

ACTS

SPREADING THE GOSPEL

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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



It is my joy to report that this past Friday my Dad completed his final round of radiation treatment for prostate cancer. As many of you know, my Dad's battle with prostate cancer was exacerbated by his ongoing challenges with Parkinson's Disease. Radiation treatment can oftentimes make patients feel extremely fatigued, yet a key treatment for Parkinson's is regular, ongoing exercise.

Without a doubt, the combination of the two was extremely draining for Dad, but he was simultaneously encouraged through some critical channels that I believe can help each of us no matter our struggles.

Dad decided early on not to hide either of his diagnoses. He openly communicated to those in his circles about what was going on - not in an attention seeking way, but rather because he genuinely desired their prayers and support. He had seen firsthand the power of prayer and knew he needed it in these days for healing and for the strength to carry on. Dad would be the first to tell you the Lord has already been answering those prayers in great and marvelous ways!

Dad's openness enabled those around him to have the knowledge needed to lend a hand. A dear friend of ours got word of Dad's diagnosis and decided to help organize men who were in Dad's circle to be prayer and support warriors with him each day of his 40 day treatment. These men would pick him up to transport him to the treatment, pray with him, wait for the treatment to end (about 20 minutes) and then drive him home. I got to go on the last day of the treatment and bring him to the celebration where many of the 85 men who had participated were there cheer him on. Talk about a blessing of love and

encouragement! It was overwhelming to consider the love these men chose to give my Dad.

And then there was the cancer treatment center itself. When Dad's last treatment was over, the doctor came out to talk with Dad and the men who were there the last day. He expressed how impressed he was with the dedication and love the men had shown. In addition, Dad came to recognize and get to know the other men receiving treatment because they were always there at the same time. If those men had anyone with them it was their immediate family, but in many cases they were alone. Dad told me how amazed these other patients were at the consistent love of Dad's family of faith. In fact, eventually several of the other patients and their family members were included in the circles of prayer.

In the midst of this trial the Lord spoke some clear words: be open about your struggles so others can help; seek prayer like you expect it to work; find ways to deliberately organize to love others; intentional acts of love are blessings of immense value; when the church loves like family the world really does notice; keep your eyes open for those who need that kind of love but aren't in the family of faith yet.

One last word here: if you are among those who prayed for my Dad and family during these days, thank you! We are beyond grateful for your kindness and support!





Ready...Set...Race!
Team Kid Races
 Sunday, March 17, @ Noon
 In the SHAC

- = \$10 per family includes a pizzasalad lunch
- = 1st-4th grade: bring a dessert.
- = 5th & 6th grade: bring 2-liter drinks.
- = Please sign up by emailing Erica @ eholloway@shbc.cc

See you there!




MARCH MADNESS
 March 17 - April 7

Emphasis on giving to the 2019 Mission & Ministry Plan. Our four week goal is \$250,000.

SHBC STUDENT MINISTRY CAMPOUT

Friday, March 22 - Saturday, March 23

At Live Oak Landing | Stockton, AL

For all 7th - 12th Grade Students

Cost is \$5.00 per person



- Grillin' hotdogs
- Making s'mores
- Sleeping in tents
- Playing games
- Devotional time

Questions? Contact Josh Karl at jkarl@shbc.cc or call 251-342-5320.



You are invited to participate in our upcoming pictorial directory.

Photography Dates and Times:

April 30 - May 3 2:00 - 9:00 p.m. | May 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 May 8 - May 10 2:00 - 9:00 p.m. | May 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

You can schedule your appointment beginning Sunday, March 17. Appointments may be scheduled anytime online and at the church on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings in the Welcome Center.

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- No sitting fee!
- Complimentary 8x10 and free directory for each family
- Opportunity (with no obligation) to purchase additional portraits with discounts
- First responders, military personnel, and seniors over 60 will receive an additional 20% discount

PLUS receive \$30 to spend at Shutterfly.com with any Lifetouch photography purchase!



Are you ready for the expedition of the summer? We are excitedly planning for our **In The Wild VBS**, and we are looking for some volunteers that are up for an awesome adventure. VBS is Sunday, June 2 - Wednesday, June 5 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. each evening. We need 2 types of volunteers: Excursion Guides will take small groups of children from station to station each evening. Rotation guides will lead children in craft, Bible story and mission adventures each evening. You can sign up at the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4BA9AB2FA3F94-vbs2019>

Volunteers that sign up by April 1 will go in a drawing for 4 tickets to the Gulf Breeze Zoo and 4 cups of Giraffe Romaine to feed the giraffes.



Egg Hunt ON THE Hill

Saturday, April 20, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Pony Rides, Inflatables,
 Train Rides, Face Painting,
 Crafts, Refreshments &
 Much More!!



Welcome New Members!



Maggie Baxter
by Letter



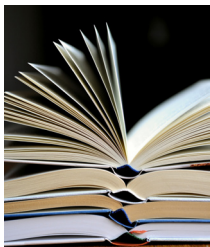
Buddy Phillips
by Statement



Charles Rowan
by Letter



Barbara Scarbrough
by Letter



The 2019 - 2020 Spring Hill Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications

for college and seminary students are now available. All completed applications must be returned by Friday, May 3, 2019 at noon. For an application visit shbc.cc/register, stop by the church office or email Beth Klees at bklees@shbc.cc.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, March 10

8:30 a.m..... Contemporary Worship Service
 9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
 11:00 a.m..... Traditional Worship Service
 4:00 p.m..... Amazing Collection
 4:00 p.m..... Financial Peace
 4:30 p.m..... Reflection
 4:30 p.m..... Jr. High Singers
 6:30 p.m..... Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal

Monday, March 11

6:00 p.m..... Women's Bible Study "Seamless"
 6:45 p.m..... Women's Bible Study Fellowship

Tuesday, March 12

9:00 a.m..... Prayer Shawl
 6:30 p.m..... Finance Committee Meeting
 7:45 p.m..... Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday, March 13

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

Thursday, March 14

9:15 a.m..... Women's Bible Study "Finding I AM"

Friday, March 15

8:45 a.m..... MAGIC: Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival

Saturday, March 16

Giving Thanks

March 3, 2019
SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults.....	258
Young Adults.....	10
College.....	4
Youth.....	34
Preteen.....	21
Children.....	22
Preschool.....	28
Sub-total.....	377
OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
Gordon Oaks.....	13
GRAND TOTAL.....	390

LOOKING BACK AT FEBRUARY, 2019

Contributions	\$215,834.19	Y-T-D	\$420,487.34
Expenses	-\$254,161.50	Y-T-D	-\$471,208.25
Balance as of 2/28/19	-\$38,327.31	Y-T-D	-\$50,720.91
Average in Worship	635	Y-T-D	638
Average in Sunday School	575	Y-T-D	566



Make Plans for a Great Summer at Spring Hill

Does the cold winter weather have you thinking of the warmer fun-filled days of summer? We are thinking of them, too, and finalizing details for 2019 Spring Hill Summer Camps. Take a look at what we have to offer:

Vacation Bible School
 June 2 - 5 | 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Children's Camp at Lake Forest Ranch
 June 14 - 18

M-Fuge at Belmont University, Nashville, TN
 July 8 - 12 | Grades 7 - 12

SMASH | Summer Music at Spring Hill
 July 15 - 19 | 9:30 a.m. - Completed Grades K4 - 6
 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

SENDING HOPE

March 17 - April 21, 2019
Goal: \$24,000

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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 March 10, 2019

Preschool A: Michael & Elizabeth Knotts
Preschool B: Sean & Lyndsey Mahony (Early)

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