

GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE

The Apostle Paul declares this very clearly in Philippians 1:6 - *Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Jesus Christ.*

Not being able to see things through to completion seems to be something that very many people are plagued with in their life. I'm so glad that God does not have that problem.

As God looks at all of us, He not only sees our sin, but He sees our need of forgiveness. Thank God He also sees the potential in our lives, and He's prepared to work with us and on us for the rest of our lives, so we can become more Christlike.

God had a plan to rescue mankind all the way back to the garden of Eden. Through the centuries of time, God brought about His plan of eternal redemption for those that accept the Lord into their life.

Paul shared this with the Saints of Galatia in Galatians 4:4-5 - *But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.* (KJV)

This Christmas, please remember that God could through the centuries of time bring to pass His plan for The Christ Child to come into the world, and so can He bring to completion His masterpiece in your life.

Lawana and I are looking forward to the Christmas season with the Hillcrest Family. Remember that we love you, and my prayer for all of our lives is that we will ask God to complete His eternal plan in our lives.

Merry Christmas,  
Pastor Charles

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NOEL HALLELUJAH MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

*Merry Christmas!  
Happy New Year!*

- ~ December 4 - Decorate for Christmas
- ~ December 22 & 29 - No Wednesday Evening Activities
- ~ December 23 & 24 - Church Office closed for Christmas
- ~ December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service
- ~ December 25 - Christmas Day
- ~ January 1 - New Years Day

*If you can't worship with us in the Sanctuary, you can still worship where you are and join us online on Sundays at 11:00 a.m.*  
[www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/sermons-and-bible-studies](http://www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/sermons-and-bible-studies)

... and he is named  
**Wonderful**  
*Comforter*  
**Mighty**  
*God*  
**Everlasting**  
*Father*  
**Prince**  
*of Peace*  
Isaiah 9:6, NRSV



**Office Schedule**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
**Closed on Fridays**

If you need to reach the staff after hours, please call the office - 706.793.3104 - and leave a message. You can also reach us through email at [hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net](mailto:hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net).

**The Church Office will be closed**  
**December 23-24 for Christmas.**

This edition of the newsletter is for December 2021 and January 2022. No newsletter will be published at the end of December. The calendars for December and January are included in this edition.



- Wednesday, December 22  
No Evening Activities
- Thursday & Friday, December 23 - 24  
Church Office Closed
- Friday, December 24, 6:00 p.m.  
Christmas Eve Service
- Wednesday, December 29  
No Evening Activities

From the Congregation & Staff  
of Hillcrest Baptist Church:



If you are unable to attend our worship services at the church, please continue giving your tithes and offerings. You may mail your offering to the church, drop it by the church office, or donate online on our Website at [www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/give](http://www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/give).

**End of Year Contributions** - Contributions will be counted for 2021 if they are:

- Received or postmarked no later than December 31, 2021
- Electronically submitted no later than December 31, 2021

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions** will be taken during the month of December. Goal: \$5,000.



## Prayer Groups

- Ladies of the Church Weekly Prayer Group meets Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. in the Prayer Room at the church.
- Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast will resume on January 11 at 7:00 a.m., Chick-fil-A on Peach Orchard Road.

## Committee Meetings

- **Budget & Finance Committee**  
Tuesday, December 14, 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, January 11, 6:00 p.m.
- **Deacons' Meeting**  
Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, January 11, 7:00 p.m.

Hillcrest Family,



"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11- KJV) In that simple profound verse lies the essence of the gospel. As I think back on my life and how God has blessed me and my family, I am in awe and wonder! Why He chose me is beyond my comprehension and it makes me so very grateful. Over and over, I can look back and see the hand of God orchestrating my life to His perfect plan. Not that I always followed, but He would find a way, through the Holy Spirit, to guide me back on track.

Christmas is a wonderful time of year to reflect on God's goodness and remember the great gift He gave in Jesus Christ. Life seems so complicated today, but if you remain focused on Him, it doesn't take long to realize the simple things of life make living worthwhile. It's also a time of giving to others because He gave His all for us.

Thank you, Lord, for the staff and members of Hillcrest Baptist Church who love Christ with all their hearts. I thank Him for the Praise Team who support the Music Ministry every week. God bless you all, and I wish you all the most wonderful and blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

In His Steps,  
Bill

**Help Us Decorate!**  
**Saturday, December 4**  
**10:00 a.m.**



Please come and help us decorate the church for Christmas!



## Message Series

### Sundays

- **During Advent: Experiencing The Miracle of Christmas**

### Wednesdays

#### Hymns About Him



**The Bereavement Ministry** is asking for volunteers to assist with providing meals to the families of church

members when they pass away. Ann Newsome is the coordinator for this. If you would like to help, please contact Ann or the church office.



## Notes of THANKS

Hillcrest Baptist Church,  
Thank you so much for the food that was provided for our family during our time of loss. Your thoughts and prayers were greatly appreciated.

The Dosier Family - Brenda, Barbara, Randel and all the family

Hillcrest Members & Staff,  
Thank you all so much for everything your church did to make our mother's homegoing a little more bearable. Our family appreciated every act of kindness that you all showed during our mother's illness and her death. So many great people showed what true Christians really are.

Sending the love of God to each of you.  
The Patterson-Thompson Family - Carol, Donna, Sharon, Jim, Diane, and Dewey