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## Churchwide Updates: Winter Church Family Meeting

Pastor's Blog | Dr. Wayne Splawn | January 29, 2026

*“Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.” (Psalm 66:5, ESV)*

I love this verse. Psalm 66 is an invitation to the people of God to come and hear a word of testimony regarding what the Lord has done in the lives of his people. The expectation is that this proclamation of God’s faithfulness will lead the people to rejoice and praise God for his goodness to them. After looking back, the people ought to be filled with hope and expectation as they head into the future, confident that God will be with them every step of the way.

[Read the Blog](#)

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## THIS SUNDAY

February 1, 2026 (Fifth Sunday of Epiphany)

# JAMES K.A. SMITH

## AT MOUNTAIN BROOK BAPTIST

FEBRUARY 1, 2026



WORSHIP SERVICES

9 + 11 A.M.



LECTURE + DINNER

4 P.M.



### **Traditional Worship - 9 a.m.**

### **Sunday School - 10 a.m.**

### **Contemporary Worship - 11 a.m.**

Dr. James K.A. Smith | “Putting on Christ Takes Practice” | Colossians 3:12-17

We are honored to welcome scholar and theologian James K.A. Smith to Mountain Brook Baptist Church! A professor of philosophy at Calvin University and a renowned author, Dr. Smith will preach in both worship services and lead an afternoon lecture at 4 p.m.

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**Watch Worship Livestreams**

[Website](#) | [Facebook Live](#) | [YouTube](#)

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## **James K.A. Smith Afternoon Lecture at MBBC**

### **Sunday, February 1**

### **4 p.m. Lecture & Dinner**

Dr. Smith will explore how what we love shapes us in his morning preaching, and will turn in the afternoon to how those loves shape the way we understand and live our time as followers of Christ today. Dinner will follow in Heritage Hall.

This free event is sponsored by the Hull Foundation; view more [here](#). We will offer childcare for preschool and school-age children with registrations. Please register your child at the link below.

[Register for Childcare](#)

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## **NEWS & EVENTS**



## Wednesday Night Activities: February 4

View locations for Missions and Music for your child [here](#).

Learn more about growth groups for adults [here](#).

### *Wednesday Night Schedule:*

5-6 p.m. • Dinner in Heritage Hall

6-6:25 p.m. • Missions for Preschool and School Age Kids

6:30-7 p.m. • Music for Preschool and School Age Kids

**6-7 p.m. • Winter Church Family Meeting (*details below*)**

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### *Menu for Wednesday, February 4:*

*Adults:* Chef's choice!

*Children:* Chicken fingers, mashed potatoes, roll, dessert

*\*Adult Salad:* Chicken caesar salad

*\*Salad option by reservation only and reservations must be made by Tuesday at 5 p.m.*

Cost is \$8 adults, \$5 kids age 3 and up, \$25 family max. Kids age 2 and under eat for free. Register through Realm below.

[Register for Wednesday Night Dinner](#)



## WINTER CHURCH FAMILY MEETING



**Winter Church Family Meeting**  
**Wednesday, February 4 at 6 p.m.**  
**Dinner Served Beginning at 5 p.m.**

Join us for dinner and discussion on Wednesday, February 4 as we reflect on the Lord's faithfulness to our church in 2025 and look forward to seeing how God will work in and through the ministries of our church in 2026. We'll hear reports from various committees and ministry teams as well as an update from Dr. Splawn. Dinner will be served beginning at 5 p.m., and children will go to missions and music at 6 p.m.

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**Discover MBBC**  
**February 8 | 10 a.m. | Heritage Hall**

**Spread the word!** On Sunday, February 8, we're having our biannual "Discover MBBC." This is an opportunity for you to invite your neighbors, friends, and family members to come worship with us, learn more about us, and see how God is at work in our church. Be sure to invite someone to join us for worship that day at 9 or 11 a.m.

Learn more [here](#).

At 10 a.m. that Sunday, we'll have a gathering time in Heritage Hall for guests to learn more about the distinctives of our church and what it means to be a member at MBBC. Guests who have children will be able to drop them off for childcare or Sunday School.

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**NEW Young Couples Sunday School Class**  
**Sundays Starting February 8 | 10 a.m. | Room 250**

As our fellowship grows, so does the need for new Sunday School classes and we're excited to launch a new Young Couples Class! The class will be led by several mentor couples who will share wisdom they've gained through their walk with the Lord. We'll begin by studying the book of James together using a video curriculum by Francis

Chan. We hope you'll join us as we learn, grow, and walk together in faith! For more information, contact [Amy Hirsch](#).

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## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

### **Volunteer Opportunity for Mission Partner M-POWER Ministries**

There is a great opportunity to shine the light and love of Jesus at M-POWER Ministries as a literacy tutor to adults in the Birmingham community! They currently have 5 ladies and 3 men on our waiting list. You do not need previous experience, as training and materials are provided. Many of their tutors express that being a tutor is as much of a blessing to them as to the students. Give them a call at 205-582-1477 and begin your journey in making an impact in the lives and future of your local community!

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MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

*Discovery  
Clubs*

ALABAMA



### **Mission Partner of the Week**

Discovery Clubs is a ministry of the Birmingham Metro Baptist Association that offers after-school Bible clubs to children in over 20 public elementary schools in the metro Birmingham area. The goal of Discovery Clubs is to share the redemptive story of Scripture with children who have no or limited exposure to the gospel of Jesus. During the hour-long program that meets once a week, children learn Bible verses, hear Bible stories, sing songs, and play games. Discovery Clubs serve as a bridge to connect churches with local schools and administrators in the hopes of fostering community and collaboration. For more information about Discovery Clubs, contact [Baker Crow](#).

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# Minister On Call

January 30—February 1

Kely Hatley - 205.249.7437

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## Project 119 Bible Reading Plan

This winter and spring, we'll be walking through Romans and selections from the Psalms and will memorize two sets of verses from Romans. On Sundays, we will take a break to read and reflect on Sunday's sermon text, and during the weeks of Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, and Easter Week, we will take a break for specially selected readings following along with the church season.

**Listen to the daily podcast:**

[Project 119 Website](#) | [Apple Podcasts](#) | [Spotify](#)

[Download the Project 119 Reading Plan](#)

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## Generosity Scorecard

**1/27/26**

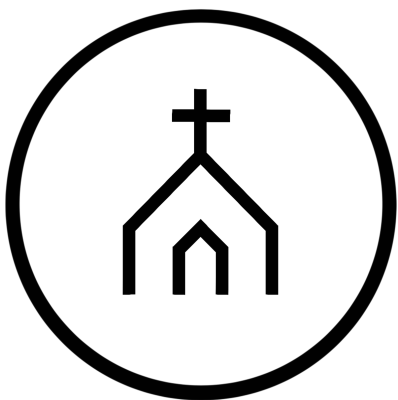
2026 Ministries Budget: \$4,096,274

Weekly Receipts	\$72,535
Average Weekly Budget	<u>\$78,775</u>
Weekly Net	-\$6,240
YTD Receipts, includes prepaids	\$451,242
YTD Budget	<u>\$315,098</u>
YTD Net	\$136,144

Remaining receipts required to achieve annual budget: \$3,645,032

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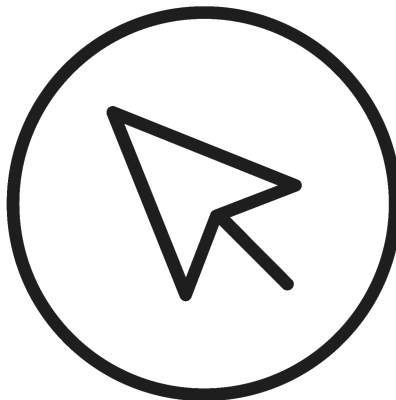
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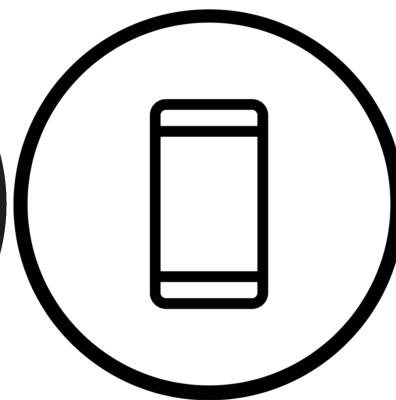
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Attn: Debbie Hix  
3631 Montevallo Rd S, 35213.



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