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Brentwood Baptist Church

"The Church Where Christ is the Main Attraction"

JANUARY 2012



God

Is

Faithful

1 Corinthians 1:9

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Staff on the Move

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be a facilitator at the 2012 Leaders' Retreat — "Ship of Excellence" for Gethsemane Baptist Church. The Conference will be held Friday, January 6 and Saturday, January 7 at the Woodlands Resort & Conference Center, The Woodlands, TX. Dr. Dennis C. Jones is the Pastor.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be the guest preacher at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church of Carol City for their Fresh Start Revival Monday, January 9 through Wednesday, January 11. The address is 21311 NW 34th Ave. Miami, FL 33056 (305.624.8170). Rev. Arthur Jackson III is the Pastor.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will teach our Winter Bible Study on Wednesday, January 18 and 25 at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be the guest preacher at Metropolitan Baptist Church for their Church Anniversary Friday, January 20 and Sunday, January 22. The church address is 149 Springfield Ave. Newark, NJ 07103 (973.642.2267). Dr. David Jefferson Sr. is the Pastor.



Happy Birthday

Willie Sylvester - January 2
 Roshanda Williams - January 4
 Maria Chivira - January 9
 Grover Fortenberry - January 10
 Gloria Ruffin - January 12



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day!

Monday, January 16
Office Closed! No Activities!

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, January 30
6:30 pm - Sanctuary



Upcoming Events at the Wood

JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
2	Office Closed / No Activities	4	Sunday School Institute
3	Office Reopens/No Activities	8	Dr. & Mrs. Ratliff's Pre-Anniversary Celebration
4	Winter Bible Study Begins	12	Dr. & Mrs. Ratliff's Anniversary Celebration
9	Weekday Activities Resume	29	Youth Black History Program
16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed/No Activities		
25	Winter Bible Study Ends		

BRENTWOOD LEADERSHIP STAFF

DR. JOE SAMUEL RATLIFF, PASTOR

Mr. Paul E. Jefferson, *Church Business Administrator*
 Ms. Lydia A. Alston, *Minister of Worship and Praise*
 Rev. Joseph G. Ford, *Minister of College, Young Adults and Singles*
 Rev. Mary A. Frazier, *Minister of Youth*
 Mr. Augusta Green IV, *Lifelong Learning Center Manager*
 Rev. Albert A. Kemp, *Minister of Evangelism*
 Rev. C. Clay Pickens, *Institutional Advancement Director*
 Mrs. Doris G. Ratliff, *Center for Child Development Executive Director*
 Rev. Lillie M. Seals, *Minister of Christian Counseling*
 Rev. Barbara A. Thomas, *Minister of Children and Senior Adults*
 Rev. Garland W. Ward, *Minister of Visitation*
 Rev. Kevin W. Williams, *Minister of Facilities Management and Recreation*

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Planned Consistent Growth in Giving

Questions: Will a man rob God?

Answer: Yes. In tithes and offerings. (*Malachi 3:8-12*)

Question: What is Tithes?

Answer: Tithes refers to giving 10% of one's gross income to God as stated in Malachi 3:8-12.

EXAMPLES OF CONSISTENT PLANNED GIVING

Annual Income	10% Annually	1st Quarter YTD	2nd Quarter YTD	3rd Quarter YTD	4th Quarter YTD
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$500	\$750	\$1000
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
\$30,000	\$3,000	\$750	\$1,500	\$2,250	\$3,000
\$40,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$2,500	\$3,750	\$5,000
\$60,000	\$6,000	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$4,500	\$6,000
\$70,000	\$7,000	\$1,750	\$3,500	\$5,250	\$7,000
\$80,000	\$8,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$8,000
\$90,000	\$9,000	\$2,250	\$4,500	\$6,750	\$9,000
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000
\$150,000	\$15,000	\$3,750	\$7,500	\$11,250	\$15,000
\$200,000	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000
\$300,000	\$30,000	\$7,500	\$15,000	\$22,500	\$30,000
\$500,000	\$50,000	\$12,500	\$25,000	\$37,500	\$50,000
\$1,000,000	\$100,000	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000

Please do your share to honor God in your giving and watch *“God open the windows of Heaven and pour you out blessings that there shall not be room enough to receive it”...Malachi 3:10*

“Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into you”...Luke 6:38

Preaching Schedule

SUNDAY

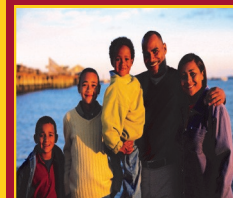
7:45 AM & 10:45 AM

1	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am) <i>Music By: Church Choir</i>
8	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am) <i>Music By: Male Chorus</i>
15	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am) <i>Music By: Voices of Praise</i>
22	Rev. Mark A. Williams (7:45am & 10:45am) Pastor, Faith Fellowship Church, Corona, CA <i>Music By: Women's Choir</i>
29	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am) <i>Music By: Chorale (7:45am) Mass Choir (10:45am)</i>

WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM

4	January Bible Study - Mrs. Jacqueline Kirksey
11	January Bible Study - Deacon Edith Thompson
18	January Bible Study - Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff
25	January Bible Study - Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff



January is
FRANGELISM MONTH!

Invite your **F**riends, **R**elatives,
Associates and **N**eighbors who are searching for a
church home.

Follow me and I will make you fishers of men. Matthew 4:19

Members & Visitors

Communion	January 1	7:45 am / 10:45 am
	January 4	7pm
Baptism	January 8	10:45 am
Baby Dedication	January 15	7:45 am / 10:45 am
Sunday School	Sundays	9:30 am - Adults/Children/Youth
		10:45 am - Children/Youth

Interpreters for the hearing impaired are available each Sunday during the 10:45 am worship service and for all other church sponsored events by request only. Please contact the Church Office at 713.852.1400.

MEMBERS

UPDATES

If you have moved or have a name change, please obtain and complete a Membership Update Form at the Receptionist Desk or contact Debra Jordan at 713.852.1486.

SICK & DEATH REPORTS

To report or give an update on a death or illness, please complete a Sick or Death Report form located at the Receptionist Desk or call 713.852.1410 and leave a detailed message.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Please use a contribution envelope to ensure that your tithes, offerings and designated donations are recorded. Contributions made to Brentwood Baptist Church are posted by your individual membership number. Therefore, it is important that you legibly record your complete name, address and amount on your envelope.

MEDIA

CD's, DVD's and audio cassettes are available in the Media Center. Please contact George Micheaux at 713.852.1426 or online www.brentwoodbaptist.org/store/shop.

VISITORS

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to join in as we give our highest praise to God our Father for giving us the opportunity to come together in worship. If you are looking for a church home please consider us in your spiritual journey. If you would like more information about us, please call 713.852.1400.

If you are not receiving your monthly bulletin, please contact Debra Jordan at 713.852.1486.

Wednesday, January 25

6pm	Challengers	LLC
	Girls In Action	LLC
	Sisters Who Care	LLC
7pm	Winter Bible Study	Sanctuary

Thursday, January 26

12pm	Noon Day Bible Study	LLC
6pm	Tutoring	LLC
	Ballet Troupe	LLC
6:30pm	Chorale	Choir Room
	Tiny Tots Choir	LLC
	Sunday School Workers	LLC
	Drill Team	Fellowship Hall
7pm	Children's Choir	LLC
	Children Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Praise Dancers	LLC
	Voices of Praise	Worship Center

Friday, January 27

6pm	Kids' Pals	LLC
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Saturday, January 28

9am	Cub/Boy Scouts	LLC
	Boys Rites of Passage	LLC
10am	Creative Artist For Christ	LLC
	The Gathering Place	LLC
10:15am	Adult Praise Dance Ministry	LLC

Sunday, January 29

8:45am	Business Development Spotlight	LLC
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Monday, January 30

6:30pm	Quarterly Business Meeting	Sanctuary
6:45pm	Cheerleaders for Christ	LLC
7pm	Church Choir	Worship Center

Tuesday, January 31

6:30pm	Jewels Bible Study	LLC
7pm	Women's Choir	Choir Room
	Male Chorus	Sanctuary

Thursday, January 19

12pm	Noon Day Bible Study	LLC
6pm	Tutoring	LLC
	Ballet Troupe	LLC
6:30pm	Tiny Tots Choir	LLC
	Sunday School Workers	LLC
	Children's Work Ministry	LLC
	Drill Team	Fellowship Hall
7pm	Children's Choir	LLC
	Children Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Parent Leaders	LLC
	Voices of Praise	Worship Center

Friday, January 20

7pm	SAM Ministry	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, January 21

9am	Criminal Justice Ministry	LLC
	Usher Board Leaders	Fellowship Hall
10am	Creative Artist for Christ	LLC
10:15am	Adult Praise Dancers	LLC

Monday, January 23

6pm	Tutoring	LLC
6:30pm	Deacon Ministry	LLC
	Youth Choir	Sanctuary
6:45pm	Cheerleaders for Christ	LLC
7pm	Church Choir	Worship Center

Tuesday, January 24

7pm	Beaus and Debs	LLC
	Young Adult Ministry	Fellowship Hall
	STEW Ministry	LLC
	Male Chorus	Sanctuary
	Women's Choir	Worship Center

Infants, Children & Youth Announcements

CHILD CARE

The Doris Gardner Ratliff Center for Child Development offers childcare for ages 0 to 4 on Sundays during worship services and Monday - Friday from 6 am to 6 pm.

After school care also available!

Contact Cheryl Kimbrel at 713.852.1470.



Career Workshop The T.R.U.T.H. Ministry will host a Career Workshop on Sunday, January 15 from 10:45am to 12 noon in the Sanctuary. If you are in grade 6 - 12, come and learn about future endeavors and receive assistance in planning for your path to success. You may contact Rev. Mary Frazier at 713.852.1440 for more information.

Boy Scouts The Brentwood Boy Scouts and Sam Houston Area Council will participate in the Houston Food Bank's "Souper Bowl of Caring". In an effort to help fight hunger, we are asking our Brentwood family to donate non-perishable food items January 28 through February 5. Donation containers will be available in the church foyer.

JUDICIOUS

Jewels



of BRENTWOOD

(Women's Bible Study)

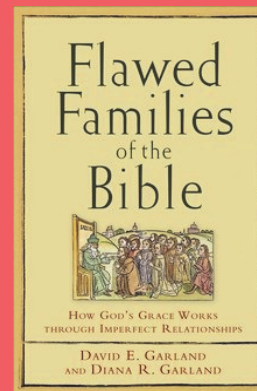
Join us as we explore

Flawed Families of the Bible

"Leah's Story"

Teaching: Rev. Bonita Barnes
and Rev. Ruby Woodward

Tuesday, January 31 * 6:30pm
Lifelong Learning Center



What's New@Bwood?

Sign up to receive Brentwood News E-Blast.

Visit us at www.brentwoodbaptist.org.



Special Events

Dr. & Mrs. Joe Samuel Ratliff

Celebrating 32 years of Service



PRE-ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Wednesday, February 8

7pm • Worship Center

Rev. Remus E. Wright, Pastor

The Fountain of Praise, Houston, TX

Musical Guest: The Fountain of Praise Choir

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ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, February 12

7:45am & 10:45am • Worship Center

Dr. Ralph Douglas West, Pastor

The Church Without Walls, Houston, TX

Thursday, January 12

12pm	Noonday Bible Study	LLC
6pm	Dance Troupe	LLC
6:30pm	Drill Team	Fellowship Hall
	Children's Work Ministry	LLC
	Tiny Tots Choir	LLC
	Chorale	Choir Room
	Sunday School Workers	LLC
6:45pm	LOVE Ministry	LLC
7pm	Children's Choir	LLC
	Greeters Association	LLC
	Children Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Praise Dancers	LLC
	Introduction to Yoga	LLC
	Voices of Praise	Worship Center

Saturday, January 14

9am	Boy Scouts	LLC
	Boys Rites of Passage	LLC
10am	Creative Artist for Christ	LLC
10:15am	Adult Praise Dancers	LLC

Sunday, January 15

9:30am	Common Ground	Room 118
10:45am	Youth Career Day	Sanctuary
12:15pm	Marriage Ministry Kick Off	LLC

Monday, January 16

MLK Birthday Observed / Office Closed - No Activities

Tuesday, January 17

6:30pm	Girl Scouts	LLC
	Business Development Ministry	LLC
7pm	Singles Ministry	LLC
	Women Choir	Choir Room
	Male Chorus	Sanctuary
	Glory Ministry	LLC

Wednesday, January 18

6:30pm	Challengers	LLC
7pm	Winter Bible Study	Sanctuary

Monday, January 2

Office Closed / No Activities

Tuesday, January 3

Office Open / No Activities

Wednesday, January 4

6:45pm	Corporate Prayer	Sanctuary
7pm	Winter Bible Study	Sanctuary

Thursday, January 5

Office Open / No Activities

Friday, January 6

Office Open / No Activities

Saturday, January 7

Office Open / No Activities

Sunday, January 8

10:45 am	Children's Church	Sanctuary
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Monday, January 9

6:30pm	Deacon Ministry	LLC
6:30pm	Youth Choir	Sanctuary
	Alzheimer Ministry	LLC
6:45pm	Cheerleaders for Christ	LLC
7pm	Girl Scouts	LLC
	Church Choir	Worship Center

Tuesday, January 10

7pm	Wellness Ministry	LLC
	Cancer Support Ministry	LLC
	Young Adult Ministry	Fellowship Hall
	Women Choir	Choir Room
	Male Chorus	Sanctuary

Wednesday, January 11

6pm	Challengers	LLC
	Girls In Action	LLC
6pm	Sisters Who Care	LLC
6:45pm	Corporate Prayer	Sanctuary
7pm	Winter Bible Study	Sanctuary

Special Events

Marriage Ministry
Invites you to
"Conversation with Dr. & Mrs. Ratliff"
Sunday, January 15
12:15pm - 2pm
Lifelong Learning Center

The Workshop is FREE but you must Register.
Visit our table on Sunday, January 1st or 8th
or register via our website at
brentwoodbaptist.org.
A light meal and childcare will be provided.

"Marriage Can Be Murder"
An Interactive Play
Friday, February 10
7:30pm
The Mystery Café
Sheraton Suites Hotel
2400 West Loop South, Houston TX

\$49.95 per couple
(includes a three-course meal)

Visit our table January 22, 29 or February 5 or you may register
online at brentwoodbaptist.org.
Sponsored By the Marriage Ministry.

Adult Announcements

Wellness Ministry The New Year is a time for "New Commitments". Join us for a FREE 90-minute introduction to Yoga on Thursday, January 12 at 7pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. Jill Minard, RYT and owner of Yoga House will introduce tools that can lead to better health, increase energy and reduce stress. Participants will receive a discount for two classes at the Yoga House. Call 713.852.1486 to register.

Criminal Justice Ministry If you would like to become a part of this ministry, mark your calendar for our Orientation Training Workshop on Saturday, January 21 from 8:30am to 1pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. You may register online at brentwoodbaptist.org or contact Gloria Ruffin at 713.852.1409.

Sunday School Equipping Institute This one-day Institute will focus on training Sunday School workers, directors, teachers, secretaries, care group, outreach and prayer leaders. Classes include one Christian Growth diploma plan course and one leadership development course. Join us on Saturday, February 4, 8am to 2:30pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. Pre-registration is \$10 and on-site registration is \$15 which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Contact Superintendent Gloria Smith to register at 713.852.1482.

Parents' Night Out The Children's Work Ministry is sponsoring a night out for parents on Friday, February 10 from 6:30pm to 10:00pm. Children will enjoy a light meal, games, activities and movies. Fees are: 1st child \$25, each additional child \$15. For more information contact Jackie Turner at 281.778.5205.

Singles & Young Adult Ministry Ages 18 - 35 are invited to join us for "Game Night on Friday, February 24 from 7pm to 11pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. More details coming up in your February Bulletin.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
A forum on
TEAMBUILDING: God's Style



Tuesday, January 17
6:30pm
Lifelong Learning Center

Guest Speaker
Gloria Smith
Owner/Operation
PSA Consulting Firm

Contact Barbara Eley at 832.725.8589 for more details.

Adult Announcements

23rd Annual AIDS Walk Houston

Walk With A Purpose

Sunday, March 11, 2012

Sam Houston Park - Downtown

Please join the *Brentwood Community Foundation* in AIDS Walk Houston. This exciting, non-competitive event helps to increase community awareness, raises funds and educates Houstonians about AIDS. Seventy (70) percent of the money raise will be awarded to the BCF and other benefiting agencies that help individuals and families affected by the disease. If you are interested in participating, volunteering or donating, please contact Willie Sylvester at 713.852.2552 or by email at wsylvester@brentwoodfoundation.org.

SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

HOSTED BY DR. RATLIFF



July 18-29, 2012

\$6,195 per person (from Houston)

A fee of \$500 per person is due at registration. A fee of \$1,500 per person is due by March 1, 2012. For a brochure and payment information contact Tena Davis at 713.852.1412.