



# The MESSENGER

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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.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. JOSHUA 1:9

SHARING THE GOSPEL

## Outside Our Comfort Zone

Esther & John, missionaries from Pakistan, will equip us in sharing the gospel with those who need the Light.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021**  
**SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH SANCTUARY**  
**5:30 P.M.**

• **Limited Seating – Reservations Required** •

Email Terry@shbc.cc or call the church office, (251) 342-5320  
Register for childcare before Wednesday, February 24.

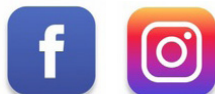
*A special mission offering for Christ followers in Pakistan will be collected.*



Esther Ahmad's books, "Defying Jihad" & "Unveiled" will be available to purchase.

Sponsored by Spring Hill Baptist Church WMU and Women's Ministry

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# BLOOD IS LIFE.

**Don't let it run out.**  
**Please give blood.**

## Spring Hill Baptist Church Blood Drive

Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

2 S McGregor Ave, Mobile, AL 36608

Sign up for a time to give at [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register)



All donors will receive a recognition item and a free cholesterol screening. Donors must be 16 or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, and show photo I.D. 16-year-olds require written parental permission.

**LIFESOUTH**  
Community Blood Centers



Please join us as we serve the women at McKemie Place on **Thursday, March 4**. Bring your favorite salad, side dish or dessert to add to our fried chicken dinner to the Activities Center parking lot by 5:30 p.m. Your good food, your prayers and other expressions of God's grace

**Organ Meditations  
on the Cross**

March 31, 2021  
12:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary

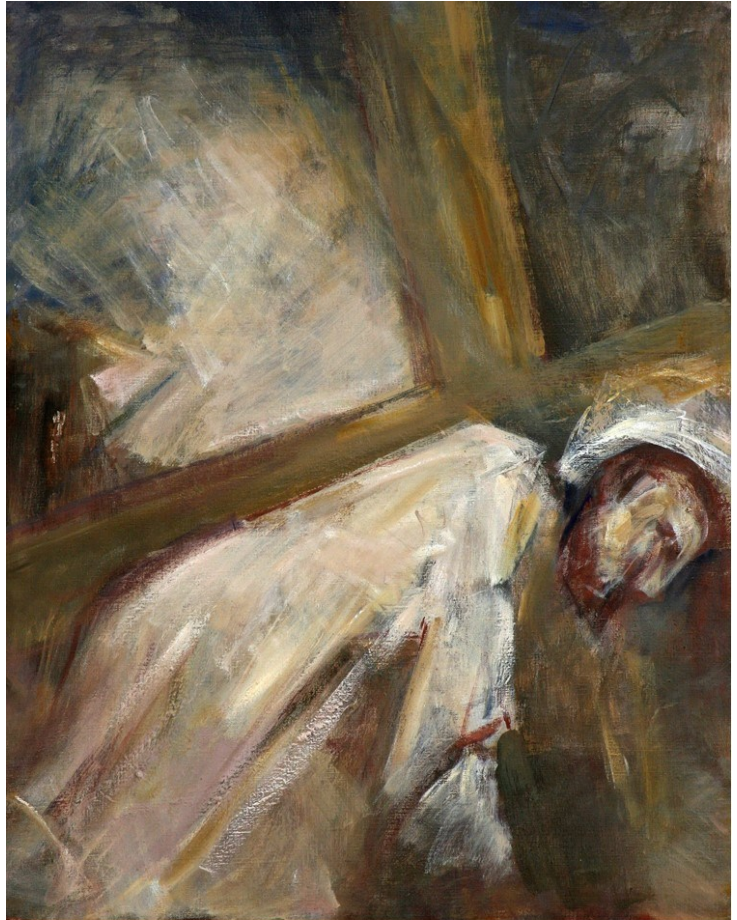
Spring Hill Baptist Church  
Bill Taylor, Organist

**Egg Hunt on the Hill**  
Sunday, March 28, 2:00-4:00 PM

Pony Rides, Inflatables, Train Rides, Face Painting, Crafts, Refreshments & Much More !!!

Invite your friends to hop over and join in the fun!

2 South McGregor Avenue / Mobile, AL 36688 / 251-342-5320 / www.wbhbc.us



**ON A HILL FAR AWAY**  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**  
APRIL 1, 2021 7:00 P.M.

**FAMILY TIES 2021**  
April 16-18  
7th-12th grade students

Cost: \$50  
Speaker: Trey Gibson  
Worship Band: TBD

Online signup available at:  
[www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register)

Questions? Contact Josh Karl.  
342-5320 or [jkarl@shbc.cc](mailto:jkarl@shbc.cc)

*Ephesians 4:4-6*

**ONE**

*“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”* Matthew 11:28-29

**The Workshop**

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



## FREEZER FARE FAIR

In the next few weeks, we will be launching "Freezer Fare" - A Meal Ministry of SHBC - to serve members in our church who may be sick and/or homebound and could use a homemade meal.

Ministry volunteers will be preparing soups and casseroles that can be frozen and distributed as needed. Our first

cooking day will be in the first week of March, and we are asking church members to participate in the Freezer Fare Fair by donating ingredients from the following list by Sunday, February 28. Donations can be dropped off in the Welcome Center or the Education Office Mondays – Fridays or Sundays. Thank you so much for helping in this exciting ministry opportunity!

- canned all-white chicken in water
- 29 oz. can mixed vegetables
- Jars of sliced water chestnuts
- 29 oz. can tomato sauce
- 32 oz. jar mayonnaise
- canned cream of mushroom soup
- canned cream of chicken soup
- canned cream of celery soup
- jar Better than Bouillon Beef Base
- beef broth
- chicken broth
- boxed instant potatoes
- boxed instant white rice
- boxed long grain and wild rice mix
- packaged extra-wide egg noodles
- packaged brown gravy mix
- 5 lb. bag all-purpose flour
- 5 lb. bag self-rising flour
- 4 lb. bag sugar
- 2 lb. bag brown sugar
- canned vegetable shortening
- 1 lb. bag semi-sweet chocolate chips
- gift cards (Walmart, Rouse's, Publix, Target)

## BRAZIL UPDATE

As of now, the trip to Brazil is still on. The situation in Brazil is even more dire than it is here, and it may be that we will once again need to postpone the trip. If we indeed get to go, we must be prepared, so we will continue to meet and prepare as scheduled. Hopefully, the virus will have eased and we will be allowed to travel. The trip dates will be June 27 – July 9. There is still time for you to join us! If you are interested, email me at [eddsmithjr@comcast.net](mailto:eddsmithjr@comcast.net).

**I would also ask that you consider making a donation to help feed the people in the city of Manaus.** The hospitals there are collapsing due to the strain on the healthcare system as well. AMOR and Amazon Outreach are working tirelessly to meet the many needs there. If you feel inclined to help, email me for the link to give. Many of us have already donated. God Bless and JOIN THE BOAT!

## THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, February 28

- 8:45 a.m..... Contemporary Service
- 9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m..... Traditional Service
- 4:00 p.m..... Junior High Singers Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m..... Outside Our Comfort Zone

Monday, March 1

- 5:30 p.m..... Students: The Guild
- 6:00 p.m..... Ladies' Bible Study

Tuesday, March 2

Wednesday, March 3

- 6:00 p.m..... Adult Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m..... KidzQuest
- 6:00 p.m..... Students: The Workshop
- 6:30 p.m..... Adult Ensemble Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 4

- 9:15 a.m..... Ladies' Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m..... Serve at McKemie Place

Friday, March 5

- 12:00 p.m..... Children's Honor Choir Depart to Shocco Springs

Saturday, March 6

- ALL DAY..... Children's Honor Choir in Shocco Springs

## MINISTRY AT SHBC TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS:

 A collection of colorful sticky notes pinned to a white background, each containing a ministry event. The events include:
 

- Egg Hunt on the Hill**: Sunday, March 28 (2:00-4:00 p.m.)
- Children's Ministry Quiet Night**: No Wednesday Evening Activities for babies-6th grade Wednesday, March 31.
- Good Friday**: Church Offices & Activities Center closed Friday, April 2.
- Flowering Cross & Butterfly Release**: April 4
- Children's Ministry Quiet Night**: No Wednesday Evening Activities for babies-6th grade Wednesday, April 7.
- Vacation Bible School**: June 6-9
- Lake Forest Ranch**: June 19-23
- SMASH Music Camp**: July 19-23
- 2021 Parent Summit with Vicki Courtney**: August 28

**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.

*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*

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**WHAT ARE MY PRIORITIES?**

ADHD, OCD, DD, LMNOP--- you name it, I probably have it when it comes to disorders. My loving wife once told me “You are broken and you can’t be fixed.” Actually, I think most of us have at least one disorder at some point in our broken lives. Others of us encounter them and wrap them around us like a warm blanket.

In our First World western society distractions abound. My attention is easily diverted away from what needs to be my focus. This not only happens with tasks, but it happens with family, with relationships and in my spiritual life.

Think about the consequences of each of these areas. If it is tasks I am distracted from then my work will be inadequate. If I am distracted from family, then family suffers; if relationships, then disassociation begins to form and if spiritual life, then I lose touch with my Creator. These consequences result in an outcome none of us truly want. Therefore, what am I or any of us to do?

First evaluate. What is really important to you? Is it your relationship with God? Is it your relationship with your spouse, your child, your sibling, your parents? What about relationship with friends, do you have regular contact? What about your church, your relationship and connection with those who are a part of the Body of Christ? Has COVID caused you to abandon this once sacred place of spiritual connection and support? One of my favorite seminary professors expressed this truth: “*Relationships* is the most

important word in the English language.” And the corollary to that is “Love is meeting needs.” It is through a relationship with Christ that we can know the Father, and someone in the Body pointed us to Christ. Someone made you a priority.

As we travel these days of Lent prior to Easter together, may we evaluate what our priorities are. What is most important for us? Is it work, sports, power, prestige, position, scholarships? All of those have their place but **RELATIONSHIPS** must be a priority, with that first one being our relationship with the one who loves us most and knows us best, our Heavenly Father.

**Place Your Life Before God**

*So here’s what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for Him. Don’t become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what He wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.*  
*Romans 12:2 The Message*

Together on this journey,  
Terry