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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Letter from Rob Hatfield



Ecclesiastes 3:1

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.”

This past Sunday Central Baptist Church in Decatur, Alabama unanimously called me to be their Senior Pastor. I have accepted their call and will begin the preaching portion of my service to them on the first Sunday of May. I have submitted my resignation to the personnel committee (with my last Sunday preaching to be March 31) and recognize this article may be the last one I write for Spring Hill. A new season is coming both for the Hatfield family and for the Spring Hill Baptist Church family.

As Solomon tells us in Ecclesiastes, seasons are a normal part of life. When we think of seasons, we tend to think of summer, fall, winter and spring, but Solomon says there is a season for every activity under heaven. As we encounter these seasons, we cannot give more value to one period of time over another, nor can we stay in one season forever or go back and live a previous time again. Each season has its own value, its own challenges, its own rewards and celebrations. Seasons and the inherent changes therein are a part of how God created life. I believe seasons are a reminder that each day must be lived to its fullest, knowing it was given by God and will quickly vanish away like dew in the morning. I also believe seasons teach us to depend on God no matter what we encounter because He is faithful, and He is enough for us in every situation.

While the truth of seasons is abundant, the Hatfield family knows firsthand that it is not always easy to move from one season into another. People whom we love and trust must be left behind, and new relationships developed, houses must be sold and bought, schools (and school uniforms) have to be left and new schools found. These are the just the tip of the iceberg of what will shift for us. We recognize that you will also be going through the pangs of seasonal change. We will be praying for Spring Hill Church family as you begin this new chapter of your life, and we covet your prayers for our family during these days as well.

Thank You To The Hatfields

You will be able to say thank you to the Hatfields on Sunday, March 31 at the end of the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

We encourage you to bring notes and cards of appreciation.



DON'T MISS!!
Dominican Republic
Mission Report
Wednesday,
March 27
6:15 p.m.

SENDING HOPE

ANNIE ARMSTRONG MISSION SPOTLIGHT

Jorge & Rebeca Santiago: Generator of Faith



Addiction had left Jorge empty. He ran from Comerio in search of hope and a better life. He finally found it in Christ who had even bigger plans. With faith, Jorge and his wife, Rebeca, returned to launch a new church in the impoverished town

where so many sought refuge in drugs and alcohol. Then Hurricane Maria hit the island. Jorge's town was suddenly stripped to its bones—no electricity, no water. How was he supposed to plant a church here?

Through NAMB's Send Relief compassion ministry, Jorge received a pastor's resource kit including a generator. There were few on the island.

"We suddenly could help people do basic things like laundry," says Jorge. "We helped re-open an elementary school that had been closed because of electricity. This created lots of gospel conversations." As Jorge shared Christ, people began to respond and, out of the adversity of a hurricane, One Church Comerio was born.

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100% of your gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering supports North American missionaries.

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SENDING HOPE

March 17 - April 21, 2019
Goal: \$24,000
Given to Date: \$8,109

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 you appointment or we will have volunteers at the church:

Wednesdays – 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. | Dining Hall Foyer

Sundays – 9:30 – 10:00 a.m., 10:30 – 11:00 a.m., 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. | Welcome Center

- 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

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!!



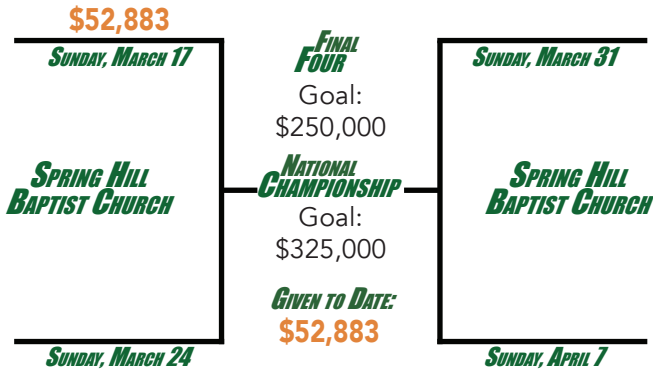
The 2019 - 2020 Spring Hill Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications

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.

MARCH MADNESS AT SPRING HILL

March 17 - April 7



March Madness is 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.



LOOKING FOR A SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS?

Are you currently connected to a Sunday School Class? Here at Spring Hill, we believe that the Christian life was never meant to be lived alone. We all

need close relationships with other believers to walk with us through the ups and downs of life and we all need to be deeply rooted in God's Word. We want to help you get plugged into a Sunday School Class to study the Bible and connect with other believers. To know more about Sunday School, call Bob Gladney at 342-5320, bgladney@shbc.cc or stop by the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings and someone will escort you to a class. Sunday School meets at 9:45 each week.



Friday, April 26, 2019

Look for more details next week!

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, March 24

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Treehouse
- 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. Spring Hill Singers
- 4:30 p.m. Jr. High Singers
- 5:30 p.m. Church Bible Drill
- 6:30 p.m. Reflection

Monday, March 25

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

Tuesday, March 26

Wednesday, March 27

- 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. Dominican Republic Mission Report/Prayer Meeting
- 6:15 p.m. Young Adult Ensemble
- 7:05 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 28

- 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study "Finding I AM"
- 5:30 p.m. MAGIC: Gaither Concert

Friday, March 29

- 3:00 p.m. Spring Hill Sidewalk-a-Thon
- 6:00 p.m. Preteen Laser Tag

Saturday, March 30

Giving Thanks

March 17, 2019
STEWARDSHIP

Projected Weekly Needs	\$64,471.80
Sunday Contributions.....	\$52,883.85
Projected Needs to Date.....	\$663,108.40
Given to Date.....	\$588,609.70

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults.....	275
Young Adults.....	66
College	9
Youth	67
Preteen.....	21
Children.....	34
Preschool.....	52
Sub-total	524
OFF CAMPUS CLASSES	
Gordon Oaks	12
GRAND TOTAL	536



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.

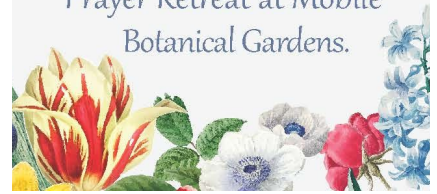


The best yarn weight to contribute is 4-medium (worsted, afghan, aran), but other weights are also acceptable. Purchase as much as you like but please feel free to donate leftover yarn you may have around the house. Drop off your donations in the box in the Education Office.

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.



Wednesday Night Menu

hot dogs with toppings,
baked beans, chips, and
ice cream

Church Office 342-5320

- Dr. Rob Hatfield Pastor
- Bob Gladney Executive Pastor
- Terry Richey Associate Pastor
- Randy Grim Minister of Music
- Josh Karl Student & College Pastor
- Erica Holloway Minister to Children & Families
- Bill Taylor Asst. Minister of Music
- Gretchen Crane Communications Director
- Denise Marsh Finance Director
- Debbie Rice Children's Music Coordinator
- Missy Powell Pianist



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 24, 2019

- Preschool A:** Allen & Whitney Chandler
- 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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