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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



I hope you will indulge me this week and allow me to write about my grandmother, Mae Moore, who passed away on Tuesday morning at the age of 99. While I am admittedly biased, I believe her life illuminates choices and truths that can be an encouragement to us all.

Grandma Moore, as she was known by her many grandchildren, did not have an easy life, but it was a long and good one. She had five children, with her last two children being twins (my mom was one of the twins). When my mom was two, her dad (Mae's husband) passed away, leaving Mae to raise the children with the help of her surrounding family. I've always known her story, but as a parent with three children of my own, I now understand more fully the enormous burden of her responsibilities.

A critical component that enabled Grandma Moore to persevere was her faith in God. Her faith was simple and deep, strengthened through the flame of adversity. She knew God would provide, and she trusted Him to do so. Grandma Moore did her part too, listening to Him and obeying even when it was difficult.

It was her obedience that would lead her to come before her congregation at Macedonia Baptist Church and tell them God had called her to be a foster parent. Over the course of the following decades, Grandma Moore would help raise some 25 foster children, some of whom I believe will be at her funeral on Saturday. If we were able to go back in time and visit her home when I was a child, you would see photo collages in her living room that had been compiled by her children,

foster children, and grandchildren. These were tangible mementos of so many children who had been loved and impacted by Mae Moore!

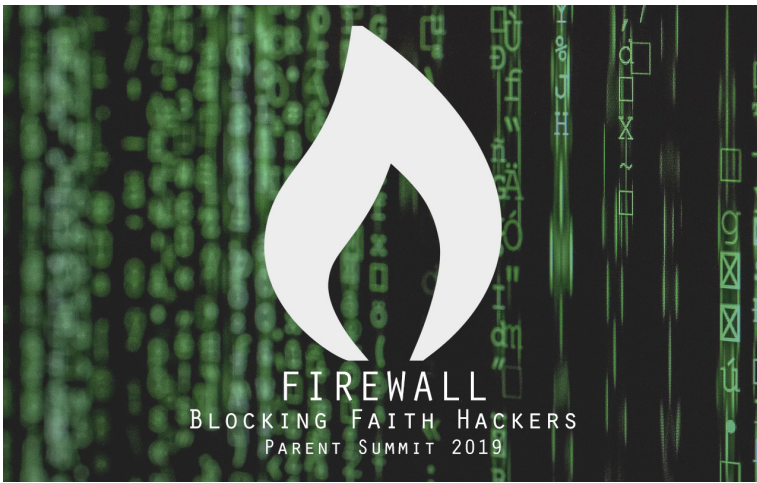
As Mae aged, her body eventually would not keep up with her mind. To be sure, this was difficult for a strong woman who had lived independently and had always been a doer. In one of our last conversations we talked about how tough it was. I reminded her that God had given her a unique role as the undisputed matriarch of the family. Out of the deep well of her love for others, she was still speaking words of truth, encouragement, and love to our family that no one else could. Though her body failed her, she was still able to have an impact through her words and through her prayers.

It is in times of death when we truly examine our moments of life. I hope I can depend on God no matter my circumstances. I hope I am able to be obedient to God even when it is difficult. I hope I will choose to love others even though I have no obligation to do so. I hope I will be faithful to the Lord to my last breath, always seeking His will for others.

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DETAILS INSIDE!



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.



Great Breakout sessions by Candace Headland, Susan McConnell and Josh Karl

"Go Viral" Sign-Up Incentive

We want the word about our Parent Summit on February 2 to go Viral, so we're offering the "Go Viral" incentive. Fill a table with 8 people - 2 of those 8 need to be visitors to SHBC - and all 8 people go into a drawing for PNO (Parent's Night Out). The PNO package includes a \$75 gift certificate to Dauphin's in Downtown Mobile and a \$25 gift card to Serda's Coffee Co. To be entered in the drawing, please sign up at the following link and then let Erica know when your table is filled. A table will be reserved for your group at the Parent Summit as well. Let's go Viral!!

To register online visit shbc.cc/register.



Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join our Financial Peace University group, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future . . . together! Interested?

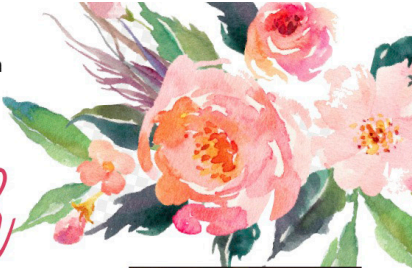
Sunday Nights | F-204 | 9-week | Begins February 10 | 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. | Tremaine and Tracy Martin – Facilitators

Walk through the basics of budgeting, becoming debt-free, planning for the future and more in a small group setting. Cost is \$50. (If you think that's expensive, attend 8 out of the 9 weeks and receive \$50 back at the end of the semester.)

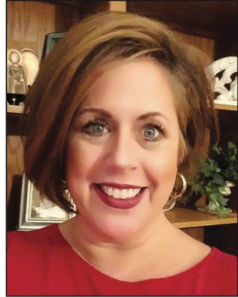
REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW, shbc.cc/register.

Feel free email Bob Gladney, bgladney@shbc.cc your questions or sign up at shbc.cc/register.

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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, 5:30 p.m.
 January 27 until
 2019 7:00 p.m.

SHBC Dining Hall

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

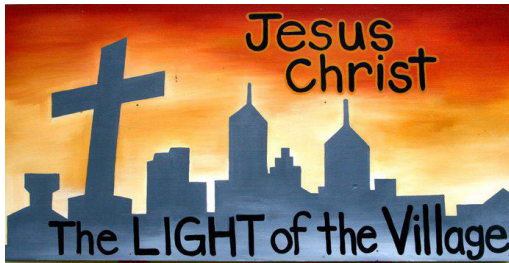


Date: February 15 - 17

Speaker: Derek Griffon

**Cost: \$90 for the whole weekend
(t-shirt included)**

Online signup available at shbc.cc/register



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.

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, swoodruff@shbc.cc.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, January 20

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
 4:00 p.m..... Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal
 4:00 p.m..... Amazing Collection
 4:30 p.m..... Jr. High Singers

Monday, January 21

8:30 a.m..... Waterfront Rescue Mission
 11:30 a.m..... Koinonia Class Luncheon
 6:00 p.m..... Women's Bible Study "Crazy Love"
 6:45 p.m..... Women's Bible Study Fellowship

Tuesday, January 22

Wednesday, January 23

4:45 p.m..... Supper (DH)
 5:30 p.m..... Music & Missions
 5:30 p.m..... The Workshop: Students
 6:15 p.m..... Bible Study/Prayer Meeting
 6:15 p.m..... Young Adult Ensemble
 7:05 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 24

9:15 a.m..... Women's Bible Study "Seamless"

Friday, January 25

Saturday, January 26

8:00 a.m..... Upward Basketball Games Start

Giving Thanks

January 13, 2019

STEWARDSHIP

Projected Weekly Needs\$56,831.50
 Sunday Contributions..... \$44,426.05
 Projected Needs to Date.....\$113,663.00
 Given to Date.....\$87,098.10

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults.....266
 Young Adults.....72
 College8
 Youth57
 Preteen.....30
 Children42
 Preschool.....54
 Sub-total.....573
 OFF CAMPUS CLASSES
 Gordon Oaks 11
 GRAND TOTAL540

Rescue Mission Ministry

Looking for a way to get involved? Join us as we minister to the men at the Rescue Mission. **Our next ministry date is January 21.** Call 342-5320 for more information.



Please join us as we serve the women at *McKemie Place* on **Thursday, February 7.** 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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Facebook & Instagram!



UPCOMING MAGIC TRIPS

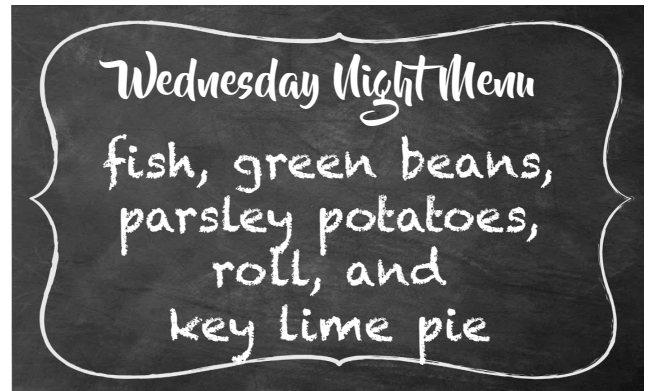


Thursday, February 21, 2019, 9:30 a.m.
Due to popular demand, we will return to the Mitchell Cancer Institute for an informative lecture by Dr. Arthur E. Frankel, the Arlene and Mayer Mitchell Endowed Chair Chief, and tour the some of the research facilities. There is no cost. Sign up soon!

Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 10:00 a.m. The Mobile Baptist Association joins with Cottage Hill Baptist Church for the Spring Senior Adult Luncheon. The cost is \$12 per person.

Friday, March 15, 2019, 8:45 a.m. Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival! We will travel on church buses. Cost is what you buy and what you eat.

Please email Olna, owoodall@shbc.cc, or by texting her at 251-689-7088 to make a reservation for these trips.



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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 January 20, 2019

Preschool A: Alan & Mandy Warren

Preschool B: Zach & Kathleen Coffman (Early)

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.

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