

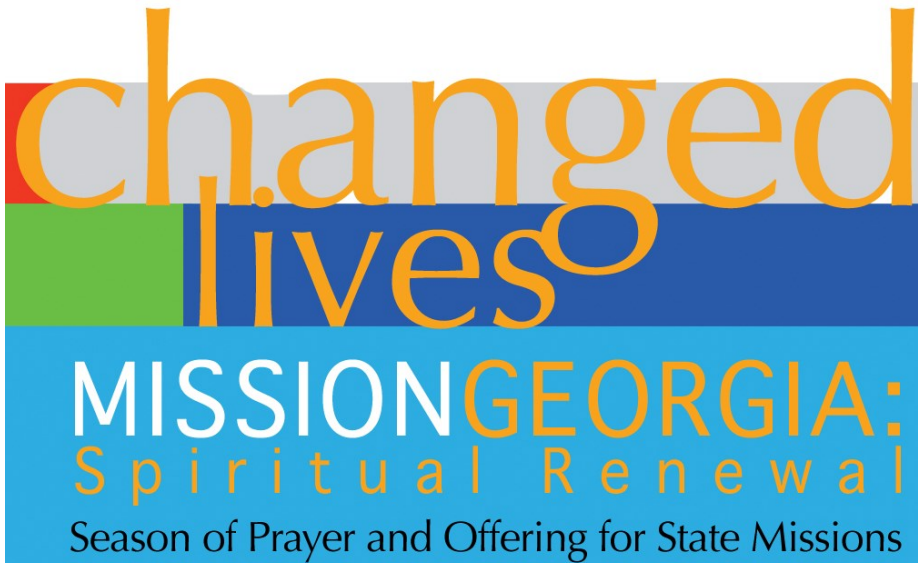


The Beacon



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Mission Statement: "To glorify God and to be the Body of Christ in this Community"



Our Church Goal
\$1,500

September 3, 2014

Special Guest Speaker:

Susan Swanson
Crisis Pregnancy Center

The Mission Georgia Season of Prayer and Offering (Formerly the State Missions offering) is an annual emphasis which supports the ministries, missions, and evangelism work of the Georgia Baptist Convention. The 2014 theme is "Change Lives" and the offering goal is 1.75 million with emphasis dates of September and year-round.

Fred Gunter receiving the Lifetime Ministry Achievement Award for 50 years of Church Music Ministry in Georgia.



Fred and Ann Gunter.

Jon Duncan, Georgia Baptist Church Music and Worship Ministries, presented the award.



Pastor's Column

Dear Church Family,

In 1929, plans developed to plant a Baptist church in the "Hill" section of Augusta. In 1955, recounting the motivation for planting our church, our historian wrote, "People of faith and consecration went to church, it's true; but the time had come to bring churches closer to the people. God always is practical." I love reading about the history of our church. Our historian tells us, "God led out from the City and other parts of the Country, a group of Bible-loving people who were greatly desiring to exalt 'Christ' and the 'Bible.'" This group of people were willing to take a risk and God has used their faith to change countless lives.

Over the 80 plus years of our church's existence faith-filled people have sought to do whatever it takes in order to reach people for Jesus. They built buildings. They started small group Bible studies. They started children's Bible classes. They gave money to state and international missions. They went on mission trips all over the world. They planted churches. I could go on and on. The point is that effort was made to reach people for Jesus Christ.

We are at a unique time in the life of our church. We have the opportunity to once again consider what it will take in order to reach more people in our community for Christ. A few weeks ago, I sent out a report that explains our need to create a new life cycle. In the report, I proposed the idea to create a second Sunday morning service that may enable us to reach more people in our community. I tried to anticipate many of the questions you would have and attempted to address them in the report. I am sure there are other questions that need to be answered. On Wednesday, September 10th at 6:15pm we will meet in the Social Hall to have an open forum to address those questions. I hope you will attend this forum. The motivation behind creating a new life cycle is to exalt Christ. Our mission has not changed since our founding. We will continue to seek out ways to bring the church to the people. Please join me in praying that God will give us wisdom in the days ahead as we seek to be fruitful in the ministry God has entrusted to us in our city.

In Christ,

Pastor Ron Jones

Prayer List

Members with Health Concerns

Cliff Blackwell	Edwin Blanchard	Viola Francisco
Frank Martin	Nellie Noegel	Margaret Rice
W. C. Sandifer	Dottie Sandifer	Ruby Tucker

Information as of 8/25/2014
Monday - Friday updates on Information Line @733-3029.



Our next Senior Adult Cookie Ministry Day is Thursday, September 4th. Meet me in the Social Hall at 10 a.m.

Our trip to The Charleston Tea Plantation is on for September 18-19. If you signed up with me to go you will be getting some more detailed information from me real soon. If you haven't signed up, or you're not sure, it's not too late. Call me today and I'll get you on the list!

Our Children's Choir has started back up! They meet on Sunday nights at 6:00 and would love to have your kids, grades 1-5, come and join them.



The Sanctuary Choir has begun work on our Christmas musical and it's going to be really good! It's not too late for you to join us! Even if you don't feel like you can commit to sing each Sunday morning we would love to have you come and be a part of our Christmas presentation. We meet on Wednesday nights at 6:30 in the choir room. We'd love to have you!

Bob Walker

Team Ministry

The sign up sheets are in the Social Hall through the month of September. Please pray about a ministry that you feel that God would have you serve. It takes all members of the body of Christ working together to accomplish the tasks he has set before us.



The Children's Ministry has had an excellent start to Fall activities! As many of you know, we have added an additional children's Sunday School class, now giving us three classes of students. We have seen great attendance and discipleship developing in each of these classes. We continue to praise The Lord for the children He has given us to teach, what a wonderful responsibility! We also have Children's Choir with Mrs. Chris and Miss Rachel available Sunday nights at 6:00 pm for students 1st grade and above. We kicked-off Mission Friends and Children in Action on Wednesday night with a Mexican fiesta as they learned about missionaries in Mexico. This September our kids will be learning about NAMB missionaries from San Francisco. It is never too late to join in on all the fun we have going on this Fall!

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6

Coming Events: Parents' Night Out! Kids of all ages: get rid of your parents and join us Friday, October 3rd at 5:30-8:30 for a movie night on the playground! Please bring \$3 per kid for dinner. Can't wait to see you there!

In Him,

Abbey Sandifer



Kicked off our new Sunday School classes with a Birthday party for Jesus (& August birthdays).

Follow The Hill Kids on Facebook.



The Hill Youth have a new logo! It is a new year and we have new students in our group, and I felt it was time for something new, something that would reflect the love this group has for each other and their desire to serve God and others. I don't know how to design logos, so I asked for help in a Facebook group. Within minutes I got a message from a lady named Chrissy Tyson, offering to design a logo for free! I told her I wanted it to incorporate a heart to represent love, hands to represent service, and the name "The Hill Youth" and "THY." I think she came up with a great design (and it looks great on a t-shirt)!

We also have lots of ideas for the 2014-2015 school year! We are studying 1 & 2 Thessalonians on Wednesday nights and in Sunday school we are studying the Ten Commandments and how they apply to our lives today. We will also be volunteering with Under the Bridge Ministry, helping with children's events at church, having another free car wash, and, in the winter, we'll spend a Saturday giving away free coffee and muffins (which we will bake ourselves). And we're working on planning a Winter Retreat, a lock-in, and D-Now in the spring!

Upcoming events:

Friday, September 5: Lakeside @ ARC football game (7:30 pm)

Friday, September 12: Lincoln County @ Westside football game (7:30 pm)

Friday, September 19: Evans @ Lakeside football game (7:30 pm)

Sunday, September 21: Dinner and a Movie on the Playground (7:00 pm)

Saturday, September 27: Hiking trip to Watson Mill Bridge State Park (10:00 am)

Connie Lee Blanchard



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Minister on Call

Rev. Ron Jones
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If you cannot reach the minister on call,
please call the deacons of the week.

Deacons on Call

September 7

Gasper Blandeburgo
Dean Thompson

September 14

Billy Lynn

September 21

Wayne Bruner
Harold Baker

September 28

Jonathan Walker
Charles Kee

Fellowship Club

September 16

Program:

50's and 60's Feel Good Show

Menu:

Beef Roast, Steamed Broccoli
Potato Salad, Croissants, Chocolate Pie

If you are 55 or older you are eligible to join.

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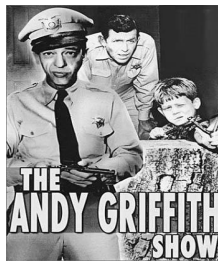
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Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

In memory of Alex Blandeburgo on his Birthday
His Family

Wednesday Nights at The Hill



6:15 p.m. Bible Study using episodes
from "The Andy Griffith Show."

Ladies Bible Study:
Gideon
5:30 p.m. in Room 214.

Gideon

PRISCILLA SHIRER
Your weakness
God's STRENGTH..

Please make your Wednesday Supper Reservations by
noon on Tuesday.