

## From the Pastor's Pen

To the Mission Board that is Beech Haven Baptist Church:

There is no one like Jesus. Many reasons come to mind that justify that declaration, but one on which I'd like to focus here consists of His love for people. While the Gospels record a few instances in which Jesus spent time alone, most often Jesus appears on the pages of Scripture with people. He appears with John the Baptist, the disciples, with wedding guests, with lepers who need cleansing, with folk in his hometown, with Nicodemus, with the Samaritan woman, with a royal official, with a demoniac in the synagogue, with ten more lepers, with a paralytic, with a lame man, with one with a withered hand, with a centurion, with a widow and her son, with crowds of followers, and with crowds of enemies. Finally, He appears with Judas Iscariot, the Sanhedrin that tried him, Pilate, and two Jewish insurrectionists as He died upon the cross. Jesus did not create programs, as helpful as they are, but He did dwell with people.

If Christianity is to be Christ-centered, it must be people-centered as well. Those who follow Jesus must have a heart for people. We will find it about impossible to be genuinely Christian without an abiding love in people.

It is because Jesus has a heart for people that we provide outreach opportunities to our church family and expect all to involve themselves in them. It is why we exhort and expect our leaders to model involvement in people and outreach events, too. In the last couple of years, we have hosted Jerry Pipes, Ronnie Hill, and Paige Patterson for these events. You have done exceptionally well in reaching out to people and giving them the opportunity to hear the good news and turn to Christ. Many have, and many have followed Him in faithfulness because of it.

We love people at Beech Haven and this love compels us to offer others the opportunity to hear evangelist Jon Reed Sunday October 23, in our one-day IMPACT Crusade. Your Sunday School class will deliver information on how to reach

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Beech Haven Baptist Church

# IMPACT

## CRUSADE

**Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
with *Jon Reed* evangelist 

### Schedule

- 9:15 a.m. - Regular Sunday School Schedule
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship with Jon Reed
- 5:00 p.m. - Pizza Event for Students (Bldg D)
- 5:00 p.m. - Snack Supper for Children (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 p.m. - Worship with Jon Reed (Students, Children Grades 2-5 will attend)
- 6:00 p.m. - Nursery for Babies & Preschools; Activities in Gym for Kindergarten-Grade 1



### Churchwide Call to Fast & Pray

in preparation for the IMPACT Crusade

Wednesday, October 19

Pastor Mills is calling the church to fast during breakfast and lunch in preparation for the crusade on Sunday. The fast can be broken at Wednesday night supper. The WoW services will be focused on prayer for the IMPACT Crusade.

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out, but I will summarize practical steps you can take to reach others.

- Identify: Identify people you know who are not yet following Jesus.
- Intercede: Pray hard for them, for you are about the only one who is.
- Investigate: Why do they not follow Christ and why would they want to come to BHBC?
- Invest: Invest some time with them to show your love.
- Inspire: Inspire yourself for this process by asking someone to keep you accountable and inspire others by sharing your progress in your Sunday School class.
- Invite: Invite them to Beech Haven for October 23 at 9:15, 10:30, and 6:00 p.m.

On the negative side, if we do not use October 23 with Jon Reed to introduce our friends to Christ and His good news, we probably will not use anything. This opportunity is simple, low-risk, and effective. All that remains is for us to love people. I am confident you can do that, and I am sure they will benefit.

I Stand Amazed,  
David Mills

### Worship & Music Ministry Notes

*Let the message of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns and songs of the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.*

*Colossians 3:16*

At the end of the Last Supper, as Jesus enjoyed His final few moments with His disciples, Matthew 26:30 and Mark 14:26 note that "when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives." Scholars have debated for centuries as to the exact nature of that hymn. Was it the traditional ending to the Passover meal (Jews often sang Psalms 113-118, called the great Hallel)? Was it another Psalm? What tune was used? Perhaps in His divine foreknowledge He taught them 'How Great Thou Art' some eighteen centuries before Swedish politician Carl Boberg penned the poem on which the hymn is based?

Fast forward a few years, and we find Paul and Syllas "praying and singing hymns to God" in a Philippian jail (Acts 16:25). Again, scholars are divided as to the specifics of those hymns. Perhaps they were singing the more hymn-like Psalms (as opposed to the Psalms of lament or complaint). More likely, they were singing the songs of the early church, traces of which we likely see in some of Paul's letters (such as Philippians 2:6-11 and Colossians 1:15-20). Regardless, their unaccompanied voices (unless they used their shackles like cymbals) likely varied considerably from the elaborate worship songs written by King David.

Today, when we consider the word "hymn," our first thoughts probably turn to the fine examples which have dominated the worship of the Church over the last few centuries; hymns like 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God', 'Amazing Grace', or the 'Doxology'. But hymns have a history which is older than Christianity. And the definition of a hymn is much broader and more profound, than we often recognize.

So what exactly is a hymn? It is simply a song of praise or thanksgiving which is sung to God. "He put a new song in my mouth," David writes in Psalm 40:3, "a hymn of praise to our God." In latter days, the definition has narrowed to include only congregational worship songs which fit a particular form and musical style. Yet I doubt Jesus' hymn from the upper room would sit nicely in such a narrow definition.

To be sure, Paul does draw a distinction between "Psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" in Ephesians 5:19 and Colossians 3:16. But his emphasis is not on the technical distinctions of each musical type, but on the idea that we should use every type imaginable to praise our Lord. This is a crucial idea to preserving unity in our worship. When we draw sharp distinctions and narrow our definitions, we begin to focus more on the particulars of the form and style than what is warranted. Far too often, we then begin to allow our preferences for one musical type to overshadow our praise for our King. I shudder to think how we might respond if we were somehow suddenly able to hear a recording of ancient hymns. Could we worship using the tunes of David?

Few expressions are as intensely personal as music, particularly the music we use in worship. And there is nothing wrong with having a favorite form of expression. I pray that we might be a church who continually sings to God with gratitude in our hearts, no matter the form, type, or style of our hymns, Psalms, and spiritual songs. May our great God be glorified through every expression, every voice, and every song.

Soli Deo Gloria,  
Tim Cotten

# BACKPACKS for Appalachia



This Fall, Beech Haven is collecting items and packing backpacks to assist some of the poorest children in Appalachia. Our goal is to fill 250 backpacks.

The backpacks have been purchased and a bible for each pack has been provided.

We are collecting other items until Sunday, October 30. On that day, we will meet after worship for a light lunch (for a small fee) and pack the backpacks.

**Thank you for the items already donated!**

**Below is the list of items we still need to meet our goal. Drop boxes are available near the Fellowship Hall and in the Atrium.**

### Hygiene items:

Toothbrushes  Toothpaste  Mild bar soap, boxed & placed in a plastic bag

Washcloths  Combs/Hairbrushes  Ponytail holders

### Toys:

small cars  small stuffed animals  Legos

small balls  Card games (Old Maid, Go Fish, UNO)

Jump rope  Frisbee  Doodle books

### Other:

Hard candy  Socks  T-shirts  Flashlights with extra batteries

**Sunday School Classes are encouraged to work together to purchase quantities of an item. Monetary donations will be accepted through October 16 toward the purchase of items.**

### **Navigating the Teen Years**

Parent Luncheon

Sunday, November 6

Immediately following morning Worship

#### **Topics: Social Media and Dating**

Led by Tommy Fountain

Childcare/activities available by reservation only.

Sign up for the luncheon and for childcare [here](#) or email Tommy at

[youth@beechhaven.net](mailto:youth@beechhaven.net)

### **Upward Basketball & Cheerleading**

#### Online Registration

for Kindergarten through Grade 5

Early registration price is available through October 28

\$90 for the 1st child

\$80 for the 2nd child

\$70 for the 3rd child

\$60 for 4th child and more

**All prices increase by \$10 after October 28.**

Evaluations are November 7, 8 and 10

Practices begin November 28.

First Game is January 7

Awards Celebration is February 26

Coaches and referees are needed. Applications can be found [here](#).



**We need to pray.** More now than ever, we need to plead with God to intervene. Unlike previous days, nearly every day presses upon us urgent matters requiring divine assistance.

**MOVE TO THE NEXT LEVEL OF PRAYER.**

#### **Tuesdays**

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 Women, 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

## Constitutional Review

The church's constitution calls for its review every five years. The constitution was last revised in 2011. A review will begin shortly.

An item to be considered is a [Statement on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality](#). The Personnel Committee has adopted this statement into its policy manual and the Operations and Facilities Committee has revised its [Facility Use Agreement](#) document accordingly.

At the Quarterly Conference on October 12, the church will be asked to affirm the Personnel Committee and Operation & Facilities Committee for these considerations and recommend the Statement on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality for consideration to the Constitutional Review Committee.

You are Invited to a

### Bridal Shower

Honoring

**Jordan Hall & Daniel Crumbley**

Hosted by the Parents of Children &  
Youth  
Sunday School Class

**Sunday, October 16**

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Room 107

Jordan & Daniel are registered at  
Bed Bath & Beyond  
and Amazon.com

## Decisions in September 2016

**Mary Ellen Granade**

September 11, 2016

**Jeff & Jeni Pittard**

**Kaitlyn and Joseph**

September 25, 2016

## Quarterly Church Conference

Wednesday, October 12

5:55 p.m.  
Building D

## 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

### October 4

Beef Tacos (soft shell)

Mexican chicken casserole

Black beans, corn

Queso dip

### October 11

Breakfast

Omelettes, Pancakes, Biscuits

Bacon, sausage, grits

Fruit, juice, milk

### October 18

Hamburgers and Hot dogs

Fries, Coleslaw

Brownies

### October 25

Sub sandwiches

(Philly Cheese, Ham or Turkey)

Veggie Tray and Salad

Brownies

## 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.org](mailto:cassieb@BeechHaven.org) 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

*"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'" Matthew 25:20*

There are a number of giving strategies which can not only benefit the church, but the giver. We will present a new giving strategy each month for the next several months.

**Life Insurance.** If someone wants to make a deferred gift to the church, they could purchase a policy of life insurance naming the church as the beneficiary, or the church could be named as a partial beneficiary. For example, someone has a \$100,000 life insurance policy and they designate their beneficiary as follows: Beech Haven Baptist Church (20%) Children (80%). Furthermore, one may have a life insurance policy which they obtained when their children were young. Now the children are grown and self-sufficient and the life insurance policy is no longer essential for family purposes. The church could be named as the beneficiary or partial beneficiary of such a policy. Yet another alternative is for the policy owner to give an insurance policy to the church. This would result in a charitable deduction equal to the cash value of the policy at the time of the gift. The church could then maintain the policy and pay future premiums, or alternatively, the church could cash in the policy and take payment of the cash value.

*With Sympathy*

Beech Haven extends deepest sympathies to

**Amy Cotten**

on the death of her grandmother

**Lorene Jones**

## Preschool & Children's Ministry

### Thank You!

Planting the first seeds of biblical truth happens in our preschool Sunday school and Extended Session. The faithful hard work of all Extended Session volunteers and Sunday School teachers is greatly appreciated!!!

### Children's Choir

Wednesdays - 6:00 p.m.

Kindergarten - Grade 1

Grade 2 - Grade 5

(The Grade 2-5 Choir does not meet on the last Wednesday of the month. Children attend WoW with their families).

## Student Ministry

### Great Pumpkin Hunt

Saturday, October 22 @4:00 p.m.

Which Sunday School class will win the GREAT PUMPKIN this year?  
We will have pizza immediately following the hunt.



### WINTER EXTREME

The Student Ministry will once again be headed to Winter Xtreme in Gatlinburg, TN this winter. We will leave on December 31 and return on January 2. The cost will be \$130 per person. We will need a **\$50 deposit by Wednesday, October 12**. There is absolutely no wiggle room on this deadline, as a rooming list must be sent by the end of that week. You can reserve your spot by simply turning in your \$50 to Tommy.

This year's lineup includes: Skillet, Lecrae, Crowder, Tenth Avenue North, Newsong Moriah Peters, Tony Nolan, Tom Richter, Clayton Jennings, Johnny Hunt

## College Ministry

### Tailgate

Saturday, November 12

Join us on the BCM front lawn before the Auburn-UGA game!

### Annual Winter Ski Trip

January 13-16

Winterplace, WV

Cost: \$335 (\$50 deposit MUST be turned into Tommy by September 30)

## October Calendar

### Sunday, October 2, 9, 16 & 30

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

5:45 p.m. - Financial Peace University

5:45 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study

5:45 p.m. - Awana

6:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study

6:00 p.m. - Youth Pulse

### Sunday, October 2

11:30 a.m. - Home Group Lunch  
(College Ministry)

### Tuesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25

8:00 a.m. - Call to Prayer, Conf Rm  
(see schedule on page 3)

9:00 a.m. - Precept Bible Study

9:30 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study

### Wednesdays, October 5, 12, 19, 26

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

### Wednesday, October 12

5:55 p.m. - Quarterly Church Conference

### Thursday, October 13

10:00 a.m. - Women on Mission

### Wednesday, October 19

Churchwide Call to Fast

### Sunday, October 23

#### IMPACT One Day Crusade with Jon Reed

9:15 a.m. - Regular Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship with Jon Reed

5:00 p.m. - Pizza Event for Students

5:00 p.m. - Snack Supper for Children

6:00 p.m. - Worship with Jon Reed

### Friday - Saturday, October 28 & 29

Deacon Retreat

### Sunday, October 30

11:30 a.m. - Packing Party for Backpacks

### God Blessed

#### September

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

September Receipts .....\$90,795

September Christian Concern .....\$1,040

Online giving available

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

## October Servants

### Sunday, October 2

#### Extended Session

Coordinators: Eric & Heather Harris  
 Sandi Franklin  
 Dennis & Kathy McDaniel  
 Mallory Fountain, Susan Sheffield  
 Sharon McKeithan, Lisa Rhymer

#### Children's Worship

Squeaky Drewry, Ashley Ivey

#### Usher Team

Mike Mauldin, Gene Couch

#### Shuttle Bus Driver

Mark Sizemore

#### Worship Hour Prayer Team

Joyce Bowen

#### Counting Team for Monday

Sherry Reed, Marie Moran  
 Lanie Lafayette

### Sunday, October 9

#### Extended Session

Coordinators: Kenneth & Stephanie Bowman  
 Debbie Jones, Nikki Menjivar  
 Dale & Nancy Wallace  
 Mike and Thomas Campbell  
 Jason & Lynn Booth

#### Children's Worship

Brent & Meredith Dykes

#### Usher Team

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

#### Shuttle Bus Driver

Skipper Crews

#### Worship Hour Prayer Team

Linda Allen

#### Counting Team for Monday

Linda Pickering, Allene Carteaux  
 Joyce Hartley

### Sunday, October 16

#### Extended Session

Coordinators: Eric & Rosie Ingram  
 Mike & Peggy Mauldin, Stacie Leggett  
 Jake Johnson, Cameron Sowers  
 Mary Deaton

#### Children's Worship

Tracy McKeithan, Amy Tolbert

#### Usher Team

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

#### Shuttle Bus Driver

Donnie Pickering

#### Worship Hour Prayer Team

Tracy McKeithan

#### Counting Team for Monday

Jane Poole, Emily McClure  
 Mary Deaton

*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, October 23

#### Extended Session

Coordinators: Ryan & Jennifer Adolphson  
 MaLinda McLendon, Cassie Brown  
 Mitchell Adolphson, Adam Monroe  
 Bill & Mayre Favaloro

#### Children's Worship

Cameron Sowers

#### Usher Team

John Zelley  
 James Nix, Dickie Riggs

#### Shuttle Bus Driver

Mike Owen

#### Worship Hour Prayer Team

Bob Molleur

#### Counting Team for Monday

Bob Bramblett, Millard Berry  
 Doug & Faye Owens

### Sunday, October 30

#### Extended Session

Coordinator: Joyce & Bill Bowen  
 Jerry & Sylvia Whiteside  
 Sherri Michelle Mills  
 Joann Davis, Robin Riggs  
 Nancy Hunt

#### No Children's Worship

Children attend worship  
 with their family

#### Usher Team

John Zelley  
 James Nix, Dickie Riggs

#### Shuttle Bus Driver

Robert Sinyard

#### Worship Hour Prayer Team

Austin Monroe

#### Counting Team for Monday

Bob Bramblett, Millard Berry  
 Doug & Faye Owens

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