

living and sharing His message of hope for all people.

Prayer is most real when we refuse to say "amen." We most love heaven when we will not end our conversations quickly. Hell is filled with those who found their "amens" close at hand.

A WORK IN PROGRESS

Calvin Miller

Is it just me, or do you find this Christian life a struggle? Some seem to glide through with the greatest of ease. Others make a profession somewhere around their ninth birthday and move on without so much as a second thought. Then there are those whose entire walk is a "push me pull you" affair. We in that latter group find ourselves asking why a lot, like that 3 year old who is constantly trying to grasp the reality of the world she is new to. We frequently question and challenge what we have been told as we try to make sense of things. This can lead to frustration, for it is hard work for our finite minds.

When we read the accounts of the disciples everything seems so cut and dried at first glance. But a deeper look reveals their struggles and questions. Peter the spontaneous, James and John, "the sons of thunder," Thomas, the doubter; and yet, they kept following. In the midst of their struggles and questions they spent time with The Master, and that is where they began to trust.

Maybe that is the key. Time. We are a work in progress, but in order to be shaped by Christ we must follow. It takes time. Actually, it takes a lifetime.

Let us not be too quick to give up and be content. Let us continue to keep our prayers open ended, to listen, to observe the one who has called us to His own and follow the Apostle Paul's advice to the Philippians: "So then, my dearest friends, as you have always followed my

advice—and that not only when I was present to give it so now that I am far away be keener than ever to work out the salvation that God has given you with a proper sense of awe and responsibility. For it is God who is at work within you, giving you the will and the power to achieve His purpose."

Striving together, Terry



Wednesday, July 15, 4:00-6:00 p.m. (to benefit our local Momen's Resource Genter)

Bring diapers, wipes, new or gently used clothing (birth-24) months), new car seats and new Pack n'Plays. Drop off items at our drive-thru in the church parking lot and we'll deliver your shower gifts to them!





# Spring Hill Baptist Church Congratulates the Class of 2020



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## Movie Night on the Lawn



#### FRIDAY, JULY 17 AT 7:45 | FREE

Bring a blanket or chairs for your family.
Food trucks will be onsite from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
(Kyle's Kitchen, Lulu's Sno Shack & Mmm Pop)
We look forward to seeing you!



## Fitness Classes Resume!

Morning classes: Boot Camp (Tues. & Thurs. at 6:00 a.m.) and Pilates (Tues. & Thurs. at 8:15 a.m.) resumed the week of June 29. Evening Boot Camp (5:30 p.m.) resumed this

week. All Silver Sneakers classes will resume July 14 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m..

Contact Colleen Smith, csmith@shbc.cc, for details, 342-5375 or www.shbc.cc/recreation

## Giving Thanks

July 5, 2020

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Forecast Weekly Needs	\$64,468.00
Received Sunday	\$31,697.6
OReceived to Date	\$1,309,449.06
Expenses to Date	\$1,306,704.08
Balance to Date	\$2,744.98

## WAYS TO GIVE AT SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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.



#### **Home of Grace for Women**

The Home of Grace ministry team will be going to the Home of Grace on **July 21** to offer a good meal, a listening ear and a touch of friendship and fellowship. If you feel led to join us, please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.



#### SANCTUARY OPEN FOR PRAYER

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Prayer guides provided in pew rack.

Note: Covid precautions in place

Church Office 342-5320
Dr. Rob JacksonInterim Pastor
Rev. Terry Richey Associate Pastor
Rev. Randy Grim Minister of Music
Rev. Josh Karl Student & College Pastor
Erica HollowayMinister to Children & Families
Rev. Bill Taylor Asst. Minister of Music
Gretchen Crane Communications Director
Denise MarshFinancial Manager
Debbie Rice Children's Music Coordinator
Missy PowellPianist

#### Activities Center 342-5375

### Weekday Preschool Education Office 342-6044

In case of emergency over the weekend, you may reach the minister on call at 342-5320.

## Welcome New Member!



Hudson Ream Profession of Faith

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#### **NEW LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

Brave: Honest Questions Women Ask by Angela Thomas-Pharr. Books will be available at the meeting. Mondays at 6:00 pm in the back room of the Activities Center. Wear your mask! Books are \$7.00

This Bible study for women looks at the heart of what women are thinking and feeling. Angela speaks to participants about deep feelings that all women have at one time or another. She looks boldly at some of the fears and struggles of being a woman, and she helps us see how we can be brave in the face of those challenges.