

FAIRBURN NATURE PRESERVE DEDICATION

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Prayer for the Dedication of the Fairburn Nature Preserve

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Our Loving Father and Creator of the Earth

We gather this afternoon at the Fairburn Nature Preserve, one of your many natural creations, to give you glory for this natural place of conservation and education.

We come to your throne of grace, giving you thanks and praise for the Fairburn Nature Preserve.

Honor and glory be unto you for mercy and grace.

We thank the mayor, elected officials, and the leadership of the city of Fairburn for their vision for the Fairburn Nature Preserve.

We thank God for the city of Fairburn's faith and trust in the Environmental Institute of Georgia (EIOG) to manage this preserve.

May your faith and trust in EIOG increase with time.

We pray fervently that the Preserve will be an image of conservation, preservation, research, and education of the harmony between man and the environment.

May the Preserve be a place to learn of nature and from nature.

We dedicate this Preserve that it will bear fruits of the spirit and benefit humankind.

We give you thanks and adoration as we continue to believe that the Fairburn Nature Preserve will be an attraction to all as bees are attracted to honey.

Finally, we seal this prayer of dedication of the Fairburn Nature Preserve with the blood of your son, Jesus Christ – Let everybody say Amen.