

The Beacon

THE HILL BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

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A mother's *love*
knows no
bounds

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Congratulations
Class of 2023 Grads!



PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Church Family,

I'm very encouraged as I look back over all the Lord has done this year! We're already seeing positive results from the changes that have been made and the outreach initiatives that we've implemented. A few weeks ago, Brandon and I spent the afternoon going down a few streets in the National Hills neighborhood hanging door hangers. The door hangers shared about our church and what services we offer. The next Sunday I met a lady that was visiting our church for the first time. In our conversation, I asked her how she heard about our church. She said someone came by her house and placed a flyer on her door. I was so encouraged by that conversation.

In addition to continuing to invite and invest in our friends and family, I believe the strategy that we must exercise is what is called "broad sowing." In Matthew 13, Jesus tells the parable of the sower. In the parable, the farmer sows his seed broadly and the seed falls on four types of soil. The farmer is not responsible for the type of soil the seed falls on but he is responsible to sow the seed. In a similar way, we need to sow the seed of invitation broadly.

We need to extend invitations beyond those that we know. In order to do that we'll be planning several outreach events over the next several months. These events will be designed to bless the community and provide opportunities for people to hear about both the gospel and what services our church offers.

Our role is to sow the seed by the power of the Holy Spirit. This requires that we take steps of faith and ask the Lord how we can be involved in broad sowing. I want to challenge you to help with these events in whatever way that you're able to. You can pray. You can help plan. You can volunteer. You can call the people that fill out contact cards and thank them for coming to the event and invite them to church. We need everyone to be involved. Let's trust the Lord together as we sow the seed of invitation. I believe as we do we'll see some of those seeds fall on ground that will produce fruit!



**In Christ,
Pastor Ron Jones**

**FOLLOWING JESUS
CHANGES THE GAME**

TWISTS & TURNS

PSALM 25:4

REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!

**The Hill
Kids**

YOUTH NEWS

Wednesday
Youth Group
is moving to Tuesday
nights during June
and July for our
summer schedule

YOUTH SUMMER TRIP

- Generate Youth Camp

The camp will take place at the South Wesleyan University in South Carolina from July 6th-10th. The total cost is \$359. Secure your slot today!

JOIN US WEEKLY

- SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:45 AM
- WEDNESDAY EVENINGS FROM 6-7:30 PM

Going into the month of May, we will be starting a series in the gospel project on Sunday mornings. In the coming months we will study how Jesus is victorious over sickness, disease, and most importantly, over sin.

On Wednesday nights, we will continue our study in the book of Matthew studying the early stages of Jesus' ministry.

We have youth volunteer opportunities available during Wacky Wednesdays in June & July.

Brandon Brown, Youth Pastor





5X5X5 BIBLE READING PLAN

May 01	Matthew 19
May 02	Matthew 20
May 03	Matthew 21
May 04	Matthew 22
May 05	Reflection
May 06	Reflection
May 07	Matthew 23
May 08	Matthew 24
May 09	Matthew 25
May 10	Matthew 26
May 11	Matthew 27
May 12	Reflection
May 13	Reflection
May 14	Matthew 28
May 15	Romans 1
May 16	Romans 2
May 17	Romans 3
May 18	Romans 4
May 19	Reflection
May 20	Reflection
May 21	Romans 5
May 22	Romans 6
May 23	Romans 7
May 24	Romans 8
May 25	Romans 9
May 26	Reflection
May 27	Reflection
May 28	Romans 10
May 29	Romans 11
May 30	Romans 12
May 31	Romans 13



PRAYER REQUESTS

Karen Kovelow	Nancy Calfee
Johnny Stanfield	Bo Gibson
Eugene Cook	Zack Gilmore
Patsy Wallace	John Harris
Fred & Ann	Emily Herrin
Gunter	Bengovan McNeace
Carter Loftis	Jimmy Mills
Ricky Thompson	Jimmy & Connie
Omega Gunn	Crenshaw
Carolyn Atkins	
Edwin Blanchard	



ON
CALL

**PASTOR
RON JONES**
706-945-7619

If unavailable, please contact the following:

DEACON OF THE WEEK

4/30-5/06	Ed Stalnaker
05/07-13	Richard Terzia
05/14-20	Ken Curry
05/21-27	Carl Hill
05/28-06/03	Chuck Kee

MAY 2023

Happenings at The Hill

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Papa John's Pizza 6pm Wacky Wednesday Registration Opens	4 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER WMU Prayer Meeting 6:30pm All are welcome to attend	5	6
7 Lord's Supper Birthdays Russell Battles Lyman Terzia	8	9  RSVP Tuesdays by 3:30pm!	10 Celebrating Mothers Olive Garden 6pm	11 Birthdays Steve Mullins	12	13
14 Special Mother's Day Service 11am MOTHER'S DAY	15	16	17 Celebrating Graduates Wing Stop 6pm Birthdays Rachel Kee	18 Birthdays Hank Dickert	19	20
21 Special Graduate Service 11am Meetings Deacon 12pm Finance 2pm	22  Birthdays Annelise Simpson	23  Birthdays Carter Loftis	24 Church Conference Steak Out 6pm LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	25	26 Birthdays Adelaide Dickert	27 SUMMER SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR JUNE & JULY
28 Invite Sunday 11am Birthdays Brandon Brown	29  MEMORIAL DAY	30 	31 BBQ Barn 6pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday Meals 12pm Adult Bible Study 12:30 Kids Wacky Wednesday 10:30-1pm Youth will meet Tuesday evenings 		

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:35 AM - Prayer in the Sanctuary
9:45 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Worship Service



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

6:00 PM - Wednesday Supper
6:45 PM - Adult Bible Study, Youth Group, and Bible Study for Kids

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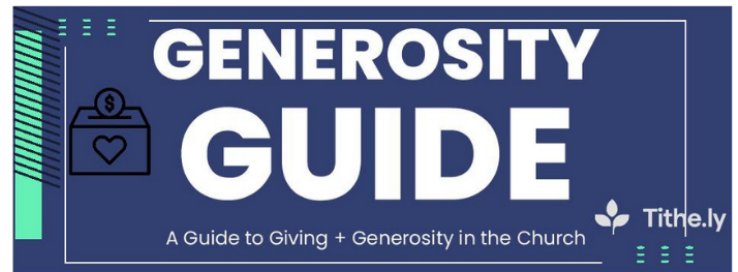
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What Does the Bible Say About the Tithe?

Every follower of Christ is called to generosity.

The Bible talks about being a "cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7) and says that "it's more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). Finally, Jesus calls His followers to "sell your possessions and give to the poor" (Luke 12:33) and says to "store up for yourselves treasures in heaven" rather than earthly possessions (Matthew 6:20).

Clearly, giving is a high value to God. And though we can give our time, energy, and focus, the Bible is clear that *financial* generosity is important.

In other words, we're called to give away the resources God has given us to pay the bills, buy groceries, and purchase things we do (or do not) need.

Many scriptures point to the tithe (one-tenth) as a benchmark for generosity. Other scriptures talk about offerings and even specific kinds of offerings.

In the coming months, we'll take a look at what the Bible says about the tithe, how this applies to New Testament believers (Christians), and how to practice generosity today.

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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT BOARD REPORT

- YTD Budget Donations **\$56,742.82**
- YTD Budget RQMT **\$79,632.00**

Designated Funds & Special Offerings

- **Wed. Supper Fund** **\$840.00**
- **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** **\$2,075.00**



Children's
Home Day

Sunday
May 14, 2023

A special offering to support the children and families at Georgia Baptist Children's Home