

Fountain of Hope

Official Newsletter of the Fountain of Hope Christian Church

MISSION: Encourage spiritual growth and nurture God's children to take care of self, community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service.



Special points of interest:

- Hope-Casts to listen to encourage you
- Stewardship
- Georgia Voting
- LIT Initiative providing opportunities

Mother's Teaching and Fathers Instruction

"8 Hear, my child, your father's instruction, and do not reject your mother's teaching; 9 for they are a fair garland for your head, and pendants for your neck."—Proverbs 1:8-9 NRSV

Seated in this first chapter of Proverbs is a profound statement. Hear your father's instruction and do not reject your mother's teaching. At a first glance it might appear that the writer of proverbs is talking about the same thing.

While both refer to a child receiving something valuable from their parents, instruction and teaching are two different concepts. Instruction has to do with telling someone how to do something, operate something, or assemble something. Teaching is sharing a philosophy, idea, or belief about something from an authority figure. Yes, a father can teach and a mother can instruct, but in this case, the writer encourages children to receive both instruction

and teaching.

As we celebrate Mother's in May, we celebrate those mothers who took time to teach their children. Some of you may recall sayings such as "if it don't come out in the wash it will come out in the rinse. You better tell the truth." Or you may have heard something like "a hard head makes a sore behind" or "sometimes you only pay attention to bought sense". In both cases, these teachings speak to lifelong truths. The first speaks of lies. If you tell a lie, normally it requires another lie to cover it up. At some point, the truth will come out. So it's better to just tell the truth. The latter two sayings speak of failure of a person to accept and adhere to wise counsel. When people stop to give you advice especially when they care about you like a parent, they are giving you this advice so that you won't make the same mistakes that they have seen others

make or mistakes that they have made themselves. The gray haired lady with wrinkled skin used to have black, brown, red, blonde, or brunette hair with smooth skin. What you see is the effects of time and lessons learned.

If mother takes time to teach you, don't reject her teaching. Your mother's teaching will be a "garland for your head and pendants for you neck." In other words, both will make you look, feel, and be better.

If your mother is no longer with you and you had a chance to know your mother, be thankful and wear your garland and pendants well. If you have never known your mother or your mother has not given good teachings, take the lessons that God has blessed you with and instruct and teach your children and others younger than you.

May God bless you to sow good seeds that will reap in the future.

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2020 Census—Be Counted

The United States is mandated by law to count all the people in country every 10 years. The distribution of wealth is determined by the census, the distribution of the representation in the House of Representatives is determined by the census, and for a generation or more, the policies are set based on who the Census says in the country. Health clinics, schools, fire stations, police precincts, and so

much more are determined by the Census. Be counted.

NEED A JOB:

<https://www.2020census.gov/en/jobs.html> In the Atlanta area, the pay can be as high as \$20 per hour. Jobs for the 2020 Census offer competitive wages that are paid weekly. Authorized expenses, such as mileage, are reimbursed for employees doing field work.

<https://recruitment.2020census.gov/>

Here's the information you'll need to provide to get started:

- Social Security number
- Home address (physical location and mailing address)
- Email address and phone number
- Date and place of birth

Failure to provide this information will eliminate your application.



Rev. Dr. Charles F. Marshall, III
Senior Pastor

Absentee Ballot Process

Spread the word



ALERT: Due to COVID-19 (coronavirus), all active voters will be mailed an absentee ballot request form for the May 19th primary election. You are strongly encouraged to follow the directions and return the form in order to receive an absentee ballot. Early voting and election day polling locations will remain open, however, to reduce crowds all voters are encouraged to vote absentee.

There is no specific deadline for absentee ballot applications to be received. However, no absentee ballots will be issued on the day before, or the day of the election.

You do not need to provide a reason to request an absentee ballot by mail. You may request an absentee ballot as early as 180 days before an election. Absentee ballots must be received by the [county board of registrars](#) by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. No absentee ballots are issued on the day before or the day of an election. You may fill out an absentee ballot request [here](#). The application must be in writing and contain the address to which the ballot is to be mailed, sufficient information to identify you as a voter, and the election in which you wish to vote. If you are physically disabled or living temporarily outside your county of residence, a close relative may apply for an absentee ballot for you. You may vote by absentee ballot in person at the registrars' office, Monday through Friday, the week prior to the election without having to provide a reason.

<https://www.vote411.org/georgia#absentee-ballot-process>

UPCOMING ELECTION DATES & REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Some elections in this list are local and do not apply for all Georgia voters. Please click the "View all" button below to view all election dates in your state.

NEXT ELECTION: PRIMARY, GENERAL

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Presidential Primary, Municipal Elections

[View details](#)

Registration Deadlines

ONLINE [Get Registered!](#)
Monday, April 20, 2020

BY MAIL
Monday, April 20, 2020

IN PERSON
Monday, April 20, 2020

21 JUL	Tuesday, July 21, 2020 Georgia View details	PRIMARY, GENERAL, RUNOFF
03 NOV	Tuesday, November 3, 2020 Georgia View details	GENERAL
01 DEC	Tuesday, December 1, 2020 Georgia View details	RUNOFF
05 JAN	Tuesday, January 5, 2021 Georgia View details	RUNOFF



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 Bro. Sam Underwood
 Elder Donevan Reese
 Rev. Melva Hill
 Sis. Zelma Byrd
 Family of Leon V. Houser
 Those suffering from Covid-19
 The Dixon Family
 The Cook Family

“What you do each day is how you live your life. What are you doing today that you can thank yourself tomorrow”

Become a Member

Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is take the step of faith and become a part of this fellowship.

You may join by one of three (3) ways: Baptism, Letter, or Watch Care.

Baptism—If you never have been baptized

Letter — If you are moving membership from another church.

Watch Care—Keep your current membership, but affiliate under care while you are in fellowship with Fountain of Hope.

Now it’s up to you. Make the step. We have members who are affiliated with this fellowship throughout the United States. You may be the next member wherever you reside.

Let us know if you have questions.

News from the Disciples of Christ

Regional Assembly

First Christian Church Macon
 Rescheduled

Christmount, 222 Fern Way, Black Mountain, NC 28711
 Rescheduled

Black Ministers Retreat

Nashville, TN
 Rescheduled

National Convocation

Ft. Worth, TX
 July 22-25, 2020



Church Leadership Workshop

CDC Coronavirus www.cdc.gov

COVID-19 <https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-19-materials-and-resources>

 [COVID-19 Funeral Guidance](#) (1.01 MB)

 [COVID-19 FAQ](#) (844.97 KB)

 [COVID-19 FAQ: Spanish](#) (438.19 KB)

 [COVID-19 General Information Factsheet](#) (1.2 MB)

 [COVID-19 Guidance for Public Swimming Pools](#) (123.99 KB)

 [Return to Work Guidance for Persons Not Working in Healthcare Settings](#) (1.08 MB)

 [Healthcare Worker Return to Work Guidance](#) (150.41 KB)

 [Georgia Correctional Facility FAQ](#) (146.27 KB)

 [COVID-19 Guidance: Childcare](#) (858.15 KB)

 [COVID-19 Guidance: Older Adults](#) (1.08 MB)

 [COVID-19 Handwashing Poster](#) (1.17 MB)

 [COVID-19 Handwashing Poster: Spanish](#) (812.34 KB)

 [Guidance for Georgia Clinicians](#) (168.52 KB)

 [Interim Guidance for Home Health care Workers](#) (155.52 KB)

Interim guidance for home health care workers during the COVID-19 pandemic

 [What to do if you are sick with the novel coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#) (1.04 MB)



Mission of Hope

We are enhancing and creating partnerships to improve the delivery of youth ministry in the Metro Atlanta Area. In this new program, we would like to bring together the best and most hopeful young people across the Metro Atlanta region to provide meaningful opportunities to each of them. Does this mean that we are seeking students with the highest GPA's? Absolutely not! We are seeking students who have a desire to improve their condition and to be all that God has created them to be. In this program, we would like to help assist youth leaders, teachers, mentors, and other in providing programs such as the following:

College Tours • African Heritage Tours • Leadership Development Experiences • Career Development

OBJECTIVE: *Provide hope enriching opportunities for the development of youth as future citizens, leaders, and support the development of meaningful personal goals.*

Guidance for Travelers

- On April 20, Gov. Kemp announced new guidance to allow more businesses the option to open on April 24 and 27 if they follow Minimum Basic Operations and specific health and wellness guidelines; while bars, nightclubs, amusement parks, public pools and live performance venues will remain closed until 11:59 p.m. on May 13, 2020. Industry-specific guidance for these businesses is included in Governor Kemp's executive order available here.
- While the statewide shelter in place order has expired, Georgians are urged to stay home whenever possible. See full order here. The order extends Georgia's public health state of emergency through 11:59 p.m. on June 12, 2020. It also extends the shelter in place requirement to elderly and medically fragile residents until 11:59 p.m. on June 12, 2020.
- Georgia's beaches are open, but visitors should follow CDC social distancing guidelines. Additionally, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources issued an order prohibiting the use of chairs, tents and umbrellas seaward of the ordinary high-water mark, through May 6. Full details on the order can be seen here. Ferry service to Cumberland Island has been suspended until further notice.
- Restrictions on travel from Europe to the United States have been put in place by the federal government for the next 30 days. The official statement and details can be found on The White House website.
- Travelers are encouraged to follow guidance issued by the CDC, Georgia Department of Health, and local authorities.
- Travelers using the Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson Airport can find updates and a FAQ on the airport website.
- The CDC is operating public health entry screening/quarantines at U.S. airports and border crossings, including the Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson Airport (ATL).
- Due to the rapidly changing international response to COVID-19, Delta Airlines and other carriers are adjusting daily flights. For details, please refer to airline web sites.
- Due to COVID-19, many of Georgia's attractions and museums have closed or reduced hours of operations, and some events have been canceled or postponed. To ensure you have the most up-to-date information, check social media, the organization's website or call to confirm. [Www.exploregeorgia.org/covid](http://www.exploregeorgia.org/covid)

Bible Study

Join us in person or via conference call each Wednesday to journey with us through pages of the bible to hear God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and the many people and animals who lived and walked on this earth and some who didn't. Go and grow with us we listen to what God speaks into our spirit as we move through the many stories in the bible. Just let us know if you are interested.



LEARN ■ INTERACT ■ TRAIN

- Students will have the opportunity to hear and speak with persons in various careers who will share paths to these careers.
- Students will have opportunity to speak to vocational and technical school admission professionals.
- Students and parents will have the opportunity to speak with professionals who can help finance their education.
- Opportunity for Students to earn while learning and leave with a career
- Students will have the opportunity to sign for college

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A Godly place where you matter.

Founded in 2008 in the basement of a flower shop, Fountain of Hope Christian Church has actively done ministry around the world. Along with worship, bible study, our missions and ministry includes providing shoes for thousands of people around the world, clothing the homeless, nurture for battered women's shelters, pastoral car to nursing homes and incarcerated youth, environmental justice, advocacy, and much more. It is possible by the Grace of God who encourages people around the world to sow seeds into this ministry.

TITHES & OFFERINGS



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"Never Forget"

Featuring
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