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







Sunday, September 19 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services



MAGIC: Mature Adults Growing in Christ

Thursday, September 23, 2021, departing from SHBC Chapel parking lot at 9:00 a.m. to the Mishkan Ministries.

David Hamilton has spent years making miniatures of the Tabernacle, Service Vessels, the Ark of the Covenant, King Solomon's Temple, Noah's Ark and many more. This is a traveling exhibit, but its home is in Mobile. The grounds where this exhibit is housed are gorgeous. This is one of Mobile's well-kept secrets. Cost is \$7.50 per person.

Reservations required: contact Olna Woodall by email (owoodall@shbc.cc) or text 251-689-7088.

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 September 20.** Contact Will, www.ight252@aol. com for more information.

Home of Grace for Women

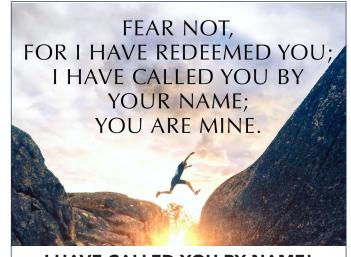
The Home of Grace ministry team will be going to the Home of Grace on **September 21** to offer a good meal, a listening ear and a touch of friendship and fellowship. If you feel led to join us, please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.

Dear Spring Hill Family,

On behalf of the staff I express appreciation for your concern, compassion, and cooperation over the past year as we struggled with the Covid pandemic. You have allowed flexibility with schedules and offered support for our families as we each maneuvered through uncertain and anxious days. As we begin to move forward and return to our regular hours, schedules, and activities, we will stay mindful of our mission as God's church, committed to our calling as servants of Christ, and dedicated to the unity of our family in faith at Spring Hill.

Realizing the ongoing risk originating from Covid, we will continue to follow all safety protocols and the advice from the church's medical advisory team. Hopefully conditions will allow the return to Wednesday meals in the not-too-distant future but only when considered safe.

Thanks again for your consideration and care.



I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME!

A Four Week Bible Study Led by Terry Richey Wédnesdays SHBC Dining Hall. - 6:00 p.m.



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



FLOWER RESERVATION FOR SANCTUARY OR FOYER

If you would like to reserve a time to place flowers in the Sanctuary or Foyer in honor or memory of someone, please contact Laurie Taylor at 342-5320 or <u>ltaylor@shbc.cc</u> to reserve an available date.

DEACON ELECTION IIA deacon nomination will be held September 12, 2021, with a vote to follow September 26, 2021, to replace the eleven deacons that were serving for the term ending December 2023.

Those who are elected will be presented to serve the remaining portion of 2021 through December 2023.

This will allow for the regular deacon election in December 2021 for those which will serve a three year term. We will then be back into our normal process for deacon election in the following years.

List of Active and Life Deacons (Not Eligible for Nomination)

Jimmy Arendall Erk Ashbee Rene' Beaver Billy Bedsole Steve Bethea Wayne Brannon* Doug Bridges Scott Browning Ken Burroughs' Bobby Butler Billy Čassady Mark Colicchio Wallace Davis David Duval George Gaston Brent Greenwald Ray Hammock

Bob Hanks Dick Havron* Kerry Hegwood Gene Hendrix Ron Hodges Tim Holloway **Bob Huey** Ashley Jóhnson Don Kennedy Ed Kennedy* Harold Kirkland* Forrest Latta Tremaine Martin Mike Montgomery Len Morey Baron Morvant Jim Murrill Matt Pastorcich

Eric Patterson John Powell Mike Rice Mark Roberts Fred Roe Kirk Shaw* Michael Sherman Eddie Smith Ronnie Stringfellow **Bob Summer** Philip Travis Dale Watts Craig Williams Norman Williams **Bob Woodall** Max Woodruff Will Wright*

* denotes life deacon

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

| 9:45 a.m 11:00 a.m | Contemporary ServiceSunday SchoolTraditional ServiceStrike Point Ringers KickoffSpring Hill Singers Kickoff |
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| 5:30 p.m | Upward Flag FootballStudents: The GuildPastor Search Committee MeetingLadies' Bible Study |
| 6:00 p.m | Service VolleyballFinance Committee MeetingDeacons' Meeting |
| 5:30 p.m | Student Ministry: The Worship Music & Missions I Have Called You By Name" Bible Study Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday, September 16 9:15 a.m | Ladies' Bible Study |
| Friday, September 17 8:00 p.m | Student Ministry: 5th Quarter |
| Saturday, September 18 | |

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Giving Thanks

September 5, 2021

STEWARDSHIP

| Forecast Weekly Needs. | \$57,675.75 |
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| Received Sunday | \$64,735.80 |
| Received to Date | \$1,982,010.70 |
| Expenses to Date | \$1,905,334.89 |
| Balance to Date | \$76,675,81 |

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.

New Bible Study for Ladies



We will be studying Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs beginning Thursday, September 16 at 9:15 a.m. in the Back Room of the SHAC. This will be a four-week study. Participants will need to read the first three

chapters before Sept 16. Those that want Carol Williams to order a book, should contact her at 251-604-4082 or ccec4@comcast.net. Carol will contact those that order books when they are available at the SHAC for pickup.

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| Enrique Castillo Recreation Ministry Assistant |
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342-6044

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



Thank you to Allan Maples, George Robinson, Michael Morey, Chris Clark, Jason Crane, Robby Bouler, Hayden Bouler, Brady Bouler, Josh Karl, Sarah Karl, Evie Karl, and Harper Karl for loading and delivering supplies gathered from our church to Baton Rouge, LA that is serving as a distribution center for hurricane relief. This group of individuals also aided in storm damage cleanup while they were there. We appreciate you all taking the time to serve those in need.

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There is a store in Troy, Alabama, named Perfectly Imperfect. It was one of Pat's favorite stores because, at that time, they took old, ragged things and gave them new life, even with their imperfections. I believe it now is mostly a paint store, but the title remains, Perfectly Imperfect.

This reminds me of something the Apostle Paul says in Romans 7.

"For I do not do the good that I want to do, but I practice the evil that I do not want to do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, I am no longer the one that does it, but it is the sin that lives in me. ²¹ So I discover this law. When I want to do what is good, evil is present with me. ²² For in my inner self I

discover this law: When I want to do what is good, evil is present with me. ²² For in my inner self I delight in God's law, ²³ but I see a different law in the parts of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and taking me prisoner to the law of sin in the parts of my body. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I myself am serving the law of God, but with my flesh, the law of sin."

Though we have been made perfect through Christ's redemption, and He has written His name on our foreheads, we still have that propensity to go our own way. Continually, we are buffeted by fear and pride and selfishness and give into those fallen impulses. Even Paul, who authored so many epistles in the New Testament admitted his failures. But he concludes his discourse with "What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I myself am serving the law of God, but with my flesh, the law of sin."

In Philippians 4:4-7, Paul writes, "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your graciousness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

The phrases I love there are, "The Lord is near," and "He will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." This is a truth. And when we fall, when we fear, when we doubt, we simply can call His name. He comes and applies His sanctifying grace and guides us in His purposes, and eventually we turn to grateful response and choose to rely on Him. Oh, it is rarely easy, but the rewards are great.

Pray to know this truth and practice it.

I remain perfectly imperfect,

Terry