

INVITATION FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTOR

If you have love for others, a desire to help others, and are concerned about the Kingdom and the Ministries of God, you should want to serve. A saved heart is one that wants to serve.

The Bible says in the b-portion of Eph. 2:10 TEV, "In our union with Christ Jesus he has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do." These "good deeds" are our service to the Ministries of God and the world. Whenever we serve others in any way, we are actually serving God and fulfilling one of our purposes.

We are going to give our life for something. What will it be — a career, a sport, a hobby, fame, wealth? None of these will have lasting significance. Service is the pathway to real significance. It is through ministry that we discover the meaning of our lives.

There are no insignificant ministries in the church. Some are visible and some are behind the scenes, but all are valuable. Small or hidden ministries often make the biggest difference. In a home, the most important light is not the large chandelier in your dining room but possibly the little night-light that keeps you from stubbing your toe when you get up at night. There is no correlation between size and significance. Every ministry matters because we are all dependent on each other to function.

I want to personally invite you to become an

active part of one of the many ministries here at the Atherton Baptist Church! Do it today! Don't put it off. Note that you have been saved to serve and blessed to be a blessing!

May God Reward You For Faithful Service!

Because He Lives,



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MINISTER'S OF MOVEMENTS

PRAISE HIM WITH... *Dancing!*



Dancing MINISTRY

*Reestablishing a Standard of
Excellence in God's Church*

"MINISTERS OF MOVEMENTS" / DANCE MINISTRY

Mission Statement

Our mission, as Ministers of Movements, is to enhance the Worship experience through appropriate liturgical praise dance. We are also committed to active involvement in the culture of our Church body.

Our ministry's foundation is anchored in the Biblical exhortation as stated in Psalm 149:2-4 "Let Israel rejoice in Him that made him: Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Let them praise his name **in the dance**: Let them sing praises unto him with timbrel and harp. For Jehovah takes pleasure in his people..."

Ministry Goals

In pursuit of creating a ministry of excellence, we welcome those who are interested to be mindful of the following goals. We are guided at all times by what our Servant-Leader teaches us to value as established in the Word of God.

1. DISCIPLESHIP

To provide opportunities for the Praise Dancer's to grow in their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ through study of the Word, teaching, fellowship, worship and serving.

2. OUTREACH

To provide the Praise Dancers with occasions to express their faith and commitment to Christ in local, national, and International outreach projects.

3. RELATIONSHIP DEVELOPMENT

To encourage the development of healthy relationships between our Praise Dance team members recognizing that dance is a teamwork effort and is enhanced by those who serve others, think outside the box and look at the big picture.

4. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

To recruit and train Praise Dancers for leadership opportunities and for ministry involvement.

Ministry Requirements

1. MUST COMPLETE NEW MEMBER'S CLASS
2. MUST BE COMMITTED TO ATTEND ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND / OR REHEARSALS FOR SCHEDULED EVENTS.
3. MUST AGREE TO CONFORM TO CERTAIN DANCE PROTOCOLS AS ESTABLISHED AND TAUGHT BY THE SERVANT-LEADER.
4. THOUGH WE TRY TO LIMIT THE FINANCIAL OBLIGATION FOR UNIFORMS, PLEASE BE AWARE THAT, AT CERTAIN TIMES, YOU MAY BE ASKED TO PURCHASE MATERIAL OR A CERTAIN ATTIRE FOR A SPECIAL OCCASION.
5. REHEARSALS ARE SCHEDULED FOR EVENT OR SERVICE PARTICIPATON AS FOLLOWS:
MONDAY: 6-8 PM (T.B.A.)
THURSDAY: 6-8 PM (T.B.A.)
SATURDAY: 8-10:30 AM

Ministry Events

- Annual Women's Conference / Retreat (April)
- Annual Women's Day (June)
- Scholarship Recognition Day (July)

- Christmas Celebration and New Year's Eve Celebrations (December / January)
- Fifth Sunday Worship Services
- Black History Month Observance (February)
- Other Special Events and Outings as requested

Invitation

We welcome you join to this local body of Christian believers. As Ministers of Movement, we hope that your walk with God and spiritual growth will be enhanced and supported by the Praise Dance Ministry. We commit to embracing you with love, prayer, and consistency in our desire to please our Savior. Our basic motivation is to lift up His name through our dance ministry.

Atherton Mission Statement

Atherton Baptist Church is a church striving to lead **people** to a loving, learning, loyal, and lasting relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Atherton Vision Statement

Re-establishing a Standard of Excellence in God's Church through Education, Renovation, Rejuvenation and Evangelization.