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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



Just in case you missed the announcement made on Monday via email, it is important you read the announcement now.

“Last night, at Central Baptist Church in Decatur, Alabama, their pastor search committee announced that I have been invited this coming Sunday, March 17, to preach in view of a call to be their next Senior

Pastor. If all goes as anticipated, my resignation as pastor of Spring Hill will come shortly after my return to Mobile. Please carefully read the church newsletter in the coming weeks, as this is the primary way we communicate with all church members. I know we will all be in prayer in these upcoming days as we follow the Lord’s direction in our lives.”

In the past few days the most common question I have encountered from church members is, “Why would you leave us?”

My best answer to this question may not satisfy folks completely, but it is an answer that I believe is at the heart of Christianity. A hymn aptly frames our reply: “Wherever He leads I’ll go. I’ll follow my Christ who loves me so, wherever He leads I’ll go.” We are doing our best to listen to God’s leadership in our lives so that when He calls us to do something, we are able to hear Him and obey. We are also trying to teach our sons that they can trust God and that sometimes trusting God means doing things that are difficult.

I confess that I don’t fully understand all that God is doing in the world or even in the life of my family. I have heard God’s will described as being similar to an

oriental rug. From the bottom of the rug, the threads that have been woven together look like a jumbled mess, with little symmetry and certainly not a clear picture. But from the top of the rug, all of the threads that looked to be in a chaotic disorder, have come together to form a splendid pattern—a masterful and careful work of art. I cannot declare exactly what God is using this time to weave in the life of our family or in the life of Spring Hill, but I do trust Him. Just as He has always been enough for all of us in the past, so He will be enough for all of us in the future.

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**SENDING
HOPE**

March 17 - April 21, 2019

Goal: \$24,000

Given to Date: \$6,658



Dr. Stan Buckley, is preaching THIS SUNDAY, March 17, 2019

Stan is the founder and Executive Director of But God Ministries and formerly served as Senior Pastor of three churches over a 16 year period. In addition, he practiced law in Hattiesburg, MS for four years before becoming a pastor in 1995. His education includes degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi (B.S. 1988), Mississippi College School of Law (J.D. 1991), and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (M.Div. 1998, D.Min. 2009). Stan has been married to Jewell since 1989 and they have twin sons (1993) and a daughter (1996).

But God Ministries is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization, that shares the love of Jesus Christ through building sustainable communities around the world. They are currently building two sustainable communities in Haiti and one in the Miss. Delta. The first Haitian community is in Galette Chambon which is about 17 miles east of Port-au-Prince near Ganthier, Haiti. The second Haitian community is called Thoman and is about a two hour drive east of Port-au-Prince near the border with the Dominican Republic. The community where we are working in the Miss. Delta is Jonestown, MS which is located in the northwest part of Mississippi about 12 miles northeast of Clarksdale.

Spring Hill Baptist Church sent a team to Haiti in August, 2018 and has plans of sending another team this year, August 25-30.

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

To Register Visit: www.shbc.cc/register



- 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.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is always in need of yarn and is asking for your help. Not only do they reach out to our church family by providing comfort and prayer, but they also crochet hats for the mission trip to Africa, as well as small purses and hats for the shoeboxes filled through our annual Operation Christmas Child event.



The best yarn weight to contribute is 4-medium (worsted, afghan, aran), but other weights are also acceptable. Purchase as much as you like but please feel free to donate leftover yarn you may have around the house. Drop off your donations in the box in the Education Office.



Dominican Republic Mission Report
Wednesday, March 27
6:15 p.m.



4K-6th Grade join us
SUNDAY
MARCH 24
for **The Tree House**.
Children will come to the Tree House with their Sunday School classes.



SIGN UP NOW!
Be a part of our new directory

You are invited to participate in the new 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.

How do I make my appointment?

You can go online right now, www.shbc.cc/register, and make your appointment or we will have volunteers at the church:

Wednesdays – 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. Dining Hall Foyer:
March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24

Sundays – 9:30 – 10:00 a.m., 10:30 – 11:00 a.m., 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. Welcome Center: March 24, 31, April 7, 14, and 28

- 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



Over the next four Sundays we want to support the 2019 Mission and Ministry Plan. March Madness the time of year when Americans fall in love with college basketball. During the next four weeks we want to contribute over \$250,000 to the Mission and Ministry Plan but going even further and winning the Championship by Sunday, April 7 by giving a total of \$325,000!

Your financial support of the Mission and Ministry Plan during this time supports worship, Sunday School, weekday Bible studies, music, recreation, children's and student ministries, missions, people, and the day to day needs of our church facility.

Imagine the impact on the game of college basketball has on people all over the country. Now imagine the impact we can make in our family, work or recreational activities if each one of us was crazy (mad) about Christ and the Mission and Ministries of Spring Hill Baptist Church!



THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, March 17
 8:30 a.m..... Contemporary Worship Service
 9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
 11:00 a.m..... Traditional Worship Service
 12:00 p.m..... Team Kid Races
 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 18
 8:30 a.m..... Rescue Mission
 11:30 a.m..... Koinonia Class Meeting
 6:00 p.m..... Women's Bible Study "Seamless"
 6:45 p.m..... Women's Bible Study Fellowship

Tuesday, March 19
 9:30 a.m..... Home of Grace

Wednesday, March 20
 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..... Bible Study/Prayer Meeting
 6:15 p.m..... Young Adult Ensemble
 7:05 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 21
 9:15 a.m..... Women's Bible Study "Finding I AM"

Friday, March 22

Saturday, March 23

Giving Thanks
March 10, 2019
STEWARDSHIP

Projected Weekly Needs	\$64,471.80
Sunday Contributions.....	\$75,444.36
Projected Needs to Date.....	\$598,636.60
Given to Date.....	\$535,725.85

Annie Armstrong Offering

Goal.....	\$24,000
Given to Date.....	\$6,658.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults.....	266
Young Adults.....	54
College	7
Youth	46
Preteen.....	18
Children	33
Preschool.....	51
Sub-total	475
OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
Gordon Oaks	15
GRAND TOTAL	490

GA Tea

Sunday, March 31 | 2:00 p.m.
Bring your mom, grandmother or special friend to enjoy this day with the girls!

SHBC Activities Center Back Room



Come Pray With Us In The Garden!

Sunday, April 28
1:30-3:30pm

Join us for our 2nd Annual
Prayer Retreat at Mobile
Botanical Gardens.



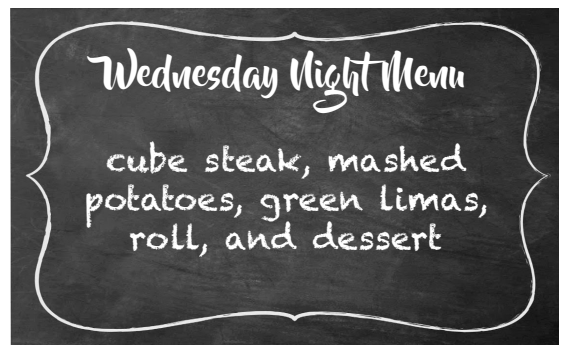
Coffee, Music & Donuts

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2018
9:45 A.M.
SHBC ACTIVITIES CENTER
 with *Special Music*
 presented by:
Enrique Castillo & Michael Roberts

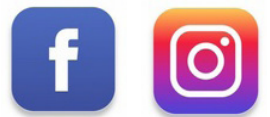


Wednesday Night Menu

cube steak, mashed
potatoes, green limas,
roll, and dessert



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**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 March 17, 2019

Preschool B: Anthony & Candace Headland (Early)

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