



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

2023 a month of prayer

WEEK ONE



SUNDAY Please be in prayer for the four siblings that just came into our cottage homes at our Broyhill Home in Clyde – they lost both parents to a double drug overdose. The children are ages four, six, eight and 10. We are thankful that our cottages are spacious enough to keep brothers and sisters together.

MONDAY MONDAY Pray for one of the men living in our Winston-Salem home for intellectually/developmentally disabled adults who is in declining health. Pray for strength and encouragement. Pray also for his caregivers and the other men who live with him as they are all family to one another.

TUESDAY There is a tremendous need to hire cottage parents, caregivers and staff to care for our children and special needs adults – it is a mission field where laborers are few. Pray God calls the right people to apply and for strength for our current caregivers. Share the need – bchcareers.org



WEDNESDAY One of our EVERY CHILD foster families is fostering a child they may possibly be able to adopt. The foster mother and father are also expecting the birth of their biological child. Please be in prayer for this family for a healthy pregnancy and for the adoption to become a reality.

THURSDAY Pray for God to move in our statewide churches and couples in their congregations to be a part of the EVERY CHILD Foster & Adopt partnership with NC Baptists. There are more than 10,000 children in the NC foster care system who need Christ-centered homes – every-child.org



FRIDAY We celebrate Christina, Rachel and Joanne who lived in cottage care at our Odum Home in Pembroke. They are attending UNC Pembroke located across the street from Odum. Pray they have a successful college year and that they will continue to lean on their cottage parents and staff at Odum.

SATURDAY We praise God for the new family foster homes being opened – River Hill Refuge in Shelby and Turner Cottage in Hayesville. Pray for God to call the right couples to serve as foster parents at these homes. Pray for the children God has already prepared for us to serve at these special places.



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SUNDAY Pray for one of our girls living at Camp Duncan in Aberdeen – one of our two 24/7 year-round wilderness ministries. She is working through the trauma of being neglected as a baby. Pray that we can help her find the healing she needs as we point her towards God's unconditional love.

MONDAY Pray for God to bring us caregivers/counselors – known as chiefs – to serve at Camp Duncan for girls and Cameron Boys Camp. We need young men and women who love the outdoors and have a heart for the Lord and young people. Share the need by sending people to campcareers.org



TUESDAY Pray for three-year-old Envy and the other special needs children we serve in our Weekday Education Inclusion Classes in Thomasville. These specially-structured classrooms provide learning and support for intellectually/developmentally disabled children and their families.

WEDNESDAY Pray for 14-year-old Tirrell, one of the children we care for through our EVERY CHILD partnership. He was neglected, unschooled and isolated in his childhood home before coming to live with the Steubes, his BCH foster family. His story – through the new video and materials – is the focus of our Annual Offering – bchoffering.org



THURSDAY Pray as we open our second Greater Vision Outreach Center at our Kennedy Home in Kinston. Like our center at Mills Home in Thomasville, it will aid community families by meeting their immediate needs while equipping them to be successful longterm. Pray for the families we will serve.

FRIDAY Pray for a girl living in the cottage at our Kennedy Home in Kinston. Despite a very hard and chaotic upbringing, this teenager is determined to be successful. Pray that she will be unwavering in her focus, and for her cottage parents and staff that are providing the love and support she needs.

SATURDAY We praise God for the 16 boys and girls who recently asked Jesus into their hearts and lives. Pray for their spiritual growth. Pray for the other children and everyone we are privileged to serve that they see the Gospel lived out through us daily and that they too will proclaim Christ as Savior.

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SUNDAY Pray for these siblings – ages three, 14 and 16 – who found their grandmother deceased and called 911. Grandmother was their custodian and, as a result, they have come to live in our cottage homes. Pray for our cottage parents and staff as we minister to their hurts and care for them.

MONDAY Pray for the two-year-old girl living at Good Shepherd Ministries in Guatemala whose birth defect impacts the use of her hips and legs. She wears braces around the clock that immobilizes her hips. Pray that she will be able to have corrective surgery and that she will be able to walk.

TUESDAY Pray that God continues to lead expectant mothers to our Christian Adoption Services where we have the opportunity to show them the beauty of choosing life for their unborn babies. Pray for Christian couples to turn to us so that we can give these infants the forever families they need.

WEDNESDAY Pray for the two children that were abandoned by their family. The siblings were left at the store and slept outside all night. They are now safe in our cottage homes but are dealing with unimaginable heartbreak. Pray for them as our cottage parents and staff minister to them.

THURSDAY Pray for the socially isolated and lonely aging adults who rely on the NC Baptist Aging Ministry Hope Line to have someone to speak with and pray for them – this is one of the few resources they have for regular connections. Pray that God gives Hope Line volunteers the right words for callers

FRIDAY Pray for the two sisters living at Kennedy Home in Kinston who miss their family greatly. There have been many family visits promised, but they rarely make their scheduled visits. Through it all, the girls' resiliency is remarkable. Pray for them as our cottage parents encourage and care for them.

SATURDAY Pray for independent college students like Aubrey. The Western Carolina University college student had no family support and was running out of hope until she turned to HOMEBASE, our outreach for students in crisis. Pray for these students that we can help them succeed and graduate.

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SUNDAY Many boys and girls in care throughout our many ministries carry tremendous hurts. Pray for Tammy who just lost her father in a car accident. Pray for James who came to us because his parents are in jail on drug charges. Please lift up all our children as God knows the many needs.

MONDAY Pray for our first resident at our new birth mother home. Emmanuel Home is a place where women who have chosen adoption for their babies through our Christian Adoption Services can find support. Pray for this 24-year old as we help her find the stability and support she needs.

TUESDAY Pray for the family seeking help at Greater Vision Outreach due to a terminal illness. Pray for comfort, peace and strength as they face the difficult days ahead. Pray for our Greater Vision staff and volunteers as we assist them with many needs and show Christ's love to them.

WEDNESDAY Pray for a teen girl living at Kennedy Home. Like many of the children we minister to, they repeat the negative behaviors and patterns often modeled within their families. Prayer is needed to break these cycles. Please pray that she would be captivated by the love of Jesus.

THURSDAY Pray for our four-year-old boy in Guatemala who weighs less than 20 pounds. Although he receives nutritious meals now that he lives at Good Shepherd, he has special medical needs because of malnutrition. Please pray that the treatments we provide will help his body grow stronger.

FRIDAY Ministry, enrichment and respite are all taking place at our Oak Ranch in Central NC. Pray for this special place and the people who serve there. Pray for hope to take root in the hearts and lives of everyone who steps onto this property.

SATURDAY Pray that Christ is glorified throughout every aspect of ministry He has entrusted to us. For every child, special needs adult, single mother, expectant mother, aging adult — all who turn to Baptist Children's Homes — pray that the Lord will go before us and lives will be forever changed!