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A worshipping family of believers in Jesus Christ committed to understanding, living and sharing His message of hope for all people.

## We're so excited about Sunday School starting back on Sunday, October 4! We can't wait to see your family!

### Fun With Covid

- The children (birth-3 year olds) will be upstairs in the SHAC for both services and Sunday School. We will not be using our preschool building at this time. We feel that it's best for both groups to not share space with our day school until we are in better days with this pandemic.
- Our 3 year olds (children who are 3 by September 1) will participate in a regular Sunday School class led by Frank & Jean Leslie Pratt.
- All children will need to have their temperatures taken before going to Sunday School. Temp checks for K4 - 6th grade will take place upstairs in the lobby area and downstairs by the first grade classroom (Room 104). Temp checks for infants - 3 year olds will be taken at the SHAC.
- Our childcare staff will be wearing masks while the children are in their care.
- Children in K5 - 6th Grades will need to wear masks to Sunday School. We will have extra masks on hand in case a child forgets theirs.
- Each child will have their own pouch of supplies to use during Sunday School, so supplies will not have to be shared.
- Be sure to eat a big breakfast, because we will be unable to serve snacks during Sunday School for a while.



**IT'S NOT EASY BEING SNEEZY. IT GETS OLD WITH A COLD.  
 SO IF YOU DON'T FEEL YOUR BEST, STAY HOME & GET SOME REST!**



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD KICK-OFF  
 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**

**We're stepping back into Sunday School  
 October 4, 2020!**

*What will Sunday School look like moving forward?*

- Social distancing will be observed in the classrooms
- Masks will be mandatory at ALL times
- Hand sanitizer stations are available around campus
- Chairs have been arranged to allow for social distancing
- Classrooms are cleaned thoroughly before and after each meeting
- NO FOOD OR DRINKS PROVIDED ON CAMPUS THROUGHOUT OCTOBER

## Ministry & Worship Opportunities

- Sunday, October 4**  
 Contemporary Worship 8:30 a.m., Dining Hall  
 Stepping Back into Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Traditional Worship 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
 Student Choirs Kick-off 4:00 p.m., Gym  
 Student Ministry Parent Mixer 4:00 p.m. SHAC Back Room
- Monday, October 5**  
 Ladies' Bible Study 6:00 p.m., SHAC Back Room
- Wednesday, October 7**  
 Small Group Study "Becoming a Disciple Maker" 6:00 p.m., Dining Hall  
 Small Group Study "The Chosen" 6:00 p.m., SHAC Back Room  
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- Thursday, October 8**  
 Ladies' Fall Bible Study "What Love Is" 9:15 a.m., SHAC Back Room
- Sunday, October 11**  
 Operation Christmas Child Kickoff
- Wednesday, October 14**  
 Six-Mix for Children (4K-6th grade), 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., Dining Hall
- Tuesday, October 20**  
 Home of Grace, 9:30 a.m.



**"Mixin' It Up"**  
**for 6 weeks on**  
**Wednesday Nights**  
**October 14-November 18**  
**from 6:00-7:00 p.m.**  
**Children 4K - 6th grade**  
**In the Dining Hall**  
 Register online at [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register)  
**by October 1**  
 Questions? Call 342-5320 or email [eholloway@shbc.cc](mailto:eholloway@shbc.cc)

## JOIN US FOR OUR 20<sup>TH</sup> SEASON OF UPWARD BASKETBALL!



There will be NO Evaluations. We will be limiting the number of participants due to COVID 19.

- 1st - 2nd Boys: 60 players Max
  - 1st - 2nd Girls: 40 Players Max
  - 3rd - 4th Boys: 40 Players Max
  - 3rd - 4th Girls: 40 Players Max
- There is no K5 this season. There is not a 5th and 6th-grade league this season.

Program Schedule:

- Registration ends Oct. 9.
- Practice starts Nov. 2.
- Games begin Dec. 5.
- Season ends Jan. 30.

Register at [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register). Questions? Contact Ashley Johnson, 342-5375 or email [ajohnson@shbc.cc](mailto:ajohnson@shbc.cc)

## FAMILY NIGHT

# SEWARD FARMS

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
**4:15-7:30 P.M.**

Cost is \$15 per adult/\$5 per child  
 Admission includes: corn maze, unlimited activities, hot dog supper, marshmallow toasting and lots of fun!

Bring a camp chair or blanket to picnic, and a skewer to toast marshmallows and fellowship!

Sign up online beginning September 23 through October 21 at [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register) or in the Education Office.

## Student Ministry

### Dates to Remember



OCTOBER 19 - DISCIPLESHIP GROUP  
 5:30 P.M.

OCTOBER 24 - SEWARD FARMS YOUTH MAZE  
 CHALLENGE | 4:15 P.M.

NOVEMBER 6-8 - FALL STAYCATION

DECEMBER 9 - WORKSHOP CHRISTMAS PARTY

**HOME OF GRACE TESTIMONY BY  
MARILYN HOWELL**

The first time I went to Home of Grace was to give a devotional I had no idea what to expect. I had never actually been around addicts...that is, to my knowledge. Admittedly, I was a bit apprehensive.

The devotional group time was in a room filled with comfortable, inviting sofas. Approximately 25 women of ages ranging from upper teens to mid-fifties entered the room with Bibles in hand. The women came to Home of Grace from various socio-economic backgrounds and family support (or lack of it). Each woman had a different story, a different struggle, a different addiction. Some were professionals, others had no particular occupation (if any). Some grew up in Sunday School and church. Others did not. Their education levels varied. Some were just as addicted to the men with whom they had lived with as they were to the drugs and/or alcohol. Some were married. Others were not. So you see, the group was quite diverse. I gave my little devotion. I pray they received something from the words. I do know

beyond a shadow of a doubt that I was blessed immensely. Since that first visit, I have grown to love the "clients" at Home of Grace. I love hearing their stories. I love our conversations. I love what they have taught me. I love hearing their gratitude for our visits and for the scrumptious meals we bring.

I love the SHBC women I've met who have supported Home of Grace for so very many years. These women have been an inspiration to me. Since I first started going to Home of Grace, we have actually lost some of those precious saints. They taught me that age and "limited" physical abilities that accompany "growing up" are no excuse for not serving the Lord through this ministry or any other. So I reserve the 3rd Tuesday of each month for Home of Grace. By the way, there are women from SHBC who are no longer able to go to Home of Grace, but they faithfully send a yummy dish every 3rd Tuesday. These women are equally as important in the service of the Lord as those who are able to attend.

As you might well imagine, Covid-19 has sorely affected our visits to Home of Grace. We still send those home cooked meals. But oh how we miss being with the women! I wonder if they miss our visits as much as we do. It will be a great day when we can resume our regular visits to Home of Grace. Maybe God will lead you to join us!

**Giving Thanks**

**September 27, 2020**

**STEWARDSHIP**

Forecast Weekly Needs .....	\$57,047.25
Received Sunday.....	\$34,139.8
0Received to Date.....	\$1,755,590.
82Expenses to Date.....	\$1,697,756.
09Balance to Date.....	\$57,834.

**Myers - Mallory Offering**

Goal.....	\$1,200.00
Given to Date.....	\$1,815.00

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**NEW DATE • NOVEMBER 1  
NEW TIME • 4 - 5 P.M.**

*The New  
2020  
Face of...*



A fun event  
our ladies will  
not want to  
miss!



**Home of Grace for Women**

The Home of Grace ministry team will be sharing a meal and encouragement with the ladies on **October 20**. We will not be staying there due to Covid, but will need you to drop food by the office prior to our 9:30 a.m. departure. Please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.

**Church Office 342-5320**

Dr. Rob Jackson ..... Interim Pastor  
Rev. Terry Richey ..... Associate Pastor  
Rev. Randy Grim ..... Minister of Music  
Rev. Josh Karl ..... Student & College Pastor  
Erica Holloway ..... Minister to Children & Families  
Rev. Bill Taylor ..... Asst. Minister of Music  
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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.

*Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.  
Philippians 2:1-2*

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**WE'RE BACK!**

Yes, Sunday, October 4 we are having our "soft return" to Sunday School for all who feel comfortable coming back into that setting.

Adults will gather in their regular classrooms, but there will be no opening assemblies except for those in the Dining Hall.

Please remember the following as you return:

- EVERYONE wears a mask.
- Scrub in and out.
- Only 2 individuals per trip in elevators (unless you are in the same household).
- Children and preschoolers will have temperature checks.
- Please remember to social distance.

Sunday Morning Bible Study is important for several

reasons. First, it is a time for small groups to gather to study and pray together. It is a time for community - a coming together of individuals who build relationships, share in the journey of life and encourage and help one another. It is also a great opportunity to bring others into your community from outside. Particularly those who do not know what it is to have a walk with Christ or are just coming to know Him need this small group community. Yes, there is a purpose for Sunday School. The cause is that we together get to know our Creator better.

So, if you are comfortable coming back at this time, please join us and safely follow protocols. If you are not yet ready for this venture, then pray for your classes. Stay connected through calls/texts/emails and social media, and remember, you are a part of this wonderful body of Christ we call Spring Hill Baptist Church!

In community,

Terry

*When Jesus spoke again to the people, He said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*  
John 8:12