

# Igniting Christ Centered Community

**Celebrating Blessings & Resources** By the Grace of God, His people are generous in sharing their blessings of talents, time, and money

**The Numbers:**

- Number of Hillside staff = 4 appointed clergy, 13 full-time employees, and 40 part-time employees
- Number of volunteers = 1,300+ serving in 95 different capacities
- Total Revenues = \$2,450,837
- Total Expenses = \$2,396,600
- Dollars received from tithes and offerings = \$2,332,487
- Dollars from other sources = \$118,350
- Dollars given in missions, service, & outreach = \$326,822
- Dollars spent on programs & ministries = \$613,987
- Dollars spent on administrative & general operating expenses = \$770,609
- Dollars spent on mortgage and facilities = \$626,241

**The Stories:**

These community organizations utilized Hillside's facilities and resources during 2008:

- Boy Scouts
- Girl Scouts
- AA and its subgroups Alanon & Alateen
- Etowah High School:
  - \* Advanced Placement Testing
  - \* Athletics
- Courtyards at Towne Lake HOA Meetings
- Cottages at Towne Lake HOA Meetings
- Cherokee County Board of Elections (general, local, & special elections polling place)
- HEDGE (Homeschool Co-op)
- Miracle Mothers International (support group for those who have dealt with infertility/adoption)
- COTS (barbershop quartet organization)
- North Georgia Knitting Guild
- Papa's Pantry
- Red Cross (blood drives)



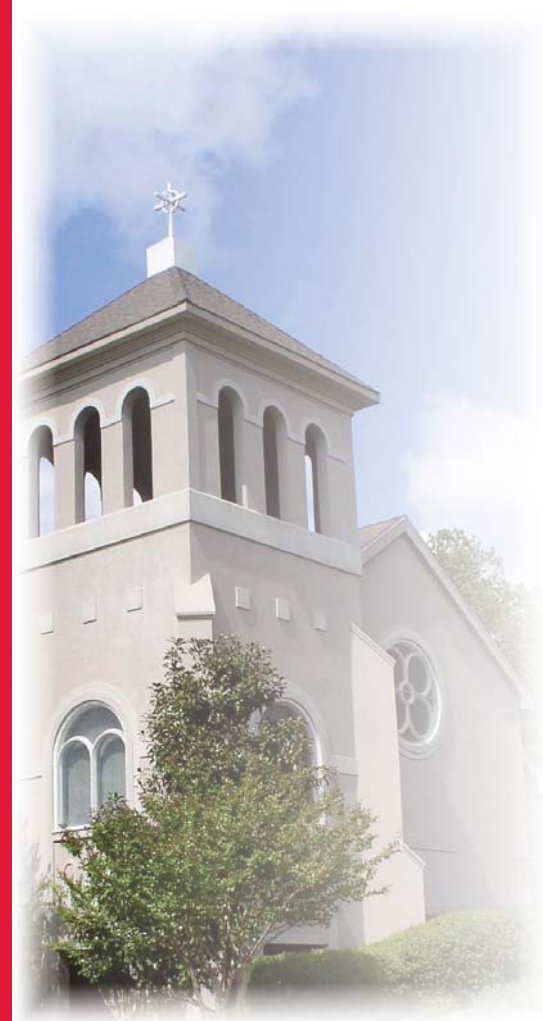
- Hillside Preschool
- Never Alone
- Woodstock High School Athletics
- Hillside Counseling Center (4 staff & 250 clients)

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## Celebrate 2009! Annual Report



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## Hillside United Methodist Church Celebrates 2009!

Hillside United Methodist Church is the Body of Christ made up of the people God has brought into congregation. To and through the people of Hillside, He breathes active participation in His purposes to His Glory. The vows of membership obligate those who call Hillside "my church" to uphold it by our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. In doing so, we invite God to minister to one another and to take His love into the community and even to the ends of the earth.

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**Celebrating Worship** We gather to worship through praise, music, prayer, communion, fellowship, and teaching



### The Numbers:

- Number of people served in Sunday morning worship = 54,312
- Number of people served in special worship services = 6,724



**Celebrating Discipleship & Witness** We grow in the love of Christ and share His love in mission and service.

### The Numbers:

- Total number of members = 3018
- Number of new members = 203
- Number of professions of faith = 102
- Number of baptisms = 44
- Number of confirmations = 85
- Number of people sent out in mission & service = 1,400+
- Number of people served by mission & service = 4,500+
- Number of adults participating in spiritual growth opportunities in Sunday school = 421
- Number of adults participating in spiritual growth classes = 814
- Number of young adults participating in Sunday school, small groups, and gatherings = 305

### The Stories:

- More than 7,000 lunches were prepared by Hillside servants as part of the MUST Summer Lunch program.
- Operation Christmas Child produced 345 shoeboxes of Christmas gifts for impoverished children.
- Hillside Christmas Angels adopted 730 children, and organized an additional 200 with a sister church in our community to make sure they each had a wonderful Christmas experience.
- Through Christmas Angels, Murphy Harpst Children's Home received \$6,000 to cover the cost of therapy for 50 children.
- Members of the HUGS ministry gave out 493 new blankets.
- Hillside volunteers washed 1,800 bags of laundry at the Elizabeth Inn homeless shelter.
- Hillsiders participated in building two homes through Habitat For Humanity.
- Ongoing financial support for 2 full-time Mexico Missionaries, the church & missions in Estonia and, a village in Honduras.



- 400 Hillside volunteers joined in this year's Great Day of Service to the community in more than 30 locations.
- Thousands of cans of food have been donated by the Hillside family to MUST and Paps'a Pantry.
- Hundreds of community families joined in fellowship at the Family Film Festival this summer.



### Children's Ministries:

- Assembled & distributed 150 hygiene kits and 78 sewing kits for UMCOR.
- Collected 87 Operation Christmas Child boxes.
- Prepared countless encouragement cards for Men's and Women's Karios events.
- Sponsored two food drive collections of over 1500 pounds of food for MUST.
- Working with Women's Ministries, hosting kid's activities for the Batter Women's Shelter during Christmas.
- Collected school supplies plus \$150 for Give a Kid a Chance.



### Numbers of people served through Children's Ministries:

- Sunday School = 737 attended at least once
- Nursery = 188
- Drop-In Nursery = 118
- Preschool = 283
- Enrichment = 161
- Shipmates = 131
- Rising Tide = 102
- Mission Adventure = 90
- Confirmation (83) + Mentors = 138
- VBS Day = 488
- VBS Night = 127

- Bible Camp = 141
- Kids In Motion = 12
- Gingerbread Family Event = 99

### Youth Ministries: Number of youth sent out = 319

- SH Mission Trip = 53
- JH Mission Trip = 26
- Boston Elementary Fall Festival = 20
- Turneraround Ministries = 15
- Great Day of Service = 79
- Christmas Angels = 25
- Missionaries to Nicaragua/Honduras = 13
- VBS Servants = 43
- Small group service projects = 45



### Number of youth served:

- Number of students involved in large group meetings, small groups, and other events in 2008: Sr. Hi = 400 and Jr. Hi = 317

### Number of volunteers in Youth Ministry

- Sr. Hi = 24 and Jr. Hi = 35

### Youth Professions of Faith in 2008

- Sr. High had 34 students accept Christ
- Jr. High had 35 students accept Christ

