

# Church Profile Hull Baptist Church

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## **Ministerial Staff**

Pastor: Vacant
Associate Pastor of Family Ministries: David Cloud
Minister of Music: Ron Mize
Church Secretary: Donna Smith

## **Support Staff**

Nursery: Evie Hart
Piano: Sheila Tyson
Organ: Betty Dooley
Custodian Services Cliff Murray

Hull Baptist Church 39 Charlie Bolton Road P. O. Box 640 Hull, Georgia 30646

#### Introduction

Hull Baptist Church (HBC) is an evangelical Christian fellowship in Hull, Georgia that believes in the inerrancy of the Bible, salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone, His virgin birth, substitutionary death and bodily resurrection and second coming. We graciously affirm the doctrine of God's sovereign grace in salvation and of believer's baptism. We believe the church is comprised of all those who have genuinely placed their faith in Christ to forgive their sins and to give them new life in Him. We believe the Christian life involves living under the guidance and empowerment of the Holy Spirit, engaging in worship and fellowship, telling lost people about Jesus Christ, and seeking to obey the word of God.

We are led by the Pastor and a plurality of 12 deacons nominated and elected by the Church members. We are currently affiliated with SAREPTA Baptist Association, Georgia Baptist Convention and Southern Baptist Convention, and practice fellowship with other like-minded churches. Our worship is directed to glorifying our great God. To this end, the preaching of the word of God is emphasized, as is our attention to that preaching. In worship, we use a blended style of music leaning mostly to the traditional side.

## **History and Property Description**

Our church has a rich history having been established prior to the year 1850. At this time, it was located at Sulphur Springs, Georgia on the boundary of Clarke and Madison County. The church was relocated in 1853 to a newly constructed building in the Sulphur Springs area. In 1896 it moved to Hull, Georgia at the time one acre of land was donated in the area it occupies today. A building was constructed by members and dedicated in November 1896.

Since moving to the city of Hull, our church has continued to grow with members performing the majority of the work. In 1942, when the first Sunday school rooms were constructed, we went from first Sunday services to half-time services. On the first Sunday in January 1951, our church went to full time services. From 1951 to the present time land has been purchased and additions have been made resulting in a building that houses a sanctuary that holds 250, a nursery and Sunday School classrooms, a family Life Center, a gymnasium, and two separate buildings, used for Bible study. Our church complex is located on seven acres of land. Our most recent senior pastor, Randy Crowe, retired on December 8, 2019 after 26 years of service.

#### **Organizational Life / Ministries**

Church decisions are made mostly by tradition, by influence of the pastor, the deacon body, and church committees. The implementation of Church Growth Strategy Teams in 2015 has served to involve virtually all Church members. The goal is to lead the church in fulfilling the Great Commission through intentional actions. Growth Strategy Teams are made up of 14 Ministry Teams and 13 Ministry Support Teams. Teams and facilitators include the following:

	ASSOCIATE	WORSHIP
PASTOR	PASTOR	LEADER
Church Clerks	Hospitality	Media
Bereavement	Bereavement	Flowers
Transportation	Transportation	Special Events
Out-Reach	Youth Support	Ushers/Greeters
Finance	Men's Ministry	Deaf Interpreters
Vision	Women's Ministry	Worship Team
Personnel	Missions	
Senior Adults		
Nominating		
Sunday School		
Baptism		
Communion		

#### **Missions**

As a church, we feel called to take part in the Missions of God. HBC currently supports two Hispanic Missions, two full time foreign missionaries, and Camp Maranatha. In addition, we contribute 10% of our budget to the Southern Baptist Cooperative and provide Mission Offerings to Annie Armstrong, Lottie Moon, and Georgia State Missions.

#### **Finance**

For fiscal year 2020, the total budget is \$372,161. In addition, we have accumulated funds of \$427,574 for a new building addition and \$42,585 to replace our 1996 Church bus. The Church has no indebtedness.

#### **Church Membership**

Hull Baptist Church has approximately 394 resident members with an average worship attendance of 178. Worship services are held on Sunday morning and night while Bible study is held on Wednesday nights. For the past five years the membership records are as follows:

Year	Membership	Worship	Sunday School	Baptisms
2015	381	220	199	2
2016	381	200	138	2
2017	358	185	150	4
2018	384	170	126	0
2019	394	178	112	7

We also have active children and youth group programs, consisting of approximately 50, from grades pre-k to 12. Our children's program consists of children's church on Sunday mornings and AWANA on Wednesday nights. On Sunday nights the youth engage in training time and programs. On Wednesday nights they participate in Bible study, and one Sunday night per month they assume responsibility for the worship service.

### **GEOGRAPHY**

Hull Baptist Church is located in the northeastern part of Georgia in the city of Hull. Our city is positioned in Madison County a mile from the border of Athens-Clarke County. While the population of Hull is less than 200, it is well positioned to enjoy the amenities afforded by Athens-Clarke County and the University of Georgia culture, which is located just 7.5 miles away. In addition, Hull lies about 70 miles northeast of downtown Atlanta, a global city.

The vast majority of members at Hull Baptist Church live in and around the Hull City area. Madison County is a sparsely populated environment that allows the residents to live a laid back lifestyle, with the advantage of having close Christian friends. Most residents own multiple acres of land often used to plant vegetable gardens and raise livestock. According to U.S Census Bureau, the county has a total of 286 square miles, of which 282 square miles is land. Following is a community profile of the area around HBC within a 10 minute drive:

<b>Community Profile</b>	Ten Minute Drive	Five Year Projection
Total Population	32,096	33,267
Total Households	<b>11</b> ,896	12,348
Total Family Households	7,799	8,137
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	242	253
African American (Non-Hispanic)	10,638	11,101
White (Non-Hispanic)	16,196	16,740
Hispanic or Latino	4,501	4,630
Not in a Religious Service/Week	25,680	80%
Estimated Unbelievers	22,740	70%

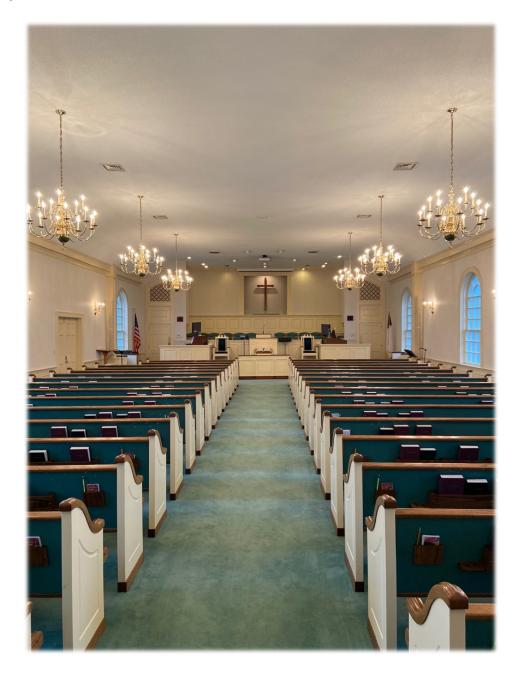
## **IMAGES OF CHURCH FACILITIES**

Hull Baptist Church is blessed to have a variety of facilities to use for organized ministries and community outreach. Here are images of some of the key facilities and areas on the church complex (some of which have already been mentioned in "History and Property Description").

## **Main Building and Family Life Center**



# Sanctuary



## **Adult Sunday School Rooms**





# Nursery





## **Children's Department**



# **Youth Department**

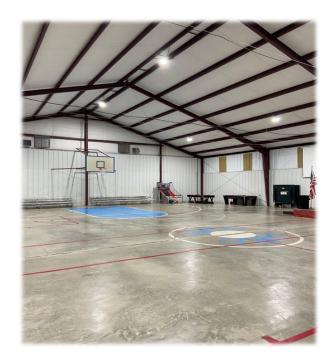


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## Fellowship Hall



# Gymnasium



## **Wilson House**



## **Recreational Areas**





