# SPRING HILL CHURCH

### **AUGUST 2023**

### HE HEARS OUR CRY'S

I stood at the kitchen sink washing a bottle, listening to my baby cry from the living room. He was safe in his crib, his diaper had just been changed, but he was hungry. I hated hearing my baby cry, but I knew he was ok. And though he couldn't understand it, I was preparing exactly what he needed, what he was crying for. In just a few minutes, with a full bottle in hand, I would pick him up and his cries would stop.

Standing over that kitchen sink my heart realized how many times I have been in his place. I've been crying—safe and loved—but crying out to my God. My prayers shouting to Him exactly what I wanted, what I needed, but they were met with silence.

I couldn't see Him. I didn't recognize the work He was doing. And though I couldn't understand it, He was preparing exactly what I needed, what I was crying for.

If you have found yourself in a season of crying out to God, wondering where He is or what He's doing, remember that your Father in Heaven loves you more than you can imagine. He's standing in the next room, listening to your cries, preparing what you need.

You have not been abandoned. You are not alone. Your God is at work. He hears your cries.

"While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

### PRAYER REQUEST:

- TERRY & SHANNON
- SHARON
- ANN
- TOMMY & ANGIE
- TRACEY
- MIKE & MARY
- JESSE & FRAN
- DALE & DONNA
- JAMIE, LACEY & KIDS
- FREDDY
- JESSE & CAROL
- CODY, LAURA & KIDS
- DON
- LAWRENCE & JAN
- BRUCE & PATSY
- PATSY'S MOM
- KENNY
- ASIAN MINISTRY
- CAROL
- THE LOST, POOR & NEEDY
- SPRING HILL CHURCH

## Faith

doesn't always take you out of the problem. Faith takes you through the problem. Faith doesn't always take away the pain, Faith gives you the ability to handle the pain. Faith doesn't always take you out of the storm, Faith calms you in the midst of the storm.

Amen



### THAT'S WHAT MOTHERS DO

Grown doesn't mean anything to a mother.

It just means older.

Because our children will always be our babies.

They just will.

We'll always look at them and see the little squishy baby who would just want to be cradled in our arms for hours sleeping, or that vulnerable little toddler gazing up at us with wide open eyes and chubby cheeks.

Grown doesn't mean any-

thing to a mother.

It doesn't mean she won't do everything possible to make their lives easier or to make them smile, whether it's making her college—aged child's favorite chocolate cookies, or going to the store and buying groceries for her child with small children so she doesn't have to take everyone out.

Your child is your child.

It doesn't matter their age, If they are 5, 12, 32, or 60, their height how much taller they are than us, how far they live, if they live in our house, neighborhood, or across the world, how many children they have 0 to 6, they'll always be our children.

And we'll always want to know every detail of their day, and hear they're home safe from dinner, a trip, or back from the store.

And we'll only continue to love them more with each passing year, because that's what mothers do.





When sheep fall down on their backs, He knows they can't get up. This is called a cast sheep. They need a shepherd to help them get back on their feet.

\* In scripture, Jesus tells us that He is the Good Shepherd. He knows His sheep and His sheep know Him.

\* Do you think when Jesus called Himself the Good Shepherd that He knew there would be times in our lives that we would fall down and couldn't get back

up without Him? He knows His sheep.

\*I'm so thankful for the Good Shepherd to pick me up and set my feet upon a firm foundation!!

All stories have three sides; your side, their side and the side of the truth.

When you come out of the storm you won't be the same person that walked in. That's what the storm is all about.

### SIMPLE FORMULA FOR LIVING

Live beneath your means.

Return everything you borrow.

Stop blaming other people.

Admit it when you make a mistake.

Give clothes not worn to charity.

Do something nice and try not to get caught.

Listen more, talk less.

Every day take a 30 minute walk.

Strive for excellence, not perfection.

Be on time. Don't make excuses.

Don't argue. Get organized.

Be kind to unkind people.

Let someone cut ahead of you in line.

Take time to be alone.

Cultivate good manners.

Be humble.

Realize and accept that life isn't fair.

Know when to keep your mouth shut.

Go an entire day without criticizing anyone.

Learn from the past. Plan for the future.

Live in the present.

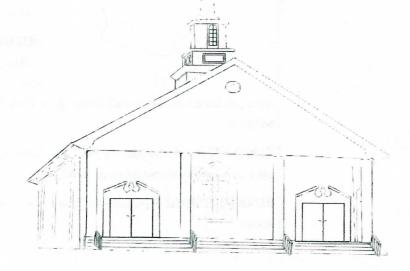
Don't sweat the small stuff.

It's all small stuff.



You are never too anything for God. Too wounded. Too hurt. Too needy. Too broken. Too difficult. Too wild. Too loud. Too boisterous. Too unruly. Too much. The world may try to tell you otherwise but there is a place for you at the table. God loves you as you are.

### CHURCH IS NOT SOMETHING YOU GO TO, IT'S A FAMILY YOU BELONG TO.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL..... 10:00AM SUNDAY WORSHIP.....11:00AM SUNDAY NIGHT......6:00PM WEDNESDAY NIGHT....7:30PM

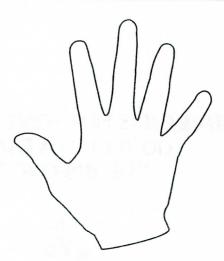
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The key to being happy is knowing you have the power to choose what to accept and what to let go.



### THE 5 FINGER PRAYER



**THUMB:** Pray for those closest to your family and friends.

**POINTER:** Pray for those who point you in the right direction: your teachers, and other leaders in your life. Pray for wisdom and support.

### MIDDLE FINGER

(tallest): Pray for those that lead us: those in govern-

ment, in business, in church leadership. Pray for guidance and wisdom.

RING FINGER (weakest): Pray for those who are poor, sick, in pain, in trouble, those most in need.

PINKIE FINGER (smallest): Pray for yourself and your own needs

# August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		I	2 AUBREY	3 CAROL	4	<b>v</b> 5
6 CONFERENCE	7 JAKE W.	∞	9 DON	10 BRUCE	11 ANNISTON	12 WORK DAY
13	14	15	16	17	18 BRUCE & PATSY	61
20	21 JAMIE	22	23 GRACIE	24	25	26
27 SANDWICH NIGHT	28	29	30	31 TERRY & SHANNON		