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FROM YOUR PASTOR

—FRED SHACKELFORD

Springhill Baptist Church, I'm really happy to be your pastor. Really, I don't tell you that enough. In something I read recently, the author referenced a habit of taking the first ten minutes of every morning and spending it giving thanks to God for each of his blessings. I liked the idea, so I decided to try it. What I've discovered is this: While my list of things that I'm thankful for varies slightly from day to day, there are some things that remain consistent, some things that bring to mind joy, happiness, and thankfulness every single morning. You, church, are one of those things.

This month, I will have had the privilege to serve as your pastor for seven years—that's right, seven years! As I think about that, I'm amazed at how quickly that time has passed. It seems like just yesterday that Jennifer and I drove to Paris for the first time with a friend and a little one-year-old named Clayton in the back seat. It seems like just yesterday that we met with the wonderful people on that Search Committee—Melissa Bomar, Jerry Evans, Ruth Robbins, John Steele and Ed Townsend — around a wooden table in the middle of our carpeted gym. And it seems like just yesterday that we left that meeting with a very deep sense that this is where God would have us plant our lives.

So many things have changed since those first days. God has been very gracious and good to us. We've seen many people come to know the Lord, and we've seen many people connect to the vision that

God has given us here at Springhill, and for those things, I am deeply thankful.

But we're not finished.

There is still much work to be done. There is still a lost and dying world here in Henry County that needs to hear about the peace, the joy and the hope that can be found in Jesus Christ. There are still chains of sin to be broken and lives to be transformed. There are still loved ones who need to know the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

It's amazing to see all that God has done, but I am confident that He has much more in store for us. I'm just thankful to be a part of it!

AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

Sunday Morning Worship

Nursery (Birth -2)

7th Bert and Lori Snow

14th Pam Martin and Tina Szabo

21st Rita Parsons and Loria Plunk

28th Donna Wade and Lisa Tyler

Children's Church: Age 3-5

7th Doug and Jenny Kinsey

14th Mandi Osbron and Dianne Flanagan

Children's Church: Age 3-5 (cont.)

21st Chris and Heather Dyche

28th Marty Anne and Wes Medlin

Sunday Evenings

Nursery (Birth-2)

28th Martha Parrish

Thank you!

*Children's Church and nursery volunteers, thank you for investing your lives in our precious children.
We couldn't do what we do on Sunday without you!*



It's a brand new semester starting August 28!
Here's what we're offering for adults. Sign up in the sanctuary:

How to be Human (The Sermon on the Mount)
(Sundays @ 6pm)

Uncommon: Compelled by God's Call (discerning and answering God's voice)
(Sundays @ 6pm)

Feminine Appeal (being a virtuous wife, mother, etc)
(day and time TBA)

5 Conversations You Should Have with Your Son
(Wednesdays @ 10am)

Radical (Men's Bible Study)
(day and time TBA)

MINISTRIES UPDATE

-JOSH ESCUE

Hello for the first time! Emilee and I are finally settled in after a long first half of July and we are so blessed to have such wonderful friends and family to help us with this transition. We are finally finished unpacking our home and Emilee is almost done setting up her new classroom. Thanks to all of our church family that helped move our stuff in our house while we were away and to those who have helped us in Emilee's classroom.. There is no way we could express how grateful we are. Both of us are excited about serving here at Springhill and we are thankful to the church for making us feel welcome and at home.

In the midst of our transition to Paris, God has taught me much about gratefulness and thanksgiving. There have been several times that Emilee and I have had to take a step back and realize how much God has done for us during this season of our life. It has been so easy to get caught up in the stress and business over the past few weeks but we are continually reminded that He is in control and that we have much to thank Him for. In these past few months we have seen God at work in awesome ways in order for us to serve where He wants us. It is because of God's grace, mercy, and providence that we are now in Paris, our new home and mission field.

As school starts back and we begin another church year things can get very busy very fast. It is good for us to stop, take a deep breath, and consider all the ways that God is working around us and in us. Many times we can miss out on what God is doing because we are pre-occupied with the stresses and struggles of life but, we cannot come to our Father with any response but gratitude for all that He has done and is doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:18 says this: "Give thanks in everything, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." So I encourage you to not get caught up in the busyness of life this month and forget how God is working in your lives. Thank Him each and every chance you get.

Student Ministry Fellowship Kickoff

Beginning August 28th, the youth will be have a new activity on Sunday nights. The students will be meeting downstairs to learn how God wants them to serve the church. Youth will be learning how to use the gifts that God has given each of them. Be sure to come out as we develop our spiritual gifts and have fun doing it!

BIRTHDAY BASH

Please join our family for a Birthday Bash for Frances Odom on August 13th in the Family Life Center. Supper will be served between 5 and 7. Please RSVP to Kay Foust at 642-9267 or 336-4524 by August 6th. The gift of your presence is the only gift requested.
—Kay Foust.

BACK TO SCHOOL BASEBALL!

Come on out to Pringles Park in Jackson, TN for a Generals game on Saturday August 20th. Tickets are \$4.50 each; see Bro. Josh to purchase tickets. The game begins at 6:05 pm. We will have a caravan leaving the church at 4:30 or you can meet us at the park.

CHOIR AND PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE

We will begin having practice for our choir and praise teams on Sunday nights beginning August 28th. If you would like to join us in leading worship on Sundays please come! Praise Team will practice at 5 pm; choir will practice at 5:30 pm

STARS KICKOFF!!!

Also on the 28th, we'll be kicking off STARS, our exciting, activity filled Bible Study program for preschool through the 6th grade. On the 28th, there will be even more games and activities as we celebrate our new semester with a back to school party. You won't want to miss it!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...**Wednesday, August 3**

7pm: Adult Prayer Meeting, Youth Bible Study, Children's Missions

Sunday, August 7

10am: Sunday School; **11am:** Worship; **6pm:** "One Body: Sunday Night Celebrations" at Springhill (Bro. Larry preaching, Maplewood leading worship).

Wednesday, August 10

6pm: Potluck Fellowship Meal; **6:30pm:** Deacon's Meeting; **7pm:** Business Meeting, Youth Bible Study, Children's Missions

Saturday, August 13

5-7pm: Frances Odom Birthday Bash (Family Life Center, RSVP by August 6)

Sunday, August 14

10am: Sunday School; **11am:** Worship; **6pm:** "One Body: Sunday Night Celebrations" at Point Pleasant (Youth leading, no meal afterwards)

Wednesday, August 17

6pm: Fellowship Meal: Poppy-seed chicken, corn, green beans, rice, dessert; **7pm:** Adult Prayer Meeting, Youth Bible Study, Children's Missions

Saturday, August 20

Youth and family trip to Jackson for Jackson Generals baseball game. Game starts at 6:05.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

JOSH AND EMILEE ESCUE
90 SUNSET DRIVE- PARIS

Sunday, August 21

PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY! 10am: Sunday School; **11am:** Worship; **12pm:** Church-wide Potluck Meal (no evening services)

Monday, August 22

Newsletter information due. E-mail admin@springhillchurch.net

Wednesday, August 24

6pm: Fellowship Meal: Taco Salad, dessert; **7pm:** Adult Mission Groups, Youth Bible Study, Children's Missions

Sunday, August 28

10am: Sunday School; **11am:** Worship; **5pm:** Praise Team Practice; **5:30pm:** Choir Practice **6pm:** New semester of GrowGroups! (adults); STARS kickoff celebration! (children); Youth Ministry Fellowships kickoff (youth)!

Wednesday, August 31

6pm: Fellowship Meal: Hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, beans, dessert; **7pm:** Adult Prayer Meeting, Youth Bible Study, Children's Missions



JULY 31 @6PM: AT MAPLE WOOD; BRO FRED PREACHING; POINT PLEASANT LEAD WORSHIP
AUGUST 7 @6PM: AT SPRINGHILL; BRO LARRY PREACHING; MAPLEWOOD LEADING WORSHIP
AUGUST 14 @6PM: AT POINT PLEASANT; YOUTH LEADING (NO MEAL)

On Sunday, August 7, we'll be hosting the "One Body" service here at Springhill, and we will need your help!!! We'll need you to bring food (and lot's of it!), and we'll also need greeters, and plenty of help with childcare. To help with childcare, see Martha Parrish, and to serve as a greeter, see Bro. Fred.