

# The Good Shepherd Children's Home

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Three Amigos

Hola

Things happen when God's people pray!!! Prayer, fueled by Faith sparks action as we have seen over and over again throughout time. As you read this e-news, Pray in Faith and Give God Glory for all He is doing at the GSCH. Thank you for your friendship and partnering with us to help the children God sends to us.....*For His Glory, Greg & Eva*



Drum Line

**Obedience to God brings miracles.....** In Jan you might recall our call to help our Christian school continue to provide a quality education for our children and community. At that writing we faced carrying forward a debt from the previous year's budget and need to come up with the 2009 budget. Having to do both would have forced us to close all or part of the school and that would be a devastation to the children's future.

Well **Praise the Lord** with us as He touched hearts who showed their love for Him and gave enough that we were able to pay the debt of the school. We Thank Him and each of you who gave to enable us to continue the important educational ministry. Without those who in love and obedience give we could not continue.



Good Shepherd Children's Home School...K-9th grade

School is just kicking off and we ask that you be praying that others will join in and become Educational Sponsors to help us grow and maintain a monthly budget for this ministry to touch lives that will change the future. One time gifts are also very welcome and needed to give the school financial stability to provide the Christian Education every child deserves. Just designate your donations to GSCA and it will be credited to the school To sign up to be an educational sponsor <http://www.thegsch.org/eduSP/sponsor-edu.html>

We need your prayers and your help. Please pass on the word to friends and family to allow them to become part of the GSCH and GSCA Family. [gregvaughn@thegsch.org](mailto:gregvaughn@thegsch.org)



Students enjoying PE class

**Urgently Needed.....Educational Sponsors.....**For only \$50 monthly you can help a child to have a top quality education. That's only \$1.67 per day. You would be equipping them for the future with a strong Christian Education. We are asking God to raise up 200 sponsors to call to provide \$50 monthly for a solid Christian education. A child is praying and waiting for this education, please.... [Sign up now](#) .

**News from the GSCH Shepherd's.....**We give glory to God as we are now in our 14th year as missionaries with Baptist Medical & Dental Mission International. From a week long mission trip to serving full time we have seen God answer prayers and provide a way when there seemed to be none. We have found that when we let our needs be known God touches hearts and His people respond to glorify Him.

For years we have not asked for support for our ministry but instead focused on the support of the children and their needs. But at this time we find our personal support funding much lower than normal for this time of the year. Eva and I would ask that you join us in prayer asking God to bless our finances so that we can tend to our family needs and ministry needs as we should.

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I'm happy and I know it!!!



Celebrating Independence



Smiles = Happy Hearts!!



Life.....is Good!!!

**Blessed is the joyful giver.....** *"I would like to share one sweet event with you...My children and their spouses and the adult grandchildren in the past have drawn names at Christmas. This year, at Thanksgiving, they decided that they wanted to send the money they would use for each other to The Good Shepherd Children's Home to be used for Hope Cottage as needed. I have sent these checks on to the BMDMI office in Hattiesburg. They often ask about the Home and I am thankful that God has placed you in our lives!"* Letters like this give us great joy as others share their blessings so that children can have a home where God's love abounds. We know that God is well pleased when He looks upon the joyful giver!!

**Baking for the Lord.....** I was recently contacted by a lady in AL. who told me that God had impressed on her to help the GSCH but she was not sure how. She sought to share with everyone she could about the home and much needed support but it seemed that was not all God wanted. Ways to help began to come to her mind and one of the strongest was "bread" and she loved to bake. So she began to bake bread and cookies selling them to gather funds for the children of the GSCH. One of her concerns was how she would manage this with her 6 little bread pans and no job to purchase supplies but she says God has been her provider and she has seen him bless with people giving more than she is selling the baked goods for. Even with her husband handing her \$10 he found in the middle of the road in town, so she could continue to bake. She gives God All the Praise and Glory for blessing and showing Himself faithful as always. She says it perfectly: *"This is the Lord's project and without His Hand being on it not a dollar would be raised. I am the most ordinary of people and am even an ordinary cook. I just like to bake bread. But one person can make a difference, however small, if they are willing to use what they can do for the Lord. I just want the focus to be on the Lord and not me. That the Lord is allowing me to get in on this fun is just special in itself."* In all that we do let us do it with joy and for His Glory!!!

**Support a Casita.....**Everyone has a favorite sport, team, or bible theme. And some of us like to let everyone know about our team. At the GSCH we end up with Kentucky stickers over LSU stickers and Tennessee stickers over Mississippi stickers, all saying they are proud of their team. In all this competitive sporting going on the idea of putting a sports theme on each of our casitas and look for donors to maintain that casita. Supporting a Casita would enable full care of about 20 children living in that home. Our goal is to get all homes fully supported which will provide for the children all the basics they need. Basically it works like this. Individuals, Churches or companies can get together and become a Casita Support Team member. CST members would pool their money to raise \$5000 a month. Sounds like a lot but that's only 100 pledges at \$50 a month. This is even something your College or Pro team might like to be a part of. If you are interested in showing your Team Spirit please contact me at [gregvaughn@thegsch.org](mailto:gregvaughn@thegsch.org) or <http://thegsch.org/FR/sport.html>

**News.....Fund raising ideas, child's sizes,** a place to remember and even sponsor a child!!!! It's the GSCH website..... Stop by and check it out complete with video and the sounds of children and home. [www.thegsch.org](http://www.thegsch.org)

Bookmark our new travel website at:  
[www.ytbtravel.com/thegsch](http://www.ytbtravel.com/thegsch)

Our travel website does the same things as Expedia or any other agency but allows you to support The Good Shepherd Children's Home of BMDMI! It's that simple! Business travel, car rental, vacationing, or events tickets, doesn't matter it can be purchased at [ytbtravel.com/thegsch](http://ytbtravel.com/thegsch) at the same low prices but 60% of the fees included in the prices will go to the GSCH. That's right 60% of sales commissions will go to support the children!! *"I booked our 6 airline tickets back to the states this fall....same price as direct from the airline once their fees are added, but our travel site gives 60% of the sale commission to help feed the children....Greg Vaughn*