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Love GOD | Love EACH OTHER | Love THE WORLD

Dear Church,

The question on everyone's mind is: "When can we return to normal?" Well, I think for each of us, "normal" isn't returning anytime soon, and that is not all bad. Therefore, let us consider how we may choose to connect more deeply with Christ, with one another in community and in meaningful worship. This is an opportunity to be purposeful in our spiritual journey together.

Through the month of May, we will continue to offer contemporary and traditional worship which become available at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoons our website and our Spring Hill Mobile app and Sunday mornings on Facebook. This past Monday, your staff began working on a plan to have a "soft return" to corporate worship beginning June 7, 2020 with two worship services. As this is a soft return, there will be no Sunday School or Small Groups. Additionally, the services will be real time streamed to our website, Facebook and Vimeo for those who feel more comfortable not being in public and certainly for those who are considered vulnerable. Very specific protocols will be in place regarding interaction, seating, entering and exiting the sanctuary and dining hall, all of which will be sent to you prior to our return.

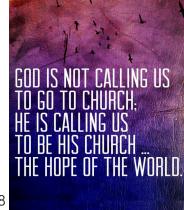
For the summer, all regularly scheduled on campus events such as VBS, basketball camp, student camps, SHS choir/mission tour, etc... have all been suspended. Our church office is open beginning May 26, but we still practice limited access for everyone's protection. The Activity Center remains closed for now, but we will keep you informed as things progress. Our purpose is to Love the Lord our God with all our soul, all our mind and all our strength and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. This means we protect one another.

The Great news is that THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING!

This past Thursday we promoted a Food Drive for Feeding The Gulf Coast. For two hours it was non-stop. YOU brought bags and cases of food. We were blessed to collect 2,507 lbs. of food and over 1200.00. This will provide more than 6490 meals for individuals and

families who are hungry in our community. According to Feeding the Gulf Coast, the need has increased 830 percent in the past month, many coming from middle class families whose providers have been furloughed or let go. Graduates for 2020 discovered congratulatory signs in their yards and celebration cakes and books were delievered Friday, May 8

as gifts from SHBC. The Bac-



calaureate service for our seniors will be in the June 14 worship service. Homebound and young families are connecting with cards, letters and phone calls encouraging and praying for one another. Many of you are making masks for health workers and the community. Bible Study is taking place through Zoom meetings. Drive by birthday celebrations take place each week. Please keep discovering new ways to minister to one another and HAVE FUN WITH IT!

For the immediate future, we are calendaring ways to engage and share. We have plans for a Chalk-A-Bration to engage members in sending a message from our parking lot to our city. We are currently planning another Food Drive, Small Limited Connection home events and other ways to stay not only connected but engage our community and share the love and hope of our Christ.

These are just a few of the things the Church will be notified about in the near future. Should you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me or the staff. You are the church so continue to think of ways to minister to one another, the Church and the community.

Stay Safe and may the Presence of our Christ with you all. Terry M. Richey Associate Pastor



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

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



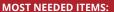
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FOOD DRIVE FOR FEEDING THE GULF COAST

Let's help our community together!

THURSDAY, JUNE 11 4-6 P.M.

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



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.

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. Search your local listings for a replay

of this episode or visit www.goodroad.tv.

For more information on the episode, visit <u>aptv.</u> 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.

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

GREAT JOB CHURCH FAMILY!

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families whose providers have been furloughed or let go.





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.

Giving Thanks

May 10, 2020

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs	\$43,287.80
Received Sunday	\$51,922.6
0Received to Date	\$983,788.
73Expenses to Date	\$885,185.
98Balance to Date	\$98,602.7
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Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Goal	\$25,000
Given to Date	\$18 272 60

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Online https://shbc.cc

App Store:Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL

Envelope

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.

Dear Church Family,

I hope this letter finds you well. If you are like me, I am sure that you are looking forward to the day we can meet together again as a church family. Psalm 130:5 states "I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in His Word I put my hope." As we wait for the opportunity to meet together again there are several things we can be doing as a body of believers. We can pray for our church and one another, our community, our medical professionals, and our national, state, and local leaders. We can check on our fellow church members with a phone call or note of encouragement, and we can look for opportunities to help those in need.

Even during this time of having church services at SHBC@ home on our computer, TV, IPad, or phone we are still a great body of believers. I would like to thank you on behalf of the Finance Committee for continuing to be faithful in your giving during this time. The Spring Hill Baptist Church family has continued to give, and this has been beneficial as the church continues to minister in many ways in the community and around the world.

If you have not had an opportunity to participate in the giving process during this time of being at home there are several ways that you can participate. You may give by mailing your offering to 2 South McGregor Avenue Mobile, AL 36608. Another option is to give through our website at shbc.cc. You may also give through the church app that is listed on the App Store as Spring Hill Mobile, AL.

Even though it may seem like a long time since we have met together as a body of believers, the time when we will be back together is getting closer. We have been blessed during this time to have a great staff and support staff to lead us through this challenging time. Isaiah 40:31 says, "...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."

I look forward to seeing each of you very soon. In Christ, Tremaine Martin Finance Committee Chairman

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Gretchen Crane	Communications Director
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"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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