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SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!

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Our Senior Adult Ministry is hosting a summer movie matinee on June 22nd! Mark your calendars! More details coming soon!

VHBC Giving

May Budget needed:	\$148,531.00
May Offering to date:	\$45,334.00

YTD Budget needed:	\$685,520.00
YTD Offering:	\$551,876.00
Difference:	(\$133,644.00)



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We love serving Firehouse Ministries! Thanks to those who serve every month by either sending desserts, ordering and preparing food, and serving our Birmingham neighbors!



WE LOVE VBS! The most fun FOUR days at church!

Is it really the most fun 4 days at church? I think so! A typical day at VBS includes children learning stories from the Bible and participating in super-fun activities like music, art, science, and recreation. The day also includes youth and adults working all over the place! VBS is a wonderful time of fellowship. It's a fabulous time to get to know others in the church.

How can you participate?

PRAY!

• Pray for the hearts and minds of children (and all participants) to be filled with God's word. Pray for children to have fun and feel a sense of belonging, happiness, safety, and friendship!

- Pray for families who come to our church for the first time to feel welcomed by all!
- Pray for our youth group. Ask God to fill their hearts and minds with leadership and responsibility in modeling Christ to our children. The children LOVE being with the youth at VBS. Adults, too!!
- Pray for adults. Pray for our teachers who are planning and preparing excellent experiences for children. May God fill their hearts and minds with energy and joy!





GIVE!

• Join us in the VBS offering! This year's offering will go to Slovak Roma ministries in Slovakia. The offering will be directed to the new church plant in Detva, led by Julia and Jozef. The church of 25 people is currently meeting in a local school on Sunday afternoons for worship and Bible study. While in Slovakia, our International Mission Experience team will meet Julia and Jozef.

Each day in VBS, the IME team, having just returned from Slovakia, will share about the ministries to the Roma people.

- Bring a snack for the Snack and Fellowship room! All VBS workers love cookies, brownies, sausage balls, chips and dips of all kinds...we need a lot so please donate!! You can bring your dish to the Seminar Room on Sunday-Wednesday mornings, June 11-14.
- Donate soft drinks to the Snack and Fellowship room. Bring 2-liter or canned drinks to the Seminar Room on Sunday-Wednesday mornings, June 11-14 (or any day the week before).

Let's all participate in VBS! The most fun time at church.

Most Sincerely, Nancy



WEEKLY SCHEDULE



8:45 SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

- Children's Sunday School meets in the Children's Building. Please sign your child in at the front reception desk.
 - Find our Welcome Team in the main foyer if you need assistance looking for a class for you and your family.

10:00 WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

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- Worship guides and hymn sheets are available at the sanctuary entrances.
- If you are unable to worship in person with us, please join us online or over the radio at 91.1 FM.
- Worship Care for babies through Kindergarten begins at 9:45 am.

5:00 YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENING

 All youth meet in the Student Building to play games, listen to a devotion, and prepare for the upcoming week.

4:45 PM

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

- Meet us in the Fellowship Hall starting at 4:45 every Wednesday.
- Register online weekly at **<u>vhbc.com</u>** to reserve your meal!
- Adults/Youth \$8 per person
- Kids (K-6th) \$6 per person
- Preschoolers & College Students eat free!

4:45 PM HANDBELLS

- 5:30 PMCHILDREN'S CHOIRS6:00 PMYOUTH ACTIVITIES6:00 PMADULT SESSIONS
- 6:15 PM CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
- 7:00 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR



BRING A BIB!

Shrimp Boil

It's almost time to get messy! This Wednesday we're hosting our annual VHBC Shrimp Boil and we want to see YOU there! Tickets are still available online at vhbc.com or by calling the church office at 205.979.5920. Music, yard games, fellowship, and delicious food is waiting for you on Wednesday, May 17th at 5 pm!

WEDNESDAYS IN MAY & JUNE AT VHBC

Schedule for May:



- Shrimp Boil at 5 pm
- Called Business Meeting at 6 pm with reports from the Nominating Committee, Finance Committee, and Deacons.
 - Hear about Alabama Coalition of Healthy Mothers and Children from Gary Furr in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm.



- Casey Hobbs will share about Urban Ministry and we can support them.
- Join us for a night of prayer at VHBC for our upcoming summer programs and mission engagements.



DINNER ON MAY 17TH

Shrimp, Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Dessert

Tickets are \$12/adults & youth Kids eat free!

DINNER ON MAY 24TH

Lasagna, Salad, Bread, Dessert

\$8 for adults/youth \$6 for children Preschoolers & College Students eat free

Pre-order your meals at vhbc.com/dinneratvhbc

DINNER ON MAY 31ST

Hot Dogs, Cole Slaw, Pasta Salad, Chips, Dessert

\$8 for adults/youth \$6 for children Preschoolers & College Students eat free

Pre-order your meals at vhbc.com/dinneratvhbc

PRAYER

IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Holt - Brookwood Rm 271 Tommy Tarvin - STVHS CICU

UPCOMING PROCEDURES

DeeDee Evans - June 1

ONGOING TREATMENTS/RECOVERY

Brenda Ammons Linda Anderson Roger Bates John Bell Monica Burson Jason Cooper Pat Cottrell Doug Dutton Mona Fisher Cordy Grigsby Gaynell Pinson Barbara Price Carolyn Slappey Kathy Whitfield

HOMEBOUND & WE CARE

Juanita Blackburn Libby Brown JoAnne Casey Mary Creech Jane Deagon Franciska Dyck Esther Evans Milton Fullman Al & Shirley Furr Pat Gillespie Sandy Gillis Bob & Mavis Hardy Ruford Hodges Peggy Jones Charlotte Kyser Dot Lowe Al Lowery Mary Lysaght Samson Mathangani Kitty Newell Margaret Northrup Jerry & Lorelle Singleton Jean Spivey Alicia Stigler Betty Vanstrum Doris Wilson

MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD

Dianne & Shane McNary - Slovakia Awon Shanglai - India Marco & Omar Vallejo - Mexico Richard Owiti Kogola, Paul Mbogo, Benson Mwangangi, & Josphat Thiori - Kenya Chuck Tarter - Ireland Kandy & Paul Huynh - Cambodia

PLEASE SEND UPDATES TO THE PRAYER LIST

JENNIFER TIEHEN, MINISTRY ASSISTANT JENNIFER@VHBC.COM 205.979.5920 "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

1 PETER 4:10

VOLUNTEERS AROUND THE CHURCH

WORSHIP CARE

May 21: Kathryn Stewart, Amy Hamilton, Samuel Nordlund, Rachel Farley, Evelyn Hill, Jan Deagon, Jerri Pare'

May 28: Jan Dulin, Stacey Sapp, Becky Atkinson, Trisha Balius, Dianne Horn, Laura Griffo, LaRue Gillespie

WELCOME TEAM

May 21/28: Joe Perez, Sharon Hartzog, Brandi Brownell, Larry Brownell, Dan Caldwell, Cappy Blackwelder, Lauren Hartzog, Lisa Speegle, Howard Finch

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

May 21: Marty Mullins & Jess Nix

May 28: Caroline Nordlund & Milburn Price

TRANSPORTATION TEAM

May 21: Craig Youngblood & Richard Horn

May 28: Brent Warren & Scott Phillips

WORSHIP TECH TEAM

May 21: Greg Ruff, Hal David, Lilie VanGiessen

May 28: Hal David, Lilie VanGiessen, David Philpot

SARA BINET SERVING AS



We are very grateful to have Sara Binet overseeing our student ministry activities in the coming months. Having served as a ministry intern with us for the past year, Sara has strong existing relationships with our students, good ministry skills, and a familiarity with our youth ministry. Parents and students alike have expressed their pleasure to have Sara serving at this important time.

TYLIN WILSON-COOPER, NEW FACILITIES TEAM MEMBER

We are also welcoming a new member of our facilities team, Tylin Wilson-Cooper. She has been working with us for a few weeks and we love her already! She hails from Kansas City, so ask her about her favorite BBQ. ;)



Thank you

From the Johnson home to yours, thank you for a great four years together, especially the last couple of weeks of cherished texts, phone calls, and emails. One of the beautiful things about being a minister is that you afford us the ability to be present in the holiest moments of your lives, the beautiful and painful alike. Thank you for sharing your stories and lives with me. They have been a breath of fresh air and affirmation. I know you are cheering for me in my next steps as I am cheering for you.

Grace and Peace, Tyler Johnson



#UPCOMINGEVENTSATVHBC



VBS Family Fun Night June 15th 5-7 pm

We're celebrating the end of VBS with a party with all of our VBS friends! Join us for games, music, and all kinds of food trucks!



Around the Town June 21st 5:30-7 pm

Join a staff member for dinner out and about! Pick your spot from the list below and enjoy a time of food, fellowship, and fun!

- Five Guys Burgers in Riverchase with Eric
- Moss Rock Tacos in Hoover with Mike
- Martin's BBQ in Cahaba Heights with Nancy
- Newk's in Vestavia with Marty
- Davenport's at City Center with Sara B.



Meet us at the Ballpark June 28th 7 pm

Let's go to Regions Field for a Barons game as they take on the Rocket City Trash Pandas!

- Tickets will be available soon!
- Everyone is invited!

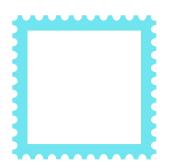


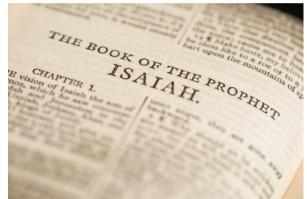
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Five Sunday Mornings Together July 2 - July 30 9 am in the Fellowship Hall

The Prophet Isaiah - taught by Laura Tadlock

As we study the book of Isaiah, we will examine God's message to Judah at a time of internal spiritual decay and external threats. Though all seems lost, and the people themselves seem unwilling to listen, God spoke through Isaiah. As we examine the past, we will open ourselves up to God's work in our lives today - listening for and recognizing the mysterious, powerful and grace-filled presence of our God. Make plans to be a part of this Sunday morning Bible study in July!

And for those that want to DIG DEEPER in the Word.....

Beginning Wednesday July 12 through August 2nd, we will take a deeper dive into the Book of Isaiah Wednesdays at 10am. We will build upon our Sunday morning lessons to better understand this prophetic book and it's purpose and relevance today. Come be a part of the discussion as we gather for Summer Adult Bible Study.

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There are three more meals available on Wednesdays before summer break!