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South Carolina Church of God Home for Children



It was wonderful to see so many of our faithful supporters at our recent 2023 State COG Camp Meeting in Mauldin and have the opportunity to thank you personally for all you do for the HFC!

Summer is well underway, and our children and youth are engaged in church and day camps and other activities. **THANK YOU** to all who are helping to sponsor some of our summer events.

Not only are we thankful for your faithful support, but we truly have something else to celebrate this month and that is our freedom as Americans and Christians. I am so grateful for all of the freedoms we enjoy in this great country, yet I am reminded that these freedoms came to us at a great cost - blood was shed, and sacrifices have been and continue to be made for that liberty. Our forefathers had a strong vision and were steadfast in their faith so that we could experience life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. So may we reflect at this time of year on God's goodness to us as a nation, and even more importantly, His goodness to us as Christians, for His precious Blood was also shed so that we could be free from the bondage and punishment of our sin! "Therefore, if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." (John 8:36) Let Freedom Ring!

Tim Kerns, Executive Director



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Hello, my name is Aisha Robinson! I am super excited to be joining the ministry here at Church of God Home for Children. I am the new house parent for the transitional home for young ladies. My hobbies are baking, crafting, and gardening, which along with many other life skills I will be sharing with those who are living in our home. I am excited to mentor, mold and

guide these young ladies as well as teach them how to manage and live as they find their paths after they transition from our care. I want to help them learn the basic skills of becoming a self-sufficient adult all while helping them to build a relationship with God throughout their time here. As someone who remembers the feeling of being taken from their home, I hope to



be a voice of understanding and with God's help make a difference in the lives of the young ladies who will be staying in the transitional home.

Aisha has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership and Business. With her educational background as well as her personal life experience and sincere love and passion for young people, we are blessed to welcome her as part of our HFC team and family!



Much appreciation to Pastor Mike Smith from Simpsonville United Methodist Church for once again planting a beautiful and abundant garden on the HFC campus! This is the 4<sup>th</sup>

summer he has worked diligently to provide a bountiful harvest of delicious vegetables full of nutrition for our families to enjoy and even some to share. **Thank you** for blessing us!



Have you considered incorporating charitable giving for the SC COG HFC into your Estate Plan? Some ways that you can continue to make a lasting impact on this ministry for years to come:

- Gifts of Cash
- Appreciated Stock
- Real Estate
- Charitable Rollover
- Bequest in your Will or Revocable Trust

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