

Ben Hill United Methodist Church

2026 Vision Fusion Ministry Matrix (Version2) – As of 1/27/2026

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Worship ~ Vision Area	
Rev. Dr. Derrick Rhodes, Clergy	drhodes@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Sharon L. Edwards, Worship Vision Area Chair	
Worship Work Area Chair	Paula Cotton
Acolytes	Tina Stevenson
Altar Guild	Paula Cotton
Communion	Linda Burras
Dance Ministry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirit of David (Adult) • Chosen (Youth) • Inspired By God’s Grace • (Seasoned Saints) 	Beverly Barber Naomi Barber
Funerals/Associates at Annex	Rev. Joya Abrams
Handbells	Connie Williams
Choirs/Music	Rev. Willie Vincent
Orchestra	No Longer Active
Ushers	Parren Shannon Angela Brown Gillis
Weddings	Honour Rowe Gwen Bailey
Word Made Flesh	Audrienne “Yonnie” Stevens
Youth Word Made Flesh	L’Tanya Franklin Jeanette Williams

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Prayer ~ Vision Area	
Rev. Dr. Derrick Rhodes, Clergy	drhodes@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Betty Maddox, Prayer Vision Area Chair	
Prayer Work Area Chair	Iona Walker
Corporate Prayer Wednesdays @ 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. Call Phone #: (518) 263-8440	Betty Maddox Iona Walker
Pastor’s Prayer Team	Iona Walker
Love: Share God’s Love ~ Vision Area	
Rev. Shari Rates, Clergy	srates@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Cheryl Love-Wyatt, Vision Area Chair	
Bereavement	Rhoda Sharp – Co-Chair Sharon A. Williams – Co-Chair
Stephen Ministry Co-Chair	Kenneth Cartwright
Stephen Ministry Co-Chair	Bernadette Hartfield
Differently Abled	Amelia Tucker Shaw
Disciples of Comfort	Bernice Rucker Gordon - Co-Chair Jackie Sims – Co-Chair
Health and Wellness	Honour Rowe
· COVID 19 Program	Cheryl Love-Wyatt

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Disciple Making: Make Disciples of Jesus Christ ~ Vision Area	
Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy	jabrams@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Cynthia Holland, Vision Area Chair	
New Disciples	Hilda Adams
Adult Christian Education (BHTI) Ben Hill Training Institute	Kyri Harris
Sunday School Superintendent	Emma Dumas
Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy	jabrams@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Cynthia Holland, Vision Area Chair	
Baptism	Rev. Shari Rates, srates@benhillumc.org , 404.344.0618

Connecting: Connecting People to God and One Another ~ Vision Area	
Rev. Shari Rates, Clergy	srates@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618
Sabrina Butler, Vision Area Chair	sbutler@benhillumc.org 404.450.3547
Evangelism	Gloria Dixon
Hospitality Co-Chair	Vicki Hall
Hospitality Co-Chair	Natasha Rowland
Transportation	Eddie Compton
Visual Arts	VACANT
Church Council Marketing & Communication	VACANT

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Wherever They Are ~ Vision Area		
Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy	jabrams@benhillumc.org – 404.344.0618	
Linda Burras, Vision Area Chair		
Missions (Foreign) Coins of Hope Note: The Wherever They Are clergy lead recommends which additional foreign missionary or foreign mission organization we will support (generally through a special offering or through a Ben Hill UMC ministry donation). The foreign missionary or organization may not remain the same each year.	Dr. T. L. Mukenge	
Missions Local and Outreach	Tony Belcher	
Urban Responsibility	Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy	
Food Bank	Jimmie Dukes	
Prison Ministry	Luther Davis	
Legacy Endowment Giving	Ernestine Garey	
Legal Ministry	Karlise Grier	
Social Concerns · Veterans	Keith Harris	
United Methodist Men	John Mapp, Jr., President Michael Brooks, Vice-President	
United Women In Faith	Sabrina Hixon, President (July 2024) Natasha Rowland, Vice-President	

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Generations ~ Vision Area		
Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy Children’s Ministry Coordinator: Jacquia Robinson Demarcus Fields, Youth Ministry Coordinator Young Adult Minister: Morgan Finch & Courtney Peters	jabrams@benhillumc.org 404.344.0618	
Robin Peters, Vision Area Co-Chair Pellum Peters, Vision Area Co-Chair		
Children’s Ministries Chair	Gloria Dixon	
Children’s Church	Gloria Dixon	
Easter Program and Easter Egg Hunt	VACANT	VACANT
Christmas Program (Sunday School)	VACANT	VACANT
Girl Scouts	Andrea Morgan	
Boy Scouts	VACANT	VACANT
Vacation Bible School (VBS)	BHTI and Children’s Ministry	
Nursery	VACANT	VACANT
Youth Ministries Chair	Jacquia Robinson	
Youth Church	Demarcus Fields	
Confirmation	Rev. Joya Abrams, Clergy	
Girls RISE	VACANT	VACANT
Boys RISE	Tony Belcher	
Higher Education & Campus Ministries	Teresa Dallas-Wills	
Singles Ministry	Kimberli Smith	
Young Adult Ministries, Co-Chair	Morgan Finch	
Young Adult Ministries, Co-Chair	Courtney Peters	
Jewels and Partners	Dianne Rhodes	
Couples Who Care	Mike & Joy Watkins	
Church Historian	Mary Forbes	