



GROW AT SHERWOOD
SPRING 2025

UNITE

WITH

BELIEVERS

LETTER FROM A PASTOR

God is at work at Sherwood. Each week, we hear stories, see lives changed, and discover new opportunities to join God in His kingdom work. We prayerfully anticipate all He will do in 2025.

As I was praying over the opportunities and direction of 2025, God brought 1 Chronicles 16:11 to mind. "Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually." I was immediately challenged with two questions: (1) What does it look like to seek the Lord and His strength? (2) How do we seek His presence continually?

As I searched Scripture for answers, I read dozens of passages that encourage believers to seek God, seek the Lord, or seek Him. Many of these verses describe the process of seeking Him, and blessings that come when we follow the process. Other passages give warnings and point to problems that come when we don't seek Him. As I processed the implications of these verses, I was challenged to emphasize seeking God throughout 2025.

Our memory verses will emphasize different aspects of seeking God. Many of the messages will provide insight to help people seek God in prayer, in Scripture, in silence, in circumstances, in decisions, and so much more. God gave a great promise in Jeremiah 29:13- "You will seek and find Me, when you seek Me with all your heart." I pray that we seek Him with all our heart.

Sherwood exists to see people awakened by the gospel to a life of knowing Christ and making Him

known. When we seek God individually, we get to know Him personally and He directs every part of our life. When we seek God corporately, we get to know Him as a family, and He shows us how to make Him known locally and around the world.

Part of seeking Him happens in smaller groups. The Grow book is a resource to help us pursue God together. You'll find opportunities to connect with other believers, grow in your relationship with God, and engage in God's kingdom activity. We offer groups for people of all ages, all levels of Christian maturity, and all stages of life. We have opportunities for preschoolers, children, youth, college students, and adults. There's something for you!

To help with the busyness of life, we offer a Wednesday night meal that allows individuals and families to join a class, make sure everyone is fed, and provide an opportunity for spiritual growth with minimal frustration. These Wednesday night meals also provide a great opportunity to meet new people and hear how God is at work in believers' lives.

We have so much to be grateful for and excited about! I encourage you to find a class, get connected, and learn what it looks like to seek God in every facet of life.

May God transform us as we seek Him individually and pursue Him corporately!

Paul



SUNDAY

DAY

7:45 am

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER TEAM

8:15 am

ADULT CONNECT GROUPS

9:30 am

WORSHIP + WEE CARE

11:00 am

CONNECT GROUPS FOR ALL AGES

5:30 pm

HOUSE OF PRAYER

6:00 pm

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR

Interactive and intentional time for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds centered around The Gospel Project lesson and key passage of the day.

KIDS ROCK

First-fifth graders will join us in the Kids Rock Theater for music, skits, and a lesson centered around truth from God's Word.

Sundays @ 8:15 am

LIFE APPLICATION

Couples 50-60s

Teacher: Frantz

Faith 203

RUTH'S SHINING LIGHT

Women 65+

Teachers: Pippin + Wilson

Fellowship 101 + 102

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Men 70-80+

Teacher: Weaver

Fellowship 104

ENCOURAGERS

Couples 60+

Teacher: Hatcher

Worship 108

**ADULT
CONNECT
GROUPS**

Sundays @ 11:00 am

FOUNDATIONS

Couples 20s

Teachers: Briseno + Flowers

Faith 201

DISCIPLE MAKERS

Couples 40-50s

Teachers: Davis + Perry

Faith 202

FITNESS

Couples 40-50s

Teachers: Orr + Sheets

Faith 203

HIS WILL

Couples 30-40s

Teacher: Blackburn

Faith 205

GOING DEEPER

Couples 30-40s

Teacher: LaGrange

Faith 206

NEWLYWEDS

Couples 20s

Teacher: Kendrick

Faith 207

HEARTS + HANDS

Couples 45-65

Teachers: Broome + Varnadoe

Faith 208

CORNERSTONE

Couples 40-50s

Teachers: Butler, Howell + Spalinger

Faith 209

LEGACY BUILDERS

Couples 30-40s

Teacher: NeSmith

Faith 210

Sundays @ 11:00 am

YOUNG ADULTS

Singles 18-30

Faith 211

LIFE TOGETHER

Couples 30-40s

Teacher: Bennett

Fellowship 107 + 108

BARNABAS

Couples 60+

Teachers: Harrison + Johnson

Fellowship 104

LOGOS

Couples 50+

Teachers: Logan + Erikson

Fellowship 106

THE JOURNEY

Couples 50s

Teachers: McDaniel + Smith

Fellowship 103

ABIGAIL

Women 50+

Teachers: Daniels, Davis + Wari

Fellowship 101 + 102

DOULOS

Singles 28-39

Teachers: Bland + Mallery

Fellowship 201 + 202

N'FUZION

Singles 40+

Teacher: Chambers

Fellowship 105

HARVEST

Couples 40-50s

Teachers: Fallin + Proctor

Fellowship 109

Sundays @ 11:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Spanish-Class for all ages

Teacher: Meza

Worship 101

ABIDE

Adults 30-40s

Teachers: Mingo + Ofodile

Worship 103

FELLOWSHIP

Couples 30s

Teachers: Russell + Walker

Worship 108

LIVING WORD

Couples 60+

Teacher: Mathis

Joy 122

FAITHSEEKERS

Couples 60-70s

Teacher: Douglas

Sherwood Training Center 101

**PRESCHOOL
CONNECT GROUPS**

Sundays @ 11:00 am

Newborns
Joy 103

Crawlers
Joy 104

Walkers
Joy 106

Toddlers
Joy 107

Toddlers
Joy 108

2-Year-Old Class A
Joy 110

2-Year-Old Class B
Joy 111

3-Year-Old Class A
Joy 112

3-Year-Old Class B
Joy 113

4-Year-Old Class A
Joy 114

4-Year-Old Class B
Joy 115

Kindergarten Class A
Joy 117

Kindergarten Class B
Joy 118

**KIDS
CONNECT GROUPS**

Sundays @ 11:00 am

1st Grade (Last Name A-K)
Joy 201

1st Grade (Last Name L-Z)
Joy 203

2nd Grade (Last Name A-K)
Joy 205

2nd Grade (Last Name L-Z)
Joy 204

3rd Grade (Last Name A-K)
Joy 206

3rd Grade (Last Name L-Z)
Joy 207

4th Grade (Last Name A-K)
Joy 210

4th Grade (Last Name L-Z)
Joy 208

5th Grade
Joy 211

Buddy Ministry
Joy 215

First Steps
Joy 209 + Joy 213

**STUDENT
CONNECT GROUPS**

Sundays @ 8:15 am

Students OnMission
6th-12th Grade Girls + Boys | Hope 201
Begins January 12

Students OnMission is part of the
Missions Mobilization Pathway,
designed to equip you to know Christ
and make Him known.

EQUIPPED
6th-12th Grade Girls + Boys | Hope 201
Begins April 6

Spiritual leadership and discipleship
training for students in grades 6-12.

Sundays @ 11:00 am

6th Grade Girls | Hope 108
6th Grade Boys | Hope 109

7th Grade Girls | Hope 104
7th Grade Boys | Hope 102

8th Grade Girls | Hope 103
8th Grade Boys | Hope 102

9th Grade Girls | Hope 110
9th Grade Boys | Hope 208

10th Grade Girls | Hope 206
10th Grade Boys | Hope 202

11th Grade Girls | Hope 209
11th Grade Boys | Hope 207

12th Grade Girls + Boys | Hope 201

**KIDS & STUDENT
CONNECT
GROUPS**

ALBANY BIBLICAL COUNSELING

GRIEFSHARE

10:30 am

Sherwood Training Center 209 | Andrew + Tabarrok

Helping individuals and families going through the grief process to understand what to expect and how to cope with the challenges accompanying the loss of a loved one. Grieving and growing is messy because life is messy. Join the journey with others who are grieving and experience the biblical reality that it's normal to hurt and necessary to grieve. GriefShare is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life.

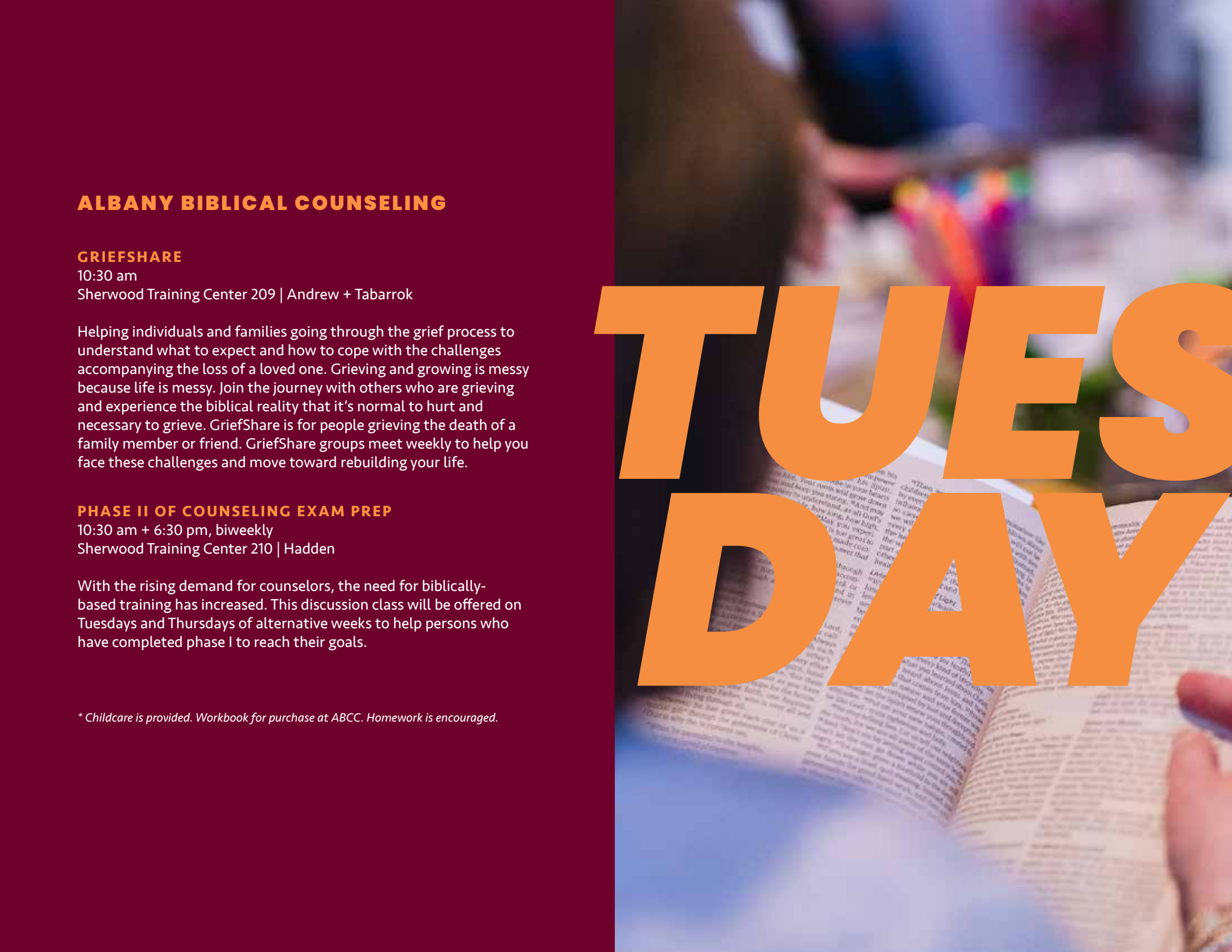
PHASE II OF COUNSELING EXAM PREP

10:30 am + 6:30 pm, biweekly

Sherwood Training Center 210 | Hadden

With the rising demand for counselors, the need for biblically-based training has increased. This discussion class will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays of alternative weeks to help persons who have completed phase I to reach their goals.

** Childcare is provided. Workbook for purchase at ABCC. Homework is encouraged.*



TUESDAY

PRECEPT - LEVITICUS: A HOLY GOD, A HOLY PEOPLE

9:30 am - 11:00 am
Faith 211 | Bennett

What do sacrifices, priesthods, and feasts teach us about how we can be holy and worship God properly? This excellent study will help you understand the relationship between the Old and New Testaments. See precisely what the Bible says about some of God's laws given to the Israelites through Moses. Explore the meaning of Leviticus in the context of Scripture and discover truths you can apply to your personal life as you learn about the instructions God gave to the Israelites and what Moses experienced in his relationship with God.

ESTHER

9:30 am - 11:00 am | January 7 - February 18
Fellowship 103-106 | Sharber

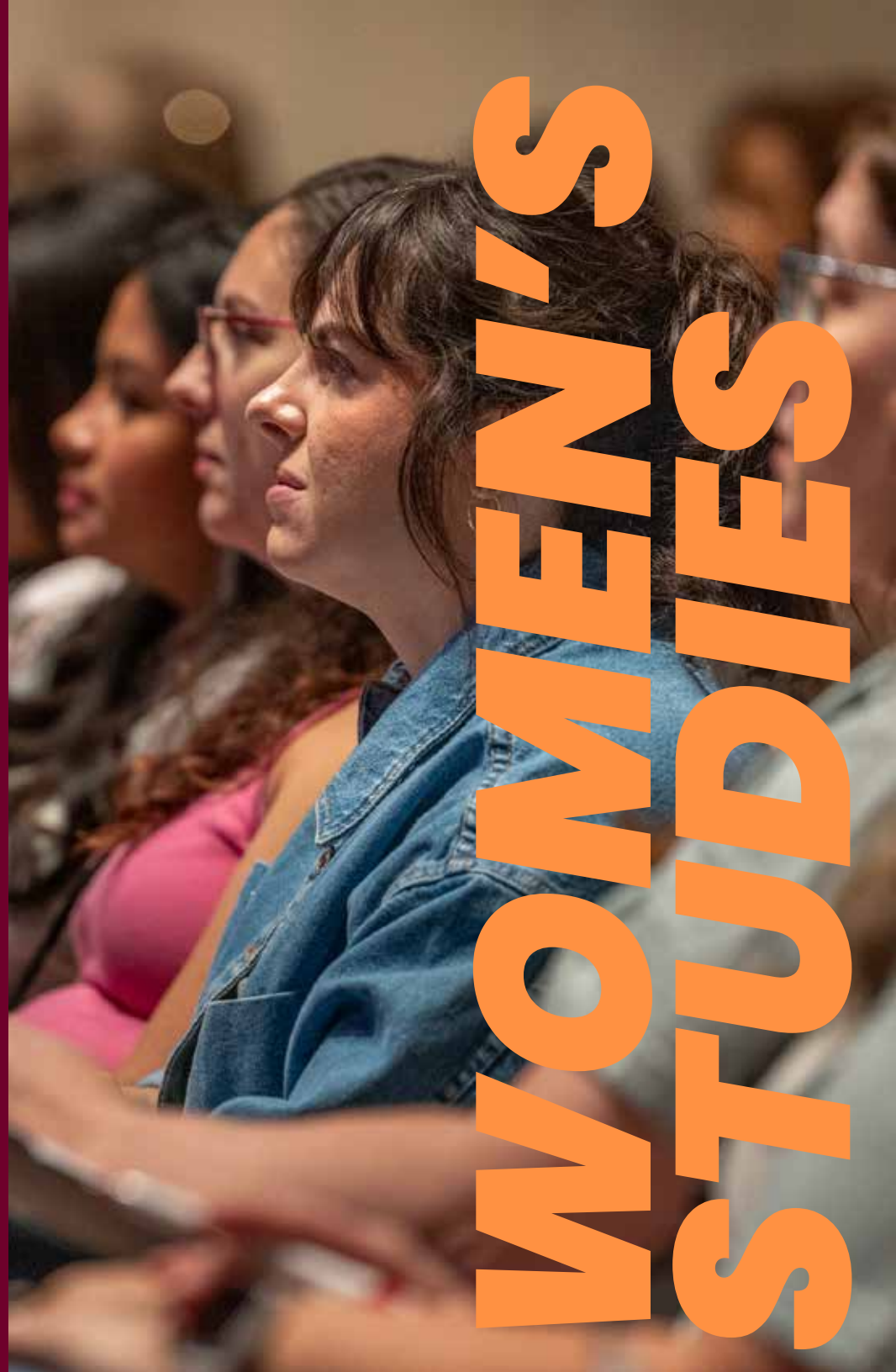
This study invites you into the daring faith modeled by Esther and her cousin Mordecai—a faith rooted in the goodness of God, lived out through extraordinary circumstances, and used to change the world. Although our time looks different from Esther's, our God is just as active and faithful today, and He has called you for such a time as this.

JOHN

9:30 am - 11:00 am | February 25 - April 29
Fellowship 103-106 | Sharber

This study on the Gospel of John will encourage you to slow down and linger with the living Word. You'll appreciate the pace of the Savior who never hurried but completed all that the Father called Him to accomplish. As you turn the pages of John's Gospel, you'll be challenged to take on the posture of a learner—understanding that the peace Jesus offers is not an ease of circumstances, but a stillness of the soul. As a result, you'll grow in intimacy with Him and learn to live, serve, and rest in His peace.

** Childcare is provided. Workbook for purchase at The Source. Homework is encouraged.*



WOMEN'S STUDIES



WEDNESDAY

FAMILY SUPPER

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Fellowship Center

Pricing:

Children 5 and under- FREE

Individual Meals- \$7

Families (up to six members)- \$25

**Checks and cash accepted only, no cards.*

CHOIR + ORCHESTRA

6:30 pm

Choir | Worship 107

Orchestra | Worship Center

Rehearsal for Sunday worship services and special events.

DISCOVER SHERWOOD

6:30 pm

Faith 206 | Various Staff

Come and learn what it means to be part of Sherwood and how you can plug in. This four-session introduction to the church will teach you about the mission and vision of our church as well as give you a tour around our facility.

FINANCIAL PEACE

6:30 pm
Faith 203 | Manwiller

Financial Peace helps you learn to pay off debt and manage your finances around a budget. It teaches you to see money as a tool rather than a master. Designed around biblical principles, this course can help you find financial freedom.

HOMEGROWN: CULTIVATING KIDS IN THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

6:30 pm
Joy 122 | Spell

In this six-session study, discover the fruit of the Spirit in the context of your parenting, learn how to cultivate growth in your children, and explore practical ways to live out the fruit of the Spirit together.

EXPLORE THE WORD

6:30 pm
Faith 211 | Driver

This is a Sherwood traditional Wednesday night offering. Prayer and Bible study with old and young, single and married. Curtis Driver is currently leading an in-depth look at Ephesians.

SHERWOOD ONMISSION 101

6:30 pm | Begins January 15
Sherwood Training Center 207 | LaGrange + Sebesta

Sherwood OnMission is part of the Missions Mobilization Pathway, designed to equip and deploy you toward knowing Christ and making Him known. The class includes five modules: Gospel Integration, Discipleship Strategy, Mission Focus, Cross-Cultural Immersion, and Discerning Personal Calling, all aimed at cultivating a deeper gospel-centered life. Upon completion, our hope is that you will know your purpose in Christ (John 17:3, Matthew 28:18-20), be more equipped for greater kingdom work, and be commissioned with a clear direction of service.

Sherwood OnMission 101 is a prerequisite certificate course for Sherwood Baptist Church mission trips. Attendance is required for at least 10 out of 12 classes. The course will include take-home assignments, guided devotionals, and fieldwork.

SHERWOOD ONMISSION 201

6:30 pm | Begins January 29
Sherwood Training Center 104 | LaGrange + Sebesta

Sherwood OnMission 201 is an advanced course on gospel-integrated living, focusing on gospel sowing, disciple-making, mission engagement, and cross-cultural immersion. This course is open to those who have successfully completed Sherwood OnMission 101.

Sherwood OnMission 201 is not a required course for Sherwood Baptist Church mission trips.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR ALL

** Childcare is provided. Workbook for purchase in the Source Bookstore.
Homework is encouraged.*

EIGHT QUESTIONS...AND THE GOD WHO IS ASKING

6:30 pm
Faith 202 | Miller

God doesn't always answer our questions, and sometimes our prayers seem to go unanswered. In those moments, we may feel frustrated and confused. God is not ignoring us; we may just need to answer a few questions from Him before He answers ours. God's questions challenge us to think differently about what it means to live in His will and truly trust Him in every situation.

DIVORCECARE

6:30 pm
Faith 207 | Shirey + Richardson

Two are better than one, but what does one do when life throws a curve ball, and you find yourself alone? This can be a painful and lonely place to be. Don't go through separation or divorce alone. Find help for your hurts, discover hope for the future and experience God's healing. This group study has a heart for people in separation and divorce and a desire that people will come to know the hope, help and healing found in a relationship with the Lord.

SINGLE AND PARENTING

6:30 pm
Faith 205 | Tabarrok

All over the world men and women find themselves in circumstances they did not plan for. Whatever the reason is, you now have this tough task of single parenting. This class helps single parents navigate this journey with practical help and encouragement as they seek to successfully guide their children to adulthood. This study brings hope and healing to the hurting single parent that they know the hope, peace and freedom found in a relationship with the Lord.

GRIEFSHARE

6:30 pm
Sherwood Training Center 209 | Mock + Pollock

Grieving and growing is messy because life is messy. Join the journey with others who are grieving and experience the biblical reality that it's normal to hurt and necessary to grieve. GriefShare is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life.

PARENTING PRODIGALS

6:30 pm
Sherwood Training Center 210 | Croft + Kadron

This class is a book study giving gospel hope for parents and friends of prodigals. This book study will help you navigate these circumstances in your life in a biblical way while also rejuvenating your soul.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR ALL

** Childcare is provided. Workbook for purchase in the Source Bookstore.
Homework is encouraged.*

FULLY DEVOTED

6:30 pm | January 8 – May 28
Faith 201 | Guin

This study will explore a reproducible pathway for discipleship that takes believers from first steps to full surrender to Jesus. In addition, men will gain a biblical understanding of the gospel and the call of discipleship.

BE “TRANSFORMED”

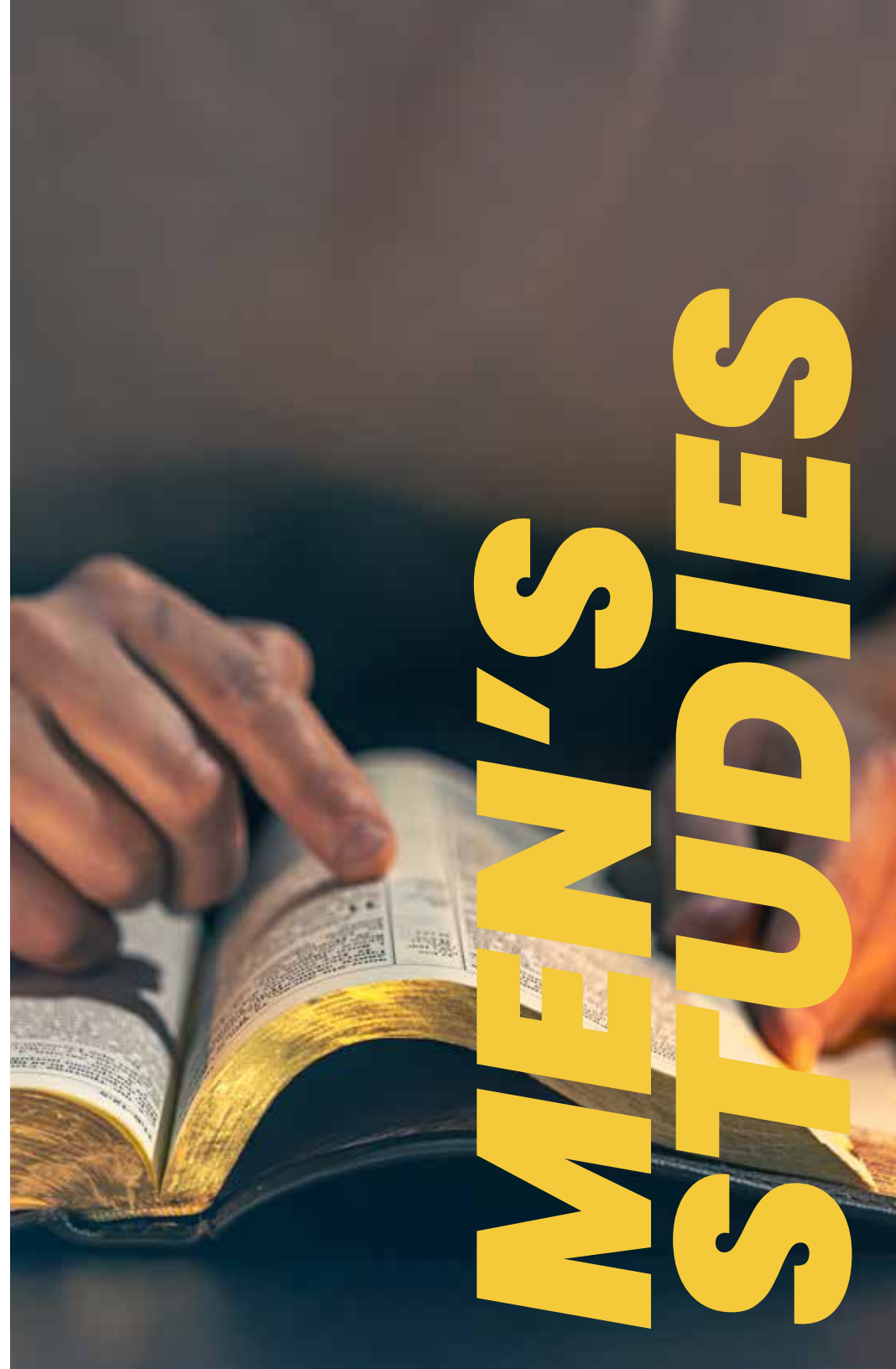
6:30 pm | Men’s Class
Sherwood Training Center 301 | Nowicki

Serious about your sobriety or that of a family member or friend? Come join us as we walk through this biblical, Scripture-saturated curriculum that takes the next steps beyond the goal of recovery and sets the eternal goal of TRANSFORMATION through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit and God’s Word.

BE “TRANSFORMED” II

6:30 pm | Men’s Class
Sherwood Training Center 303 | Bevens

Continuation from Be Transformed I by invitation. Utilizing The Forge study and Fully Devoted for a deeper discipleship walk.





WOMEN'S STUDIES

TASTE AND SEE: REVELATION

6:30 pm

Fellowship 101-102, 107-108 | Bland + Wari

This is a deep-dive exploration of the Book of Revelation. Its slower pace makes this study ideal for beginners and experienced students alike. Practical study methods will aid in a deeper understanding of timelines and headlines. Participants will also recognize the unique opportunities for evangelism this Book provides.

EVERYDAY THEOLOGY

6:30 pm | January 8 – February 26

Fellowship 103-106 | McLeod + Sanders

Theology is simply the study of God. We all have a theology, whether good or bad. As Christians, our theology matters in everyday decisions. We do what we believe, so what we believe about God is critical. This study explores the essential doctrines of Scripture, helping us make wise choices in everyday life.

WITHOUT WAVERING

6:30 pm | March 5 – April 30

Fellowship 103-106 | McLeod + Sanders

Follow examples of unwavering faith from Scripture and discover how to endure life's difficult moments and seasons. Learn to let Christ live through you by the power of His resurrection, trusting His strength when yours fails. Anchor your life in Christ, and you can overcome discouragement and trials by abiding in Him.



PRESCHOOL

Newborns
Joy 103

Toddlers
Joy 107

Crawlers
Joy 104

2-Year-Old Class
Joy 110

Walkers
Joy 106

AWANA CUBBIES

6:30 pm | Joy 112 – Joy 117

AWANA Cubbies is for 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds, and Kindergartners, where they will enjoy a fun-filled night of learning about missionaries and memorizing Bible verses. The heart of AWANA is the gospel message. AWANA strongly emphasizes memorizing and understanding Scripture while offering games and a variety of Bible-related activities.

KIDS

XPLORATION STATION

6:30 pm

Xploration Station is for children in 1st - 5th grade. Children will rotate through small group Bible time, recreation time in the gym, and M&Ms (Music & Missions) in the Kids Rock Theater. Every night is packed with a lesson that teaches truth from God's Word, using activities and music to connect this truth in practical ways.

1st Grade (A-K)	Joy 201
1st Grade (L-Z)	Joy 203
2nd Grade (A-K)	Joy 205
2nd Grade (L-Z)	Joy 204
3rd Grade (A-K)	Joy 206
3rd Grade (L-Z)	Joy 207
4th Grade (A-K)	Joy 210
4th Grade (L-Z)	Joy 208
5th Grade	Joy 211

MID-WEEK (MDWK) WORSHIP SERVICE

6:00 pm | Game Room/Cafe/Basketball

6:45 pm | Worship Service

MDWK is an engaging worship service on Wednesday nights for students in 6th through 12th grade. Its purpose is to provide students with a healthy community, dynamic worship, and sound biblical teaching. Students can expect to be both challenged and encouraged to follow Jesus as unashamed believers. Our goal and desire is to help students grow in their understanding of the gospel and see it transform every aspect of their lives. MDWK Worship is primarily led by our Student Worship Team.





THURSDAY

MEN'S STUDIES

EXPERIENCING GOD

9:00 am | January 9 – April 3
Hope Center Downstairs Warehouse Space
925 Pine Avenue | Bevel

Over the years, God has used the truths of Experiencing God to awaken believers to a radically God-centered way of life. As a result, millions have come to know God intimately, to recognize His voice, and to understand His will for their lives. This new edition is revised, updated, and ready to help you again—or for the very first time—experience your Creator.

PUTTING ON THE ARMOR

9:00 am | April 17 – May 29
Hope Center Downstairs Warehouse Space
925 Pine Avenue | Bevel

A study for new and growing believers seeking practical application of personal spiritual disciplines to defeat the enemy in times of temptation.



SATURDAY

ALBANY BIBLICAL COUNSELING

REST + RENEW

10:00 am – noon | Quarterly meetings
Sherwood Training Center 207 | Willis

This is a women's ministry class with Amber Willis that will focus on one's worth and identity in Christ. Call 229-431-3101 to register.

LIFE SKILLS CLASSES

10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Hope Center | 925 Pine Avenue

- Automotive | Men 13+ | **January 25**
- Automotive | Women 13+ | **February 29**
- Sewing | Women 13+ | **January 25, February 29, March 22**
- Home Maintenance | Women 13+ | **March 22**
- Home Maintenance | Men 13+ | **April 26**
- Carpentry | Women 13+ | **May 17**

SERVE DAYS

8:00 am – 3:00 pm
Hope Center | 925 Pine Avenue

Serve Day is a day the Sherwood Church Family corporately commits to prayer and local mission projects to serve and share the love of Jesus Christ within the City of Albany. While multiple local mission projects are being accomplished each day from the ministries of Sherwood, Serve Day provides a Saturday when hundreds of members and guests can be individually involved in praying, serving, and reaching people.

January 25 | April 26 | May 17

Visit SherwoodBaptist.net/servedays to get involved!

VISITATION

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Hope Center | 925 Pine Avenue

Sherwood Visitation is one way for the church to keep in close contact with a growing congregation. The visitation program encompasses visiting first-time guests who live in the community, visitors who are new to the community, or new members of the congregation.

January 25 | February 8 | March 1 | March 22 | April 5 | April 26 | May 17

Spring classes begin the week of January 5, 2025.
For more information on classes and the schedule, please call 229.883.1910
or visit SherwoodBaptist.net/grow.

Updates to the schedule will be posted on our website.