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Congratulations!

NUEVA ESPERANZA CHURCH

We are extremely pleased to announce that after being part of SBC for 25 years, our Hispanic Ministry has purchased their own property. Simpsonville Baptist began Hispanic Ministry in 1995 with English as a Second Language (ESL) and Bible studies for adults and kids. The property consists of three parcels of land located at 114, 118, and 120 Henry Clay Street in Shelbyville.

One of these parcels is the former Shelby Baptist Association building.



"When the messengers of the Shelby Baptist Association voted to sell our property on Henry Clay Street in Shelbyville, we prayed for a church to be interested in purchasing the entire campus. The SBA wanted to keep this property in use for the Kingdom of God. When Nueva Esperanza approached Bob Perkins with an offer, we were delighted. It was an answer to prayer, and the Association looks forward to partnering with Pastor Jimenez in spreading the Good News of Jesus in the area"

Steve Gouge, Shelby County Associational Mission Strategist



NUEVA ESPERANZA CHURCH

Nueva Esperanza
Senior Pastor Ricardo Jimenez



Although the buildings purchased are in good shape, the Nueva Esperanza community would like to make it their own! We will keep you updated with renovation needs that you might be able to assist with. The church will be purchasing chairs/pews in the next few weeks. If you would like to support the church by making a donation for chairs, please make the contribution to SBC with Nueva Esperanza in the memo line.

Kingdom Life by Steve Boyd

Here we go again. We had a short reprieve from the Coronavirus with our state and country reopening but now healthcare providers and individual states are reporting concerns of a heavy resurgence. The ability and cooperation to follow healthcare precautions for social gatherings seems to be a particular concern that could affect our schools and economy. State and national healthcare and government leaders are pinpointing gatherings that are not social distancing and wearing masks as a source of the spread of the virus.

Our children need to return to school, our businesses need to continue to be open, our people need to continue to work and our churches need to be open for worship. However, if we can't stop the spread of the virus, surely each of these will be affected in some measure as to their normal, effective operation.

How does a resurgence of the Coronavirus impact our church? Where should our concerns lie?

Rather than focusing on what we aren't currently doing, I would challenge you to help us focus on what we can do. Please send us your ministry and discipleship ideas. Items on which we will be working this Fall include:

- * Weekly food ministry follow-up
- * Virtual discipleship
- * Increase FB Live programming
- * Benevolence ministry
- * 2021 budget planning
- * Community Ministry Center
- * Ministry Meeting
- * Community service projects
- * Prayer ministry
- * Begin 1-2 new ministry(s)
- * KBC Partnership: Gospel to Every Home (40067 zip code)
- * Financial support for the Hispanic church with their new facilities
- * Ministry to our schools, police, emergency service providers

Your personal ministry and your household devotions are always of paramount importance to God. The following are examples of worship and ministry that you can do:

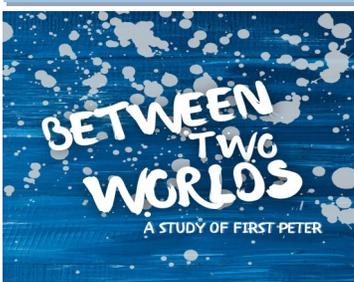
- * Help your child prepare and take a turn in leading the family devotion.
- * Read the Bible together as a family.
- * Worship together in person or virtually.
- * Help your neighbor with repairs, maintenance, food, loneliness, and the like.
- * Share a meal with a family that is food challenged or someone that is alone.
- * Pray with neighbors, coworkers, and friends every opportunity you get.
- * Pray for new ways to verbally share the gospel.

In closing, let's pray for our church, one another, and our county, state and national leaders. Let's check in on one another to see if there are any needs. Don't wait on someone to contact you; you contact someone else. Let's be the church that is working, serving, and thriving in adverse times for His glory and our blessing.



NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS AUGUST 2

We will begin a study of 1 Peter for our August worship theme. Scripture speaks of Christians as citizens of heaven, strangers and pilgrims, and exiles in this world. We are to have a different hope, authority, worldview, and ethic from a world of unbelief. The world system will tempt and lure us to pursue things not of His world. 1 Peter will help guide us into living in the world without losing your joy, dimming your light or taking your saltiness.



GOLF LEAGUE

Thursday Night Men's Golf League 2020

Thursday night Men's Golf League at Weissinger is **every other Thursday night.**

The dates reserved are Thursdays: **August 13 and 27.**

This year everyone must email Weissinger Hills Golf Course at whgc1234@gmail.com requesting your own tee time at 5:34, 5:51, 6:08 or 6:25pm. You can do this as early as the Friday before each of these Thursday dates. Please show up early since our groups have been going off quicker than the time schedule.

Obviously, we have to keep at least 6 feet apart with no congregating in groups, so it will be a somewhat a first-come first-serve tee off in groups of four. **Please send me a message** using my cell number or email address listed below. Please include your name, phone number and email address in case I don't have you in my contacts already.
 Lowell Ashby 502-777-2540 lowellashby9@gmail.com

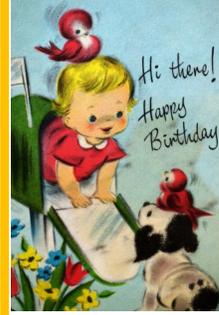


Meadow Ridge Community Garden

The garden is beginning to produce lots of quality food for the residents! A big thank you goes out to Mike & Debbie Willman for their hard work.



Our Deacon Ministry Team has been hard at work the past few weeks. We made a small accessibility ramp and coffee bar at AWAKE ministries. and tore down and replaced 45 feet of soffit for a single mom.



August Birthdays

- 1 Judy Ayers, Karly Dugle
- 2 Bob McDowell, Mike Moore, Doug Wilkins
- 3 Don Ashby, Heather Dugger
- 4 Ann Herd
- 5 George Skeeters
- 6 Johnny Gowin, Nick Hammond, Zach Scott
- 7 Maureen Bland, Mark McAllister, Daisy Zapata
- 8 Susan Peak, Caleb Vogel
- 10 Harper Caranna, Sarah Garner, James Minor, Logan Rogers, Caitlyn Van Schulkwyk
- 12 Will McDonald, Lori Moody
- 13 Mike Harmon
- 15 Amber Vail, Ashlee Vail
- 16 Gerri Boyd, Charlotte Bradley, Izzy Cline
- 18 Ashton Keys, George Lambert, Alan Straub
- 19 Ashley Boswell, Gary Vogel
- 21 Matt Garner, Luk Kramer
- 23 Henry Martens, Juanita Myers
- 25 Paula Garner
- 27 Mike Dugle, James Renfro, John Vaughan, Marie White
- 28 Taff Moore
- 29 Gary Huff, Marilyn Rhoads
- 30 Jude Miller, Lowry Miller, Carley Stein
- 31 Dale Sanford

If you do not see your birthday listed, or it's incorrectly listed, please contact Angie in the church office.

Adult Sunday School Classes

We currently have two adult classes which are meeting in the Fellowship Hall.
 You are invited to join either of them!

8:30am Vineyard Class-Rick Taylor
11am Bible Truth Seekers-Lowell Ashby

Church Business and Skills DIRECTORY

We are beginning a new church business directory which we will keep updated in our monthly newsletters. Please send your listings to Angie in the church office. (502 722-5246 ext.106 or angie@simpsonvillebaptist.com) Please note that SBC is not endorsing any of these businesses. We are listing them for you to contact when you have a need. Also, please do not request "special deals" for church family.



Baking

Hope Thompson 548-2832

Blackberries & Honey

Jay Branstetter 220-8722

Builder

Larry Curry 722-5500

George Skeeters 639-9896

Carpentry

Chris Kriel 232-0459

Dog Training

Brian Marchesseault 321-8479

Drywall

Rick Taylor 593-3599

Electric

Aaron Glass 220-5974

Al Poulter 321-4536

Flooring

Gary Stewart 724-7777

Chris Kriel 232-0459

Handyman & Remodeling

Marc Miller 938-8327

John F. White 599-2281

Hearing Aids & Audiology

Renea Sageser 633-1007

Health & Wellness Coaching

Elizabeth Sharrett 643-6253

Horse Hauling

Tony Sanford 220-9850

Pork & Honey Producers

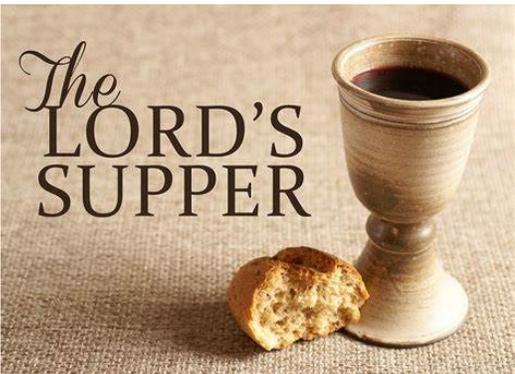
Titus & Christy Riner 269-8370

Sewing

Veada Metcalf 321-9026

Wedding Planner

Patti Tocci 548-7559



We will take communion together in Worship on 8/9/2020. The deacon ministry has volunteered to bring the communion elements (bread/cup) to your home for that Sunday. You would need to email our deacon team leader, Bob Perkins (rop8153@gmail.com), with the number of persons in your home desiring communion.

The deacon ministry will deliver the communion elements to your home on Saturday, August 8.

You will note that in order to protect our church family, we will now begin serving communion in pre-filled kits.



THROUGH THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

- August 1 Isaiah 22-24
- August 2 Isaiah 25-27
- August 3 Isaiah 28-30
- August 4 Isaiah 31-33
- August 5 Isaiah 34-36
- August 6 Isaiah 37-39
- August 7 Isaiah 40-42
- August 8 Isaiah 43-45
- August 9 Isaiah 46-48
- August 10 Isaiah 49-51
- August 11 Isaiah 52-54
- August 12 Isaiah 55-57
- August 13 Isaiah 58-60
- August 14 Isaiah 61-63
- August 15 Isaiah 64-66
- August 16 Jeremiah 1-3

- August 17 Jeremiah 4-6
- August 18 Jeremiah 7-9
- August 19 Jeremiah 7-9
- August 20 Jeremiah 10-12
- August 21 Jeremiah 13-15
- August 22 Jeremiah 16-18
- August 23 Jeremiah 19-21
- August 24 Jeremiah 22-24
- August 25 Jeremiah 25-27
- August 26 Jeremiah 28-30
- August 27 Jeremiah 31-33
- August 28 Jeremiah 34-36
- August 29 Jeremiah 37-39
- August 30 Jeremiah 40-42
- August 31 Jeremiah 43-45

Dear Church Family:
 Hope and I want to thank you all for the gracious gifts we have received recently, and especially for your continued prayers. We look forward to the day we can worship in person with you. In Christ, Byron & Hope Thompson

A Prayer for Teachers and Educators

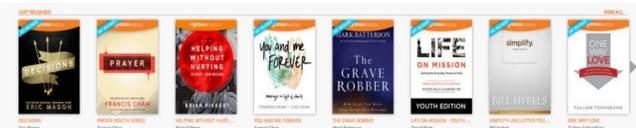
Father,
 This is the day You have made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. It doesn't look like we thought it would look, nor will tomorrow and the days to come likely be executed in the way we expected and prepared for. Help us to see the good in each day. Help us to find reasons to rejoice and ways to be glad. Litter our lives with moments of laughter and lightheartedness, even in these extremely dark and trying times.

As students and children return to school, help teachers to have confidence in their craft. They were meant to teach, educate, coach, counsel and lead. They are needed, appreciated, and loved. Their work and their efforts are never in vain. Sustain us through our very real fear of what is and will happen in our world, God. Remind us we are not alone, even when we feel isolated.

Thank You, Father, for technology allowing many students to continue their educations online. For virtual classrooms and technological resources. Thank You for every teacher and educator adjusting to their new normal. Comfort them as they miss interacting with their students in person. Equip them with energy and inspiration to come alongside their students in this challenging time of crisis. Protect their health, Father, both physically and mentally. Encourage them to use their gifts and talents to find new ways to reach students.

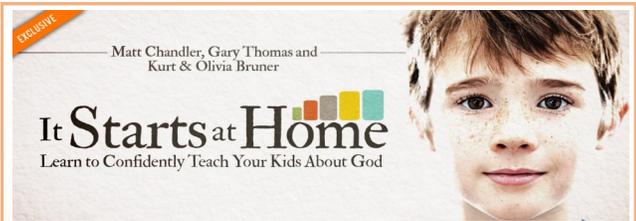
Meg Bucher, IBelieve.com

Encourage our educators and Adventure Club staff with cards and your prayers.



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Who is shaping what your kids believe?

In these busy, hectic days we take our kids to sports practices, games, music lessons, school tutoring and other activities to give our children the best opportunities for success. But what if we're missing the chance to teach them what matters most?

Our children can grow up smart, athletic, popular and polite but lack a vibrant relationship with Christ. The few hours they spend in church each week can be helpful, but it cannot nurture a faith in our kids that will withstand the trials that are on the horizon. Church alone cannot teach them, we must start at home. But many parents feel ill equipped to develop the faith of their children.

In these six sessions, we will explore biblical and tangible ways that parents—couples, single parents, blended families and grandparents—can build a legacy of faith for their children.

Each Bible study session includes interviews with everyday parents talking about their own doubts, fears and desires. Gary Thomas, Matt Chandler, and Kurt and Olivia Bruner provide powerful teaching that will help you give your kids what they need to build a solid framework for lifelong faith.



Have you ever felt stuck? Sometimes life feels rigid—as if nothing could ever really change. Maybe we're afraid of taking a step of faith. Or maybe we're too injured from the

past to move forward. Or maybe life threw us a curveball and we still don't know how to react.

No matter where you find yourself, you can make the most of today. In this inspirational series, Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow shares stories from his life to illustrate what it means to see each day for God's glory. He challenges us to step out in courage because this is the day to act.

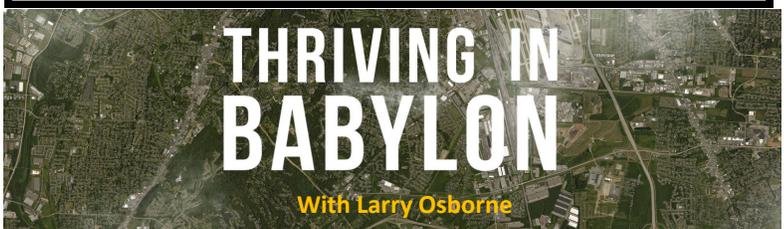


Do women matter to the kingdom of God?

Jesus was surrounded by both men and women during his ministry on earth. He saw, valued, and cared for women, and he still does today. Each one of us has a significant role.

Through this six-session study, you will discover who Jesus is through the unique perspective of women in the Bible. As you study the lives of Mary, Martha, Mary Magdalene and others, you will learn from their faith and failures and be reminded that Jesus cared for and valued the women he was surrounded by. He equipped them, listened to them, walked with them, healed them, and empowered them. And he does the same for you now.

Teaching by Jennie Allen, Sadie Robertson Huff, Jada Edwards, Bianca Juarez Olthoff



These are confusing times for many Christians. Traditional biblical values are not only rejected; it seems as if they're attacked on every front. It's all happened at warp speed, leaving many of us spiritually and culturally disoriented or even fearful, frustrated, and angry. How can we spiritually survive in an increasingly spiritually hostile environment? And is there any hope for the next generation?

In this 5-session series, Larry Osborne introduces us to a man forced to live in a fast-changing and godless society. This man faced fears about the future, concern for his safety, and the discouragement of a world that seemed to be falling apart at warp speed. That man was Daniel, and with the power of hope, humility, and wisdom, he not only survived, but thrived.

Each session also includes real-life stories of people struggling to thrive in an ever-increasing godless society. Though Daniel lived thousands of years ago, he has much to teach us today.



Humble shepherd.
Giant-slayer.
Gifted poet.
Mighty warrior.
Flawed man.
Legendary leader.

In this 5-part series, Andy Stanley explores the life of one of history's most famous kings.

From the award winning history series, Drive Thru History, and your highly entertaining host, Dave



Stotts, comes all new American History series. This twelve part series features the best in cutting-edge video production and animation to communicate history in a fun and informative way to audiences young and old. We will learn about the founding of America and see first-hand some of the places where our founding fathers risked their lives to shape this great nation and learn about the events that unfolded.

As Dave can only do he takes us from past to present, enjoying some of today's more cultural, iconic landmarks experiencing what it's like to visit these locations in today's setting. Whether it's crossing the Delaware in an Amphicar or camping out in Times Square Dave mixes the old and new bring history to life.

Missions In Our Own Backyard

A few of our members have close ties to the author of this letter. We cannot share the entire story due to the serious nature of the reprisals "she" could face. We ask for your prayers and also for your financial assistance if you feel led.

"I am an international student from a country where people who convert from our religion to any other are unequivocally outcast by family and society. I am now facing these very real consequences because I became a Christian last summer.

I came to the United State being assured that my family would provide for my financial needs. My educational visa only allows me to work on campus but since the pandemic there have been no hours available. Now that my family has cut me off, I do not have any way to provide for tuition, supplies, transportation, room and board, etc. As a result, continuing my education seems impossible.

Of course, if I don't go back to school I will likely get deported. Yet, I cannot return to my home country with risking serious physical danger.

God has been faithful to sustain me while I have been going through these times of uncertainty. Several people have graciously helped me with my most immediate expenses and my university is look for ways to assist me. But my total financial needs seem monumental. I am trusting that God will continue to do more for me than I could ask or imagine."

Ways to Give

Ashland Baptist Church has agreed to let people contribute toward this student's needs via their mission fund.

(1) ashland.church/give

(2) select "Ends of the Earth" fund

(3) make contribution

(4) send e-mail to mary@ashland.church stating that you have made a contribution which you would like to have sent to Patience Fort. Sending this e-mail is critical for ensuring the funds are delivered to the correct person.

You may prefer to send a check or gift card (Kroger, Meijer, Barnes and Noble, Amazon, etc.) to the delegated contact for this student:

Patience Fort

607 Four Winds Dr

Richmond, KY 40475

Ultimate Wings of Power, Kenya

Kadhija is a sixteen-year-old orphan who attends the Mijomboni school. She and other girls received donations of sanitary napkins to enable them to attend school for an entire month. Kadhija is bridging the gap of parents to her other eight siblings. It seems incredible to us that this young 16 year old is trying to go to school and is caring for her eight siblings after her mother died giving birth recently.

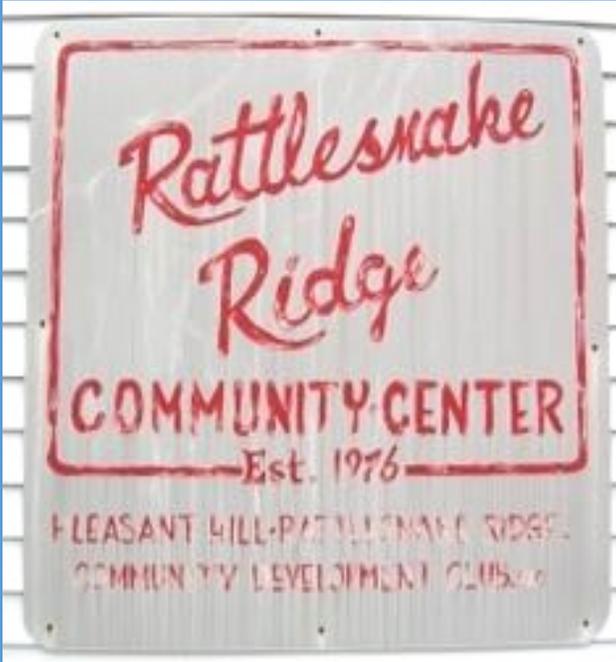


Nathan Osiemo is teaching the locals in Kilifi about growing alternative Western crops. He demonstrated various crops including tomatoes, oranges, okra, beans and eggplant to great success.

Your donation to Ultimate Wings helps spread the gospel and has the potential to change lives in incredible ways. Donations are tax deductible and can be given to Steven Kovaka. You can also mail donations to his address at 657 South Hurstbourne Parkway, Suite D # 210, Louisville KY 40022. Include your email address to receive a receipt.



BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



Rattlesnake Ridge Missions Ministry

The Women's Ministry will be collecting items to fill 300 back-to-school backpacks for Rattlesnake Ridge.

We need 300 of each of these items:
notebook paper, spiral notebooks
pencils, pens, markers
smaller kids crayons
glue sticks
blunt scissors, hand sanitizer,
Kleenex

We need 600-900 colored folders.

Donations can be dropped off at the church office by July 29.

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