

Signal Points

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IMAGE IDEAS

BEAUTY • ORDER • MYSTERY

MARCH 8 & 9

MALE & FEMALE IN GOD'S IMAGE

From Gillette commercials to #MeToo and from bathroom controversies to gender dysphoria, these are confusing times to understand what it means to be a man or a woman. Within the Bible there is a good and glorious vision for what it means to live into the identities that God has given us, but we need help rediscovering this and living into it in these turbulent times.

Join us as two wonderful speakers, Hannah Anderson and Dr. Esau McCaulley, teach us about what it looks like to understand God's good intentions for his people in a fallen world. Hannah is a popular speaker and the author of multiple books, most recently *All That's Good: Recovering the Lost Art of*

Discernment. Esau is a pastor and teaches New Testament, and will be joining the faculty of Wheaton College in the Fall.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8 • 6:30–8 PM

6:30 PM Welcome and Introduction

7:00 PM Hannah Anderson Session One

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 • 9–11:30 AM

9:00 AM Esau McCaulley Session One

10:00 AM Hannah Anderson Session Two

11:00 AM Panel Question and Answers

REGISTER FOR EVENT & CHILDCARE:

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serve saturday

SIGNAL PRES

MARCH 30 // 8 AM-2 PM

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!

We will be joining with ministry partners Sparrow's Nest, Project 52, Chattanooga Rescue Mission, Signal Mountain Social Services, Shepherd's Arms, and Channels of Love donating time, skills, and resources to help them be more successful. Everyone—individuals, families, D-groups, small groups, etc.—are invited to partner once again with UTC The House and Adult & Teen Challenge in serving those in need. We need all ages, abilities, and skill levels, so sign up today! TO REGISTER: signalpres.org/serve.

FINANCES & ATTENDANCE

	2019	2018
Annual Budget	The annual budget is in its final stages of formation and will be approved at the March Session meeting. This is one month later than normal, but not unprecedented. Thanks to Carol Simmons for her faithful and hard work on this even through knee replacement surgery!	\$3,270,300
Av. January Attendance	707	702

SESSION UPDATE

The elders met on February 17 for our stated meeting. We began the meeting as we will do at every meeting this month—by praying through the roll of the church. As we said last month, be on the lookout for a note telling you when you and your family will be prayed for, and please send us any specific needs for which we might be praying.

We spent a large amount of time continuing the discussion that came out of our last Renew retreat, which took place February 9-10. We are at the point now of articulating a strategic focus for ministry that will guide us over the next 5-7 years, and several objectives that will be prioritized in light of that focus. **We will be bringing you details on this at our March 10 debrief—please be with us for that!** It has been a joy to see God weave our thoughts and desires into a clear way forward that will serve this church—and this mountain and our city—well for years to come!

The business at this meeting was fairly light. We approved a fundraiser for Student Ministry summer missions that you will be hearing about soon. We also approved identifying approximately 10 families from our church who will commit to partner with the ongoing ministry of Resurrection Church (EPC), a church plant on the Southside that Signal Pres supports. Resurrection is growing and reaching a young, unchurched population and members mature in the Christian faith could be a blessing to the population there for a season. If you are interested in hearing more about that, contact Andy Cornett (acornett@signalpres.org).



ELDER SPOTLIGHT // FORREST WALKER

I have lived on Signal Mountain for most of my life. My family joined Signal Pres in the fall of 1987 during the tenure of Dr. Woodward. My wife Alex and I met while we were serving at Camp Vesper Point. We are blessed with three children: Leighton (7), Ellison (4), and Forrest (2). I currently work at Chattanooga Christian School and consider being an elder at Signal Pres one of the greatest honors of my adult life. I enjoy backpacking, running, playing softball, and listening to my vinyl record collection. Alex and I live in the former home of Dr. Woodward and often hear stories from our neighbors about how he would sing on the front porch in preparation for a sermon. I am currently serving in my third year as an elder.

BIRTH

Emma Jean Miller

A daughter born to Patrick & Ashley Henry Miller • January 28 • Chattanooga • Celebrating in our congregation are grandparents David & Jeannie Henry and great-grandparents Jack & Carol Stephenson.

Wilson Anderson Davis

A son born to Nick & Lauren Davis February 14 • Chattanooga • Celebrating in our congregation are grandparents Nick & Susan Davis.

MEMORIALS

Wilma Jean Elliott Tipps

Mother of Steve (Mary Leslie) Tipps January 25, 2019 • Chattanooga

Nathan Calvin Sexton

Church Member 2014-2019 January 29, 2019 • Signal Mountain

Marion Makay Behuniak

Church member 1987-2019 February 5, 2019 • Signal Mountain

Dean Austin Holland

Church member 1968-2019 February 9, 2019 • Signal Mountain

Dale Clyde Wilson

Brother of David Wilson February 10, 2019 • Chattanooga

GIFTS IN MEMORY OF

Dean Holland

Mrs. Joyce Hill

Nathan Sexton

Mrs. Priscilla Caine

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hale

Jean Tipps

Mrs. Barby Wilson

GIFTS IN HONOR OF

Jim Abel

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Emerson

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GOOD SAMARITAN SUNDAY

Good Samaritan Fund for Mercy Ministry Collection is March 31. Giving envelopes will be available in pew racks.

HIGHLANDER LUNCH BUNCH

MARCH 15 · 10:45 AM
THE TEA COTTAGE · \$15

We will depart from the Youth parking lot at 10:45 AM. \$15 per person includes lunch, tea, and dessert.

TO RSVP: Contact Christie at 886.2190 or cgilliam@signalpres.org.



YOUNGLIFE CAPERNAUM

Capernaum Ministry is a YoungLife program for youth ages 13-22 who have special needs. Capernaum Club is a time for these friends to come together with their peers to experience true fellowship and fun! A typical Capernaum Friday night includes dinner, bible study time, games, music, and dancing! Capernaum is meeting twice a month here at Signal Pres in the Youth Cafe. Upcoming Dates: March 8 & 29, April 12 & 26, May 10.

"We are so grateful for all of the ways that Signal Pres church members have supported Capernaum through donations, time, and prayers! It is a blessing to be able to meet here at Signal Pres!"
- Capernaum Leaders

TO SUPPORT CAPERNAUM OR GET INVOLVED: Contact Betsy (bwilburn@signalpres.org) or Leah (leahgtatman@gmail.com).

LIVING WATER HIGHLANDER BIBLE STUDY & LUNCHEON

MARCH 26 · 11 AM
WOODWARD HALL

Purity. That's a word we don't hear much outside Christian circles. However, Paul speaks boldly about it as he declares its importance in our lives—even as we advance in age. What does purity mean, exactly—and how does it lead to fruitfulness in our lives? Come find out and enjoy fellowship and food together! Bible Study begins at 11 AM in Woodward Hall, followed by lunch at noon (cost: \$5)

TO RSVP: Contact Christie at 886.2190 or cgilliam@signalpres.org.

KENYA MISSION TRIP JULY-AUGUST 2019

For more details contact Christie at cgilliam@signalpres.org or 886-2190. Age 16 and above welcome if accompanied by an adult. *Space is limited.*

NIGHTOWLS NEW VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Oops! Did you miss New Volunteer Training for NightOWLS? There's good news! You aren't too late.

We love volunteers of all ages! Students in middle school can volunteer with a parent—we have many families who serve together. High school students can volunteer without a parent. Friends or couples in their "golden years" can volunteer and invest in the next generation.

NightOWLS is a respite care ministry for families with children with special needs. Each evening is four hours long and meets seven weeks each year. No prior experience with special needs is required, you only need a heart for embracing God's children.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NIGHTOWLS: Contact Celestial Allen (423.364.4103 or callennightowls@gmail.com).



THE REPRESENTATION PROJECT

An invitation to the viewing & discussion of two documentaries.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3 · 6 PM
YOUTH WAREHOUSE
Miss Representation
Images of Femininity

QUESTIONS? Contact Joey at 886.2190 or jsherrard@signalpres.org.

IN HIS SERVICE

IHS meets the third Monday from September through May, excluding December, 10 AM-2 PM in the Becking Room. There are many ways to serve the Lord by using your special talents. Come join us to sew, make favors and decorations, write letters to missionaries, cook food, or visit with friends. A light lunch is served at noon. Give yourself an opportunity to draw closer to the Lord and other women in the church through this joyful day! Childcare will be provided if you call the church office in advance.

FOR INFO: Contact Lisa Frost at 423.886.4231 or lisa.frost@epbfi.com.

MEN'S GATHERING

MARCH 31 · 6:30-8 PM · WAREHOUSE

We'll be led by Greg Seymour from Elbowtree Counseling. Greg has a gift for helping guys to live into the men Jesus made them to be. To sign up, contact Christie: cgilliam@signalpres.org or 886.2190.

7TH ANNUAL OLD TOWN THROWDOWN

MARCH 2 · 4 PM

THE WAREHOUSE (YOUTH WING)

The Old Town Throwdown is our annual Men's Ministry Ping Pong Tournament. Men (ages 22+) won't want to miss this opportunity for some fun competition and great food. Registration is limited to the first 64 players, so sign up today. If you don't want to play, we still welcome you to join us for dinner, fellowship, and maybe some heckling!

Registration and warm ups: 4 PM

Dinner and Tournaments: 5 PM

Cost of Dinner: \$10

SIGN UP: cgilliam@signalpres.org or 886.2190.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME PAJAMA PARTY

MARCH 10 · 9:30-10:25 AM

PRESCHOOL-5TH GRADE + LEADERS

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 10. That means your family will get one less hour of sleep BUT do not dread this day. We are having a Preschool & Children's Ministry Pajama Party! Bring your children to church in their PJs and we will have cereal for all—toddlers through 5th grade on the children's floor.

QUESTIONS?: Contact Catherine at 886.2190 or cpayne@signalpres.org.

PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

Preschoolers need to learn, at this young age, that they are wonderfully made by God, in his image. This month our bible lessons will focus on being made in God's image (creative, helpful, smart), being important to God, being made to respect ourselves, and being made to respect others.

MARCH BIBLE VERSE

I am fearfully and wonderfully made. — PSALM 139:14

KEY QUESTION

Who made you?

BOTTOM LINE

God made me.

If you are a parent or grandparent and would like to receive the monthly email for Preschool Ministry, go here to subscribe: signalpres.org/email-updates.



VBS 2019

JUNE 10-13 · 9 AM-12 PM

We will PRAISE God for his Greatness, Authority, Power, and Love at VBS this summer! If your child is a rising 1st-rising 6th grader, we want them here!

For more information, to volunteer to help with VBS, or if you have any questions, contact Hannah at hsims@signalpres.org or register at signalpres.org/vbs-2019/.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAYS · 9:30-10:25 AM

BIBLE IN MY HEART

When Jesus...saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

— MARK 6:34

GOD'S BIG PICTURE QUESTION

Why did Jesus tell parables?

Jesus told parables to teach people about God and his Kingdom.

LESSONS

1. The Good Samaritan
2. Three Parables
3. Pharisee & Tax Collector
4. Wicked Tenants
5. Jesus Turned Water into Wine

EQUIP · AGAPE CLUB · 5th

WEDNESDAYS · 6:15-7:30 PM

Agape Club Lessons are on The Fruit of the Spirit: Self Control.

5th

MARCH 6: ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

4s-2nd grade led by Elder Forrest Walker and Jean Petree

3rd-5th grade led by Elder Glenn Baird

MARCH 13: 5th MOVIE MADNESS

Pizza Party on the Playground and 5th Movie Bible Story

MARCH 27: 5th MOVIE PRACTICE

BIBLE CAMP

JUNE 24-27 & JULY 22-25

FINDING COMMUNITY *in* CHOIR



Mike and Donna Morrow joined Signal Pres in December 2014, coming from Mountain Creek Baptist Church. They have each sung in choirs since middle school, and when they married, they joined their church choir and have been singing together ever since...for about 40 years! Choir has always been a vital part of church for them, using their voices to praise the Lord while helping lead in worship each Sunday. So, even before joining Signal Pres, they hoped there would be a place for them in the choir loft! And indeed, they were quickly welcomed into the Sanctuary Choir family.

Donna says, "We love everything about being in choir at Signal Pres, from learning new anthems and hymns, singing and enjoying all the styles of music selected, to praying together for the needs of our church family, and all the joy and laughter that happens during rehearsal! There is such a sweet fellowship and true caring for one another in this choir. The members have become our extended family and we are so blessed to be serving the Lord together with them."

They also enjoy having Donna's sister, Sheila, in the choir, making it an extended family ministry!

"We would encourage others to join the choir to use their voices to praise the Lord with a group of loving, caring, and committed people in an awesome 'small group,'" they say. "Besides, choir is just FUN!"

FOR INFO ABOUT JOINING THE CHOIR: Contact Trish at tross@signalpres.org or 886.2190.

JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBERS!

AS OF FEBRUARY 2019



Gary & Sharon Beene
886.4455 • 911 Autumn Way Lane
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from Signal Mountain Baptist Church



Phillip & Andrea Smith
Abby & Presley
320.1040 • 922 Kentucky Avenue
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from Rock Point Church, Chattanooga



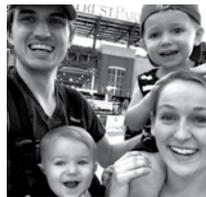
Jay & Emily Blackman
Talley, Elin, & Nora
423.598.6975 • 3803 Windtree Drive
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from Hixson United Methodist Church



Ashley Wheeling
Ellis, Garrett, & Rose
540.892.3889 • 1022 Palmer Ave, Unit A
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from First Baptist Church of Roanoke, VA



Howard Sheorn
488.6892 • 13 Windy Way
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from Church of the Good Shepherd, Look-out Mountain



Riley & Emma Young
Owen & Hank
703.901.6001 • 508 Lake Avenue
Signal Mountain, 37377
By transfer of membership from Peachtree Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA



SM2 HOUSE PARTY

SM2'S SUMMER MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER!

You are invited to gather at one of 15 homes during the first 2 weeks of April to share a meal with a handful of church members plus students and leaders who will be attending our summer trips. This will be your chance to hear from our students and leaders about where we'll be serving and clear ways you can partner with us as we prepare to go out, serving and loving our neighbor in the name of Christ.

Register at smtwo.org/house-party. Want to host a meal? Email Camille: cward@signalpres.org.



SM2 2019

summer trips

Register for Middle & High School summer trips at smtwo.org/2019-summer-trips through March 1.

D-GROUP LEADER ROLL CALL!

Want to nominate someone who you think would make a GREAT D-Group Leader? Send in their name to cward@signalpres.org. We've got a D-Group Leader Preview Night coming up the beginning of April and are reaching far & wide inviting potential new leaders to come and hear about our student ministry. FYI, you can totally nominate yourself!



FISH RECAP

FISH2019 is a wrap but we're still celebrating & giving thanks to God for all that took place over the course of FISH weekend.

"Fighting Words" was the theme of the weekend. Together we explored Faith, Hope, and Love - three real gifts God gives us in the midst of our Doubt, Despair, and Disconnection.

I ask that you continue to pray for these messages to sink deep into the hearts and lives of students by the grace of the Holy Spirit.

I also want to recognize and give a big thanks to:

- Volunteers who served with us over the course of the weekend;
- Carol Price & her Kitchen Crew who prepared & served all our food needs;
- FISH Planning Team who worked for months bringing their creative juices & leadership to develop FISH weekend into what it became;
- BreakFISH hosts who welcomed students into their homes for breakfast & D-Group Time;
- Each and everyone of you who picked up a FISH Welcome Box and delivered it to students all over our community and city;
- Our D-Group Leaders who lead boldly, love freely, disciple intentionally, and really are the faithful presence of Jesus' love to hundreds of middle and high school students.

SM2 SERVE SATURDAY

MARCH 30 · 8 AM-2 PM

MEET IN THE YOUTH CAFE

SM2, Signal Pres' student ministry, has its own Serve Saturday worksite with the awesome Project 52 ministry. Grab your families, your friends, your D-Group and sign up to join us at signalpres.org/serve. Transportation provided!

QUESTIONS? Kathy Harper: kathyjharper@gmail.com



Q4 EQUIP CLASS LINEUP

MARCH 13, 27 & APRIL 3, 10

PARENTING FOR INDEPENDENCE: Intentional Planning for the Special Needs Family *with Lifeline Ministry*

FATHER, HUSBAND, WORKER, FRIEND: The Blessings & Challenges of Masculinity *with a variety of Signal Pres members & guests*

A WOMAN'S PLACE: The Many Callings of Women *with a variety of Signal Pres members & guests*

DISCOVERING OUR RACIAL HISTORY *with Joey Sherrard*

Dinner at 5:30 in Dudley Hall features a choice of Blue-Plate, Soup & Salad, & Kids Meal. For menus and to RSVP visit signalpres.org/equip.

RENEW FINALE EVENT: CONGREGATIONAL DEBRIEF

SUNDAY, MARCH 10 · 12 PM · DUDLEY HALL

Thanks to the way so many of you have invested your time and energy into this year-long Renew process, we're now ready to report back on a wealth of new understanding we've discovered together about who we are, where we've been, and where we're going. Through surveys, focus groups, session retreats, town-hall meetings, and more, we've gained invaluable insight into our community and our purpose here on the mountain. We've had time to process your feedback and are turning our learnings into actions. Come hear from the session and Kevin Ford, who has led this process with his team at TAG, about what's next in the life of our church. Pizza and childcare up to age 4 available.

PLEASE RSVP FOR LUNCH: signalpres.org/renew. RSVP FOR CHILDCARE: signalpres.org/ministries/childcare.

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

March 3 during both services (8:10 & 10:45 AM)

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

March 10 - Set clocks one hour forward.

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