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### REMEMBER AND BELIEVE

Days became weeks, weeks became months and news reports became more convoluted. This pandemic challenges us in many ways. How do we balance public health with economic health? How is it that once financially stable individuals and families are depending on the generosity of other's donations to food banks. Who could have imagined churches shuttered and struggling to address the spiritual health of congregations through unfamiliar means that often seem inadequate? The void left when communion both with one another and as a practice of worship is limited. As I reach for anchors that are no longer there, I sometimes wonder if my faith will slip away too.

Just when I began to question, I ran across a song by Andrew Peterson which reminded me of what I know to be true. Below you will find the lyrics. Pay close attention to the words and the sentiment. Let these remind you of when your heart was stirred by the spirit, of the times of growth and of the truth that "every step of the way His Grace is leading me" and "every breath I breathe He is saving me"; for He is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

#### The Good Confession

By Andrew Peterson

*I was a boy Just nine years old, I heard the call and came. They buried me beneath the water, then I rose again.*

*Well, you know my dad was a preacher man. I walked the aisle and I took his hand. He said, "Son, just do the best you can, and say the words: 'I believe he is the Christ, the Son of the living God.'"*

*Through the years I barely fell; I mostly dove right in. I drank so deep from the shallow well, only to thirst again.*

*Well, I sang the hymns at the summer camp. Then I rocked and rolled with a lousy band. Till I heard a song that took my hand and led me home.*

*And I believe He is the Christ, Son of the living God. All I know is that I was blind but now I see. That though I kick and scream love is leading me. And every step of the way His grace is making me. With every breath I breathe He is saving me; and I believe.*

*So, when my body's weak and the day is long, When I feel my faith is all but gone, I'll remember when I sing this song, that I believe.*

*And I believe He is the Christ, Son of the living God. My Lord, My Savior. Oh, Hosanna, I believe.*

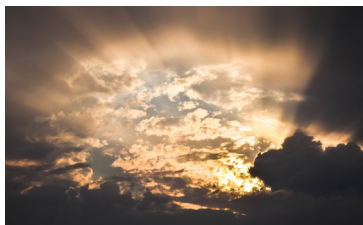
Fan into flame the faith that was begun when your heart was stirred by the Holy Spirit. Remember the times He has led you through the deep valleys and over the high mountain tops. And know He is the Christ, the son of the living God.

Encourage one another with these words.

Terry



## VERSES OF HOPE FOR YOUR FAMILY



The dark of night is followed by a magnificent sunrise. A storm is followed by the clouds parting and dazzling rays of sunlight streaming through. A nondescript bulb develops into a beautiful flower. An unremarkable caterpillar transforms into a delightful

butterfly. God's creation cries out, "There is hope, there is hope."

In times like these, the world needs the hope the only God can provide, and as His children, we are called to be "Hope-Bearers." As we have just celebrated Easter, we are mindful that Jesus walked out of the tomb as our Risen Savior victorious over sin and death. That gives us every reason to join creation in crying out "There is hope, there is hope."

Erica

### Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)

<sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

### Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup> being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

### Romans 15:13 (NIV)

<sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (NIV)

<sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. <sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

### Psalms 147:11 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.

### Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

<sup>23</sup> Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.

### Job 11:17-19 (NIV)

<sup>17</sup> Life will be brighter than noonday, and darkness will become like morning. <sup>18</sup> You will be secure, because there is hope; you will look about you and take your rest in safety.

**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 Open Now @ [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register)

Questions?: Contact Ashley Johnson, [ajohnson@shbc.cc](mailto:ajohnson@shbc.cc) or 251-342-5375.

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## LIGHT OF THE VILLAGE ON PBS

The PBS documentary series *The Good Road* will air the "Alabama Village Light of the Village" episode in the **Mobile, AL area on Alabama Public**

**Television on Saturday, May 16th at 4:00 p.m.**

For more information on the episode, visit [aptv.org](http://aptv.org) and utilize the search bar for "Light of the Village."

If you are **outside of Mobile, AL area**, to find the date, time and station where you can view this episode, please visit: [www.goodroad.tv](http://www.goodroad.tv).

*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



**EXERCISE OF THE DAY  
(PART II)**

1. Squats
2. Sit-ups
3. Push-ups
4. Burpees
5. 1 min plank
6. Reverse lunges
7. Tricep Push-ups
8. Squat jumps
9. Russian twists
10. 1 minute wall sit

**HAVE FUN!!!**

**A NEW AND DIFFERENT  
WORKOUT FOR THE WEEK!**

Instructions:

- Every hour on the hour, do the following exercises, beginning at 1 (squats) and moving down the list as the day goes on.
- Do 10 of each exercise
- If you get to 10 and still have a couple hours left in your day, go back to 1
- Repeat every day for 6 (or 7) days straight
- Example: wake at 7:15,

begin at 8am with 10 squats. At 9am, do 10 sit-ups, at 10am, do 10 push-ups, etc... Same pattern the next day... and the next...

GOOD LUCK and HAVE FUN! Get your families involved!

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](http://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.



**FACE MASK INITIATIVE ALABAMA WMU**

Visit our website, [www.shbc.cc/register](http://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](mailto:wisedzyn@comcast.net).

**Giving Thanks**

May 3, 2020

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs .....	\$43,287.80
Received Sunday.....	\$38,248.1
0Received to Date.....	\$931,866.
13Expenses to Date.....	\$842,529.
62Balance to Date.....	\$89,336.5
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**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

Goal.....	\$25,000
Given to Date.....	\$16,797.60



**It is not too late to give!**  
**Goal: \$25,000**  
**Given to Date: \$16,797.60**

**WAYS TO GIVE AT SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**



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You may give online ([shbc.cc](http://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  
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 .....Financial Manager  
Debbie Rice ..... Children's Music Coordinator  
Missy Powell..... Pianist

**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.

“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*