

ATRIUM WAKE FOREST BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER

Giving Thanks

A Mission of Health, Hope, and Healing for All



Mike and Robin Shepherd

“That they may see and know, and consider and understand together, that the hand of the Lord has done this, and the Holy One of Israel has created it.”

ISAIAH 41:20

2023 MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

WEEK of PRAYER

MAY 8-14, 2023



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Atrium Health
Wake Forest Baptist



YOUR GIFTS to the Mother's Day Offering bring hope to patients who suffer from great need at Atrium Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. God changes their lives through your compassion.

HOW IS MY GIFT USED?

EVERY DOLLAR you give helps patients like those in this magazine pay their medical bills in the name of Jesus Christ and His love.

They are hard-working people who face overwhelming financial crises because of serious illness. They have too much to qualify for government assistance or charity care — but not nearly enough to pay their hospital bills. They are carefully screened by financial counselors.

WHO DECIDES THE AMOUNT TO GIVE?

A group of N.C. Baptist ministers and laypersons prayerfully determine how much assistance to provide, from a few hundred to a few thousand dollars per patient.

Robin and Mike Shepherd's fairy tale love story changed when Mike developed Stage IV melanoma—their love grew stronger.

When Mike died six heroic years later, he found peace. Robin didn't. She was still facing burdensome medical bills. "It was overwhelming," she said. "I was grieving, but I was also worried and embarrassed because I was struggling to pay bills."

Then she received a letter that said Mike's medical bills were paid by mission-minded congregations through the **Mother's Day Offering**. "You won't believe the load that was taken off of me. He had just passed away—now, there was one less thing to worry about." Life without Mike is different for Robin, but it's no longer filled with financial fear.

"Thank you for this Godly love you gave me. Your gift lifts financial burdens." Robin encourages others to support the annual **Mother's Day Offering** so people can shift their attention from medical bills and focus on what's most important—caring for their loved one.



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Mother's Day Offering Representative

THANK YOU for working with your pastor and church leaders to promote the Mother's Day Offering!

PLEASE PRAY for this ministry of Christ's love!

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- Share creative ways to promote the Offering with others in your church and community
- Watch our new video and see how your gifts are changing lives
- Share the promotional resources with church members

Mother's Day Offering Video

See God's love bringing hope to the Church family and others. Many churches share one of the stories as people gather for worship, during the worship service, or during missions education programs.

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Jesus replied, "This is the first and greatest commandment: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. And the second is like it, love your neighbor as yourself."

MATTHEW 22: 36-39