

Letter from Rob Hatfield



As I write this article the gaze of our nation has turned toward a senate committee that is tasked with recommending potential Supreme Court Justices. In particular, the committee will ask questions related to events that may or may not have happened 35 years ago. As the high stakes drama will unfold on live national television, two biblical truths are

on display regardless of if you believe this candidate should be confirmed or not.

First, as Christians we are called to "say 'no' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live selfcontrolled, upright and godly lives in this present age" (Titus 2:12). I have always heard this described as living above reproach. We must live in such a way that our actions and character are without question. This truth is perhaps particularly relevant for our children and students to hear as the issues being discussed concerning the Supreme Court Candidate are dated to the time when the candidate was in high school and college. How he lived or didn't live, what he did or didn't do (both at that time and since) will be looked at in depth. I have, unfortunately, heard high school and college students over the years indicate they will "grow up" once they leave college. Their underlying assumption is that a sinful lifestyle is a rite of passage they should be able to enjoy without potential consequences. The Bible does not support this assumption. Instead, it teaches that we are called to live as salt and light in the world from the moment of our salvation until the moment of our death or when Jesus returns.

Second, the truths of God are not up for debate and cannot be changed. One of the reasons so many people care about who the next Supreme Court justice will be is because of the power our nation has granted the highest court. We have seen over the years how a decision from the court can reshape our nation and can redefine what our nation accepts or rejects. In these moments I am thankful that we serve a God who is the Alpha and Omega, "who is, who was, and who is to come" (Revelation 1:8). That "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). And I am grateful that "the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of of our God stands forever" (Isaiah 40:8). The courts of today did not exist 500 years ago and may not exist 500 years from now, but the word of the Lord and God Himself are eternal. We must continually rely on Him!

LAST CALLIII

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP:

March 2- March 8, 2019

Sign up by Sunday, September 30 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.



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

UPWARD BASKETBALL **EVALUATIONS**

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



Evaluation Schedule:

- K5-2nd grade | October 1 & 2 | 5:30 -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

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:

October 1 & 2 | 5:30 -7:30 p.m. October 4 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. October 5 | 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.

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Hebrews 10:22



Family Night at Seward Farms

October 27, 2018 4:30 -7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$15 per adult and \$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 now through October 24 by visiting shbc.cc/register. If you have any questions email Erica Holloway, eholloway@shbc.cc.



MEN'S NIGHT OUT AT ROCKY CREEK

hursday, 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.

Welcome **New Members!**



Sharon DeVine by Letter



Colton Thomas by Profession of Faith



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 \$3,220 has been given.

Visit myers-mallory.org/about/ to read more about the Great Commission Ministries.



FOOD DONATIONS TO NEEDY FAMILIES

SHBC members have an opportunity to contribute food and household items to those in great need in Alabama Village. John and Dolores Eads have identified families who are struggling to make ends meet and need some help to care for their families. Each month 15-20 families will be chosen to receive help. SHBC members can help by bringing any of the following items and placing them in food collection boxes located on the church campus. These will be collected and stored until the end of the month. Items will be bagged and taken to LOV for distribution.

Items are being collected in marked boxes in the Education Office, the Activities Center and on the second floor of the Adult Sunday School Building.

Items Needed: boxed mac-n-cheese, canned spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, ramen noodles, rice, beans cans of ravioli, corn, green beans, yams, collards, tuna fish, canned ham, canned chicken, Vienna Sausages, canned pears, peaches, fruit cocktail, apple sauce, peanut butter, jelly, cereal bars, crackers, loaf of bread, toilet paper, toothpaste, dish soap and bleach

You can help by: bringing items, helping prepare the bags each month, and/or helping deliver the food bags. Please contact Judy Wesson at 423-5402 if you would like to help.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

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Sunday, September 30				
8:30 a.mContemporary Worship Service				
9:45 a.mSunday School				
11:00 a.m Traditional Worship Service				
3:15 p.mReflection Rehearsal				
4:00 p.mAmazing Collection				
4:30 p.mJunior High Singers Rehearsal				
4:30 p.mSpring Hill Singers Rehearsal				
6:00 p.mReflection Rehearsal				
6:30 p.mLadies' TIC Rehearsal				
Monday, October 1				
5:30 p.mUpward Basketball Evaluations				
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Tuesday, October 2				
9:00 a.mPrayer Shawl Ministry				
5:30 p.mUpward Basketball Evaluations				
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Wednesday, October 3				
7:00 a.mMAGIC: Leaving for National Parks Tour				
10:00 a.m				
4:45 p.mSupper (DH)				
5:30 p.mMusic & Missions				
5:30 p.mStudents: The Workshop				
6:15 p.m				
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6:15 p.mPrayer Meeting/Bible Study of James				
6:20 p.mYoung Adult Ensemble 7:05 p.mSanctuary Choir Rehearsal				
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Thursday, October 4				
9:15 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: The Quest				
5:30 p.mUpward Basketball Evaluations				
5:30 p.mServe at McKemie Place				
Friday, October 5				
3:30 p.mUpward Basketball Evaluations				
Saturday, October 6				

Giving Thanks

September 23, 2018 **STEWARDSHIP**

Projected Weekly Needs	\$52,191.60
Sunday Contributions	\$47,223.49
Projected Needs to Date	\$2,449,407.40
Given to Date	\$2 284 695 01

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Adults	672	Adults	270
Young Adults	263	Young Adults	57
College	108	College	8
Youth	150	Youth	57
Preteen	63	Preteen	19
Children	101	Children	37
Preschool	118	Preschool	55
TOTAL	1,475	Sub-total	503
		OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
		Gordon Oaks	17
		GRAND TOTAL	520



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



CONTACT US

Church Office 342-5320 **Activities Center** 342-5375 **Weekday Preschool Education Office** 342-6044

In case of emergency over the weekend, you may reach the minister on call at 342-5320.

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Alabama WMU has been asked and senses God's leadership in making the bold step forward in committing to pray for the salvation of the people of Pakistan. We ask you to join us in this journey of faith 365 days of prayer text reminder that will include prayer PERIODICAL, POSTAGE PAID requests for Pakistani people and workers.

Sign up now by texting PakistanPrayer to 555888.



Extended Session for week of September 30, 2018

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Saturday, December 8, 2018

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 9, 2018 4:00 p.m.

Save the Date

Preschool A: Allen & Whitney Chandler Preschool B: Jason & Gretchen Crane (Early) Sean & Amy Delcambre (Late)

for the people of Pakistan beginning
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Please join us as we serve the women at McKemie Place on Thursday, October 4. We will gather in the Activities Center parking lot at 5:30

p.m. and depart at 5:45 p.m.