

Hometown Harvest Fest – Church Trunk or Treat Guidelines

 **Date:** Saturday, October 4th

☐ **Time:** 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Set up by 9:00AM | Break Down at 1:00PM)

 **Location:** Clay Park – Downtown Thomasville, AL

We're excited to have local churches participate in the **Trunk or Treat** portion of the Hometown Harvest Fest! Please review the following guidelines to ensure a safe, fun, and family-friendly experience for all:

1. Registration

- All participating churches must sign up in advance by **September 19th**
 - Forms will need to be turned in after completion
 - It is **FREE** to enter!
 - You must be pre-registered in order to participate.
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2. Vehicle Setup

- Vehicles should arrive for setup between **7:30 AM – 9:00 AM**.
 - One car per church – All other cars must be parked after unloading and will not be allowed in the event space. 9:00AM is when streets close for the event.
 - Trunks should be decorated in a **fun, family-friendly, harvest or fall theme**.
 - Ex: Fall, Movies, Characters, books, etc. are all welcome.
 - No scary, gory, or inappropriate decorations will be permitted.
 - People's Choice will be awarded following a Facebook vote on decorations.
 - Each spot is roughly 10x10 to include a car as well as decorations. Plan accordingly.
 - Your church is responsible for setting up tents, decorations, etc. City workers will be downtown but will be assisting in other parts of the event preparation.
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3. Candy & Treats

- All candy/treats must be **individually wrapped and store-bought**. No treat bags required! Please make sure any chocolate candies are not included with hard candies due to possible allergies. Separate bowls can be allowed if you wish to have chocolate.
- No homemade items are allowed for health safety reasons.
- Plan for at least **350-400** children.

4. Safety & Conduct

- 2 adults must be present at each trunk at all times.
 - Please ensure all decorations, cords, or props do not create tripping hazards.
 - Power will not be available. Generators are welcome, but encourage silent styles.
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5. Trunk or Treat Checklist

- Each child will receive a **Trunk or Treat Checklist** to participate.
 - Every church will be given a unique stamp/sticker/marker to check off on kids' lists.
 - This ensures children visit each trunk **one time** and prevents repeated candy collection.
 - Please make sure your church representative stamps/marks the checklist before giving out treats.
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6. Additional Fun

- Churches are welcome to include **games, small prizes, or activities** at their trunk.
 - Costumes are encouraged, but should also be family-friendly and on theme.
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7. Cleanup

- All participants are responsible for cleaning up their area after the event.
 - Please remove all trash and decorations by **2:00 PM**.
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✓ **Reminder:** This is a community event to bless families and children. Thank you for making it a safe, welcoming, and festive part of our Hometown Harvest Fest!

☎ For questions or to register, please contact:

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