



# The Beacon



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HAPPY  
Mother's Day

May 8, 2022

Children's  
Home Day

A special offering  
that helps  
children and  
families in need.

Seventy percent of Americans say their mom is their best friend. And three in five would go so far as to say that every day should be Mother's Day! (Southern Living webpage –Culture & Lifestyle - April 22, 2022) Why? For an answer, read the article titled, "More On Moms," on the insert page with this *Beacon*.

Why have Children's Home Day and collect another special offering? The answer: Children are God's love-gift; they are heaven's generous reward. ( Psalm 127:3 - The Passion Translation)

Today, there are roughly 13,000 children in the foster care system in Georgia. There are mothers in every community struggling with homelessness and overcoming domestic violence. There are children being pushed into human trafficking daily. Right now, there are families and children in need of light during their darkest hour.

Every day at Georgia Baptist Children's Homes, children and families who are navigating darkness, find their spark through HIS light. In 2021, the Children's Homes helped 417 children and their families find a glimmer of hope through a variety of innovative programs and ministries designed to bring spiritual, emotional, and physical healing.

This is no easy task because the children and families served today often come without even the slightest glimmer of hope. Instead, they come with heavy emotional and physical scars. Many arrive defiant, traumatized, and angry at the world and everyone in it. There is no light at the end of the tunnel in their eyes. And who can blame them? How would any of us feel if we had been forced to live on the streets, a homeless shelter, in the back of an old car, or in just another failed placement through the system?

YOU can make a difference in joining the Children's Homes in igniting hope in the lives of children and families who have walked in darkness. Please make this effort a matter of prayer in supporting this ministry financially and joining this organization in shining HIS light of hope on those in need.



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Dear Church Family,

Who enjoys moving? As many of you know, we recently purchased a home. We've thoroughly enjoyed living in the Kings Way house, but it was time to get a place of our own. Over the past several months we've been in the moving process. Although we've made the transition to the new house, we're still moving. Moving is a process. Some things came with us and some things didn't. We also had to buy some new things that we needed that we didn't have. Moving is a process.

Moving forward with God is also a process. In Christ we're made new. The old has gone and the new has come. As we make that move, there are some things that need to go with us, and there are some things that should not. Even though we have made the move into a new relationship with God through faith in Jesus, the Holy Spirit is continually helping us see what we need to remove from the house of our lives. Maybe we need to remove a toxic relationship; maybe it's a particular sinful behavior that we've packed up and brought with us from the old house; or maybe it's a false belief about our identity or self-worth that we're trying to find a place for in our new house. Moving is an opportunity to get rid of some things that you no longer need.

Moving is also an opportunity to enjoy some new things as well. In Christ, we are fully accepted by God. God has set His love upon us and nothing can make Him love us more or less. God has given us His Spirit to live within us to help us, teach us, convict us, intercede in prayer for us, and guide us. We have a new family in the church. These benefits and many more are new to us in Christ.

The challenges and blessings of moving are that it's an opportunity to change. I want to encourage you to make the move into a relationship with God if you haven't already. If you have made that move, then I encourage you to ask the Lord if there is anything that you've brought from the old house that needs to be discarded and replaced with something new from the Lord. Moving is a process. Let's listen to the Lord in the process and become the people He wants us to be.

In Christ,  
Pastor Ron Jones





## Hill Baptist Music Ministry becomes.....

The Hill Baptist Music Ministry has a history of excellence in proclaiming God's truths through choral and instrumental music. There has been professional and dedicated musical leadership utilizing our resources to their fullest. Volunteers' commitment to choirs and choir leadership have been the difference in our history.

Where are we now and what might be our future music ministry? The recent viral pandemic has made our choral program inoperable. The volunteers that had been so faithful had to stay at home due to their underlying health issues and age limitations. We have changed our musical emphasis to more instrumental and congregational participation. Those who are capable and willing to sing solo have done so and for that we are grateful. Our blessings include having found instrumentalists who, being affected by the pandemic as well, have become vital ingredients in our worship music each week. Dr. Robert Foster from Augusta University; Anita Barnes who has worked with me and others for many years in church worship; Daniel Allen who teaches professionally and plays professionally; Asjah Spann who is bi-vocational but plays professionally as well; plus Sandy Adams playing our organ and piano when available; and Sherri Brunkow using her talents from a long history of teaching and playing brass instruments. God has bestowed these blessings among us.

Where might God be leading us in our near future? Let me pose some suggestions that God has laid on my heart and mind.

My first prayer is that our church membership would grow to offer a larger pool of potential talented volunteers. The music ministry is dependent on having numbers of members who are talented, committed, and willing to participate. The music ministry is an entry point for inviting those you know who have talents to come and become a part of our church family. We will all be blessed.

My second prayer is to resurrect our choir program under a little different format. Choirs are now referred to as praise teams. Same concept with more current name, having four to eight Person team(s) to lead the congregation in

singing as well as singing a special from time to time. As we all know, there is safety in numbers doing most all tasks and singing is one of those! Your thoughts, comments, and volunteering are and will be welcomed.

My third prayer is to be thankful for our congregation members who are monetarily supporting our music ministry budget. You make our music ministry richer and fuller with talent and sound through your financial ministry to our instrumentalists. We need to be as generous as possible in order to provide our "in person" and live streaming service the best for the glory of our Lord and Savior. In all things, especially worship and the music ministry, we need to be winsome and showing God's gifts at their highest level. We are doing that well now and just need to continually keep that in mind as we support our ministries through our giving opportunities.

My five years in music ministry here at The Hill Baptist have been a blessing and growing experience. Being able to transition from our traditional worship services into a blended (praise and worship plus traditional hymns and songs) format has given me opportunities to find new music and methods to present in worship. Your encouragement and comments have been motivational and inspiring as we continue to praise God. Let's continue to show God our joy and thankfulness as we worship in song each day of each coming week.

Floyd Montgomery,  
Director of Music Ministry



The 2021/2022 School Year will be over in a few weeks. We will have special activities during the "summer" break, both at church and in the local area, for recreation, fellowship, and inspiration. Summer Camp will take place in Panama City Beach, Florida, from July 18-22.

Please support our Youth Ministry. To contribute toward Youth Ministry expenses, make you check out to the church with "Sharon Noegel Youth Fund" in the notation line.

Brandon Brown, Youth Pastor

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If you cannot reach the minister, please  
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May 15 - Clay Bagby

May 22 - Ken Curry

May 29 - Carl Hill

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Information as of 04/27/2022



## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT BOARD REPORT

### 2022 BUDGET STATUS

Annual General Fund Budget  
 \$251,920.00

General Fund Donations Needed Per Month  
 \$20,993.33

General Fund Donations Needed Thru 04/2022  
 \$83,973.32

General Fund Donations Thru 04/28/2022  
 \$64,331.15

DONATIONS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS &  
 SPECIAL OFFERINGS IN 2022  
 \$4,745.00