

## From the Pastor's Pen

"In a world of darkness, turn to the light,"  
(Kerry Livgren, Crossfire, 1982).

GK Chesterton warned previous generations that the time would come that we would elicit condemnation for telling the truth and receive praise for eliminating it and exalting error. He wrote, "We shall soon be in a world in which a man may be howled down for saying that two and two make four, in which furious party cries will be raised against anybody who says that cows have horns, people will persecute the heresy of calling a triangle a three-sided figure, and hang a man for maddening a mob with the news that grass is green." Friends, I have news for you. In some places in our nation, that day is now here. It even exists in some corners of our community. In some places, right is wrong and wrong is right, truth is error and error is truth, and wisdom is foolishness and foolishness is wisdom.

I spoke with a community leader a few years ago about the needs of our community and how so much need arises when dad is not in the home. He cautioned me stating, "We can't show preference for mother-daddy families." What he was stating is that our governing entities cannot show preference for the best circumstances that give children the best opportunity to thrive. We cannot prioritize children's best chance for well-being!

While free enterprise has fueled rapid rates of decline in chronic hunger in the developing world, socialists are on the ascendency in the United States. While advances ultrasound and sonogram technology and prenatal medicine have proven unborn children are in fact humans, extremists, even some presidential candidates, argue for abortion of full-term babies, and many Americans take them seriously. And do not even get me started on sexual and moral behavior. What has happened to the nation we love?

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February 28-29, Beech Haven has about 50 students joining with other churches in our area (2,000+) for "The Mix" -- an accelerated Discipleship ministry for our 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Students will spend the night in host homes Friday and Saturday night where there will be small group Bible studies and participate in collective worship services three times at the Classic Center.

**Please pray:**

- 1. That the lost would respond to the gospel.**
- 2. That believers will grow in their faith.**
- 3. That all leadership will be full of the Spirit.**

Nathan Evans, our interim Student Pastor is inviting us to intercede throughout the weekend and specifically participate in the [hour of prayer Beech Haven](#) will host on **Saturday Feb. 29 from 1pm-2pm**. This is part of a larger prayer chain that is continually praying for 36 hours over every student, speaker, and worker that is at the MIX!



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There are several causes for this confusion. The root consists of spiritual warfare, of course, but this spiritual warfare manifests itself in several places. To begin with, Protestant churches abandoned biblical inerrancy and authority about a century ago. This has resulted in American churches that are queasy about truth, and if they embrace truth, they do so without intensity. Instead of building their people and churches in holiness, many of these churches discourage it and battle other Christians who promote it. Next, the education theories of John Dewey, most notably values clarification, have undermined truth. Further, and I cringe to admit it, but Elvis and company bear responsibility for this, too. America still has not recovered from the rock and rebellion movements of the 50s and 60s. More, the pampering, spoiling, and coddling of generations since WWII has produced waves of "me first" citizens who can't get satisfied until others grovel before them to satisfy their every demand. Finally, the hijacking of the American dream and its transition from a promise of opportunity to a demand for entitlements challenges truth. Truth for such persons consists of what provides what they want and not that which corresponds to reality.

These realities can tempt many of us to anger, but they should not. They can also tempt us to prioritize politics and political activism. This will not help either, but it will alienate. Instead, we are always to respond in love (to be differentiated from indulgence), prayer, and witness. The only antidote to error is a Spirit empowered advocacy of truth, and this truth is found in Jesus (Eph 4:20—21). This is why your Christian service offers the greatest practical tool to address what ails us.

What can I do? Christians God has used through the centuries to transform communities prioritize several daily practices. These include laying hold of the power of the Holy Spirit by faith and a pure life, verbally sharing the gospel of Christ, worshipping the Son of God with all our might, demonstrating God's love in service to people, and bold commitment that does not flinch in the face of criticism. Transforming a community really is not any more difficult than that. Once we prioritize these practices, we can create a world of truth. How about we join together in these practices and make the truth a thing of celebration again?

I Stand Amazed,  
David Mills

### **NEXT GEN Meeting**

for **everyone** working with **babies through high school seniors**

**Sunday, March 29**

Immediately following the second Worship Service

Fellowship Hall

Lunch provided

(Meal and childcare provided for 5th grade and under)

Security will be discussed followed by sessions specific to  
Preschool, Children and Youth ministries.

Please RSVP by Thursday, March 26. See Nathan, Matt and  
Jennifer for more details.

### **Welcome Amy Tolbert!**

Amy has joined the support staff team as Administrative  
Assistant for Membership and Office. She will be in the  
office Monday-Friday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.  
Stop by and welcome Amy to the team!

### **Strong Sisters**

#### **A Ladies Retreat**

Friday evening, March 20 & Saturday, March 21

Georgia Baptist Convention Center, Toccoa

Guest Speaker, Fellowship, Games and Fun!

Cost: \$81 double occupancy; \$133 single room

Signup with a friend!

Register in the church office on Sunday mornings

Register in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays

**Deadline to register is Sunday, March 8**

### **New Ladies Bible Study**

*The Power of God's Names* by Tony Evans

Tuesday, March 24 - Tuesday, April 28

9:30 - 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

Cost for workbook: \$15

Childcare by reservation only. To make reservations,  
contact Jennifer: [preschool@beechhaven.net](mailto:preschool@beechhaven.net)

Mark Your Calendar!  
**Easter Week Services**

**Wednesday, April 8**

Churchwide Seder Service

**Thursday, April 9**

Maundy Thursday Service

**Friday, April 10**

Community Good Friday Service

Details to come on each service.

**Wedding Shower**

honoring

Mitchell Adolphson

&

Natalie Wallace

Given by the Young Married SS Class

**Sunday, April 19**

Drop-in from 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

**24/7 Prayer Ministry**

If you signed up to participate in the 24/7 Prayer Ministry, you should have received an **email welcoming** you to the 24-7prayer group. If you did not receive the email, please contact Pam in the church office at 706.548.2246 or [publisher@beechhaven.net](mailto:publisher@beechhaven.net)

If you signed up and do not have an email address, you can expect a **packet in the mail**, next week, with details and resources.

If you did not sign up and are interested in participating contact the church office.

**Thank you for your commitment to prayer!**

**March Calendar**

**Sunday, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

9:00 am - Worship

10:15 am - Sunday School for all ages

11:15 am - Worship

4:15 pm - GROW

5:00 pm - Youth One Voice

5:30 pm - Discipleship Classes

5:30 pm - M-28 Kids

**Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**

9:00 am - Precept Bible Study

9:30 am - Ladies Bible Study

**Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25**

4:00 pm - Worship on Wednesday

5:00 pm - Family Night Supper

(Reservations Required)

6:00 pm - Worship on Wednesday

6:00 pm - Pulse (Student Worship)

6:00 pm - WoW4Kids

7:15 pm - Worship Choir

**Thursdays, March 5, 19, 26**

9:30 am - International Friends

**Thursday, March 12**

10:00 am - Women on Mission

**Friday-Saturday, March 20-21**

Ladies Retreat

**Sunday, March 22**

12:30 pm - May Guatemala Mission Trip

Team Meeting - Bldg D

**Sunday, March 29**

12:30 pm - NEXT GEN Ministry Training



**Alyssa Jernigan**

on the death of her father

**Rafael Manotas**

**Rosi Ingram**

on the death of her father

**Jose Da Silva**

**Melissa Dooley**

on the death of her father

**John Potts**

**Wednesday Night Supper**

(Reservations Required) by Noon on Tuesday - 706.548.2246)

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

Cost: Adults - \$4.50

Children (under 10) - \$2.00

Family Maximum - \$16.00

**March 4**

Country Fried Steak, Mashed

Potatoes, English Peas, Brownies

**March 11**

Chicken fajtas or Soft beef taco

Refried beans, Spanish Rice

Queso/chips; Sherbet

**March 18**

Philly Cheese, Ham or Turkey Sub

Fries, Toss or Spinach Salad,

Cupcakes

**March 25**

Poppy seed chicken, Rice,

Green beans, Cookies

**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 [atolbert@beechhaven.net](mailto:atolbert@beechhaven.net) by **noon on Tuesday**.
- Request **Permanent Reservation** status 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!

**God Blessed**

**February**

Monthly Requirement .....\$128,084

February Receipts .....\$90,786

February Christian Concern .....\$1,125

Online giving available

[www.BeechHaven.org/give](http://www.BeechHaven.org/give)

**Give by Text**

**706-550-9534**

# Preschool & Children's Ministry

## Children's Worship News

Beginning Sunday, March 15, Children's Worship will **expand** -

1. to full service (children will participate in Children's Worship for the full length of the Worship Service)
2. to include children in fourth and fifth grade

### Themes:

Sunday, March 22: Happy Simeon & Hot Chocolate

Sunday, April 5: Sunday Eggstreme

Sunday, April 12: Easter. Doughnuts & juice. Photo-ops

## M-28 Kids

Sundays @ 5:30 pm

March 22 Theme: Triple P Night:  
Popcorn, PJ's and Pastor!



## Vacation Bible School

June 22-26, 28

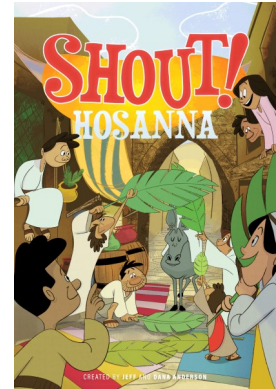
for just completed Kindergarten - Grade 5  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm includes free lunch

### Camps

**Camp Pinnacle** for 3-12th grade girls  
June 1-5

**Camp Kaleo for Boys**  
for 3-6th grade boys  
June 15-19

## WoW4Kids



Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm

K-1 class and Grade 2-5 class currently  
rehearsing the musical *Shout!*  
*Hosanna*

Presentation Wednesday April 1  
@ 6:00 pm

## Student Ministry

### Sunday Morning Classes

9:15 am - Building E Attic

- 6th Grade Coed
- 7th & 8th Grade Boys
- 7th & 8th Grade Girls
- 9th-10th Grade Girls
- 11th-12th Grade Girls
- 9th-12th Grade Boys

# PULSE

Student Worship  
Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm/Building D

## College Ministry

### Sunday Morning Small Group

10:15 am - Building D

### Groups at Ginger Lane

Thursdays @ 8:30 pm  
Bible study

### Guatemala Mission Trip

Medical Clinics and Teacher Training  
May 23-30, 2020

### Team Meeting

Sunday, March 22

Immediately after the second service  
Building D/Lunch provided

**All team members plan to attend this  
important training meeting.**



## March Servants

### Sunday, March 1

**Extended Session @ 9:00 am**

Coordinators: Ryan & Jennifer Adolphson  
Linda Drewry, Carol Norton  
Kate Walker, OPEN

**Extended Session @ 11:15 am**

Coordinators: Ryan & Jennifer Adolphson  
Beverly Pierce, Richard Gray

**Children's Worship @ 9 & 11:15**

Rachel McDaniel and John Anderson

**Shuttle Bus Driver**

Mike Mauldin

**Counting Team for Monday**

Sherry Reed, Marie Moran  
Nancy Bruce

### Sunday, March 8

**Extended Session @ 9:00 am**

Coordinators: Ken & Stephanie Bowman  
John & Shaun Webb  
Natalie and Annabelle Wallace

**Extended Session @ 11:15 am**

Coordinators: Ken & Stephanie Bowman  
Jean Henninger, Christy Chastain  
Adam Schwarzenbach, OPEN

**Children's Worship @ 9 & 11:15 am**

Anna Ash, Mark Grace

**Shuttle Bus Driver**

Alan Parrish

**Counting Team for Monday**

Linda Pickering, Allene Carteaux  
Kay Altschul

*Whatever you do,  
work heartily,  
as for the Lord  
and not for men,  
knowing that from the  
Lord you will receive the  
inheritance as your  
reward. You are serving  
the Lord Christ.*

Colossians 3:23-24

### Sunday, March 15

**Extended Session @ 9:00 am**

Coordinators: Eric & Rosi Ingram  
Cassie Brown, Susan Hall  
Leslie Sinyard, OPEN

**Extended Session @ 11:15 am**

Coordinators: Eric & Rosi Ingram  
Donna Lackey, Debbie Jones  
Adam & Stacie Monroe

**Children's Worship @ 9 & 11:15 am**

Becca McDaniel, Micah Cabrera

**Shuttle Bus Driver**

Eric Ingram

**Counting Team for Monday**

Stan Sikora, Mary Deaton,  
MaLinda McLendon

### Sunday, March 22

**Extended Session @ 9:00 am**

Coordinators: Brian & Ashley Mauldin  
Cathy Owen, OPEN  
Cindy Mercer, Charlotte Tolbert

**Extended Session @ 11:15 am**

Coordinators: Brian & Ashley Mauldin  
Jonathan & Amy Tolbert  
Maegan Acuna, OPEN

**Children's Worship @ 9 & 11:15 am**

Trey & Cheri Bliss

**Shuttle Bus Driver**

Jerry Davis

**Counting Team for Monday**

Doug & Faye Owens  
Raynette Noles

### Sunday, March 29

**Extended Session @ 9:00 am**

Coordinators: Joyce & Bill Bowen  
Heather Pittman, Julia Pittman  
Daniel & Jordan Crumbley

**Extended Session @ 11:15 am**

Coordinator: Joyce & Bill Bowen  
Sherri Michelle Mills, Sandi Franklin  
Joann Davis, OPEN

**Children's Worship @ 11:15 am**

Ashley Ivey, Squeaky Drewry

**Shuttle Bus Driver**

Robert Sinyard

**Counting Team for Monday**

Shery Reed, Marie Moran  
Nancy Bruce

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