and everything else will take care of itself. "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." (Matt. 6:33)

In His Service,



Peyton Kelly



## CHURCH PICNIC at CAMP HOBBS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

3:00-7:00pm

Bring a dessert to share!

CAMELLIA  
BAPTIST CHURCH

### MINISTERIAL STAFF APPRECIATION



Pastor James Taylor  
Senior Pastor



Pastor Peyton Kelly  
Associate Pastor of  
Music & Administration



Blake Turner  
Student Ministries Director



Hilary Taylor  
Interim Children's  
Ministry Director

SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION FOR OUR MINISTERIAL STAFF WITH  
A NOTE, CARD, OR MONETARY GIFT THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

## *The Alabama Baptist*

It's time to renew your annual *The Alabama Baptist* newsletter subscription. Turn your check for \$16.25 in to the church office by November 1. If you wish to be added or removed from the subscription list, please contact the church office at 334-365-0231.

Young at Heart

## LASAGNA SOCIAL

October 13 5:30pm

Clayton Shaw Fellowship Hall







# SEWING FOR MISSIONS

OCTOBER 17 9:00AM CLAYTON SHAW FELLOWSHIP HALL



**October 14 — Fall Festival 4:00-7:00pm**

**December 27th-29th — Winter Conference**

This year our student ministry will be attending SWO Outfitters winter conference in Andrews, North Carolina on December 27th-29th.

The total cost for the trip will be \$250 and a \$75 deposit will be due at the time of registration. Once you complete your registration online (via our church website), please turn in your deposit to Blake or the church office. Make checks payable to Camellia Baptist Church.

**Registrations and deposits are due by October 15th,** and all remaining balances are due by November 19th.

## Operation Christmas Child

October 8 OCC Prep Day 3:00-5:00pm [CLC]  
Join Us As We Prepare Items That Will Be Placed  
in the OCC Boxes at Our Churchwide Packing Party

October 22 OCC Shoeboxes Go Home With Individual Families

Each Family is encouraged to take a shoebox home.

- (1) Choose the age and gender of a child.
- (2) Purchase items for the box that will bless a child.
- (3) Include the \$10 shipping Fee
- (4) Return box to Camellia by November 5
- (5) Pray for the Child Receiving the Box
- (6) Change the Life of a Child for Eternity

October 28 OCC Workshop @ First Baptist Church 10:00am-12:00pm  
Come hear a former Shoebox Recipient and see how God used  
a simple shoebox gift to change his life!  
(see Tracy Autrey to register OR call First Baptist Church)



Camellia Family,

Over this last month, we have been looking at our culture here at Camellia. We are striving for our culture to be a community of care.

This community of care is lived out according to the expectations of Camellia members. Another way of saying this is that a faithful member of Camellia Baptist Church 1) Worships, 2) Serves, 3) Shares, 4) Grows, and 5) Gives. As we faithfully worship, serve, share, grow, and give, we join together as a community to care for one another and the world.

I have genuinely enjoyed preaching this sermon series so far, and I am grateful for the positive reaction of our church.

As I write this article on September 25th, we have looked so far at faithfully worshipping, serving, and sharing. In the next two weeks, we will see how growing in our faith is also a means of caring for the church. We will also see how our financial giving to the church is a spiritual investment that benefits all of us.

I am so grateful for how we exemplify faithfulness in these areas already, but on this side of heaven, we know we will always have room to grow. And I trust that every day, as we submit to Christ and His desires for our lives, the result of our worship, service, sharing, growing, and giving will be a unified and peaceful church.

May God continue to bless each of us, to the praise of His glorious grace!

—Brother James

**The Women's Ministry  
is collecting items for the  
Cancer Center.  
Donate any snack items such  
as crackers, bottled water,  
chips, peppermints, etc.**



201 Woodvale Rd.  
Prattville, AL 36067

### Ministerial Staff

#### **Senior Pastor**

Rev. James Taylor (270)213-0536

#### **Assoc. Pastor of Music & Administration**

Rev. Peyton Kelly (334)730-2822

#### **Interim Children's Ministry Director**

Hilary Taylor (270)213-0561

#### **Student Ministries Director**

Blake Turner (334)730-3968

#### **Camellia School Administrator**

Jessica Senn (334)365-5693

### Support Staff

#### **Administrative Assistant:**

Tiffany Dorough (334)365-0231

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Mon-Fri. 7:30am -12:00pm, 1:00pm- 4:30pm

Address Label

**Fall** Camellia Baptist Church  
**FESTIVAL**  
Saturday, October 28 3:30-5:30PM

Petting zoo, inflatables, games, costume contest,  
italian ice, and more! All **FREE!**

**Camellia family, we need you!**

**There are lots of ways to serve. Sign up in Sunday School or in the  
foyer of the sanctuary!**

**CHILDREN IN ACTION**

**SPECIAL GUEST**

**OCT 25**

Scotty Goldman, Alabama Baptist  
Director of Global Missions, has visited  
the Ukraine over a dozen times and will be sharing with us!