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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.

THE AMAZING JOURNEY OF A SIMPLE SHOEBOX GIFT BEGINS WITH YOU

PACKING, COLLECTING, & SHIPPING
 People pack shoebox gifts each year to bless children in need around the world. Churches and groups collect these boxes the third week of November. Then, thousands of volunteers inspect and prepare the shoeboxes for international shipping.

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION
 Long before shoeboxes arrive in more than 100 countries, volunteer National Leadership Teams train pastors and community leaders who are eager to share the Gospel and bless children.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH EVENTS
 Churches around the world hand out shoebox gifts at festive outreach events where the Good News is clearly presented. Along with the gifts, we offer Gospel booklets called The Greatest Gift to help shoebox recipients learn about God's Greatest Gift, His Son, Jesus Christ.

INTERNATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP & MULTIPLICATION
 After receiving a shoebox gift, children have the opportunity to enroll in our 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey. As a result of what they learn, boys and girls grow in Christ and share Him with others. Families are reached, churches grow, new churches are started, and communities are transformed.

Samaritan's Purse
 INTERNATIONAL RELIEF

This Is Christmas
 REIMAGINED 2020

This Is Christmas will be observed each Sunday of Advent in the 11:00 am Worship Service and for the Christmas Eve Services. The celebration will include anthems sung by the Sanctuary Choir, Living Masterpieces, Carols, the Advent Message and also includes a smaller orchestra in each service.

November 29
This Is Christmas
 A Celebration of Hope
 11:00 a.m.

December 6
This Is Christmas
 A Celebration of Peace
 11:00 a.m.

December 13
This Is Christmas
 A Celebration of Love
 11:00 a.m.

December 20
This Is Christmas
 A Celebration of Joy
 11:00 a.m.

December 24 – Carols and Candlelight
This Is Christmas
 A Celebration of the Christ Child
 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.-RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

**Shoeboxes are available in the Dining Hall Foyer, the Welcome Center, the Education Office and the Main Office.
 Deadline to Turn In Boxes:
 November 13**

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 Facebook & Instagram!





Ministry & Worship Opportunities

- **Sunday, November 8**
Contemporary Worship - 8:45 a.m., Dining Hall
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Traditional Worship - 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Jr. High Singers Rehearsal - 4:00 p.m.
Spring Hill Singers Rehearsal - 4:00 p.m.
- **Monday, November 9**
Student Ministry: The Guild - 5:30 p.m., SHAC
- **Tuesday, November 10**
Finance Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m., DH
Deacons' Meeting 7:15 p.m., DH - East End
- **Wednesday, November 11**
The Workshop for Students, 6:00 p.m., SHAC
Six - Mix for Children, 6:00 p.m., Dining Hall
Adult Ensemble Rehearsal - 6:15 p.m., Choir Suite
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- **Friday, November 13**
Operation Christmas Child Boxes Due
- **Sunday, November 15**
Service of Remembrance, 4:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, November 17**
Home of Grace
- **Sunday, December 6**
Deacon Election



**THE STUDENT MINISTRY
DISCIPLESHIP GROUP
The Guild**

Mondays | 5:30 p.m.
Activities Center

Sign up online @
www.shbc.cc/register

Questions? Contact Josh Karl,
342-5375 or jkarl@shbc.cc



**Students (Grades 7 - 12)
Join us for the Workshop on
Wednesday Nights
from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
in the Gym**

Social Distancing will be observed.



Sunday, November 22, 2020 will be a day of commitment and response as we vote to approve our proposed 2021 Missions and Ministry Budget and as we receive a special offering, above and beyond our regular tithes and offerings, to help us recover from this year of COVID and hurricane setbacks. Please prayerfully consider your contribution toward supplying the needs for the rest of the 2020 ministry year.



Home of Grace for Women

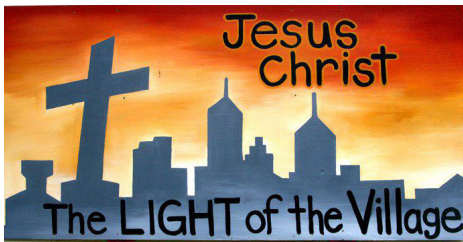
The Home of Grace ministry team will be sharing a meal and encouragement with the ladies on **November 17**. We will not be staying there due to Covid, but will need you to drop food by the office prior to our 9:30 a.m. departure. Please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.

Afternoon at the Stable

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CHRISTMAS EVENT

LET US CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS!
JOIN US FOR THE LIVING NATIVITY, CHRISTMAS CRAFTS,
REFRESHMENTS & MORE.

DECEMBER 13, 2020 | 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.



PLEASE HELP: FOOD DONATIONS TO NEEDY FAMILIES

Items are being collected in marked boxes in the Education Office, the Activities Center and on the second floor of the Adult Sunday School Building.

Items Needed: boxed mac-n-cheese, canned spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, ramen noodles, rice, beans, cans of ravioli, corn, green beans, yams, collards, tuna fish, canned ham, canned chicken, Vienna Sausages, canned pears, peaches, fruit cocktail, apple sauce, peanut butter, jelly, cereal bars, crackers, loaf of bread, toilet paper, toothpaste, dish soap and bleach

You can help by bringing items, helping prepare the bags each month, and/or helping deliver the food bags. Please contact Judy Wesson at 423-5402 if you would like to help.

DEACON ELECTION

As you recall, the church in conference held deacon nominations on October 25, 2020 in the two worship services. Even in the midst of social distancing, you, the church gave an overwhelming response bringing new names and faces to our deacon body with 178 individuals receiving at least one nomination. The following sixteen individuals are those who received the most nominations and agreed to serve should they be elected:

Rene Beaver
Doug Bridges
Dennis Carroll
Jody Crane
David Duval
Bob Grube
Bob Hanks
Tim Holloway
Paul Lewis
Todd Meadows
Susan McConnell
Charlotte Nicholas
Mike Rice
Mark Roberts
Tammy Thompson
Carol Williams

Please be in prayer as the church chooses those to serve as deacon. The election will take place during the two worship services December 6, 2020.

Thank you for your prayerful participation,
Your Deacon Election Committee

Giving Thanks

November 1, 2020

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs.....	\$49,471.80
Received Sunday.....	\$72,059.85
Received to Date.....	\$2,006,923.95
Expenses to Date.....	\$1,960,513.74
Balance to Date.....	\$46,410.21

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.

SYMPATHY TO:

The family of Chessie Murphy in her death on October 29..

And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit, who lives in you.

Romans 8:11

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
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.

²⁷ Cause me to understand the way of your precepts, that I may meditate on your wonderful deeds.

²⁸ My soul is weary with sorrow; strengthen me according to your word. ²⁹ Keep me from deceitful ways; be gracious to me and teach me your law.

Psalm 119:27-29

THE MESSENGER, (UPS 512-220), IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY, (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MARDI GRAS, JULY 4, THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS).
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**CALLED TO BE
“GRACE-ONES”**



To you, who were spiritually dead all the time that you drifted along on the stream of this world's ideas of living, and obeyed its unseen ruler (who is still operating in those who do not respond to the truth of God), to you Christ has given life!

We all lived like that in the past, and followed the impulses and imaginations of our evil nature, being in fact under the wrath of God by nature, like everyone else.

But even though we were dead in our sins, God who is rich in mercy, because of the great love He had for us, gave us life together with Christ—it is, remember, by grace and not by achievement that you are saved—and has lifted us right out of the old life to take our place with Him in Christ in the Heavens. Thus He shows for all time the tremendous generosity of the grace and kindness He has expressed towards us in Christ Jesus. It was nothing you could or did achieve—it was God's

gift to you. No one can pride himself upon earning the love of God. The fact is that what we are we owe to the hand of God upon us. We are born afresh in Christ, and born to do those good deeds which God planned for us to do. Ephesians 2:1-10

God planned good things for us to be involved in when He redeemed us. He has given us the gift of Himself, and by His Grace He can rescue us from selfish comparisons, selfish judgement, and selfish division, Let us, His children embrace His gift of grace, realizing that as we give it away, it only grows His kingdom and His purpose. Agreeably, our old dead nature tries to resurrect itself, but it has been given a fatal blow, it can no longer control us. Therefore, may we be controlled by our new Christ nature which brings life and hope and peace not only to ourselves but plants those seeds in those we encounter. Who knows how Christ will use us to change our world? Please join me in renewing our commitment to follow the Holy Spirit to fill our world with grace and good works for the Kingdom.

I'll see you Sunday where Grace is given,
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