

From the Pastor's Pen

"Go after the one."

—Jesus, Luke 15:4

Jesus valued one. He told of a shepherd who searched for one sheep until he found it, a woman who searched for one dowry coin until she found it, and one son who returned home to his father (Luke 15:1—32). The point of this parable (3 stories, one parable, cf. Luke 15:3) is that Jesus valued the individual and would search for one until He brought that one to God's grace.

Few of us have the gifts or assignments of reaching masses. All of us have gifts and assignments for reaching one. If you have ever prayed and had it answered, if you have ever made a friend, and if you have ever invited someone anywhere and they accepted your invitation, you can reach one.

We have the marvelous opportunity to reach one by participating this month in "Invite Your One" (IYO) on March 26. Your Sunday School class should have a home prayer meeting in March to pray over this. We will pray over this each Tuesday morning at 8:00 in March. Please turn in your IYO card indicating your participation and the name of the friend you will invite. We will host some of the "ones" we have invited for lunch after our services that day.

A recent study revealed that the more Americans know of someone from a religious faith the warmer they grow towards that faith. Personal knowledge improves perspective on faith. In the last few years, American's warmth towards Islam increased because more Americans know Muslims. This was true of all American religious groups except evangelical Christian. American's warmth toward evangelicals remained steady. Despite a growing American population, evangelical Christians did not get to know more Americans. If we did, more would have a warm view of our Savior.

I believe that you and our church are among the best representatives of Christ anywhere to be found.

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Simply invite one unchurched person to come to church with you on March 26.

Tell us who you have invited. Cards are available in the church office and in Sunday's Worship Guide.



I AM INVITING . . .

(my guest's name)

I commit to pray for my guest.

I commit to pray for the guests of others.

Signed: _____

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Guests often note your worship, your zeal, your love, and your warmth. You are doing a good job for Jesus, and that is why I want more and more to know you.

Please reach out to at least one in March. Pray for that person. Invite that person to attend with you March 26. Let's have a grand day of victory that day.

I Stand Amazed,
David Mills

Worship & Music Ministry Notes

*"Sing the praises of the Lord,
you His faithful people;
praise His holy name."*

Psalm 30:4

Recently, while standing in line waiting for our flight to begin boarding, I struck up a conversation with a guy holding a guitar case. The lead singer for an aspiring hard rock band, we discussed guitars for a minute before he asked about my music. I told him that I led musical worship at our church. His response, said briefly as a flight announcement interrupted us, was this: "That's cool, but to me, music is spiritual."

Unfortunately, we did not get a chance to finish our conversation as we began boarding soon afterwards (and his seat was not near mine), but his remark has stuck with me. He's not the first person I've encountered who viewed music as a means of spirituality. Though vastly different in style, I've encountered many classically-trained musicians throughout my education who had a similar viewpoint. "Play music for music's sake," they would say. Essentially, both my classical friends and this hard-rock singer were saying the same thing:

Music touches the soul at a deeper level than anything else they've encountered. For the guy at the airport, he even likened it to a spiritual experience. And he's not alone. Famous jazz saxophonist John Coltrane once said, "My music is the spiritual expression of what I am."

Now, to some degree, they are correct. Music indeed seems to possess the power to touch emotions far too buried to be dug-up by other methods. Leonard Bernstein understood that "Music can name the unnamable and communicate the unknowable." Victor Hugo put it simply: "Music expresses that which cannot be said." I also agree that music should be taught in schools "for music's sake." (Though I would also point to studies which show that musical study greatly enhances a student's overall scholastic performance.) Ludwig Von Beethoven once said, "Music is a higher revelation than all wisdom and philosophy." But as a follower of Christ, I recognize music's limitations, especially within the church.

Unlike any other religious tradition, ours is a musical faith. Dozens of times throughout scripture, we see examples of saints bursting out into song. Dozens of other times we're actually commanded by God to sing, play instruments, or otherwise make music. But in nearly every instance, there is a deeper purpose. Nowhere in scripture is music the "end" of the command. Nowhere are we commanded to make music only for music's sake. Instead, we're commanded to sing to the Lord. We're commanded to play instruments and clap our hands in praise. According to God, music is simply a tool we should use to exalt Him. It is another language, often a deeper and more meaningful language, meant to carry our message of adoration and praise to our King.

In light of all of this, my constant prayer is that our music at Beech Haven may be far more profound than merely a good musical performance. Our goal is not simply correct notes and rhythms, but a means of praise and worship encompassing our entire beings – all for His glory.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Tim Cotten



Phil & Susan Sheffield
on the death of his sister
Linda Smith

Wednesday Night Supper

(Reservations Required)

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Cost: Adults - \$4.50

Children (under 10) - \$2.00

Family Maximum - \$16.00

March 1

Pork Tenderloin

Macaroni & Cheese

Green Bean Casserole, Rolls

Dessert

March 8

Poppy seed Chicken

Green Beans, Rice, Rolls

Dessert

March 15

Philly or Ham Sub Sandwiches

Fries, Salad Bar

Dessert

March 22

Breakfast: Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon

Sausage, Grits

March 29

Country Fried Steak, Gravy

Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Biscuits

Supper Reservations

- Complete the Sunday morning Worship Guide Insert, and place it in the offering plate, or
- Call the church office at 706.548.2246 by **noon on Tuesday**, or
- Email cassieb@BeechHaven.net by **noon on Tuesday**.
- Request **Permanent Reservation** status through May, 2017, using any of the above methods.
- If you have made reservations and do not cancel, we still need you to pay for your meal. Thanks!

Stewardship Corner

Charitable Giving Strategies

Trusts. A trust can be utilized to give a partial interest in an income-earning asset to the church. The primary way that a trust can be utilized is through a charitable lead trust or a charitable remainder trust.

With a **Charitable Lead Trust**, a church member who does not need current income from an income producing asset could contribute that asset to a trust and the trust will pay the income, or a certain percentage of the value of the trust, to the church each year, either for a fixed period of years, or for the lifetime of the donor, depending on what the donor wishes to do. This way, the church received current income and the donor receives a partial tax deduction for a charitable contribution based upon the amount of income going to the church. At the end of a specified number of years, or upon the death of the donor, the remaining principal amount of the trust may be distributed back to the donor, or, at the donor's death, to the donor's heirs.

A **Charitable Remainder Trust** is the reverse of a charitable lead trust. With a charitable remainder trust, the donor places a specified amount in the trust, and the donor typically receives the income from the trust, or a percentage of the value of the trust, for a specified number of years, or for the life of the donor, or for the combined life of the donor and donor's spouse. Upon the expiration of the specified term, or upon the death of the donor and donor's spouse, the amount of assets remaining in the trust would be distributed to the church. The donor will receive an immediate charitable deduction for an actuarial value of the gift to the charitable remainder trust, in the year that the trust is created.

Online Church Directory

Our online church directory for members is now available on the Beech Haven website: www.BeechHaven.org in the [Contact Us](#) section of the About tab.

When you click the link to the Directory, it will ask for a key. The key was listed in the body of the email you received with the link to this edition of The Beams. It is also available through the church office. Enter the key and you now have access to the Online Directory for Members.

Please take time to review the process and the Directory. If you have any questions, please contact Cassie: cassieb@beechhaven.net

You can save the Directory on your mobile device by opening in Chrome, clicking on the three dots in the upper right hand corner and choosing Add to Home Screen (Android).



Churchwide Summer Mission Trip

June 24 - July 1

Indiantown, Florida

Beech Haven is partnering with Indiantown Baptist Church and Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana de Indiantown to reach the community through VBS, Soccer Camp, Car Care/Helping Hands, Prayer Walking /Door to Door Evangelism and a Tent Revival.

Cost:

Adults: \$250

Students (6th-College): \$75

Children (K-5th): \$50

Deposit of \$50 each or \$100 per family due March 1.

Trip payments and contributions:

Please make payments separate from contributions.

You can receive contribution credit for gifts to the trip if you are not going or if you have paid your part and want to help more with the cost of the trip.

You cannot get contribution credit if you pay another person's way. The contribution has to be for the trip expenses in general.

Senior Adults!

Sarepta Association Spring Luncheon

Thursday, April 6

Winterville First Baptist Church

Gospel Music with **The Songsters**

Cost: \$5

Reservation deadline is Wednesday,

March 22. Call the church office at

706.548.2246 or email Pam at

publisher@beechhaven.net

God Blessed

February

Monthly Requirement..... \$117,916

February Receipts \$109,855

February Christian Concern \$1,081

Online giving available

www.BeechHaven.net/give

Preschool & Children's Ministry



Vacation Bible School

Sunday - Thursday, June 4 - 9

6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

with Family Day on Sunday, June 11

Now recruiting workers.

Contact Jennifer at preschool@beechhaven.net

Online registration opens April 1.

Camp Pinnacle (for girls) and Camp Kaleo (for boys)

July 10 - 14

Two Workers Needed in the One & Two Year Old Class!

We have a couple of babies that are ready to graduate to the one year old class. We need two adult volunteers to serve in the classroom before the graduates can move in! To volunteer, please contact Jennifer at preschool@beechhaven.net.

Congratulations!

Lucas Bao Simms

born February 27, 2017

Parents are

Jonathan & Nahn-Ai Simms

Grandparents are

Stewart & Dianne Simms



Time Change

Sunday, March 12

Move your clocks **ahead** one hour on Saturday night March 11.

Student Ministry

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Friday-Sunday, April 7-9

Theme: Identity

Guest Speakers:

Mike Dorough (Pastor of Riverbend Baptist Church, Gainesville Georgia and former Student Pastor of Second Baptist, Warner Robbins, Georgia for 19 years) will speak to students on Friday and Saturday.

Ricky Chelette (Executive Director of Living Hope Ministries in Arlington, Texas) will speak to parents on Saturday and preach on Sunday.

Cost: \$40 (Due March 19)

CALL TO PRAYER

Tuesdays @ 8:00 a.m.

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Precisely at 8:00 a.m.

Conference Room

Tuesday Morning Prayer Schedule

- 1st Tuesday of Month: Deacon Team 1/2, College, Coed 20s, Coed 25 - 35
- 2nd Tuesday of Month: Deacon Team 3/4, Coed 36 - 49, 50 - 64
- 3rd Tuesday of Month: Deacon Team 5/6, Coed 65+, Coed 75+, Men, Median Ladies, Median & Mature Ladies
- 4th Tuesday of Month: Deacon Team 7/8, Working Retired I/II, Parents of Children/Youth, SS Workers of Preschool, Children, Youth, Median/Mature Singles
- 5th Tuesday of the Month: Staff

College Ministry

Groups at Ginger Lane

Weekly Bible Study

Mondays @ 8:00 p.m.

Home of Tommy Fountain

1380 Ginger Lane

Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

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Thank You

Dear Beech Haven Baptist Church, My heartfelt thanks to all of you for the wonderful recognition given to me on Sunday, February 5th. Words fail me at this point. But

please know that my thanks, love, and appreciation are abundant for this family of believers!

Trusting in Him,

Meg Doster

Proverbs 3:5-6

March Servants

Sunday, March 5

Extended Session

Coordinators: Eric & Heather Harris
Carol Norton
Kevin & Tammy Thain
Melissa Lord, Peggy Mauldin
Beverly Pierce, Mary Caroline McCormack

Children's Worship

Squeaky Drewry, Ashley Ivey

Usher Team

Mike Mauldin, Gene Couch

Shuttle Bus Driver

Mike Mauldin

Worship Hour Prayer Team

Mitchell Adolphson

Counting Team for Monday

Sherry Reed, Marie Moran
Lanie Lafayette

Sunday, March 12

Extended Session

Coordinators: Kenneth & Stephanie Bowman
Skipper & Jessica Crews
David & Charlotte Tolbert
Michael & Elizabeth Frye
Nikki Menjivar, Hannah Mills

Children's Worship

Brent & Meredith Dykes

Usher Team

Len Griffin
Tom McCormack, Franklin Scott
Ted Screws, George Windate

Shuttle Bus Driver

Alan Parrish

Worship Hour Prayer Team

Tommy Fountain

Counting Team for Monday

Linda Pickering, Allene Carteaux
Joyce Hartley

Sunday, March 19

Extended Session

Coordinators: Eric & Rosie Ingram
Cathy Owen, Donna Lackey
Cynthia Bowell
Heather Pittman, Andrea Weathington
Dan & Jordan Crumbley

Children's Worship

Tracy McKeithan, Amy Tolbert

Usher Team

Bill Crowe, Don Pickering
Robert Sinyard, Steve Starnes
Jerry Whiteside

Shuttle Bus Driver

Eric Ingram

Worship Hour Prayer Team

Megan Moore

Counting Team for Monday

Jane Poole, Emily McClure
Mary Deaton

Sunday, March 26

Extended Session

Coordinators: Brian & Ashley Mauldin
MaLinda McLendon, Leslie Sinyard
Lauren Suggs
Charlie & Britani Sizemore
Cindy Mercer, Maegan Acuna

Children's Worship

Cameron Sowers

Usher Team

John Zolley
James Nix, Dickie Riggs

Shuttle Bus Driver

Jerry Davis

Worship Hour Prayer Team

Laura Wilson

Counting Team for Monday

Doug & Faye Owens

Ministry Staff

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Jennifer AdolphsonInterim Director of Preschool preschool@beechhaven.net

March Calendar

Wednesday, March 1

4:00 p.m. - WoW
5:00 p.m. - Supper
6:00 p.m. - WoW
6:00 p.m. - Children's Choir
7:00 p.m. - Adult Choir

Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

9:30 a.m. - International Friends

Sunday, March 5

8:29 a.m. - SS Leadership Meeting

Sunday, March 5

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Worship
5:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study
6:00 p.m. - Pulse
6:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

Monday, March 6

Senior Adult Trip to Bill Graham Library

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28

8:00 a.m. - Call to Prayer
(See page 4 for schedule)
9:00 a.m. - Precept Bible Study

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 28

9:30 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study

Thursday, March 9

10:00 a.m. - Women on Mission

Sunday, March 12

Time Change (Move clocks *ahead* one hour on Saturday night)

Sundays, March 5, 12, 19

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Worship
5:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study
5:45 p.m. - Awana
6:00 p.m. - Pulse
6:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, March 21

6:00 p.m. - Ladies Night Out

Sunday, March 26

INVITE YOUR ONE

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Worship
5:45 p.m. - Awana
6:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting
6:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study
6:00 p.m. - Youth Pulse