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Mobile, Alabama

Letter from Rob Hatfield



Happy Thanksgiving! I hope that you and yours are enjoying this wonderful season by filling it with memories of laughter, love and joy. My little family will head north to Birmingham to spend the time with my extended family. We will play an untold number of games, eat an undisclosed amount of delicious food and spend every minute available doing what we love most - being together. In the midst of those

times it is easy to be thankful to the Lord for all that He has given us. Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we are able to see evidence of His wonderful blessings running around us with smiles on their faces. I pray you will be filled with grace and peace that can only come from the Father and that you will take the time to thank and praise Him for His bountiful blessings!

At the end of Thanksgiving (typically on Iron Bowl Saturday), we turn the page from Thanksgiving to Christmas. This is the day we hang our Christmas decorations, put up our Christmas tree and begin playing Christmas music non-stop around the house. I admit this was a bit confusing for our sons when they were smaller. Each day, they would wake up and ask if it was Christmas yet, and each day we would show them an Advent Calendar and remind them how many days were left until Christmas finally arrives. The anticipation is part of the excitement and celebration! The anticipation of the season always reminds me of how long the people of Israel (and the entire world) had to wait for the "Advent" or coming of Jesus. It seemingly took a very, very long time, but God was working and Jesus did come at the exact right moment in all of history. The anticipation and excitement was part of the celebration! Over the next

several Sundays we will turn our heart's attention to the coming of Jesus as we celebrate Advent together. I look forward to preparing our hearts together for the coming of Jesus!





Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign

Spring Hill Baptist Church will ring the bells for the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign. The Red Kettle Christmas Campaign enables The

Salvation Army to provide food, toys and clothing to over 6 million people during the Christmas season and helps more than 34 million Americans recovering from all kinds of personal disasters nationwide.

Our church family has eight time slots a day, Thursday, November 29, Friday, November 30 and Saturday, December 1 - twenty four total time slots – 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Winn Dixie on Grelot. Volunteers would ring for one hour or two if you wanted two. You can sign up for your time slot at <u>www.shbc.cc/register</u>. Go online today and reserve a time best for you.



Saturday, December 8 | 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Sunday, December 9 | 4:00 p.m.

TICKETS Available to Church Members

Sundays, November 25th & December 2nd Sanctuary Foyer 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 25th In designated Sunday School areas 9:15-10:00 a.m.

Wednesdays, November 28th and December 5th Dining Hall Foyer from 5:45 – 7:15 p.m.

Available to Community and SHBC Members This Is Christmas Ticket Office

Friday, November 30th, 12:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 1st, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, December 3rd-7th, 12:00-6:00 p.m. Ticket Office Phone: 251-652-1037

DEACON NOMINATION FORMS ARE DUE THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

The Deacon Election Committee will be accepting nominations from church members of those qualified to serve as deacon for the next three-year term, 2019 -2021 until 12:00 noon THIS Sunday, November 25. Nomination forms will be available for church members in the Sunday School Classes as well as in the Administrative and Education Offices and in your Worship Guide. After the nomination process, the Deacon Election will be held on Sunday, December 16, 2018 during both morning worship services.





Can You Volunteer to Deliver Gifts for Angel Tree?

THANK YOU for adopting ALL the Angels assigned to us for Christmas. Volunteers are needed to deliver Angel Tree gifts. Gifts will be available for pick up at the Spring Hill Baptist Activities Center (SHAC) beginning Saturday, December 8 and may be picked up anytime thereafter within the SHAC's normal hours of operation.

Angel Tree gifts must be delivered to the families before Christmas Eve. The day of your anticipated delivery, phone numbers are provided for you to reach out to the family and

let them know to expect you, ensure directions, etc. If a family is not home when you come by, you should leave the gifts at the door. We ask that delivery teams consist of AT LEAST 2 ADULTS. Can you help? Please call John Eads at 251-680-4613.

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 <u>www.shbc.cc</u>.

November 25-December 1, 2018

November 25: Ephesians 1-3 November 26: Ephesians 4-6 November 27: Colossians; Philemon November 28: Philippians November 29: Acts 1-3 November 30: Acts 4-6 December 1: Acts 7-8



SAVE THE DATE February 2, 2019 | 4:00 p.m.



2019 Mission and Ministry Plan Information

The Ministerial Staff, Finance Committee and Deacon Body have all worked together to carefully assemble the proposed 2019 Mission and Ministry Plan.

This year we seek your participation in the approval of the Mission and Ministry Plan in several ways...

- 1. Please join these groups in praying for God's leadership as we move toward approval of the Mission and Ministry Plan.
- Review the Mission and Ministry Plan and ask questions about proposed ministry expenses you are interested in knowing about. Submit your questions to Bob Gladney at <u>bgladney@shbc.cc</u> or call 342-5320 before the presentation and discussion on Wednesday, December 12. Every effort will be made to answer every question presented.
- 3. A presentation/discussion of the Proposed 2019 Mission and Ministry Plan will be held on Wednesday, December 12 at 6:15 p.m. in the Dining Hall.
- Sunday, December 16, the Proposed 2019 Mission and Ministry Plan will be adopted in both morning worship services – 8:30 a.m. in the Dining Hall and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary - in a Special Called Business Meeting.

2019 Mission and Ministry Plan

A. Missions	\$477,965
B. Ministries	\$185,224
C. Administration	\$157,888
D. Personnel	\$1,686,208
E. Facilities/Maintenance/Equipment	\$911,151
2019 Grand Total	\$3,418,436

Copies of the 2019 Mission and Ministry Plan are available in Sunday School Classrooms, around the Sanctuary and online at <u>www.shbc.</u> <u>cc/resources</u>.



Monday, December 17 4:30 - 8:00 p.m. (games begin at 6 p.m.) Activities Center Lobby & Gym

We are having a Christmas party for EVERYONE! Join us for Taco soup, Hot chocolate Cookie decorating, Photo booth Games and a Surprise Visitor.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

. Contemporary Worship Service
Sunday School
Traditional Worship Service
Reflection Rehearsal
Bible Blast
con Election Committee Meeting
Jr. High Singers Rehearsal
Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal
TIC Full Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 26

11:30 a.m.	Koinonia Class Luncheon
6:00 p.m	Ladies Bible Study: Calm My Anxious Heart

Tuesday, November 27

Wednesday, November 28

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10:00 a.m	Handbells
4:45 p.m	Supper (DH)
5:00 p.m	Children's Handbell Rehearsal
5:30 p.m	Music & Missions
	The Workshop: Students
6:15 p.m	Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
	Young Adult Ensemble
7:05 p.m	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
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Thursday, November 29

9:15 a.m....Ladies' Bible Study

Friday, November 30

Saturday, December 1



Ashley Holmes McCrary grew up at SHBC and met Dave, her husband, in our youth group. Ashley's mom, Carol Ann, is one of The Girlfriend Group with the late Billye McCarter. Her folks moved to Birmingham and Ashley and Dave currently reside in Auburn

Giving Thanks - Sunday November 18, 2018



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



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT WORKSHOP

Friday, December 14 6:00 -9:00 p.m. Babies-6th grade

Join us for a fun night of Games, Christmas Crafts, Pizza, Snacks...and so much more!

Cost: \$15 per child/\$30 max per family Payment is Due when Making Reservations!

Register online, <u>shbc.cc/register</u>, or drop off your reservation/payment in the Education Office.

YEAR-END GIVING

The Finance Office is here to serve you as we approach the end of the year. All gifts must be postmarked by Sunday, December 31, 2018 in order to go towards your 2018 giving record. If you are gifting appreciated assets, please let the Finance Office know of those gifts. Please contact Denise Marsh at 342-5320.

> Follow us @SpringHillBaptist Facebook & Instagram!



Where do I take my children? Babies-K5: Preschool Building 1st-6th graders: Children's Building

For any questions, contact Erica Holloway, <u>eholloway@shbc.cc</u>.





Please join us as we serve the women at *McKemie Place* on **Thursday, December 6**. 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!

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Pastor
Executive Pastor
Associate Pastor
Minister of Music
Student & College Pastor
hister to Children & Families
Asst. Minister of Music
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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 November 25, 2018

Preschool B: Sean & Lyndsey Mahony (Early)

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