



SPRING HILL
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Love God ... Love Each Other ... Love the World

Letter from Rob Hatfield



Spring does not officially begin until March 20th, but it certainly appears to have begun early in Mobile. There are a few leading indicators: 1) Almost everyone in my family is experiencing some significant allergies (Laurie somehow won the genetic lottery on this one and is unaffected). So if any of the guys in the family forget to take our allergy medicine

that day we are doomed to itchy, watery eyes and a steady stream of sneezes. 2) The reason for our allergies are these amazingly beautiful flowers that are everywhere! We are inundated with pinks, purples, yellows, whites and reds which remind me of how much of an artist God is. 3) Our 4 year old is getting up earlier and earlier as his room is becoming increasingly bright each morning. While I'm not necessarily excited about losing an hour of sleep with the time change (don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Saturday night, March 10!), I will be glad to have a few more undisturbed minutes in the mornings. 4) We have now officially traded in our basketball shoes for our spring sporting gear. This means new schedules, new teams, new friends and new adventures.

It is funny to me how God gives us a seasonal reminder that change is normal, even cyclical. As the God of universe, He didn't have to make seasons. He chose to put this rhythm into the world. We know it is natural for plants to have seasons of flowers, and to have seasons where there are none. We've come to

expect the changes in seasons, changes in weather, changes in when the sun rises, and even changes to our clocks.

We've also trained our children and grandchildren to expect change as a part of life. In the midst of winter, we say things like, basketball season will end soon so you need to enjoy it. Or, I know it is cold now, but spring is coming!

At the same time, change can sometimes feel scary or difficult because, well, it is new and different. We can't forget that change is normal and brings with it so many opportunities for new and wonderful things. It is true that sometimes there is some pain (or watery eyes and sneezing) that can come with something new, but there are also opportunities for growth and adventure. I'm thankful for God's work around us these days and am trying to take his message of creation and change to heart - I hope you will too!



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SHBC GOAL: \$24,000
GIVEN TO DATE: \$4,162

WHAT IS THE ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING?

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) is the primary way we support mission efforts in North America. **One hundred percent** of gifts given to AAEO are used to support Southern Baptist missionaries serving across the United States and Canada.



ANNIE ARMSTRONG MISSIONARY MOMENT



HEIDEN & NEENA RATNER | LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

LOST AND FOUND

Las Vegas native Heiden Ratner fulfilled a dream when he played Division 1 college basketball, but his time on the court wasn't his most defining university experience. At a college Bible study, he says, "I realized I was missing something. I thought, 'These people have something I don't.' "

9 OUT OF 10 PEOPLE
IN LAS VEGAS DON'T
KNOW JESUS.

Heiden became a believer and developed a passion for teaching, preaching and sharing the gospel. It led him back to his hometown where, "God called my wife to come alongside me in church planting, and we have been humbled and honored to serve the Lord in this capacity together."

About 92 percent of the people living in Las Vegas do not know Jesus. The Ratners planted WALK Church to reach the lost in this spiritually dark place and to then help plant more churches in and around the city

"We must not love with words or speech, but with truth and action"
1 John 3:18, HSB

BECAUSE YOU GIVE...

- \$10** a missionary can purchase gospel tracts to engage his community in Toronto.
- \$20** a North American missionary is able to buy lunch and build a relationship with her Muslim neighbor.
- \$50** a Send City Missionary has a bus fare for a month to travel in an unreached area of his city.
- \$150** a church plant's community group is resourced with Bibles, books and other discipleship materials in Oregon.
- \$400** a GenSend student missionary is able to spend time mentoring underprivileged children in the inner city.
- \$450** a Vancouver missionary can receive a semester of coaching from a church planting mentor.
- \$500** a block party starts gospel conversations in a community in Maine.
- \$1,100** a church planter is able to attend a two-day orientation training at the North American Mission Board.
- \$1,200** a North American missionary can pay half a month's rent for a New York apartment.
- \$2,000** a new children's ministry can be resourced with curriculum and equipment in Colorado.
- \$2,400** a bi-vocational, church planting missionary can receive a seminary scholarship.

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.

March 11-17, 2018:

- March 11: Joshua 1-4
- March 12: Joshua 5-8
- March 13: Joshua 9-11
- March 14: Joshua 12-15
- March 15: Joshua 16-18
- March 16: Joshua 19-21
- March 17: Joshua 22-24





WORK DAY AT SPRING HILL

Saturday, March 17 at 8:00 a.m.

We will be working on our campus doing general yard work, pruning, power washing, etc.

SPRING HILL
Baptist Church

FREE ADMISSION

EGG HUNT ON THE HILL

Saturday, March 24
9:00-11:30 a.m.

Pony Rides, Inflatables,
Train Rides, Face Painting, Crafts,
Refreshments... and Much More!

251-342-5320

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

Our Egg Hunt on the Hill is just a few weeks away on Saturday, March 24, from 9:00-11:30 a.m. This is one of the absolute highlights of our Children's Ministry each Easter season! Not only is it a wonderful morning for our church family, but it's a great outreach for our day school and community.

Each year, we depend upon volunteers to help make this happen. Please contact Erica Holloway, eholloway@shbc.cc, if you would be willing to volunteer for an hour during this event.



Welcome
New Member!

JB Crane
by Profession of Faith

UPCOMING EVENTS...

MEN'S NIGHT OUT AT ROCKY CREEK
Thursday, March 22, 2018

7TH & 8TH GRADE CENTRIFUGE REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Wednesday, April 18, 2018

SECRET CHURCH
Friday, April 20, 2018
6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

SHRIMP BOIL FELLOWSHIP
Saturday, April 21, 2018
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

SHBC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 11

8:45 a.m..... Contemporary Service
9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
11:00 a.m..... Traditional Service
12:00 p.m..... Team Kid Racers Lunch & Race (AC)
4:00 p.m..... Amazing Collection
4:00 p.m..... Financial Peace University
4:00 p.m..... SHS Rehearsal
4:00 p.m..... JHS Rehearsal
6:30 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Ladies' Rehearsal
6:30 p.m..... Reflection Rehearsal

Monday, March 12

6:00 p.m..... Precept Upon Precept Bible Study (AC)
7:00 p.m..... Reflection Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 13

6:30 p.m..... Finance Committee Meeting
7:45 p.m..... Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday, March 14

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 & Business Meeting
6:15 p.m..... Young Adult Ensemble
7:05 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 15

9:15 a.m..... "He Speaks to Me" Bible Study (AC)

Friday, March 16

Saturday, March 17

8:00 a.m..... Work Day at Spring Hill

Giving Thanks

March 4, 2018

STEWARDSHIP

Projected Weekly Needs74,238.00
Sunday Contributions.....77,675.75
Projected Needs to Date.....619,551.00
Given to Date.....518,572.61

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT		ATTENDANCE	
Adults.....	683	Adults.....	311
Young Adults.....	341	Young Adults.....	72
Youth.....	155	Youth.....	49
Preteen.....	65	Preteen.....	25
Children.....	111	Children.....	37
Preschool.....	130	Preschool.....	51
TOTAL.....	1,465	Sub-total.....	551
		OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
		Gordon Oaks.....	0
		GRAND TOTAL.....	551

EASTER AT SPRING HILL

Egg Hunt on the Hill
 Saturday, March 24, 2018
 9:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday, March 25, 2018
 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Organ Meditations on the Cross
 Wednesday, March 28, 2018 | 12:00 p.m. | Sanctuary
 Bill Taylor, Organist

Maunder Thursday Service
Observance of the Lord's Supper
 Thursday, March 29, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018
 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 9:45 Sunday School
 Butterfly Release & Flower Cross
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Orchestra



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
 Ashley Johnson Upward Sports Director

Weekday Preschool Education Office
342-6044



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 March 11, 2018

Preschool A:

Preschool B: Zach & Kathleen Coffman (Early)
Bucky & Carla Thomas (Late)

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