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Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday Musical

Easter Sunday, March 31

Worship 8:45-10am (Nursery only) Worship 10:30-11:45am (Nursery & K-2nd Children's Church)

Please note that we will not offer Sunday School on Easter Sunday.



Spring Meadows Life Coaching Program

Meet and mentor young boys ages 12-17 on a weekly basis to show and share the love of Jesus. Flexible schedule and free training. Contact Suzanne Pritchard at 502 538-1200 or spritchard@sunrise.org.





Bautista Sublime Gracia (Amazing Grace Baptist Church)

In case you are not aware, SBC hosts a wonderful Hispanic Church group, Iglesia Bautista Sublime Gracia (Amazing Grace Baptist Church) that currently meets at the Community Ministry Center Building. This group is made up of some very committed and Spirit-filled believers who love the Lord. They currently have an interim pastor, Luis Jeanty. Their worship service is at 1pm on Sundays and they have wonderful, Spirit-filled worship. This group has the potential to meet great needs in the Simpsonville community while spreading the gospel to a growing Hispanic population.

On Tuesday, February 6, some of our SBC staff met with members of the church, the interim pastor & his family, as well as Eddie Torres and Jesus Amaya from the KBC's Multi Language Church Planting Division. We are happy to report that this group is planning to call Pastor Luis as their permanent pastor. In doing this they are also moving toward official church plant status with the KBC, with SBC as the sponsoring church. This process will take some time, but we are excited that God has led these amazing believers to us, along with this good pastor and his family. Some of you may have met the pastor and his family at one of our worship services, which they have attended several times.

As this partnership develops, you will continue to hear more about the great gospeladvancing work they are doing. We ask you to pray for Sublime Gracia during this time as they are excited and looking forward to growing as a congregation. They have also extended an open invitation to the SBC family to attend their worship services anytime you can. I have worshipped with them on a couple of occasions, and I can tell you that, even though I do not speak the their language, the worship is truly Spirit-filled. Many of the worship songs are familiar, just in a different language. It has been a great experience. Recently, Dixie Taylor, Jeff Viseppo and I worshipped with them and shared a delicious meal.



We hope you can make time to worship with them sometime & certainly pray for them at this pivotal time in their growth process. You will hear more about some of their events in the future.

Billy Bell

The Sublime Gracia Hispanic Church is hosting a yard sale to raise money for

winistries this summer. If you have good, used clothing, or any other items you would like to donate, please contact Maritza Villatoro at 502-655-0528.

SBC T-shirts

SBC T-shirts will be for sale in the foyer on Sunday, March 3.

All children's sizes-\$2 each. All adult sizes \$5 each or 2 for \$8.

All monies raised will support the Mijomboni Orphanage in Kenya.

Missions @ SBC

Our Mission Team is excited for what 2024 will bring with spreading the gospel locally, nationally, and internationally.

Be on the lookout for both a Summer mission trip with dates to come soon, and a Kenya trip in the Fall.

We will also have our local mission opportunities that will remain active throughout the year. We pray your family will feel led to serve in some capacity with SBC to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world.

Heather Janes, Mission Chair





30-Day Prayer Emphasis March 2-March 31

PRAYER is at the center of every great evangelistic movement, and every movement is made up of EVERYDAY People.

We will provide prayer guides on March 3 to lead you through 30 days of prayer for that one person you know who needs the hope of the GOSPEL.

Shelby Touched Twice Medical Clinic

The 15th Shelby Touched Twice Free Medical Clinic is on Saturday, March 23. With the rising costs of everything, the clinic is asking for

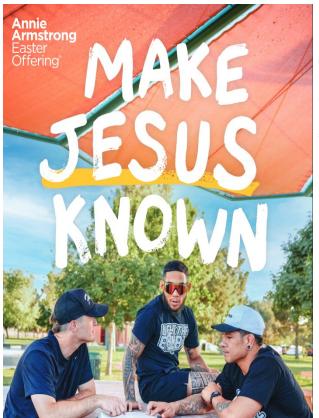
your assistance to help make this the best Shelby Touched Twice yet! We want to be able to meet the spiritual and physical needs of each guest that attends. Sponsorships of \$40 will help supply the items for the food pantry and toiletry items, and helps provide a hot meal that day for a family that receives services at a Shelby Touched Twice event. Your \$40 would help sponsor one family. Venmo @Shelby Touched-Twice Mail check to Shelby Touched Twice, c/o Salem Baptist Church



8311 Mount Eden Road Shelbyville, KY 40065

Volunteers are needed for the Touched Twice Clinic The clinic provides dental, vision, medical, and chiropractic screening, a hot meal, groceries, a family photo, and haircuts free of charge.

Saturday, March 23 10am-4pm First Baptist Church in Shelbyville Please contact shelbytouchedtwice@gmail.com to volunteer.



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missionaries

- Your gifts support nearly 3,000 missionaries and their families in North America.
- Since 2010 Southern Baptists have planted more than 10,000 churches across North America.
- The North American Mission Board and Southern Baptists came together to add 917 new congregations in 2022.



Annie Armstrong (1850–1938) spoke up for missions and missionaries in ways no one ever had. She championed missions support among Southern Baptist churches and cast a grand vision for their growing involvement in praying, giving and going.

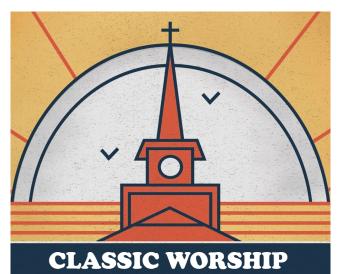
Since 1895 the offering, in her name, has raised more than 2 billion dollars.

<u>Your Gifts at Work</u>

\$25 Meal with an unreached person \$300 Bibles & discipleship materials \$500 Neighborhood outreach event \$1,500 Monthly worship facility rent 100% of your giving supports our North American Missionaries.

<u>Church Goal</u> \$6,000

\$10,000 Worship & office rental for new church plant. \$50,000 One year of support and benefits for a first-year church planter.



Thursday, March 7 10am <u>Guest Speaker</u> Aaron Reed

Aaron Reed is a Navy SEAL Senior Chief Retired, local business owner, advocate for military veterans with Kentucky Wounded Heroes and the Navy SEAL Foundation, husband to Sarah and father of six children. Join us at 9:30am for fellowship & snacks.



Goodtime Travelers Adult Day Trip

On Tuesday, March 19, Goodtime Travelers will gather at noon for lunch at 934 Main Street in Shelbyville. Catering by Kate will provide a buffet meal for 30 guests. We will discuss ideas for upcoming day trip outings.

PLEASE sign up in the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact Dixie Taylor at (502)216-8713.



<u>July 12-14</u> <u>Campbellsville, KY</u>

For 3rd-5th grade complete. Cost \$159 \$75 deposits are due April 28th Male & female chaperones will

be needed! Please contact Jesse Wright if you can help or to sign up your child.



Nashville June 24–28

For 6th-12th grade Cost: \$279. Deposits of \$75 are due 4/28.

Male & female chaperones will be needed!

Please contact Jesse Wright at jesse@simpsonvillebaptist.com if you would like to attend or be a chaperone.

This VBS Clinic will offer practical training for classrooms, music, missions, recreation, directors and much more!

Saturday, March 23 Richmond, KY Please contact Jesse Wright if you would like to attend.

Easter Nursery Volunteers Needed!

We are so excited to be able to offer nursery for two services on Easter Sunday this year. We are anticipating having lots of visitors. With having two services we are asking our members to attend one service and serve during the other. If you are available to serve in the baby or toddler room please scan this QR code and sign up in one of the slots.



Resurrection Rolls

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Ingredients

1 cans of crescent rolls 8 large marshmallows 2 tablespoons sugar 2 tablespoons cinnamon 1/4 cup melted butter

Directions

1.Melt the butter in a bowl *The butter represents the oils that were put on Jesus' body.*

2. Mix sugar and cinnamon in a bowl. This represents the spices put

on Jesus' body.

3. Have the marshmallows out. The marshmallows represent Jesus' body.

4. Roll crescent rolls rolled out on a cookie sheet. *The rolls represent the tomb that Jesus' body was put in.*

Tell the story

First we are going to pick up a marshmallow and pretend this is Jesus' body. Now take Jesus' body and put it into the butter which we are pretending is the oil they put on His body. Roll it around in the butter. Now take Jesus' body and roll it in the spices. Now we will put His body in the tomb (the crescent roll). Make sure to wrap it up tightly so you can't see any of Jesus' body. After 10 minutes, when the tombs come out of the oven, we will open them up and see if Jesus is there.



Easter Reminders

- Please leave the best parking spaces for our guests and park in the outer lots or green lot.
- Please consider attending the first service and serving in the 2nd service.
- Church office closed on Good Friday.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30 2-3:30pm

Egg Hunt begins at 2:30pm.

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Twelve eggs are hidden in your yard filled with

treats, but don't be sad when you find one of

them is empty. It is a reminder that



For all children from nursery-5th grade.

Please consider an invite to your friends and neighbors.

Egg Someone This Easter!

Easter Sunday is only a few weeks away!

The "You've Been Egged" challenge allows the whole family to participate and invite your neighbors and loved ones to Easter to spread the love of Christ.

• Pick up a package of empty eggs on Sunday, March 10 before you leave worship.

• Fill 11 of the eggs with candy and leave one empty. This will

- be the Resurrection Egg and will represent the empty tomb.
- Between March 24-29 deliver the eggs and invitations to the home and "Egg" their yard. The invitations will be for our Egg Hunt and to attend Easter worship with us.
- When the eggs are delivered you have the option of placing them in a basket or actually hiding them in the yard and placing the "You've Been Egged!" announcement on their door.
- You can also encourage them to "Egg" another home and keep the fun going!

DID YOU KNOW?

We have made it easy for you to invite your family, neighbors, and friends this Easter! Yard signs and invitations to our egg hunt and Easter services will be available in the foyer in the weeks preceding. Men's Breakfast Saturday, March 2 at 8am

Please join us at The Farm Kitchen. 6562 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville

Please join us for good Christian fellowship and good food!!



Our Sermon Series Strangers & Exiles: Christian Living in Challenging Days continues this month.

March 3 Gospel-Centered Living in Key Relationships: Employee & Boss 2 Peter:18-25 Message given by Andy McDonald

<u>March 10</u> Gospel-Centered Living in Key Relationships: Husband & Wife 2 Peter 3:1-7 Message given by Andy McDonald

<u>March 17</u> Gospel-Centered Living in Key Relationships: Each Other 2 Peter 3:8-12 Message given by Jesse Wright

<u>March 24</u> Why Did Jesus Suffer? 1 Peter 3:13-18 Message given by Andy McDonald





Please note that childcare is not provided and children must stay in the gym with parents. They will not be allowed to congregate in the foyer.

PICKLEBALL

Friday, March 15 6-9pm Saturday, March 16

Come and play pickleball in a climate-controlled gym for one, two, or three hours on Friday, March 15th 6-9pm.

This portion of our fundraiser will be open-play for a limit of 12 people per hour so you will get to play the entire hour that you sign up for!

If we have enough interest, we may offer a clinic during one of the hours to up your game! Each hour has a suggested donation of \$10 per player.

Saturday, March 16th we will have 2 1/2 hour time slots! You can sign up alone or with a partner to participate. \$30 per person.

It will be run similar to a golf scramble. You will get a chance to play with other partners and maybe buy a serve (like a mulligan in golf) or get a prize for the longest game or the highest scoring game! There will be breakfast or lunch to purchase, pickleball items for sale and wonderful new friends to make!

Go to www.nextstepky.org/events to sign up!

Dear SBC Family,

It is with excitement but also with great heartache that I write to you today. The past year and eight months have been one of the most amazing times of my life, having the privilege to serve the Lord and to serve the Simpsonville Baptist family.

I wanted to let you know that God has called Christy & me to a new ministry assignment. In March, I will be joining the staff at Bellevue Baptist Church in Owensboro, KY as the Executive Pastor. This is a role that I feel very strongly called to, and to which was affirmed by the Bellevue family.

This has been a very thorough process, undergirded with much prayer and wise counsel. It has also been a painful process that has led up to this point of leaving a fruitful ministry and the family of believers at SBC that we love so dearly. God has confirmed this call to us in many ways, and I have more fully realized my calling and passion for serving in a second chair role to the Lead Pastor that allows me to use my giftedness in leadership by integrating God-given vision for the local church.

Our time at Simpsonville Baptist has been the greatest experience of my life in ministry. I have truly poured my heart and soul into serving the church family. We have done great things together to show the love of Christ & advance the Gospel to our neighbors and beyond! You have also poured into my family in ways that you will only know when we get to glory.

Christy and I love you with all of our hearts, but even those words do not seem adequate to describe how we feel about you. In less than two years, we have built some amazing relationships that we will cherish forever. At the forefront of our prayers is the SBC family. We trust our great God to provide for us in the days ahead and we also trust Him to provide for the SBC family during a time of transition of two important leadership positions. We know that, even though we may not see, our God has always been and will always be faithful. Since God has called us away, we are absolutely confident that He will provide for SBC as well.

During the next several weeks, we will continue to work and serve at the same level we have since we arrived. I will be here serving faithfully until my very last Sunday, which is planned for March 10. We are diligently praying for your understanding and, more than anything, that you will remain faithful and continue to support the great SBC staff and lay leaders with your prayers and faithful service to the church. Also please pray for your Personnel & Pastor Search Teams, who are doing great, Spirit-led work on your behalf.

I have said it many times and I will say it again. SBC has been a lighthouse in this area for many, many years, but the greatest days of serving the Lord are still ahead for you!

Thank you for your prayers and understanding of God's calling in our life. I look forward to spending time with as many of you as we can in the coming weeks.

God is Good. All the Time & All the Time, God is Good!

Pastor Billy (502) 468-1728

You are invited to a Farewell Reception in honor of Billy & Christy Bell immediately following worship on Sunday, March 10.



Billy and Christy were with SBC just a short time, but the impact they made in a short 20 months was palpable. Billy's leadership skills, following the retirement of our beloved pastor of 32 years, Steve Boyd, manifested themselves in tangible ways. He was instrumental in moving our Discipleship Classes to the next level, he shared his passion for evangelism, he literally spent over 100 hours dealing with Property issues as we moved into our new building, and he became a stalwart support of our Adventure Club Ministry. He is very well-loved by his fellow staff members. We are grateful for the time God allowed them to serve with us.

Please be in prayer for the Bells as they begin their new ministry at Bellevue Baptist.

Welcome



Hayle Stroupe

Hello, my name is Hayle Stroupe. I am a full-time Respiratory Therapist and I work at two local hospitals. I'm currently dating Steven Shannon and altogether we have 7 kids. I'm currently finishing my Bachelors degree with NKU online. Most of my free time is spent at the grocery store or picking up kids. Just wanted to say thank you all for making me so welcomed here.



We would like to thank everyone for the expression of sympathy, thoughts, prayers and meals in our time of loss. We have been so blessed by our church family. Freida touched many lives as your kindness has touched ours. GOD bless you all.

Doug & Shelia Shelburne

- 1 Billy Bell, Gerry Davis, Leslie Tindall
- 2 Veda Brown, Joy Casey, Randall Childers, Andy McDonald, Robbie Moore
- 3 Joyce Crawford
- 6 Danna Sailings
- 7 Crystal Keller
- 9 Vicki Moore
- 10 Lowell Ashby, Rosemary Lumbatis
- 11 Amy Kaufman
- 12 Gina Sageser
- 14 Hayle Stroupe
- 15 Cindy Childers, John Royse
- 16 Madison Heston, Masha Miller, Gary Stewart, Angie White
- 19 Nathanael Sangster, Emma Wilkins
- 20 Digna Kovaka, Olivia Moody
- 21 Brenda Miele, Maggie Renfro, Allie Renfro
- 22 Abby Jacobs
- 25 Lisa McDonald
- 27 Debbie Dupont, Lucas Frazier, Josiah Stein
- 28 Mike McKinney
- 29 Maggie Nicholson, Shirley Vessels, Brian Marchessault

Did You Know?

A Place Called Heaven was the most attended discipleship class in SBC history!

- Eighty-six different people participated in the class
- We had an average of 70% attendance for the entire class.
- Thirty-five people attended every week; Seventeen people only missed one class.
- Seventeen people were first-time attenders to a discipleship class
- We had three people from the community attend.

Our new Recreation Team did an outstanding job hosting our Super Bowl Party! Thank you to our team members: Jill Sowder (team lead), Suellen Barnes, Shawn Finlinson, Justin Hamilton, and Sarah Spears and everyone else that helped! We had 13 pots of chili submitted for the chili cook off with Matt Garner winning for Best Chili!



Adventure Club

As a mission of SBC we would like to introduce you to two of our ministry partners who serve at Adventure Club and ask that you pray for them this month.



Megan Evans

Megan is a co-op student from MLCHS and has been working at Adventure Club in the preschool program for 6 months. Megan enjoys singing, hanging out with friends and family, and shopping! Megan loves working with kids and enjoys all of their fun and different personalities.

Davida Evans

Davida has worked at Adventure Club for 5 years! She works in the preschool program as a teaching assistant to the 3-year-olds and is also an extended care teacher in the afternoons. Davida's hobbies are reading, watching movies, and sports games. She enjoys playing sports and spending time with her family. Davida likes working with children because she likes helping others. Knowing she has made a positive impact on a young person's life gives her motivation to keep doing it.





Put your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 9.

Sunday, February 25 5pm Agenda

- Personnel Team report
- Membership report
- Finance report
- Hispanic church plant report
- Election of messengers for SBC annual meeting

All are invited to attend the meeting, however, you must be a member to vote.





Untangle Your Emotions by Jennie Allen

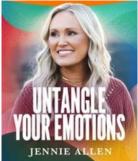
What if instead of ignoring our feelings, we noticed them, named them, and let God use them to draw us closer to him-

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Eat in or Carry out

self and others? Many of us need

to unlearn damaging messages about our emotions. We've been taught, for example, that emotions are untrustworthy, when, in fact, God can use them to help us see where we need his healing. In this sixsession series, Jennie Allen uses scientific research, biblical insight, and her own story to help you name and navigate your emotions and learn how they can draw you closer to the God who made you—soul, mind, and heart.



Our church family has free access to RightNow Media. If you have not received a subscription invitation, please contact the church office.

Lifeway women LIVE

LET'S PURSUE CHRIST TOGETHER IN 2024!

September 6–7 | Southeast Christian Church



Featuring Jen Wilkin, Kelly Minter, Jennifer Rothshild, Jada Edwards, **Kristi McLelland & Courtney Doctor**

Cost: \$84 per person

Sign up in the foyer. Payments must be made by March 15.



THURSDAY. March 7 at 6:30pm

Wear your favorite **PJs** and bring a breakfast dish!

In March we will be collecting food pantry items for the Blessings Box at Meadow Ridge Apts. Please sign up in the foyer.

Due to Spring Break our next Bunco will be April 11.

EKY SONrise Ladies Retreat June 6-8 in Inez, KY

Ladies, if you feel like you need a spiritual refresher, please join us!

Our theme will be Women of the Bible and will include skits portraying several of our favorite Biblical characters.

Please contact Linda Otterback 502-648-3997 if you are interested in attending.

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