

# Holiday Hill Baptist Church

Communicating the Love of Christ to All People



Greetings BAT Retreat Families!

In approx. 10 days we will be headed on a Bodacious Atlanta Trip. In lieu of a traditional meetup beforehand, this letter will serve as an alternative due to concerns of COVID-19. Speaking of which, let us get right down to business.

1. Come to church for the 11am service on Sunday July 12.
2. Have all your luggage, accessories, and a bag lunch.
3. After service we will eat lunch in the fellowship hall.
4. Before lunch all teens and leaders will receive a temperature check. Those with a fever cannot join us this week.
5. We will arrive at the house in Douglasville, GA at around 7:30pm.
6. Each teen must pack a mask.
7. Each teen must have a pair of water shoes for white water rafting.
8. Though we say we are on an Atlanta trip, truth is that due to COVID we are only presently scheduled to be in Atlanta on Tuesday. If things appear unsafe, we can and will change that scheduled event.
9. The only money they will need will be for souvenirs, snacks, assorted beverages, and one lunch on the way back home.
10. Failure to follow the rules, especially in light of these times, will result in the teen being sent home at your expense. Please emphasize your displeasure of this fact and "encourage" them accordingly.

If you have any other questions, please contact me. Take care and God bless. Josh

## A Word From Your Pastor

As we have walked through the last several months of coronavirus, I have noted that at times the speed of change has been incredibly fast, and difficult to stay up with. However, we managed well, kept pace, and ensured everything was handled as needed. When life finally settled down a little, we were able to enjoy the pace and manage the adjustments. Life is never static, and once again the speed of change has picked up, necessitating some changes in our schedule and operating practices @ church. The information we posted the week of June 22<sup>nd</sup> about returning to our regular schedule July 5<sup>th</sup>, is no longer valid. :(

With an increase in coronavirus cases, especially in younger demographics, the city of Jacksonville instituted a requirement for masks to be worn inside for public gatherings and where social distancing is difficult/not possible. The requirement applies to our gatherings, and we will follow the city's guidelines. As a result, this is our schedule and procedures, starting **July 1<sup>st</sup>**. **Wednesday** services will continue at 6:30 p.m., and will include the worship team gathering in the sanctuary and the adult Bible study in the Fellowship Hall. When in the building, masks are required to be worn. **Sunday** will see a change as we will only have one service, @ 11:00 a.m. Attendance numbers in June makes us comfortable that we will have room for those who attend while maintaining social distance guidelines. When in the building, masks are required. We will not have Community Groups until further notice. I know this is frustrating, but please help us make this work. If for whatever reason you are uncomfortable attending in person, live stream of our Sunday service begins @ 11:00 a.m.

A few things to note in July. We will host a virtual Vacation Bible School starting the week of July 13<sup>th</sup>. Details are elsewhere in this newsletter. Our students are leaving on their retreat July 12<sup>th</sup>. Please be praying for them and our leaders. On Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, we will give an update on how we navigated through some of the issues during the coronavirus crisis to date and how we as a church rallied together and worked the issues so ministry could continue.

Despite all the changes and aggravations, our focus is and must be the Gospel. As we discussed June 28<sup>th</sup> and were challenged by Rob, a former member of our church, we must be about the Gospel and help raise up others to be the same way. Let us remember the mandate of Christ to proclaim the Good News to all who need it, no matter what is happening in the world around us.

In Christ,  
Pastor Albert

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## JULY BIRTHDAYS

Nyalam Rom	5
Evelyn Rockholt	10
Lea McSwain	10
Nicholas Butts	11
Elmer Groom	12
Diamari Simmons	15
Dianne Syphard	15
Mike Cooper	16
Stacie Butts	18
Elizabeth Steck	19
Jeff Martin	19
Owen Ingram	20
Michelle Miller	20
Kelly Parish	22
Carrie Jones	24
Candy Harvison	27
Bella Willard	28
Gregg Williams	29
Millie Reeves	30

# God is Wild about You!

## DRIVE-THRU VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

INFO: [www.holidayhillbc.org](http://www.holidayhillbc.org)



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Neighborhood Meetings.....July 9, 7 pm  
Prayer Walk .....July 11  
Stewardship Meeting.....July 21, 6:30pm

Dear Church Family,  
A grateful thank you  
for your prayers, food,  
cards & many other  
acts of kindness for Bill and me.  
Forever thankful, Betty Jones



### Summer Camp Program

Monday - Friday, through August 7, 9 am - 4 pm  
Cost per week: \$150  
Before/After care: \$35  
Register Online: [www.renaissanceyouth.com](http://www.renaissanceyouth.com)