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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



Every Christian has their own personal strategies to grow in their relationship with God, be transformed by the Holy Spirit and be used by Him to accomplish His will in the world. Whether we realize it or not, we are living out our strategies as we go about the motions of day-to-day life. I have found it helpful over the years to

examine the effectiveness of my own strategies by looking at the examples of Christians who have gone before us. By looking at their habits I discover areas where I can improve, skills I can develop, and tactics I can deploy.

George Mueller was a Christian who lived in England between 1805 and 1898 and is credited with being used by God to provide care for many orphans through the establishment of orphanages. He is also known as a great man of prayer. He recognized the tendency of Christians to underestimate the power of prayer even as he experienced that same power at work in and around his life. So he set about to keep a prayer journal - recording all the things that he prayed for and then also recording how God answered. In his journal he was specific, so there could be no doubt about what was needed and then he was also detailed in how God provided. His aim in keeping this journal was that it would serve as a testimony to his own heart and for other Christians about the faithfulness of God and the power of prayer. My own keeping of a prayer journal was certainly impacted by Mueller's example.

Mueller's story is one among many whose life and story has made and is making an imprint on my heart and life. Are there testimonies from Christians in the past that have impacted you? I encourage you to test and see if the tool of comparative analysis is helpful for you - I know it has been for me!

Speaking of tools, I hope you will take the time to look at the many opportunities available for you and your family within our congregation in this newsletter. There are so many wonderful blessings waiting for you!



Sunday, September 23, 2018

5:30 p.m.

Ladies don't forget to get your tickets, shbc.cc/register.

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Spring Hill Baptist Church
WMU & Women's Ministry
present



featuring
**Melinda Rainey
Thompson**

- Birmingham, AL native
- Author of best selling *SWAG* (Southern Women Aging Gracefully)
- Dynamic & funny speaker
- English professor, wife, mother

18 Sunday, September 23, 2018 • 5:30 p.m.
Spring Hill Baptist Dining Hall
Tickets: \$5.00 each

Tickets on sale in the foyer on Sundays and Wednesday nights, during the week in the administration office, or call (251) 342-5320
For childcare, contact Jean Leslie Pratt at 421-5530 or jpratt@teamquality.com by Sept. 19

Our Mission Action Project Please bring cleaning supplies and paper products to support local women's ministries!

**Family Night
at Seward Farms**
Saturday, October 27
from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

- Cost is \$15 per adult/\$5 per child.
- Admission includes:
 - corn maze
 - unlimited activities
 - hot dog supper
 - s'mores
 - and LOTS of fun!

Bring a camp chair or blanket to picnic, roast marshmallows and fellowship!

Sign up online beginning September 24 through October 23 at www.shbc.cc or in the Education Office.

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Join Us for
**SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Week at LifeWay**

October 1st Through October 6th

Enjoy an Extra 20% off Your Purchase, Including Sale & Clearance! Excludes VBS and Willow Tree purchases.
Just mention our church at checkout to receive your discount.

Stop by to check out resources for every step of your faith journey.
Bibles, Books, Gifts, Music & More

**UPWARD BASKETBALL
EVALUATIONS**

Registration is available now, visit shbc.cc/register.

Evaluation Schedule:

- K5-2nd grade | October 1 & 2 | 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
- 3rd-6th grade | October 4 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. and October 5 | 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

All evaluations take place in the Spring Hill Baptist Activities Center.

Cost: \$100 (After October 6 - \$110) Season starts in November and goes through January.

Please contact Ashley Johnson for more information, ajohnson@shbc.cc or 251-342-5375.



CHURCH MEMBERS WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH UPWARD BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS!



We need help on October 1 & 2 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. and October 4 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. and October 5 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. (You are welcome to do 1 hour shifts.) Please email Ashley Johnson, ajohnson@shbc.cc, or call

the church office 342-5320 if you are available to help.



ATTENTION STUDENTS...

FALL RETREAT: HEART MATTERS

Students join us October 19-21, 2018 for our fall retreat at Camp Baldwin in Elberta, AL. For all students grades 7-12. Cost is

\$50 per student (Deadline is October 5). Come worship with our speaker Kolby DePratter and with music from Stephen Michael and the band!

We will leave the church parking lot Friday, October 19, at 4:30 p.m., or if you will be coming later that evening, we have a second bus leaving the parking lot at 10:30 p.m. (You will need to let Josh know when you will be traveling with us). We will return to SHBC Sunday at noon.

Sign up online at shbc.cc/register

OTHER STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS...

- October 17 | 5:30 p.m. | Game Night at the SHAC
- October 27 | 4:30 p.m. | Seward Farms



Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering

During the month of September we will remember the lives of "Two Spiritual Giants" as we pray for the work of Alabama Baptists and give through the Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering. Your gifts will help support these Great Commission Ministries: Alabama WMU, Disaster Relief, Church Planting, Church revitalization and Global Partnership Missions. **Our goal is \$2,000 and \$2,255 has been given.**

More about Kathleen Mallory...

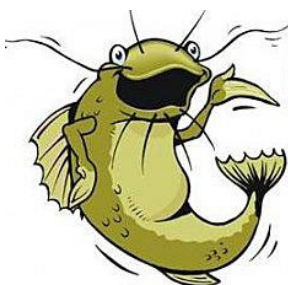
Kathleen Mallory was born on January 24, 1879, near Selma, Alabama. Brought up in church, Kathleen's home life provided the highest example of Christian service. Her father, H.S.D. Mallory, served five years as president of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, and her mother excelled in making their home a haven of hospitality. Kathleen professed faith in Jesus Christ at age 10.

Soon after her missions call from the Lord in Roanoke, Kathleen became statewide leader for Young Women's Auxiliary (YWA). In 1909, she became Alabama WMU's corresponding secretary-treasurer, a position in which she observed a noticeable growth in women's knowledge of missions and willingness to pray aloud and give testimonies in front of groups.

In 1912, Kathleen became corresponding secretary-treasurer of WMU, SBC, and her 36 years of diligent service in that position demonstrated her life theme, "Take up your cross."

As corresponding secretary-treasurer of WMU, SBC, Kathleen traveled at her own expense to China and South America. Upon her return to the United States, she passionately urged women to pray more fervently for missions to lost people and for overburdened missionaries. She regarded prayer as the Christian's deepest joy and the highest form of Christian service.

Kathleen promoted work with every ethnic group and taught that every woman ought to be a soul winner and a generous giver. Tithing was a minimum. Her apartment was frugally furnished, and items from her travels to foreign lands were sold for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. She wrote that "substance and self" were all a Christian had to give and that these gifts should be "fragrant with self-denial."



MEN'S NIGHT OUT AT ROCKY CREEK

Thursday, October 18, 2018

Buses leave at 5:30 p.m or

you may meet us there at 6:30 p.m.

Sign up online at shbc.cc/register or

sign up in Sunday School

For additional information, call 342-5320.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, September 23

8:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
3:15 p.m.	Reflection Rehearsal
4:30 p.m.	Junior High Singers Rehearsal
4:30 p.m.	Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.	Ladies' Comedy Central
6:00 p.m.	Reflection Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.	Men's TIC Rehearsal

Monday, September 24

5:30 p.m.	Flag Football
6:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study: Calm My Anxious Heart

Tuesday, September 25

Wednesday, September 26

10:00 a.m.	Handbells
4:45 p.m.	Supper (DH)
5:30 p.m.	Music & Missions
5:30 p.m.	Students: The Workshop
6:15 p.m.	Mom Set Free (H-204)
6:15 p.m.	Share Jesus Without Fear (H-203)
6:15 p.m.	The Rest of God (H-205)
6:15 p.m.	Prayer Meeting/Bible Study of James
6:20 p.m.	Young Adult Ensemble
7:05 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 27

9:15 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study: The Quest
5:00 p.m.	Dinner & A Movie

Friday, September 28

Saturday, September 29

Giving Thanks

September 16, 2018

STEWARDSHIP

Projected Weekly Needs	\$52,191.60
Sunday Contributions	\$47,274.84
Projected Needs to Date	\$2,397,215.80
Given to Date	\$2,237,471.52

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT

Adults	672	Adults	299
Young Adults	263	Young Adults	66
College	108	College	6
Youth	150	Youth	53
Preteen	63	Preteen	30
Children	101	Children	46
Preschool	118	Preschool	659
TOTAL	1,475	Sub-total	559
		OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
		Gordon Oaks	10
		GRAND TOTAL	569



When you see this symbol it means this ministry opportunity is made possible by your contributions to the 2018 Mission and Ministry Plan.

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.

September 23-29, 2018

- September 23: 1 Chronicles 26-27
- September 24: 1 Chronicles 28-29
- September 25: 2 Chronicles 1-4
- September 26: 2 Chronicles 5-7
- September 27: 2 Chronicles 8-10
- September 28: 2 Chronicles 11-14
- September 29: 2 Chronicles 15-18

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

MISSION TRIP:

March 2- March 8, 2019

Sign up by September 24 with a \$150 deposit in the Education Office. Email Erica Holloway, eholloway@shbc.cc with questions about this trip. Opportunities for Children's Ministry, sports camps, light construction and crafting workshops.



4K-6th Grade join us **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** for **The Tree House**. Children will come to the Tree House with their Sunday School classes

THE CHURCH STAFF

Church Office 342-5320

- Dr. Rob Hatfield Pastor
- Bob Gladney Executive Pastor
- Terry Richey Associate Pastor
- Randy Grim Minister of Music
- Josh Karl Student & College Pastor
- Erica Holloway Minister to Children & Families
- Bill Taylor Asst. Minister of Music
- Gretchen Crane Communications Director
- Denise Marsh Finance Director
- Debbie Rice Children's Music Coordinator
- Missy Powell Pianist

Activities Center 342-5375

- Colleen Smith ... Recreation/Activities Coordinator
- Enrique Castillo 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 minister on call at 342-5320.



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 September 23, 2018
Preschool B: Kristen Roberts (Early)
Justin & Haley Davis (Late)

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