

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts	
Attendance	05/31/26	June 4 - June 10	
Sunday School Attendance	551	Reid Bolton 864-554-4620 Ar.Bolton@hotmail.com	
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Budget Receipts	43,926.00		
World Missions	890.00		
Reach & Renew	67,670.00	June 11 - June 17	
Designated	690.00	Grayson Sumner 864-941-6528 gtsumner66@gmail.com	
Budget Requirements		Michael Petrella 480-797-4680 ppgpetrella@gmail.com	
YTD Received	858,840.00		
YTD Budget Req.	895,353.00		

Family Group Night
How to Pray
Matthew 6:5-8

READ IT
"And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him." Matthew 6:5-8, NKJV

DISCOVER IT
In this passage, Jesus explained the correct way to pray. Religious hypocrites had been praying in public solely for the purpose of receiving the applause of men. Jesus instructed His followers to pray sincerely. This is often done in private behind a closed door. In the situation of public prayer, those prayers should seek to honor God instead of elevating the person praying. Jesus teaches us to think deeply about our prayer. Prayer is not something to be taken lightly, carelessly repeated, or neglected in the life of a believer.

ASK IT
1_ What times of the day do you find yourself praying?
2_ Are these prayers given as a second thought, or are they sincere?
3_ Have you ever been nervous to pray in front of others? Have you ever tried to impress people with your prayer?

LIVE IT
1_ Sincere prayer starts with a worshipful heart towards God.
2_ Prayer should not be taken lightly but should be given in awe of the Creator.
3_ If you are caught in a "rut" in your prayer life – start praying through the Psalms!

PRAY IT
Almighty Father, I confess to you that more times than not, my prayers are given carelessly. I ask that you forgive me. Help me by your Spirit be sincere, worshipful, and in awe of you when I come to pray. Create in me a greater desire to pray. Teach me your Word and instruct me on how to live. Please guide me and help me be a person of prayer. Amen.

SERMON NOTES

THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ



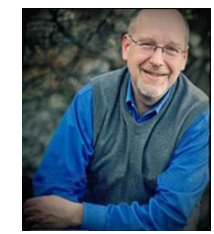
A MESSAGE FROM TOBY & SUSAN FROST

TO MY BELOVED South Main Baptist Church Family - As Susan and I close this incredible chapter in retirement, my heart is overflowing. After eleven wonderful years, it is impossible to adequately put into words what this church family and this community mean to us. I want to try, however, to say thank you.

Thank you for the overwhelming outpouring of love over the past few weeks. Thank you for the thoughtful notes, the warm hugs, the words of encouragement, and the generous gifts and mementos that we will treasure forever. Thank you to the leadership and volunteers who put together such a special service and reception. It was a beautiful celebration, but more importantly, it was a reflection of the love we have shared together in Christ.

Without a doubt, our time at South Main has been the best eleven years of our lives. I leave with a heart full of gratitude and many precious memories. While this season of leadership has ended, all the friendships Susan and I have made will endure. We are deeply honored to have walked alongside you. As you look toward the future, know that we are praying for you and for the continued ministry of South Main.

With deepest love and gratitude, Toby and Susan Frost



Toby Frost
Dr. Toby Frost

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This Week at South Main

7 SUNDAY 8:30AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM- Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM- Worship Preschool Childcare 4:30PM- Personnel Committee 4:30PM- Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM- Deacons Meeting	8 MONDAY	9 TUESDAY 6:00PM- Men's Recovery	10 WEDNESDAY No Preschool/ Elementary No Middle/High 6:00PM- Prayer Meeting 7:30PM- Worship Team Rehearsal
11 THURSDAY Clarkston One Day Mission 5:30PM- Bowling Expo 300 Preschool/Elementary Middle/High	12 FRIDAY	13 SATURDAY	14 SUNDAY 8:30AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM- Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare 4:30PM- Choir Rehearsal 6:30PM- Ladies Book Club

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CELEBRATION OF GOD AND COUNTRY

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FREE
EVENT

JUNE 28
5:00PM

AMERICA
250



**students
SUMMER
ONE DAY**

July 11
9AM-12PM

Westside Community Outreach

8:30 Worship

<i>The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Welcome and Scripture Reading	Andy Roberson
<i>Sweet Hour of Prayer</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
<i>Awake My Soul</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Bradford Russ
<i>What a Friend We Have In Jesus</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson

11:00 Worship

<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	Orchestra
<i>Teach Me, O Lord, I Pray #601</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Welcome and Scripture Reading	Andy Roberson
<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus #182</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>Speak to My Heart #281</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Offertory Prayer	
<i>Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying</i>	Chancel Choir and Orchestra
Morning Message	Bradford Russ
<i>Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus #320</i>	Congregation
Closing and Benediction	Andy Roberson
Postlude	Keith Polatty, Organ



LAST CHANCE!

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REGISTRATION
CLOSES JUNE 10



MISSIONS UPDATE

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Ukraine Mission Update

On behalf of the Mission Mobilization Team, we are grateful for your generous support of the South Main World Missions Offering. We are pleased to share both our appreciation and an encouraging update from our mission partners in Ukraine.

Although the war continues, meaningful opportunities remain to serve and support our brothers and sisters in Christ. Through our long-standing partnership with Pastor Nikoli Dayneka, a catalytic church planter, God continues to work in the Zhytomyr region. Over the past 25 years, this partnership has helped establish new churches and strengthen local ministry efforts. While the future of the region remains uncertain, the Mission Mobilization Team was able to send a financial gift in April to assist with ongoing needs.


This week, we received a report expressing heartfelt gratitude for your compassionate giving. Your generosity has enabled the purchase and distribution of food baskets and garden seeds for the elderly and those in need. Below is a message from our ministry partners:

"We wish we could share every story of impact that has resulted from your generosity, but distance makes that difficult. Perhaps in eternity, we will have the opportunity to tell those stories and introduce you to the brothers and sisters whose lives you have touched. During one visit, we met 45 elderly individuals who fled Eastern Ukraine at the beginning of the war. Today, they are still living together in the sports hall of a village school. Our ministry has supported them with clothing, food, bedding, and other essentials. They were especially joyful to receive the garden seeds you provided. These seeds will not only help meet their physical needs but also restore a sense of normalcy as they plant and tend their gardens. Thank you again for your generosity."

Your South Main World Missions Offering is truly making a difference—bringing hope, provision, and encouragement in the midst of hardship.

Andy Roberson

Meet Our INTERIM PASTOR



Welcome
Dr. Brian Saxon

A Greenwood native and current employee of the South Carolina Baptist Convention, Dr. Saxon will begin serving with us on Sunday, July 26, when he will preach for the first time in our pulpit.

Dr. Saxon serves as the Shepherd Team Leader with the South Carolina Baptist Convention, where he assists churches in renewal and revitalization. He is also the director of the South Carolina Baptist Doctor of Ministry program and serves as an adjunct professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, teaching courses in expository preaching and related areas. Brian brings a rich background of faithful local church ministry. He served for 18 years as senior pastor of Second Baptist Church in Lancaster, South Carolina, and has also ministered at Shady Grove Baptist Church in Belton and as associate pastor at North Side Baptist Church in Greenwood.

Pray for Dr. Saxon, that the Lord will bless and guide him as he prepares to begin his ministry among us on July 26.