



The **MESSENGER**
SPRING HILL
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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.

SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Chalk-A-Bration

All church members are invited to join us for this very special event on

Wednesday, June 16, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Church families and individuals are invited to sign up to decorate our church parking lot. Bring a bucket of sidewalk chalk and decorate a parking space with inspirational messages, scripture, pictures, etc. We will be using drone photography to create a video of this event as we fill up a parking lot filled with love to share with our city!



Park in the south parking lot behind the church. Also, MobSno will be onsite!!

Please sign up so we know who can come!

www.shbc.cc/register



Tribute to America

*June 27, 2021
11:00 a.m.
Worship*

*Sanctuary Choir
and Orchestra*

Join us for

“Tribute to America”

featuring Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra, and Joyce Sylvester, guest soloist.

This special presentation reminds us of America’s humble beginnings, challenges us to live up to the faith of our fathers, and to continue pursuing the dream to be one nation under God.

Spring Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama <https://shbc.cc/ministries/music-ministry/>



Summer Music at Spring Hill

July 19-23, 2021

Completed K4 - 6th Grade

- Cost: \$80 for one child, \$130 for two children per family, \$160 for three or more children per family
- Register online at www.shbc.cc/register.

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Facebook & Instagram!



YOUTH SPORTS AT SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH



Upward Flag Football registration begins NOW for K5-6th Grade. Evaluation dates are to be determined. Practice begins Monday, August 9, 2021 and games begin August 16, 2021 (All practices/games are on Mondays). Cost is \$120 and sign up ends July 30, 2021.

Registration for Service Volleyball also begins NOW for K5-6th Grade. Season begins Tuesday, August 10, 2021 (All practices/games are on Tuesdays). Cost is \$100 and sign up ends July 30, 2021.

To Register Visit: www.shbc.cc/register

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

MUSIC MINISTRY

2021 Upcoming Events

Tribute to America
June 27

SMASH
July 19-23

Student Choir Kick-off
August 15

Children's Choir Kick-off
August 25

This Is Christmas Preview
August 25



Our Day School Needs Dress Up Clothes

Spring Hill Baptist Day School is in need of gently used dress-up clothes. If you have some you'd like to donate, you can drop

them by the Education Office between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Monday - Thursday) or Fridays between 8:00 a.m. - noon. Thanks so much!!

STUDENT MINISTRY

Tour of Pools

Friday, June 25 | 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The Montgomery Home

QUESTIONS? CONTACT JOSH,
JKARL@SHBC.CC

SHBC FAMILY SKATE NIGHT

SAVE THE DATE!!!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

5:30-7:30 P.M.

SUNSHINE SKATE CENTER

\$10 PER FAMILY

**(INCLUDES ALL SKATERS
AND A PIZZA SUPPER!)**

Mark Your Calendars!

PARENT SUMMIT 2021

WITH
VICKI COURTNEY

Saturday, August 28, 2021

Rescue Mission Ministry

Looking for a way to get involved? Join us as we minister to the men at the Rescue Mission. **Our next ministry date is June 21.** Contact Will, wright252@aol.com for more information.

Home of Grace for Women

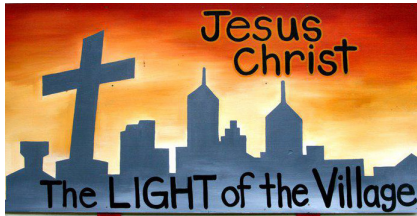
The Home of Grace ministry team will be going to the Home of Grace on **June 15** to offer a good meal, a listening ear and a touch of friendship and fellowship. If you feel led to join us, please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.

LET'S HAVE A SPLASHIN' GOOD TIME

IT'S A FAMILY POOL PARTY!

Tuesday, July 13 • 5:30-7:30 PM
Spring Hill Swim Club

COST: \$5 PER FAMILY



PLEASE HELP: FOOD DONATIONS

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.



Thursday, June 24, 9:15 AM.

M.A.G.I.C. will visit the History Museum of Mobile to see two exhibits - "Egyptian Mummies and Eternal Life" and "The History of Mobile in 22 Objects." The admission for these two exhibits is \$8.00 total.

Make your reservations by emailing Olna at owoodall@shbc.cc or text Olna at (251) 689-7088.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

- Sunday, June 13**
 8:45 a.m..... Contemporary Service
 9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
 11:00 a.m..... Traditional Service
 4:00 p.m..... Bonus Choir Rehearsal
- Monday, June 14**
 9:00 a.m..... Art on the Hill Class
 1:30 p.m..... Art on the Hill Class
- Tuesday, June 15**
 9:30 a.m..... Prayer Shawl
 10:30 a.m..... Home of Grace
 1:30 p.m..... Art on the Hill Class
 6:00 p.m..... Finance Committee Meeting
 7:15 p.m..... Deacons' Meeting
- Wednesday, June 16**
 6:00 p.m..... Chalk-A-Bration
 6:20 p.m..... Adult Ensemble
 7:00 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, June 17**
- Friday, June 18**
- Saturday, June 19**
 9:30 a.m..... Children Leave for Lake Forest Ranch

Giving Thanks

June 6, 2021

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs.....	\$50,798.50
Received Sunday.....	\$50,003.50
Received to Date.....	\$1,332,572.67
Expenses to Date.....	\$1,199,205.49
Balance to Date.....	\$133,367.18

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.

"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

Church Office 342-5320

Dr. Rob Jackson Interim Pastor
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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.

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:1-5

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WHO IS IN AND WHO IS OUT?

Have you ever been pushed out of a group? I have. In middle school I had a coach that loved the guys who were athletes, the ones who could climb to the top of the rope of Gehenna in short seconds flat, the ones who were able to ring the basket time and time again, the students who won the track races. They got the nicknames of the current popular athletes like Bart Starr, Dick Butkus, Sonny Jurgenson, Cy Young, Willie Mays. The rest of us were just... well nobody. We did jumping-jacks, pushups, ran laps and the bleachers; we were the targets in dodge ball and the brunt of jokes while the athletes got to play baseball, football and basketball. It was not fun for the outcast.

Never could we have measured up, especially to the guys who were older, more mature and, well, “the chosen ones” of the coach. They sang his praises. They laughed at his jokes, and at us. Their prowess in athletics relegated us to the outcast. I hated 7th grade PE.

Seems silly now, but that experience limited my involvement in athletics and sports through my middle school and even high school years because I thought I would never be good enough. I couldn't overcome that obstacle of being a loser.

Unfortunately, there are many who think the same way about religion and church. They feel they can never “measure up”. Even some of you sitting in the pews on Sunday morning may feel the same, but you dress up, show up and hope God approves. This breaks my heart and truly breaks the heart of Christ. Too often, we as the church project a concept that we must be holy, have the right theology, clean up our act and then maybe we can become acceptable to God. This is the concept of RELIGION. (Religion is not what Christ called us to.) This is the concept of the Pharisees, the keepers of the “law” (their law). This is what keeps people away from Christ and His church.

Stop it! Read the Gospels again.

Throughout His life on earth, Jesus always chose relationship with people over religion. When the dead-end letter of the law threatened to outcast His living letter of love, elevating pious practices of church tradition over a practical, hands-and-feet ministry to the common man, Jesus religiously protested. His own brother, James, transcribed the aim of Christianity and discipleship, writing: “Real, true religion from God the Father’s perspective is about caring for orphans and widows who suffer needlessly and resting the evil influence of the world”

Andrew Greer

What is the evil influence of the world? Selfishness, exclusivity, pride, self-importance, control, and self-promotion. As God’s people we must first ask, “What is God wanting us to do in this community to love in the name of Christ?” Our labels, our dogma, our bylaws, even our name is of no consequence to those outside the church. (By the way, none of those guys in my class who got the star athletes’ names went on to be star athletes. It was of no value for the moment but was detrimental to so many others in the class.) What people will remember is how the people of God at Spring Hill Baptist Church accepted them, loved them, brought them in and showed them Christ.

Let us be about opening the doors to the Kingdom of Christ. Let go of the chains and be free. That my friends will bring joy!

I’ll see you Sunday,
Terry