



Letter from Rob Hatfield



We have begun a new sermon series on Sunday mornings entitled *But God*. This may seem like an odd title for a series until you begin to notice the number of times that phrase appears in scripture. In the Old Testament and New Testament, across different genres of scripture (poetry, history,

letters, etc.), with different human authors this phrase is consistent. It communicates the difference between the world mired in its own circumstances and that same world having experienced God’s intervention, love, and power. It is a distinction between darkness and light, pain and joy, despair and hope. As we examine several passages together with this phrase in mind, I invite you to begin looking for it as you study scripture on your own. When you find the phrase, take a moment to see the contrast between what appears before the phrase and after - it is a divine difference!

We have also begun a new series in our Wednesday night Bible study based on the secrets to joyful living as Christ followers. The difficulty to maintain our joy in the midst of circumstances is not a new dilemma, and Jesus spoke to His disciples about this very topic in Matthew 5:1-12, a passage commonly referred to as the beatitudes. In these verses Jesus lays out what it looks like to follow Him and have a “blessed” or joy-filled life in the process. I look forward to studying joyful living with you in God’s word on Wednesdays!

I hope you have been praying for our students in preparation for Family Ties this weekend. They have an exciting weekend planned with large group worship, small group Bible study, and service in the community. Mixed in as well will be continual fun with friends, playing as a group, and so much more! The weekend is designed to enable the students to retreat away from “normal life” so they can focus on their relationship with God. It has the potential to give their walk with the Lord a spiritual boost while also making memories with friends that can last a lifetime. Please pray for our students to be open to hearing the Lord speak throughout the weekend. Pray also for our leaders and host home providers, that they will be sensitive to the Lord’s leadership in the life of each student and know how to help point them to the next step in growing closer to Him.



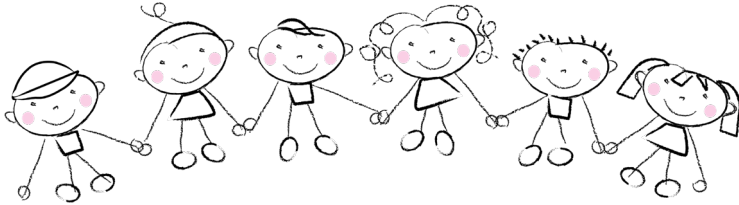
Please join us as we serve the women at *McKemie Place* on **Thursday, February 1**. Bring your favorite salad, side dish or dessert to add to our fried chicken dinner. We will gather in the Activities Center parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and depart at 5:45 p.m. Your good food, your presence, your smiles, your prayers and other expressions of God’s grace mean so much!

SPRING HILL BAPTIST WMU & WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS

I Love To Tell The Story
Sunday, January 28, 2018
5:00 p.m., SHBC Dining Hall

Tickets are \$10 and are now on sale in the Dining Hall, Sanctuary Foyer, Administration Office and by phone, 251-342-5320.

Are you in need of transportation to this event?
Please call 251-342-5320 to reserve.



SPRING HILL BAPTIST DAY SCHOOL'S in house registration will be held Monday, January 29- Friday, February 2 for the August 2018-July 2019 school year. In house registration is a registration period for families enrolled in our Center and active church members. Priority will not be given after February 2. If you have any questions, please call the daycare office at 251-342-6044.

Dominican Mission Trip Collection
backpacks, notebooks, pencils, crayons and gluesticks (please send new items)
We need the donations turned in to the Education Office by Wednesday, February 7.

BIBLE READING PLAN FOR 2018

Please continue to read with us this week. A reading plan will appear in The Messenger and Sunday Worship Guide each week and can be found on our website at www.shbc.cc.



January 28-February 3, 2018:

- January 28: Exodus 30-32
- January 29: Exodus 33-35
- January 30: Exodus 36-38
- January 31: Exodus 39-40
- February 1: Leviticus 1-4
- February 2: Leviticus 5-7
- February 3: Leviticus 8-10

COMING IN FEBRUARY...

Chili Cookoff, Flag Football & Family Fun!
Sunday, February 4, 2018
3:00-5:30pm
Grassy area beside the Moorer Library



Chili Cookoff Registration Deadline is January 29

Register by visiting shbc.cc
or look for sign-up forms in Sunday School
1st & 2nd place prizes will be awarded

We need people who are not cooking chili to bring drinks and desserts.

If you can help, please contact

csmith@shbc.cc



Sunday, February 4, 2018
9:45 a.m.

Parents drop off and pick up in regular Sunday school rooms



MATURE ADULTS GROWING IN CHRIST...

Tuesday, February 13, 10:00 a.m.
- Cottage Hill Baptist Church Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon

(on Mardi Gras Day)

Cost is \$10.00 per person for lunch and program.
Deadline to make your reservations and payment is Sunday, February 11, 2018

Friday, March 16, 8:30 a.m. - Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival
Cost is what you buy and what you eat.

Sunday, April 8 - Friday, April 13, 2018 - We are traveling to Kentucky to see THE ARK as well as the Creation Museum, Kentucky Horse Museum, Corvette Museum, Franklin, TN, and stay at the Historic Boone Tavern Inn. Brochures will be in mail soon.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL... A PLACE OF STRENGTH



**CONNECTING
PEOPLE**

another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”
Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV

²⁴ “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one

another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”
The writer of Hebrews knew the importance of believers gathering together and staying in close touch with one another - not only for worship, but also to encourage one another in lifestyle. The first-century Christians were persecuted by the outside world, and they needed the strength, encouragement, and sense of belonging that come from being part of the group. An uncommon bond and unusual strength can be attained by joining together as a spiritual community.

SAVE THE DATE!

Centrifuge for Students in Grades 7-8
Monday – Friday, July 9-13, 2018
Shalimar Retreat Center
Panama City, FL



Welcome
New Members!



Caroline Cole
by Profession of Faith



Cooper Estes
by Profession of Faith



James & Roan Lewis
by Profession of Faith



**Kevin, Kayra and
Adrian Alt**
by Statement
Ella Kay



**Michael, Brooke &
Sam Lenz**
by Letter
Ryland and Maggie

SHBC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 28

- 8:45 a.m.Contemporary Service
- 9:45 a.m.Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m.Traditional Service
- 3:30 p.m.Children’s Bible Drill Practice
- 4:00 p.m.Amazing Collection
- 4:00 p.m.SHS Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m.JHS Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m.Women’s Ministry Event (DH)
- 6:30 p.m.Reflection Rehearsal

Monday, January 29

- 4:00 p.m.Upward Basketball Practice
- 6:00 p.m.Precept Upon Precept Bible Study (AC)
- 7:00 p.m.Reflection Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 30

- 9:30 a.m.Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 4:00 p.m.Upward Basketball Practice

Wednesday, January 31

- 4:45 p.m.Supper (DH)
- 5:30 p.m.Music & Missions
- 5:30 p.m.W.O.W. (AC)
- 6:15 p.m.Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m.Young Adult Ensemble
- 7:05 p.m.Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 1

- 9:15 a.m.Ruth Bible Study (AC)
- 4:00 p.m.Upward Basketball Practice
- 5:30 p.m.McKemie Place

Friday, February 2

- 3:00 p.m.Upward Basketball Practice

Saturday, February 3

- 8:00 a.m.Upward Basketball Games

Giving Thanks

January 21, 2018

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Receipts.....	55,726.96
Restricted Giving.....	3,776.70
Total.....	59,503.66
Needs to Date.....	200,847.75
Given to Date.....	191,756.89

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults.....	291
Young Adults.....	77
Youth.....	68
Preteen.....	27
Children.....	43
Preschool.....	52
Sub-total.....	558
OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
Gordon Oaks.....	7
GRAND TOTAL.....	565

DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL

PEACE

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Sunday Nights | F-204 | 9-week session begins February 25 | 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Facilitators: Tremaine and Tracy Martin

Walk through the basics of budgeting, becoming debt-free, planning for the future and more in a small group setting. Cost is \$100. (If you think that's expensive, attend 8 out of the 9 weeks and receive \$50 back at the end of the semester.)

Registration begins this Sunday, January 28 at www.shbc.cc.

THE CHURCH STAFF

Church Office 342-5320

Dr. Rob Hatfield Pastor
Bob Gladney Executive Pastor
Terry Richey Associate Pastor
Randy Grim Minister of Music
Erica Holloway Minister to Children & Families
Bill Taylor Asst. Minister of Music
Debbie Rice Children's Music Coordinator
Missy Powell Pianist

Activities Center 342-5375

Colleen Smith ... Recreation/Activities Coordinator
Matt Jordan Recreation Ministry Assistant
Ashley Johnson Upward Sports Director

Weekday Preschool Education Office
342-6044

In case of emergency over the weekend,
you may reach the on call minister
at 463-4350.



*Train up a child in
the way he should go;
and when he is old, he will not
depart from it. Proverbs 22:6*

Extended Session
for week of January 28, 2018

Preschool A: Michael & Elizabeth Knotts

Preschool B: Jody & Katie Crane (Early)

Barbara Crawley (Late)

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