



# BEECH HAVEN

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Kids Ministry Events	Date	Details
Mommies & Preschoolers Play Date	Friday, November 13	11:30 am in Children's Worship Room
Baby Dedication	Sunday, December 13	9:00 & 11:15 am Worship; email Pam to register: <a href="mailto:publisher@beechhaven.net">publisher@beechhaven.net</a>
Vacation Bible School	June 14-18, 20, 2021	for just completed Kindergarten-Grade 5 more details available in the Spring
Student Ministry Events	Date	Details
Midweek for Students	Wednesdays, November 4 & 11	5:30-7:00 pm Bldg D (free pizza @ 5:30)
Midweek for Students: Friendsgiving with devotion	Wednesday, November 18	5:30-7:00 pm Fellowship Hall (free Thanksgiving meal served)
Great Pumpkin Hunt	Sunday, November 8	for 6-8th grade; immediately after 11:30 am Small Group. Bring \$ for fast food lunch
Escape Room	Sunday, November 15	for 9-12 grade; immediately after 11:30 am Small Group. Cost \$28 plus \$ for lunch at <i>Cookout</i>
Summer Camp - YM360	June 28-July 2, 2021	for 6-12th grade; Orange Beach, AL Cost: \$350 per student with \$85 deposit due by January 24, 2021. Details to come
College Ministry Events	Date	Details
Bible Study	Thursdays, November 5, 12, 19	Bldg D
Church-wide Events	Date	Details
Lord's Supper	Sunday, November 8	9:00, 10:15 & 11:30 am Worship
Christmas Eve Services with Lord's Supper	Thursday, December 24	2:00 pm and 4:00 pm (Registration required. Registration opens on Sunday, December 20)
Friend Day	Sunday, January 31	9:00, 10:15 and 11:30 am
Ronnie Hill Crusade	Sunday-Wednesday, March 28-March 31	9:00, 10:15, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm 7:00 pm Monday-Wednesday

# Time Change - November 1

turn clocks **back** one hour on Saturday night, October 31

## New Job Titles

In an effort to update our organizational chart and church website, and to provide greater clarity in job descriptions and responsibilities for our pastoral staff, the Personnel Committee has approved the following title changes.

Effective immediately **John Walker** will be recognized as the **Executive Pastor of Pastoral Care & Operations**. This new designation includes responsibilities in pastoral counseling, hospital visitation, premarital counseling/preparation, personal financial and generosity coaching and Senior Adult ministry coordination; along with church financial management, office management, communications, and property management.

**Chris Orr** will be recognized as the **Executive Pastor of Worship & Ministries**. His responsibilities will include developing, leading and administering an effective congregational worship ministry, and giving day-to-day supervision to next-generation ministries, which embraces developing and discharging a strategic vision with all leaders responsible for children, student and college ministries, in acquiring and cultivating educational materials and activities which nurture individuals to mature Christ followers and Great Commissionaries.

Please pray for each of our staff pastors. Pray that God will provide them with vision, wisdom, discernment, and good health. Pray that they will always keep a proper balance in ministry and family responsibilities as they serve Beech Haven Baptist Church.

Bob Molleur  
Personal Chairman



## Thanksgiving Schedule

Wednesday, November 25

Office Closes at Noon

Thursday & Friday, November 26-27

Office Closed

Sunday, November 29

9:00 & 11:15 am Worship Services

10:15 am Small Groups

## Two Worship Services

Sunday, November 29 - January 3

9:00 and 11:15 am

All Sunday Small Groups

10:15 am

## Worship Center Renovations

The Operations & Facilities Committee is in the process of establishing the scope of work and getting prices for needed updates in the Worship Center. They aim to have this information compiled later this fall. In 2021, the Stewardship Committee will recommend to the church a funding mechanism, possibly to include a capital campaign. Questions can be directed to OPF Com. Chairman Patrick Chastain (229.347.8553), Stewardship Com. Chairman Andy Thomas (706.338.1968), or John Walker (706.201.5414).

## Thank You

Beech Haven Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for all that you've done in the last few weeks to help and support the BCM. From allowing us to use your facilities for Confluence, to helping us cover the cost of pizza, to hosting Wade Morris and allowing him to come and speak at BCM. Lives were changed forever that night and your partnership had a lot to do with that!

Thank you!

The BCM

(Baptist Collegiate Ministries at UGA)



# 3:16 Missions

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Beginning in January 2020, our missions giving was streamlined through the **3:16 Missions Offering**. Through this offering, we support these mission endeavors: Lottie Moon, Annie Armstrong, Georgia Baptist Mission Board, Global Partnerships in Indiantown, Florida; Tacana, Guatemala and the Beech Haven Mission Fund. Thank you for supporting missions!

**Week of Prayer  
for International Missions**  
November 29 - December 6  
Prayer guides are available in the office.



## With Sympathy

**Tom & Karen Clark**  
on the death of his father  
**Ralph Thomas Clark, Jr.**

**Thank you for your generosity!** The Missions team will finish boxing up all the filled backpacks on **Sunday** and transport them to the drop-off station. If you have not dropped off your filled backpack, please do so on Sunday morning, November 1 (Room 245). Over 80 children, ages 2-17, will be blessed by your giving!

### God Blessed

#### October Giving

Monthly Requirement .....\$126,500  
October Receipts .....\$84,493  
October Christian Concern .....\$1,895

Avoid fees associated with text and online giving by using **your bank's bill pay service**. Bank bill pay services send 100% of your gift to support the church's vision.

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

**Give by Text**  
**706-550-9534**

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### Ministry Staff

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Church Family:

I have been requested to share some biblical principles that guide my voting in elections. I am reticent to do so for the following reasons: (1) I do not believe there is a large “market” for my ideas; people have their own, thank you very much; (2) I do not want to be accused of partisanship or endorsing a candidate; (3) it is easy to be misunderstood by hyper partisans and others who take politics more seriously than the gospel; (4) it is too easy to get church people “stirred up in a lather” over politics and nearly impossible to get them “stirred in a lather” over evangelism and souls.

That said, I do have some thoughts about elections and their consequences that I have not found in other places. I believe a discussion on this matter is worth the effort because God can use it to build Great Commissionaries. Jesus Christ is Lord, and He is to function as Lord when we enter the voting booth. That is enough for me to address Christians and the upcoming election.

I have several questions I ask of candidates before I decide who to vote for. You will notice that one important question does not appear, and that is the question “Who is the most moral candidate?” That is an important question, but I do not ask that question now because I have no way of knowing who today is the most moral candidate. Frankly, the way the two candidates speak about their opponents is repulsive. Further, nearly every presidential candidate after Jimmy Carter has had some serious moral deficiency in their pasts before running for president. I wish all of them had personal lives and reputations like President Jimmy Carter. That is not an option in most presidential elections (It is in most local and state elections).

Most of the questions I ask about candidates involve policy and how their proposed policies intersect with the Christian faith and mission. With some candidates we have a record. We do in this election with both President Trump and Vice-President Biden. Sometimes we do not have much of a voting record at all as in the case of President Obama. We also have their promises and their party’s platforms. All Americans should consult these. With that said, here are the questions I ask before deciding who will receive my vote.

1. Which candidate will create an economy that will enable Christians and churches to give more to missions and fund more missionaries? A robust economy is necessary for Christians to have the wherewithal to fund kingdom work. The candidate who wants my vote must create economic conditions that make it possible for us to live out to the max the missionary texts of Matthew 28:18—20 and 2 Corinthians 8—9.
2. Which candidate will appoint judges and implement policy that will protect religious liberty for all Americans? Two schools of thought dominate thinking in America on this matter. Some think government should be in a position to order churches to close, to sing, or to meet. Our church believes that that is the role of Jesus Christ alone. What do the candidates think on this matter? The candidate who wants my vote must make it possible for us to live out to the max the religious liberty texts of Matthew 22:21 and Philippians 2:9—12.
3. Which candidate will appoint judges and implement policies that protect unborn children? Unborn children are the most murdered persons in the history of humanity. Which candidate gives America the best opportunity to end this holocaust against the unborn? The candidate who wants my vote must make it possible for us to live out to the max the pro-life texts of Exodus 21:22—25 and Psalms 139:1—24.
4. Which candidate will bring with him the most godly, Christ-minded, prayerful Americans with him into his administration? The president does very little actual work of his administration. Many within his administration work independently in offices that directly impact the lives of Americans. They are unelected, so they need a vital, robust walk with God to have the discernment necessary for their work. The candidate who wants my vote must make it possible for us to live out to the max the social texts of Proverbs 1:10—19 and 1 Corinthians 15:33.
5. Which candidate has done and proposes to do the most for poor American citizens? Which one has a track record and future plan to create an economy that lifts the poor so that they can give like Great Commissionaries? The candidate who wants my vote must make it possible for us to live out to the max the justice texts of 1 Samuel 8:10—18 and Romans 13.

These are the five questions I will ask the first Tuesday of November provided a Godzilla sized turkey does not descend upon the nation and eat us in a stunning act of irony. Remember. It is 2020.

I Stand Amazed,  
David Mills