

MAGNIFY CHRIST, BUILD GREAT COMMISSIONARIES

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Phase 2 of Regathering

We entered Phase 2 of our Regathering Plan on Sunday, August 23. All children, youth and college **Sunday Small Groups** resumed in-person gatherings at 10:15 am. Some Adult Sunday Small Groups met solely in-person, some met solely online and many used a hybrid method (meeting inperson and online simultaneously). <u>Check out the website for details on how/where each class is meeting.</u>

The Fellowship Hall has been added as a second venue for 11:15 Worship. Social distancing is observed and masks are required for those choosing this venue.

Kid's Worship (children Kindergarten - Grade 5) resumed inperson with full hour programming at 9:00 and 11:15.

Connection Cards returned to the pew racks for prayer requests and guest registration.

Health Precautions for In-Person Groups:

- When unable to social distance in classrooms, please wear a mask.
- When in hallways, please wear a mask.
- Temperature checks are conducted at entrances.
- The Worship Center is disinfected between services.

Procedures for Moving throughout the building:

- Everyone enters and exists only through the main doors of the Worship Center or at the Fellowship Hall doors.
- We continue to escort people to specific seats in the Worship Center to maximize the number of attendees while maintaining social distancing protocols.

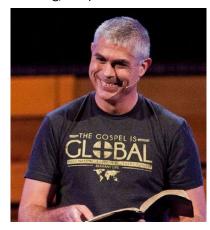
Evangelism Crusade with Wade Morris

Sunday, September 27

9:00 am, 11:15 am and 6:00 pm Live streamed at 11:15 and 6:00 pm

Monday, September 28

7:00 pm (In-person and Live streamed at BeechHaven.org/Live)



Wade is from Birmingham, Alabama and a graduate of Samford University where he received a degree in Business Finance. He also received his Master of Divinity Degree from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Wade served on staff at several churches before he surrendered to a full time call to itinerant ministry. Wade's speaking style is to engage the audience with sound Biblical teaching and insight to make the message of Christ relative to people in all walks of life. This combination allows Wade to share truth with those outside the church as well as deepen the faith of the believer. His ministry has allowed him to speak to hundreds of thousands of adults and students all over the world.

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)

Beech Haven on Mission

Christmas Backpacks

to be distributed to children and teens in need in various parts of Georgia and in Appalachia



Beech Haven has purchased a limited number of backpacks for members to fill according to the packing instructions enclosed in the backpacks and return to the church no later than October 18.

Members of the Missions Committee will be at the Fellowship Hall portico on Saturday, September 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon to allow members to drive by and pick up as many backpacks as they will be able to fill. They will be designated for boy or girl, and according to age grouping.

If all of the church-provided backpacks are taken, please feel free to buy a sturdy backpack and fill according to the packing instructions, which will be distributed to each adult Sunday School class. If you need a copy, please contact the church office and they can email a copy to you. Any backpacks that are not picked up at the drive-by on Saturday, September 12 will be available in the Worship Center on the following Sunday. Please take only the number you feel you can fill and return by October 18.

Packing instructions can be found here.

The Return

National and Global Day of Prayer & Repentance

Saturday, September 26 National Mall, Washington D.C. and simulcasted locally (link to come) 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Christian leaders across denominations are calling Christians across the world to pray for revival through individual and corporate repentance.

More information can be found here.

Holy Land Tour

Dr. Mills will join Todd Houston and Moriah Tours to lead a journey through of Holy Land December 27, 2020—January 8, 2021. Tour spots include the Sea of Galilee, Mount Carmel, Nazareth, Capernaum, the Dead Sea, Jerusalem, and many more. Spots are still available. Cost is \$5200. A deposit of \$500 is due October 1, 2020. Please contact Dr. Mills at 706-461-8867 or dmills@beechhaven.net for more information. Appropriate Covid-19 precautions will be taken.

Beech Haven on Mission

While the pandemic has interrupted Beech Haven's efforts to "go" nationally and internationally, it has not interrupted our efforts to share love with our local community.

Food Drive

Over 60 households dropped off canned food at the drive-by Food Drive on Saturday, August 22. The donations were delivered to the Food Bank of Northeast Georgia. The Food Bank serves our local community through Mobile Food Pantries, the Food2Kids program and its Senior Brown Bag Program.

Beech Haven households also donated over \$800 dollars to the Food Drive. For every \$1 donated, the Food Bank distributes 4 meals.

For more information on Food Bank services see their website: https://foodbanknega.org/services/



Thank you to our Heroes!

Our local medical community continues to serve on the frontlines every day. In appreciation of their dedication, Beech Haven has provided meals to several shifts at PARMC in recent weeks. *Brett's Casual American* and a local caterer prepared the meals. Your contributions to Christian Concern make the donation of these meals possible.





Stories.

Sharing our stories for the Glory of God.

Below, Carol Schimmel recounts the results of sharing her story with an acquaintance (a friend of a friend). The Lord used Carol's vulnerability in sharing her personal tragedy and her testimony of how the prayers of her church carried her through the tragedy, to change the life of this acquaintance, who is now a friend.

About a month ago, a friend asked me about a terrible situation that had happen in my family's life on April 2,2020. As I shared with her, I could tell her friend was very interested in what I had to say. I shared we would not have gotten through this tragedy without our church and prayers for our family. A week or so went by and I received a phone call from my friend's friend. She spilled out her heart to me and everything she shared our family had been living for 25 years. She and her husband had been married a short time and she was distraught over his struggles. She asked if I knew a place she might share with her husband, he needed help. I gave her the name of Penfield and the phone number. I honestly never thought I would hear from her again. I share my testimony every opportunity I get, and to be honest, I do not hear much about what might have or have not happened as a result. Two weeks ago, I received a call again and this time it was tears of joy. She called to thank me and my Sunday school class for praying for her and her husband. She had just gotten off the phone with him. He told her he had accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was going to be baptized and asked if she could come. Through tears, she told him nothing could keep her away. You never know where or when someone might need to hear about your life and what God has done. I made a point of seeing my friend today, not my friend's friend. And now she glows with God's love and grace. Even in the pandemic, God is still working.

<u>Click here for more information on the ministry of Penfield.</u> Beech Haven supports the ministry of Penfield through the budgeted Beech Haven Mission Fund. Your tithes and offerings support this fund.

Worship Ministry

Since moving to a broadcast format in March, we've required **4x as many weekly volunteers** to execute the tasks needed to get the service out over the internet. We've had numerous NEW volunteers step forward including Ryan Adolphson, Dennis McDaniel, Tracy McKeithan, Grant Chastain, Claire Campbell, Jackson Pollock, Kevin McKeithan, Alex Schwarzenbach, Luke Mills and several more. Also a huge thanks to Tracy McKeithan, Adam Schwarzenbach, Kirk Schwarzenbach, Zach Ellington & Alan Brown for spending countless hours at the church each week, over the past five months, to ensure that our members and the community get to experience our weekend service at the highest quality possible.

Children's Ministry

In Children's Ministry, we are embarking on a new, exciting journey with a 2-member leadership team of Kyle Canady and Mark Grace. We are ecstatic to be back doing in-person Kid's Worship on Sundays at 9 and 11:15, and in-person Sunday School at 10:15. We also have **Kid's Worship @Home**, an online worship service with the exact same content as in-person, available on demand through our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

Our first Sunday back was a huge success! One example: a Kindergartener was turned from a reluctant church goer into an avid participant who did not want to leave. We believe that great things are ahead for Beech Kids, and we are looking for people to join our team! We'd love for your Kindergarten through Grade 5 child to join us either online or on Sunday mornings, and we'd love for you to join us in impacting the next generation for the kingdom of God. Contact kcanady@beechhaven.net for more information.

Student Ministry



2021 Budget Process

The church budgeting process for 2021 is underway. Your prayers are requested and if you have any thoughts/suggestions contact Stewardship Chairman Andy Thomas

at athecommercialbank.net or 706.338.1968 or John Walker at jw@bechhaven.net or 706.201.5414.

God Blessed

August Giving

Monthly Requirement\$126,500 August Receipts\$129,021 August Christian Concern\$4,034 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



With Sympathy

Jean Henninger
on the death of her father
Hal Henninger

John Webb
on the death of his sister
Cleo Jane Pitts

Lee Catoe
on the death of his mother
Priscilla Catoe

Marvin Brown
on the death of his wife
Marci Brown

Nellie Bramblett
on the death of her husband
Bob Bramblett

Durrel "DK" Kennedy on the death of his wife **Shirley Kennedy**

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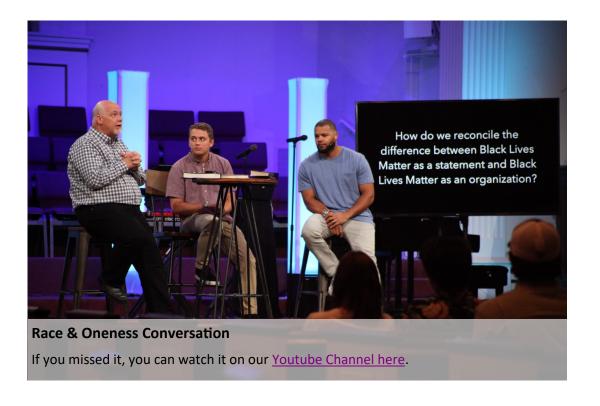
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Welcome to In-Person Worship!

Register for this Sunday's services here

