



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES

## Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

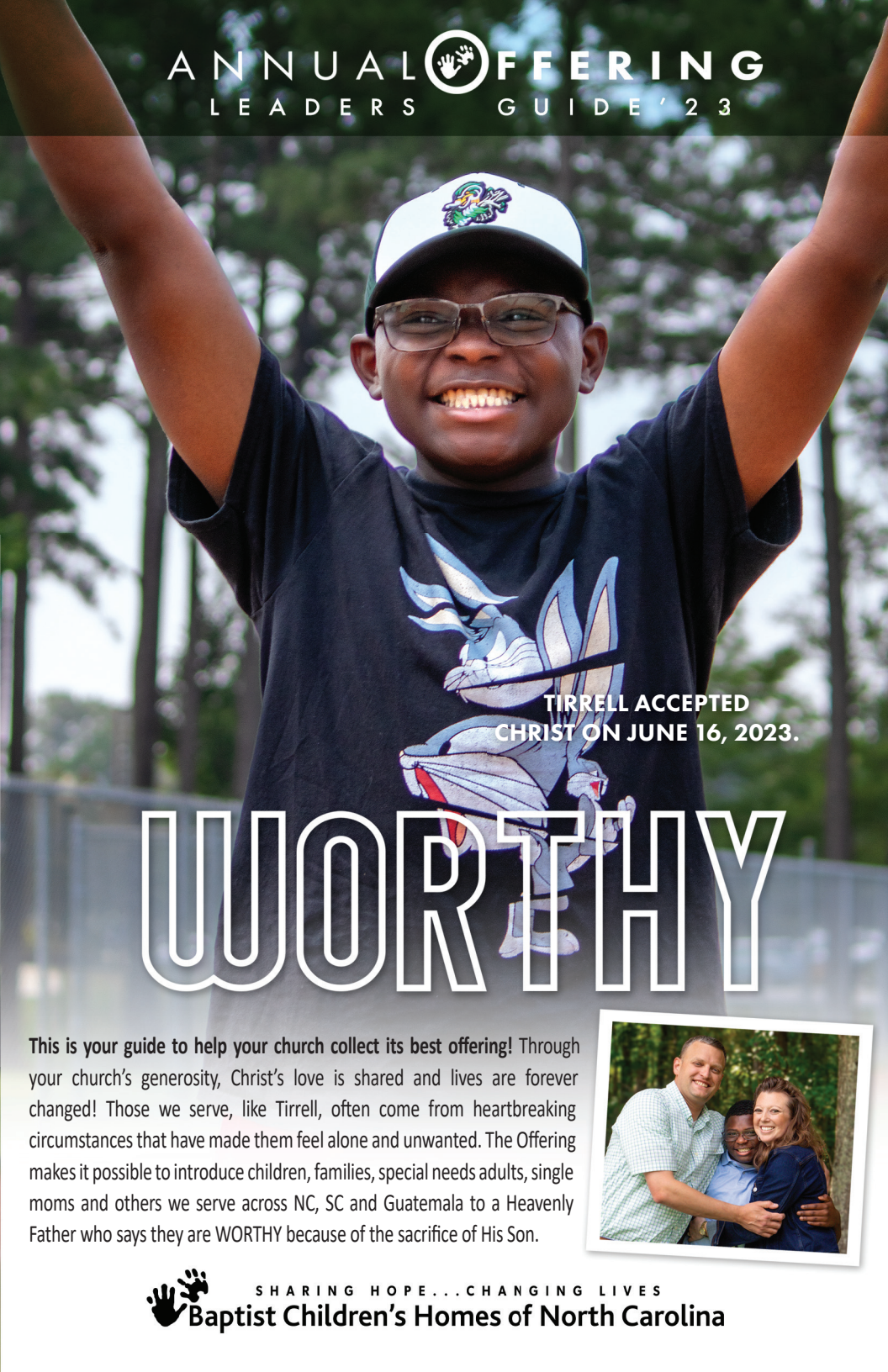
The heart of **Baptist Children's Homes (BCH)** beats with a rhythm of hope that extends to children, families and adults. For every person's specific need there is a unique BCH ministry ready to help and to share God's love. **We are many ministries beating with one heart!**

### Did you know...

- BCH has locations in more than **35 communities** in NC, SC and in Guatemala.
- BCH impacted **167,619 lives in 2022** through the support of NC Baptists.
- **80%** of those we serve come to BCH **unchurched and unreached for Jesus**.
- There have been **661 professions of faith** throughout the past five years.
- There are more than **10,000\* NC children in the state's foster care system** -- boys and girls removed from their homes for their protection. *\*Data from [morethanenough.cafo.org](http://morethanenough.cafo.org)*
- Through the **EVERY CHILD Initiative**, a partnership between BCH and NC Baptists, **we train and license Christian couples to be foster families**. We help churches to begin their own **foster care ministries**. *Visit [every-child.org](http://every-child.org)*
- Also through **EVERY CHILD**, BCH's Christian Adoption Services aids couples with **domestic and international adoption** and ministers to **expectant mothers** to show them the beauty of **choosing life for their babies** by helping them make an adoption plan. *Visit [christianadopt.org](http://christianadopt.org)*
- BCH oversees an **orphanage and cottage homes** at Good Shepherd Ministries in **Xela, Guatemala** that provides homes to indigenous boys and girls who are abused and neglected.
- The ministry provides homes for **intellectually/developmentally disabled adults**.
- BCH operates the North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry (NCBAM) **servicing senior adults**.
- It offers **24/7 residential wilderness camp ministries** that are accredited, non-public schools.
- BCH provides a supportive home for **teen mothers and their babies**.
- BCH's Family Care ministry offers a residential program for **single mothers** needing support.
- Greater Vision Outreach aids immediate needs of **community families in crisis** and connects them with resources to achieve longterm stability.
- **HOMEBASE** offers refuge and resources to **college students** with little to no family support.

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# ANNUAL OFFERING LEADERS GUIDE '23



**TIRRELL ACCEPTED CHRIST ON JUNE 16, 2023.**

# WORTHY

This is your guide to help your church collect its best offering! Through your church's generosity, Christ's love is shared and lives are forever changed! Those we serve, like Tirrell, often come from heartbreaking circumstances that have made them feel alone and unwanted. The Offering makes it possible to introduce children, families, special needs adults, single moms and others we serve across NC, SC and Guatemala to a Heavenly Father who says they are **WORTHY** because of the sacrifice of His Son.





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The timeline below offers recommendations to help you plan for your Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) offering:

## Prepare

- + **Pray:** Ask God to lead your church's efforts and in setting your offering goal.
- + **Order resources:** Need more materials? Call 336-474-1218 for more envelopes, bulletin inserts, posters, etc. or [bchoffering.org/order](http://bchoffering.org/order) 
- + Mark the **Week of Prayer (Nov. 5- 12)** on your calendar or choose the dates most convenient for your church to participate.
- + Consider **showing a video** each week. (See next page.)
- + **Schedule a BCH speaker** to share at your church. Call 336-474-1218 or visit [bchoffering.org/speaker](http://bchoffering.org/speaker) 

## Share

- + Hang your offering **posters**.
- + **Make announcements** during in-person and online services.
- + **Announce your goal** and share **your offering collection plan**. 
- + **Show videos** - share stories of lives changed through your offering. Discuss the offering's importance before or after the video. Include videos in your **online services, e-blasts and social media**.
- + Share promo posts on your **website/social media** pages. 
- + Share in your **bulletin, newsletters and emails**.

## Participate

- + Distribute the **offering envelopes and bulletin inserts** which include the **Week of Prayer guide**. Ask church members to use the guide to pray for the BCH ministry. Digital copies are available at [bchoffering.org](http://bchoffering.org)
- + **Collect your offering** and send it to the Baptist State Convention of NC.
- + **Online giving** is crucial to collecting your best offering. Add "**Baptist Children's Homes**" as a **choice on your church's online giving page**. Let your congregation know that giving their offering online is an option through announcements, social media and email newsletters.
- + If you cannot add the Children's Homes as a designated option to your church's online giving or if you do not have your own online giving page, you can direct them to give at [bchoffering.org/give](http://bchoffering.org/give)



Share the Baptist Children's Homes story with church members and keep them updated about your offering plans by using the resources we've prepared for you.

## Videos: [bchoffering.org/videos](http://bchoffering.org/videos)

Download videos to share in your in-person and online service as well as social media. The new **Worthy: Tirrell's Story** video is available plus a number of short videos that will fit your service's order of worship. See the sidebar -->



## Share Tirrell's video at your church



From a childhood lived in isolation where he was only fed rice and rarely let outside his house, Tirrell has now found family and freedom. John and Erin Stuebe, an EVERY CHILD foster family trained and licensed by Baptist Children's Homes, have given Tirrell the safe home and love he needed. Through the couple's discipleship and their church involvement, Tirrell accepted Christ on June 16. Just as he was adopted into God's family, he will soon be adopted by the Stuebes.

Share Tirrell's story is a powerful example of how God uses your Annual Offering. Download his video at [bchoffering.org](http://bchoffering.org) or order a DVD at 336.474.1218.

## Digital Resources: Slides, Graphics, Social Media Posts and more.

[bchoffering.org/digital](http://bchoffering.org/digital) 

Download graphics and social media content to share on your screens, e-newsletters, social media, etc.



Invite a Speaker:  
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Schedule a speaker to share the Baptist Children's Homes story with your church.



A speaker will come at a time convenient for you. **Dates fill up quickly so please contact us today.**



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