

# Light of Hope Ministries BBQ Grill-Off Competition 2023

## Registration Form

Griller Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Each Griller is allowed to have one person to assist, but only registered griller will be rewarded prize. If you will have an assistant, please list their name below.

Select Categories: Ribs \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Boston Butt \_\_\_\_\_

**Non-Refundable Entry fee:** \$40 per category (chicken or ribs or \$70 for both. \$100 for Boston Butts

**Entry fees can be paid:**

1. Via website- [www.mylightofhope.org](http://www.mylightofhope.org) and click on donations tab.
2. Via Cash App- \$mylightofhope
3. Cash- Arrangements can be made for pickup/dropoff



**Categories and Awards:**

There will be THREE categories: **Chicken, Ribs and Boston Butts**

Champion of chicken and rib category will win a cash prize of \$200. Champion of Boston Butt will win a cash prize up to \$500. Each category is recognized as a separate submission; therefore, it is possible for one griller to win all categories.

**Registration: Registration and entry fee must be received no later than Saturday, October 7th.**

**Setup: Grillers can begin setting up at 3am on the church grounds. 101 Buckingham Dr. Guyton, GA 31312.**

**All contestants must be set up and ready to cook by 8 am on Saturday, October 28th.** Grillers will be allowed to start/cook any time after check-in/set-up on Saturday and up until cooking end time of 11:30am for chicken, 12:30pm for ribs and 1:30pm for Boston Butts.

**Judging:** Judging will be done in three rounds. Judging for chicken will begin at 12 noon and judging for ribs will begin at 1 pm and judging for Boston Butts will be at 2 pm. Each griller must submit a sample of each category in the event organizer's supplied containers given to them during cook off.

**JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**

**Rules: See additional sheet for complete rules and regulations.**

By signing this document, the contestant agrees they have read and will abide by all rules and regulations set forth and established by the Cook Off Committee. Completed registration forms may be given to any member of Light of Hope Ministries or submitted by email to: [alightofhopeministries@gmail.com](mailto:alightofhopeministries@gmail.com). Please contact 706-361-5144 or 706-825-6558 with any questions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# RULES & REGULATIONS

1. **FUN OATH**- Although a competition, the purpose of this event, is to have a positive and fun event for the community. All contestants and assisting parties are asked to come with a positive and fun attitude.
2. **REFUND OF ENTRY FEES** – There will be no refund of entry fees unless approved by organizing committee.
3. **EQUIPMENT** – Each Griller will supply all of the equipment necessary for the preparation and cooking of their entry including a cooker. COOKER can ONLY be one of the following: Charcoal, wood or propane fired device
4. **MEAT** – All meat submissions will be supplied by the griller. Grillers are asked to supply and cook a minimum of 2 WHOLE CHICKENS, weighing a minimum of 5lbs and a minimum of 2 slabs of SPARE RIBS. Only 1 Boston Butt is required to participate. Grillers are allowed to season and/or marinate meat, prior to grill off, but CANNOT pre-cook meat. All meat submissions will become property of Light of Hope Ministries. After judging, the remaining meat will be used for plate sales to interested attendees of the event. Grillers are allowed to cook additional meat for additional donations or for own personal use and pleasure.
5. **CONTESTANT'S SITE** – Each Griller is required to keep all equipment including cooker, canopy, etc. contained within assigned space.
6. **CLEANLINESS AND SANITATION** – All Grillers are expected to maintain their cook sites in an orderly and clean manner and to use good sanitary practices during the preparation, cooking and judging process. Grillers are responsible for cleanup of their site once the competition has ended. All federal, state and local food safety rules and regulations must be adhered to at all times
7. **MEAT CATEGORIES** – The following meats are included in competition:
  - a. Whole Chicken – Grillers are asked to supply and cook 2 whole chickens, weighing a minimum of 5lbs.
  - b. Pork Spare Ribs – Grillers are asked to supply and cook 2 slab of pork spare ribs
  - c. Boston Butt- Grillers only have to supply 1 Boston Butt
8. **JUDGING** – Entries will be submitted in the containers supplied by event organizer at check in by the Griller. Only the entry to be judged is allowed in the container, along with garnishes provided by the griller. Each entry will be judged on APPEARANCE, TASTE/FLAVOR, TENDERNESS/TEXTURE. Meat may be sauced or un-sauced.
9. **SCORING** – Each entry will be scored by 3 to 4 judges in the areas of APPEARANCE, TASTE/FLAVOR, TENDERNESS/TEXTURE. Scoring ranges from a low of 1 to a high of 5 in increments of 1 point for each category. Any entry that is disqualified as per **SECTION 11** will receive a score of zero for all three categories from all five judges at the table.
10. **TURN IN TIMES** – For Chicken Category- Cooking stops at **11:30am**. Meat submission needs to be properly packaged in supplied container and ready for judging, promptly at **12:00 noon**. For Rib Category- Cooking stops at **12:30pm**. Meat submission needs to be properly packaged and ready for judging, promptly at **1pm**. Boston Butts- Cooking stops at **1:30pm** and judged at **2pm**.
11. **JUDGING PROCEDURE** – The event organizer brings all approved containers to the table. The containers will be passed around to the judges for sampling. The judge will then score each entry for APPEARANCE, TASTE/FLAVOR, AND TENDERNESS/TEXTURE. The event organizer makes sure that all scores for the containers are recorded in the proper place. This procedure is repeated for all containers. After each container has been scored, the event organizer will then collect the judging slips.
12. **WINNERS** – The winner in each category will be determined by adding all the scores together. The griller with the most total points will be declared the champion and will be rewarded the cash prize for each category. In the event of a tie, a special Judge will be brought in to decide between the two Grillers of the tie to declare a winner. Winner will be announced at the event.