

# MISSIONS

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## November

### Family Promise

Our next Family Promise host week will be November 20 - 27. The families are being housed at Milledge Avenue Baptist Church and this location is where our volunteers will host and bring dinner. Volunteers from Ashford Memorial, Union Christian and Watkinsville First Christian will be helping to fill hosting slots during November 20 - 27.

[www.signupgenius.com/  
FamilyPromise](http://www.signupgenius.com/FamilyPromise)

### ACTS Can-A-Thon

Ashford will be collecting needed food items for ACTS during the month of November. Please see page 4 for the list of items needed!



### Operation Christmas Child

Thanks to donations and the hard work of our Ashford children, youth and parents, we were able to package another record breaking 251 Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! These boxes will be prayed over during our November 13 church services and then delivered to a Shoebox Drop Off location during National Collection Week of November 14-21. Thank you to our Small, but Mighty Ashford Church for supporting this large and important mission.



## December

### Oconee Secret Santa

Ashford will be sponsoring 15 children within the Oconee County Schools to provide the needs and wish lists items for Christmas. Please be on the lookout for the SignUp Genius once we have the lists.

### Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Please help us ring the bell for the Salvation Army on Wednesday, December 14, from 9:00am - 6:00pm at the Kroger on College Station Road in Athens. The majority of their needed annual donations come from money collected during this season.

[www.signupgenius.com/BellRinging](http://www.signupgenius.com/BellRinging)

### Christmas Caroling

We would love any Ashford children, youth and adults to join us in our annual Christmas caroling to our Ashford shut ins! Please stay tuned for the save the date!

### *Provisions of Hope Baskets*

Ashford donated 5 complete Provisions of Hope Baskets and many additional supplies to go towards filling more baskets for Lydia's Place. This Basket Drive helps provide basic needs and supplies to secondary education students who have overcome obstacles to attend school.



### *Athens Alliance Coalition*

Ashford donated 327 pairs of socks, 108 pairs of underwear and 14 undershirts that were collected in September to the Athens Alliance Coalition's First Step encampment for the homeless residing there.



### *Sparrow's Nest*

Ashford donated 15 large trash bags filled with coats, gloves, hats, blankets and sleeping bags for their Keep Warm Project. All items were handed out at the Sparrow's Nest to those in need on Friday, October 28.



### *Local School Appreciation Baskets*

Ashford members delivered Appreciation Baskets to our 14 local Oconee County schools during October. Thank you to all who helped deliver!



## On Going Missions

### Area Churches Together Serving

Thank you to our Ashford members who continue to volunteer at ACTS on the 4th Friday of every other month!

Our next opportunity to serve is on Friday, November 18. Please see the SignUp Genius below to offer your time.

[www.signupgenius.com/ACTS](http://www.signupgenius.com/ACTS)

### Athens Area Homeless Shelter

Ashford volunteers are invited to provide a meal for the 10-15 residents at the AAHS on the 1st Thursday of each month. Please see the SignUp Genius if you would like to participate.

Thank you to Judy Murrow and Mary Jo Wright for providing the meal on Thursday, October 6 and to Tomi Kiser for providing the meal on Thursday, November 3!

[www.signupgenius.com/AAHS](http://www.signupgenius.com/AAHS)

Thank you, Ashford Memorial, for your continued generous and giving spirit!

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### T-Shirts for Turkeys

The Sparrow's Nest will be collecting frozen turkeys and/or \$10 grocery store gift cards for those struggling with financial hardship in our community. Come out to CFA Atlanta Highway THIS THURSDAY, 11/10, from 4:00 - 7:00 if you would like to donate. All donors will receive a free Joy FM t-shirt.



### Family Promise

Our next hosting week is coming up November 20 - 27 at Milledge Avenue Baptist Church!

Every volunteer makes a difference in meeting the needs of the guests through hosting, making a meal, driving the van or spending the night.



Please use the below SignUp Genius to volunteer some of your time during the week of November 20 - 27 as we are a support congregation with Union Christian Church and Watkinsville First Christian Church.

[www.signupgenius.com/FamilyPromise](http://www.signupgenius.com/FamilyPromise)

If you haven't had the opportunity to volunteer with Family Promise before, we encourage you to start now! New volunteers can complete online training offered by Family Promise National via their website:

[www.familypromiseathens.org/volunteer](http://www.familypromiseathens.org/volunteer)

Be sure to complete a volunteer registration form when arriving at the Host Site for your first shift.

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**A.C.T.S.  
CAN-A-THON**



**2022 Items Needed:**

- 5lb Bag Flour (Plain or Self Rising)**
- Vegetable Oil (24oz or 48oz Bottle)**
- Canned Chicken (12.5oz)**

**Ashford Memorial Methodist Church**  
**Collecting donations during the month of November**  
**Please place donated food items in the Fellowship Hall**

**Thank you for your continued giving spirit!**

## Ashford Missions Monthly Giving

Ashford Memorial Methodist Church is dedicated to helping various missions in our local and global community. Below is a list of our monthly donations to which your tithes allow us to commit and make a difference in our community.

***\$300/Month***

ACTS

***\$200/Month***

ESP

Global Samaritans (David)

Global Samaritans (Joyce)

Mercy Health Center

***\$100/Month***

American Red Cross

Family Promise of Athens

Hope 139

Oconee Food for Kids

Project Safe

Salvation Army

Sparrow's Nest

Young Life

***\$50/Month***

Jenny Hargrove

Pencil Fund