

1. Registration begins now and closes 2/20/26. Registration forms can be found online at <https://www.hopechurchmuscleshoals.com/events>.

2. Registration Fee is \$25 per individual entry and \$75 per team entry, you may enter more than one chili for an additional fee. Contestant numbers will be assigned the day of the event.

3. Each contestant is required to bring a minimum of a 4 quart crock pot for sampling purposes, crockpot liners are encouraged. Power will be provided at every station. Burners are not permitted due to this being an indoor event. Hope Church will provide 20 sampling cups with sampling spoons per chili entered.

4. All participants must be 18 years of age or older, or accompanied by an adult.

5. NO store bought or pre packaged chili will be allowed. Chili must be prepared prior to the event.

6. Contestants are responsible for providing their own supplies for chili and utensils for serving.

7. Please label chili as mild, medium, spicy or waiver required.

8. All ingredients used are REQUIRED to be displayed at your station.

9. Tasters must not be bribed.

10. Remember this is a friendly competition please be courteous and fair. This contest is for fun and to support a good cause.

12. Failure to follow any of the rules or regulations will be grounds for IMMEDIATE disqualification.

13. A voting card will be provided to each attendee in which to cast their votes for the People's Choice Award, the chili with the most votes will be determined the winner of the People's Choice Award.

14. All proceeds will go to benefit the Hope Church Youth on their trip to AYM Youth Convention 2026.

15. The event will begin on 2/21/26 at 12:00pm and will conclude by no later than 4:00pm on that day. All contestants should be reported to their stations at least 15 minutes prior to the event beginning.

16. Judging will be done by an unbiased 3rd party composed of a total of 3 judges.

17. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will each receive a championship ring and that will be followed by a cash prize. The winners will be determined by the judging panel, this will exclude the People's Choice Award. People's Choice winner will be presented with a certificate and a medal and is based solely on the number of votes received by the samplers.

18. Due to this event being a fundraiser all registrations are FINAL and no refunds will be provided.