



We Give Thanks For Your Support

In this season of thanksgiving, The NEST Alliance is truly thankful to you for your continued support. You make it possible for us to remain consistent in our outreach programs. It is that consistency that makes a difference to a child.

"Children are great imitators. So give them something great to imitate."

Anonymous

100% Volunteers

**100% Donor
Supported**

**Your Support—
100% PRICELESS!**

MUSIC BECOMES A PART OF NEST KIDS' LIVES

Direct instruction in learning to work together to use music to create meaningful messages began a few years ago with our older group of NEST Kids.

Drew Yount, a volunteer, gave her time to meet with this group and the NEST leaders in our regular

Monday meetings to teach the coordination of movements using sticks and music to produce wonderful performances. They learned so well that they have now performed to audiences on three different occasions in local churches. We are now privileged to have

Butch Miller as a volunteer who will work with the kids in learning how to play a musical instrument of their choice. He will work with the NEST leaders in creating opportunities for music to truly become part of their personal lives.





COMING IN MARCH 2016 NEST ALLIANCE BENEFIT SHELLUM CLINE PERFORMANCE

We are happy to announce that:

Tickets will be on sale soon for an evening performance by this nationally recognized Christian artist who is coming to Ashe County to support The NEST Alliance .

Save the Date:

***March 5, 2016
Family Central
Gymnasium***

More details will be in our winter newsletter.

Shellum Cline will be coming to Ashe County to support the work of The NEST Alliance.

Shellem Cline is a nationally recognized Christian artist. Since his "professional" beginning in 2006, Cline has received multiple honors including young excelling individual of the year (2013), New Excelling Artist (2012), favorite vocalist (2013), Songwriter of the year (2014), Southern Gospel Forerunner (2014) and many nominations for other prestigious awards. Cline has also received 8 top 80 hits in the Southern Gospel industry, two of which Cline was the writer. Cline's most popular hit,

"Dinner With Jesus" came on the scene in October 2014, and worked its way to number 4 on the national chart. At the annual Lighthouse Fan Awards, Shellem Cline was named songwriter of the year, for the second year in a row, and "Dinner With Jesus" took home song of the year. When attending an event with Shellem Cline, the audience will receive laughter, encouragement, and inspirational stories that will show them the message that he is trying to portray. With funny songs that talk about everyday life, to inspirational tunes that inspire an individual to be a better person, to the classic gospel songs,

Shellem Cline can bring a message that is sure to touch lives. His unique ways of catching the attention of audiences all across the country has made him more than just an artist. Whether a festival, campground, church or other special events, Shellem's number one goal is to use laughter, music, inspiration and testimonies to reach the lost for Jesus Christ! (www.shellumcline.com)

The NEST Alliance is grateful for the time Shellem Cline is giving from his busy schedule to support our organization. Please make plans to join us on March 5, 2016!



ENTER THE WORLD OF A CHILD

**Foster
or
Adopt**



“By wisdom a house is built and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.” *Proverbs 24:3*
I feel God reminding us that "His House" is not built by sticks and stones- but instead by the hearts of His people. Each person is the "twig" that helps make up the entire "nest". I can remember my grandfather once telling me from a hospital bed, "I have my house built." I envisioned this place in heaven that was ready to receive him. Now, I wonder, could he have meant even more by that statement? Could he have

meant that he was content with what he had done as his part to further "build" God's kingdom? I look back at many small acts that he did that made such a difference in many lives. He was doing his part in God's building. God has an image of "His House" that He is building. A beautiful mosaic that will one day be complete. Oh Lord, may you continue to give us wisdom and understanding to do our part in building and establishing YOUR House. Allow us the vision to recognize every rare and beautiful treasure!”

From *The NEST Alliance Twig Collection*. Written by Pam Payne

There are growing numbers of "rare and beautiful treasures" who need foster and adoptive parents who will provide a Proverbs 24:3 home for them.

Could it be that when we enter the world of a child so completely that we bring that child into our home and our lives that we are truly entering the Kingdom of God?

I've learned...

That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

I've learned...

That love, not time, heals all wounds.

Andy Rooney

The NEST Alliance Board of Directors

Stephanie Baker, *President*
Kendra Graybeal, *Vice President*
Autumn Cline, *Secretary*
Michelle Dix, *Treasurer*
Theresa Church
Jan Hershner
Pam Payne
Kari Truax - *A Founder and Former Board Member*

Missions: NEST Kids, NEST Net, Roots and Wings Children's Homes

We welcome ANY donated amount, and on-going donations are greatly appreciated. The NEST Alliance is a local 501c3 nonprofit organization, and all donations are tax deductible to the extent provided by law. Please make checks payable to The NEST Alliance.

The NEST Alliance
PO Box 684
West Jefferson NC 28694

Contact: Michelle Dix, Treasurer (919) 632-5242
www.thenestalliance.org