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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



This is Christmas 2018 was awesome! I confess I have many favorite parts of this year's edition. One of those moments came in the midst of beautiful music and one of the living scenes where "baby Jesus" sat up and looked around the room - a piercing gaze reminding me of the humanity of the son of God and that He gave His life for me. Wow!

There are so many people to thank after such a wonderful celebration. Our music ministry staff did an incredible job not only on the nights of the services, but also in all the preparation that enabled the services to occur. I hope you will say a special thank you to Randy Grim, Bill Taylor, Debbie Rice, Missy Powell, and Kyle Harper for all of their hard work. In addition, there were adult choirs, children's choirs, orchestra members, "living scenes" characters and coordinators, parking lot greeters, ushers, ticket booth operators and so many more! Thank you for your hard work! Finally, I would like to thank everyone who invited friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to worship with us. The invitation you provided enabled so many

people to experience a wonderful worship opportunity. Thank you for being willing to be used by the Lord in such a powerful way!

Speaking of being used by the Lord in a powerful way, there are two ways that our end of year giving can be used by God to advance His Kingdom. First, I hope you will join me in generously giving to the ongoing mission and ministry plan of Spring Hill Baptist Church. The tithes and offerings we give enable ministries within our church to continue impacting people for the Kingdom. Additionally, I hope you will join me in giving above your regular tithes and offerings to support the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions. So far we have given just over \$13,000 towards our Lottie Moon Offering goal of \$35,000. As a reminder, every dollar we give to this offering is used to support our international missionaries around the world. I look forward with great anticipation to the time when we will meet and exceed this goal!

Our Holiday Schedule

December 24 | Christmas Eve Service | 5:00 p.m.

December 24-26 | Church Offices & Activities Center Closed

December 26 | No Wednesday Night Activities

December 30 | No Sunday School | Church Brunch served during the Sunday School hour.

December 31 | Church Offices & Activities Center open until noon

January 1 | Church Offices & Activities Center Closed

January 2 | No Wednesday Night Activities



Deacon Election 2018
How Do I Vote In the Deacon Election
This Sunday, December 16?

1. To receive a ballot, you will go to the foyer of the Dining Hall **before** the 8:30 service and the foyer of the Sanctuary **before** the 11:00 service.
2. A sign-in sheet will be available for you to sign your name.
3. Once you have signed your name, a member of the Deacon Election Committee will hand you a ballot.
4. As you leave the 8:30 or 11:00 worship service, you will place your ballot in the white box at the exit doors.
5. There will be 18 people listed on the ballot, you will be asked to circle up to 11 names.



Rene' Beaver



Billy Bedsole



Scott Browning



Dennis Carroll



Billy Cassady



Wallace Davis



David Duval



Ray Hammock



Gene Hendrix



Ron Hodges



Ken Jordan



Forrest Latta



Paul Lewis



Mike Montgomery



Len Morey



Jim Murrill



George Robinson



Philip Travis

SHBC Children's Ministry Presents
The Living Nativity
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16
 during Sunday School
 for 3K-6th Grade
 in the Courtyard

*Parents are welcome to visit and
 take pictures at the following
 times: 9:00-9:30 a.m.
 10:45-11:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE
Carols & Candlelight
 SERVICE
 December 24, 2018
 5:00 p.m.

Christmas AT THE SHAC

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.

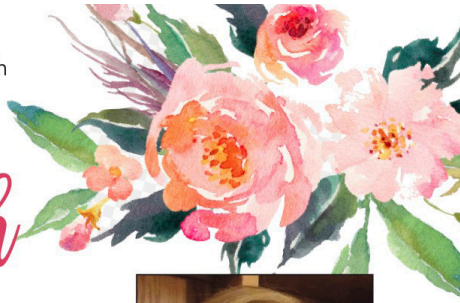
You Can Support Missionaries Through Lottie Moon

The inspiring life of Lottie Moon (1840-1912) provides compelling motivation for us to give sacrificially to support our 3,667 missionaries in 189 countries. Lottie was radical for Jesus. Her commitment to share Christ's light and love in China came with a large cost. Lottie gave up her home in America, left family and ultimately, she gave her food to others causing her death from starvation. She died over 100 years ago on December 24, 1912 in Shanghai. Lottie never focused on her loss, but on her love for Christ and this perishing world in desperate need of our Savior. Give generously to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, pray consistently and go personally on a mission endeavor in 2019.



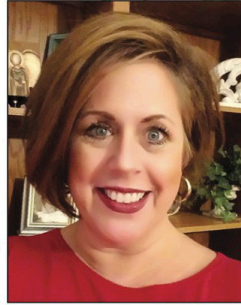
Goal: \$35,000
Given to Date: \$13,348

Spring Hill Baptist Church
WMU and
Women's Ministry
present



For such a Time as This

Esther 4:14



Guest Speaker

Ashley Holmes McCrary

Ashley shares her love for Jesus Christ through her amazing story of her battle with ocular melanoma. She has shared her story on the Today Show, CBS Morning Show, NBC Nightly News, Dr. Oz, People Magazine, and at many speaking engagements. Her testimony will encourage you and help you understand that God has a plan and purpose for your life, and He will carry that plan to completion.

Ashley's many titles include wife, mother, daughter, sister, sales marketer, and Speech Pathologist. She grew up in Mobile and at Spring Hill Baptist. She is an Auburn graduate and currently lives in Auburn.

SUNDAY,
January 27
2019

5:30 p.m.
until
7:00 p.m.

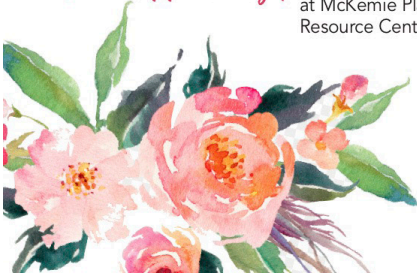
SHBC Dining Hall

Light Dinner
Tickets: \$10 each

Tickets available online at shbc.cc;
at the ticket table Sundays and
Wednesdays; and from the
Church Administration Office.

Mission Opportunity

Please bring **travel size toiletry items** for the women at McKemie Place, or **baby products** for the Women's Resource Center.

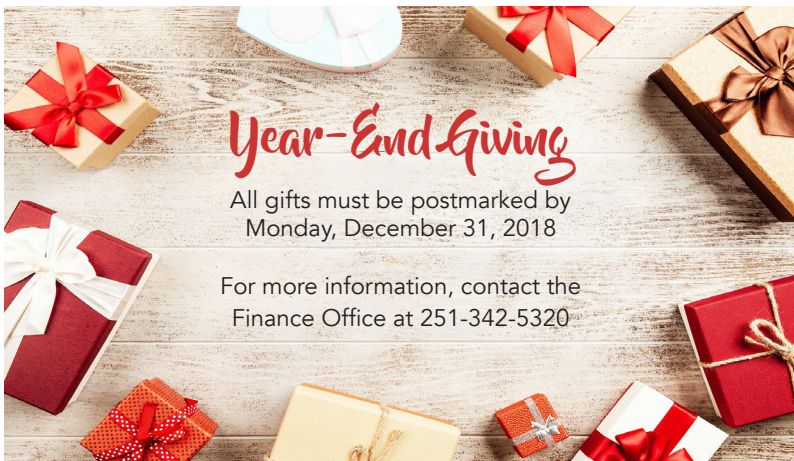


For child care: Contact Jean Leslie Pratt
(251) 421-5530 • jpratt@teamquality.com.

For transportation assistance, call the
church office at 342-5320.

Greeters Needed in Worship

We need additional volunteers to serve in our 8:30 Contemporary Service and our 11:00 Traditional Service. If you would like to volunteer for the 8:30 service, contact Kristen Roberts, kristenroberts@southalabama.edu or Sophie Woodruff for the 11:00 service, swodruff@shbc.cc.



Year-End Giving

All gifts must be postmarked by
Monday, December 31, 2018

For more information, contact the
Finance Office at 251-342-5320

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, December 16

8:30 a.m..... Contemporary Worship Service
9:00 a.m..... Living Nativity
9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
11:00 a.m..... Traditional Worship Service
3:15 p.m..... Reflection Rehearsal
4:00 p.m..... Bible Blast
4:30 p.m..... Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal

Monday, December 17

8:30 a.m..... Waterfront Rescue Mission
11:00 a.m..... Koinonia Class Luncheon
4:30 p.m..... Christmas at the SHAC
6:00 p.m..... Ladies Bible Study: Calm My Anxious Heart

Tuesday, December 18

9:30 a.m..... Home of Grace

Wednesday, December 19

10:00 a.m..... Chancel Bell Rehearsal
4:45 p.m..... Supper (DH)
5:00 p.m..... Children's Handbell Rehearsal
5:30 p.m..... Music & Missions
5:30 p.m..... The Workshop: Students
6:15 p.m..... Prayer Meeting/Bible Study(DH)

Thursday, December 20

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

Friday, December 21

Saturday, December 22

Giving Thanks - Sunday December 9, 2018



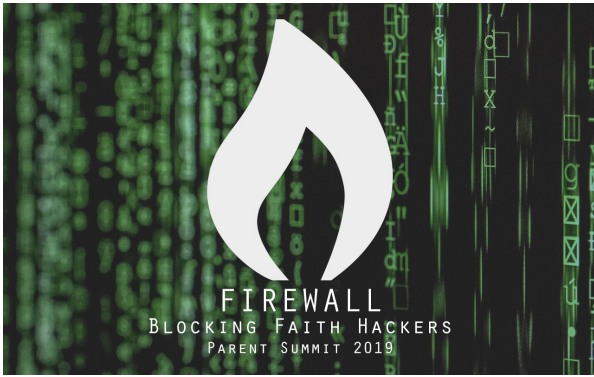
Projected Weekly Needs\$107,982.80
Sunday Contributions.....\$79,418.52
Projected Needs to Date.....\$3,275,475.60
Given to Date.....\$2,900,549.64



Adults.....282
Young Adults.....81
College7
Youth59
Preteen36
Children48
Preschool.....67
Sub-total580
OFF CAMPUS CLASSES
Gordon Oaks14
GRAND TOTAL594

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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.



Parent Summit 2019

February 2, 2019 | 4:00 p.m.
 Speaker: Dr. Michelle Anthony

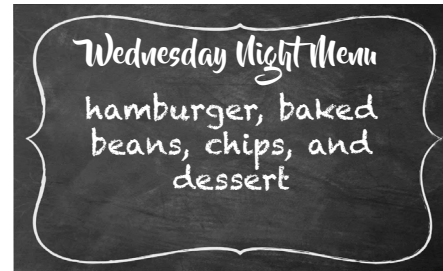
She is the author of *Spiritual Parenting*, *The Big God Story*, *Becoming a Spiritually Healthy Family*, *A Theology of Family Ministry* and her newest book, *7 Family Ministry Essentials*. Michelle has over 30 years of church ministry and leadership experience in children's and family ministries and graduate degrees in Christian Education, Bible and Theology from Talbot School of Theology and and her doctorate of Education from Southern Seminary.



UPCOMING MAGIC TRIP

Thursday, January 17, 2019 we will travel to the New Orleans School of Cooking.. We will depart the lower parking lot of the Activities Center at 7:00 a.m. and return by 4:30 p.m. We will enjoy an informative and entertaining private cooking class.

The cost is \$50 per person and includes the cooking class, lunch and transportation. Make your reservations and pay soon...this trip is known to sell out. Please email Olna, owoodall@shbc.cc, or by texting her at 251-689-7088 to make a reservation.



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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 December 16, 2018**

Preschool A: John & Pam Adams
Preschool B: Zach & Kathleen Coffman (Early)

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