



The **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia Children's Ministries 5K Road Race and 1 Mile Fun Run** is planned for Saturday, October 23, 2021 at Camp Timberlake located at 1721 GA-83 in Forsyth, GA. The 1 Mile Fun Run will begin at 8:00 am and the 5K Run will begin at 8:30 am.

**We are so excited about this year's Oasis Race, and we are believing God to help us raise \$40,000 to drill two wells.** Will you please consider helping us meet this critical need for clean water? Every time you drink a sip of water, remember the children and adults who suffer because of the lack of clean water.

I'm challenging all Lead Pastors, Children's Pastors/Leaders, church staff, and congregation members to join me running/walking in this year's race. **All runners will receive a Race Day T-shirt.** Medals and pins will be awarded for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers in each age group for both categories - male and female. Get your kids involved as well. Let them know that by their running/walking, they are helping a kid in Africa have clean water. Together, we can really make a difference! **For every 15 people your church brings in person to the Oasis Race, you will receive one FREE Kids Camp Scholarship!**

#### **HOW TO RAISE BGMC MONEY WITH THE OASIS ROAD RACE?**

- **Consider being a sponsoring church.** Depending on the size of your sponsorship, your church will be recognized verbally as well as on our race day t-shirts and banners.
- **Plan to Run/Walk in the race and ask others in your church to register.** For every race registration (\$25), your church will receive \$10 BGMC giving credit! You can even have phantom runners (*people who register but will not run/walk in the race*). All registrations, including phantom runners, will receive a race day t-shirt! **IMPORTANT** – you must send us an email with the names of the people who are registering from your church to get credit for them.
- **Take up pledges for you running/walking in the race.** Several churches have done this, and one church raised \$10,000 when the pastor made the challenge! This is a great way for the kids to get involved and help raise money for the Oasis Road Race.
- **Ask businesses to become a Sponsor of the Race.** Even though you are not in the location of the race, businesses will still donate toward this very worthy cause. We've had many businesses outside of Macon give donations. Some will even sponsor you in this race.

We have hired **Orion Racing** again this year for the timing, which will provide the latest chip technology plus real time results on a flat screen TV at the finish line. Looking forward to seeing you at the Oasis Road Race!

Running to Help Others!

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