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FACE TO FACE

This past Sunday for over an hour, SHBC members drove by the church to read the messages the staff had for you. Whether we were leaders in worship or caretakers of our facilities, each wanted to see your faces and let you know you are loved and missed. What a joy it was to actually be able to have a face to face (distanced) conversation, to see your smiles and yes, for some of you, see tears.

We are a community, a family, the Body of Christ, joining with others in our community and world as the Body of Christ universal. Some of you who are isolating alone came alone, others of you in family groups. It was so difficult not to grasp a hand or give a hug. But we stayed true. But oh! Face to face, smile to smile was wonderful. We miss the friendship, the banter, the discussions, the prayers, the music together and the laughter. I am grateful for having the service online, but I also need that personal engagement without the blue glow of the screen.

God created us for a shared experience with Him. When we connect with Him together with others, the experience is multiplied exponentially. I was reminded of this when I was reading

1 John 1:1-4.

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete.

Our joy is even greater when we together share life and particularly your lives as sisters and brothers in Christ. And you, this congregation is such a loving and caring extension of the Body of Christ.

At this writing we do not know when we will once again be able to gather fully in the sanctuary or dining hall or in small group classes. We await word from the state about reopening. However I have also gathered a team of those in the medical field who are working, studying and following the best research to help us better make decisions regarding dates, protocols and plans for returning to worship and church events. In the meantime, let us keep worshiping, praying, encouraging, loving and remaining hopeful until that day we can celebrate together!

Soli Deo Gloria

Terry

Class of 2020
Baccalaureate Sunday
DATE TO BE DETERMINED
QUESTIONS? CONTACT STACEY KUNTZ,
SKUNTZ@SHBC.CC OR 251-342-5320



The 2020 - 2021 Spring Hill Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications for college and seminary students are now available. All completed applications must be returned by Friday, May 1, 2020 at noon. For an application visit shbc.cc/register, email Beth Klees at bklees@shbc.cc.

SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

FOOD DRIVE FOR FEEDING THE GULF COAST

Let's help our community together!

**THURSDAY, MAY 7
4-6 P.M.**

**DROP YOUR FOOD DONATIONS OR
CASH DONATIONS BY
2 SOUTH MCGREGOR AVENUE
IN THE
CHAPEL PARKING LOT
UNDER THE PORTICO.**

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

Jarred and Canned Goods: Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken, etc.), Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruits, Peanut Butter and Jelly (Plastic Containers), Canned or Dried Beans, Canned Meals (Soup, Chili, etc.)

Boxed Goods: Boxed Meals (Mac and Cheese, Hamburger Helper, etc.), Pasta, Rice, Cereal and Breakfast Items, Instant Mashed Potatoes

If you have any questions, contact Erica Holloway, eholloway@shbc.cc.



FACE MASK INITIATIVE ALABAMA WMU

Visit our website, www.shbc.cc/register to find a pattern and additional

information for a face mask that uses ties and has a pouch that allows the user to include some sort of filtration. Please pass this pattern along to all those you know who may be willing to sew. You may drop your face masks in a box near the front office.

If you have any questions please email Michelle Wise, wisedzyn@comcast.net.

YOUTH SPORTS AT SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH



Upward Flag Football registration begins the May 3 for K5-6th Grade.
Evaluation Dates To Be Announced.
Season begins Monday, August 10, 2020.

Registration for Service Volleyball also begins May 3 for K5-6th Grade.
Evaluation Dates To Be Announced.
Season begins Tuesday, August 11, 2020.

Register beginning May 3 @ www.shbc.cc/register

Questions?: Contact Ashley Johnson, ajohnson@shbc.cc or 251-342-5375.



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CAN YOUR FAMILY HELP?



I'm looking for some families within our children's and student ministry who will "adopt" an individual or married couple from our Homebound Ministry and

just send them a note of encouragement once a week during this time of social isolation. This can be a letter, homemade card, coloring page - just something that says we are thinking about you and praying for you.

If you'd like to participate in "mission encouragement," please email me, eholloway@shbc.cc, and I will send you the name and address of a Homebound member for your family to encourage during these difficult days.

Thanks so much!! Erica

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Galatians 5:22-26

Introducing a FUN 7-day exercise plan for the entire family! Okay so let me explain:

Every hour on the hour, do 10 of the following exercises

Example: on day 1, do 10 push-ups every hour beginning when you wake up and ending before you go to bed). If you wake at say 7:20am, your first round of 10 push-ups will be at 8am. If you wake at 7:55am, you still start at 8am! If you go to bed at 10pm, do your last round at 9pm. If 10 is too many, do 5! Or 6 or 7.... you get it.

Scenario: If you wake at 7 and go to bed at 10 and do 10

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EXERCISE OF THE DAY

1. Push-ups
2. Squats
3. Mountain climbers
4. Sit-ups
5. Jumping jacks
6. 1 minute plank
7. Prayer

Have FUN!!!

push-ups every hour on the hour, you will have done 140 push-ups that day! So even if you aren't able to do anything else that day you can feel great about that! (If you do the math, you will do 70 per day if you only do 5 each time!! That's amazing!)

Day 7: PRAYER! This can also be done on day 1 if you prefer (if you start on Sunday you may want to do this)

*The point of this day is to spend an entire day in prayer. Doesn't have to be anything long or special (I have a 2 year old and 4 year old...so I get it!), just take a moment to acknowledge God and pray for each member of your family throughout the day, pray for this virus to slow, pray for our leaders, pray for wisdom, pray for our church, and end your prayers in thanksgiving to God for all you have to be thankful for.

Feel free to post pictures, videos or updates on how it's going for you and your family! We hope you will participate and have fun with this together!

Have Fun,
Colleen Smith, Recreation & Activities Coordinator

We are all concerned about the situation we face with COVID19. For each of us this is uncharted territory.

We will continue to prepare worship services you can watch through our website www.shbc.cc and on our Facebook page. The worship service will be available each Sunday beginning at 8:30 AM. We will also be offering Wednesday evening prayer and devotionals each Wednesday evening beginning at 5:00 PM. You will be notified by email just prior to the service going live.

The church offices and Activities Center will temporarily be closed to guests BUT if you have a need or a question, please call our regular office number 251-342-5320 and your call will be answered or returned shortly.

Thank you for your understanding and patience. Please continue to pray for one another and serve one another. Know we are praying for you.

Giving Thanks

April 26, 2020

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs	\$63,153.75
Received Sunday.....	\$38,248.10
Received to Date.....	\$888,395.
06Expenses to Date.....	\$735,434.
68Balance to Date.....	\$152,960.38

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Goal.....	\$25,000
Given to Date.....	\$16,407.10



It is not too late to give!
Goal: \$25,000
Given to Date: \$16,407.10

WAYS TO GIVE AT SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH



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<https://shbc.cc>



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Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL



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You may give online (shbc.cc), through our app (search *Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL* in the app store) or mail a check. If you are mailing your gift our address is 2 South McGregor Avenue, 36608.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. – John 3:16 (KJV)

Church Office 342-5320

Dr. Rob Jackson Interim Pastor
Terry Richey Associate Pastor
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Josh Karl Student & College Pastor
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Missy Powell Pianist

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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.

“Go forth into the world in peace; go forth to follow God’s Good path; rejoice in God’s Spirit; live without fear. God made you. God knows you by your name and loves you. And God will never lose you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you forever.”

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**POINTING OUR CHILDREN
TO THE CREATOR**

Creation is such an amazing way to point our children to the awesomeness of God. God created EVERYTHING. John 1:3 tells us that “Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made.” Creator is the first way God

reveals Himself to us in His Word.

Creation is also evidence of how much God cares for us. *“Look at the birds. They don’t plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren’t you far more valuable to him than they are?”* (Matthew 6:26)

Psalm 104:10-14 (NIV) also gives us a beautiful illustration of how God cares for His creation.

- 10 He makes springs pour water into the ravines; it flows between the mountains.*
- 11 They give water to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst.*
- 12 The birds of the sky nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.*

13 He waters the mountains from his upper chambers; the land is satisfied by the fruit of his work.

14 He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for people to cultivate—bringing forth food from the earth:

How encouraging it is to know, especially in difficult circumstances, that the God of all creation cares for us ... in fact, He cares about every little detail about us.

During the next few days, take a break and take a walk around your yard. Take some pictures of some of God’s creations that fascinate you most – colors, patterns, textures, shapes. You could even start a scrapbook. Remember, that God created us in His image, so we were created to be creative too. Let God’s creation inspire you to sketch, paint, journal, collage, write a song ... just be creative in whatever way God created you to be.

During this time of everything feeling turned upside down, be encouraged that the God of ALL creation cares about you.

In Him, Erica

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14