

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts
Attendance	07/19/26	July 23- July 29
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Budget Receipts	28,596.00	
World Missions	680.00	
Reach & Renew	5,175.00	July 30 - August 5
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Budget Requirements		
YTD Received	1,115,720.00	Brett Abernathy 864-980-4195
YTD Budget Req.	1,180,238.00	Baa_29649@yahoo.com

FAMILY GROUP NIGHT

Joy in God’s Family— Philippians 1:1-8

READ IT

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all God’s holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons^[a]: ²Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God’s grace with me. ⁸God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

DISCOVER IT

When Paul writes this passage, he wants the reader to know that fellowship in Christ and with other believers should be a joyful partnership in the gospel, rooted in God’s love and grace. You will see that Paul’s relationship with the Philippians brought him joy. He thanked God whenever he remembered them. This kind of fellowship will reflect our love and bring glory to God.

ASK IT

- How is the church life family?
- What are some examples of how Paul encourages fellowship in God’s family? Look again at verses 3-8.

LIVE IT

- In verse 5, Paul thanks God for their "partnership in the gospel." The believers supported Paul's ministry through prayer, encouragement, and practical help. Which of the following can you begin to do to become partners in sharing the Gospel? Praying for missionaries, encouraging church members, inviting friends to church, serving in ministry together.
- Paul says he longs for the Philippians "with the affection of Christ Jesus" (v. 8). Christ's love was flowing through Paul toward fellow believers. How can we show Christ's love to members of our church this week?

Choose one way to strengthen fellowship this week:

- Write an encouraging note to someone at church.
- Pray together for church leaders and missionaries.
- Look for someone who may be lonely and reach out to them.

PRAY IT

Lord Jesus, thank You for making us part of Your body. Help us to love other believers, pray for them, encourage them, and work together for the gospel. Let our fellowship reflect Your love and bring glory to You. Amen.

Joy in Christ and God’s Family

Acts 16:6-15; Philippians 1: 1-8

The Formation of God’s Family (Acts 16:6-5)

- God’s No (vs. 6-8)**
- God’s Go (vs. 9-15)**

The Fellowship of God’s Family (Philippians 1:1-8)

- What is our fellowship?**
- What happens in the family?**
 - We are thankful for one another (v. 3)
 - We pray for one another (v. 4)
 - We have koinonia with one another (v. 5)
 - We encourage one another (v. 6)
 - We love one another (vv.7-8)

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THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ

A STUDY OF PHILIPPIANS

CHOOSE Joy



Welcome
DR. BRIAN SAXON

South Main Interim Pastor
Shepherd Team Leader, SCBaptist

Today we welcome Dr. Brian Saxon as our interim pastor. A Greenwood native and current employee of the South Carolina Baptist Convention, Dr. Saxon will encourage our hearts in his primary role of preaching God’s Word. He currently serves as the Shepherd Team Leader 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. Please continue to pray for Dr. Saxon, that the Lord will bless and guide him as he leads us during this season of transition.

This Week at South Main

26	SUNDAY	27	MONDAY	28	TUESDAY	29	WEDNESDAY
8:30AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM- Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM- Worship Preschool Childcare 5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal				6:00PM- Men's Recovery		6:00PM - Preschool- Wee Trackers Elementary- Truth Trackers Students- Midweek 6:00PM- Prayer Group 6:00PM- Nominating Committee Meeting 7:30PM- Worship Team Rehearsal	
30	THURSDAY	31	FRIDAY	1	SATURDAY	2	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 5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM- Deacon Meeting	

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LEADER TRAINING & Dinner

August 9 | 6 PM



ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL

EVERY SUNDAY
SEPT. 6-
OCT. 25
9TH GRADE & UP

SCAN TO REGISTER
\$50 PER PLAYER



8:30 Worship	
<i>House Of The Lord</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Welcome	Andy Roberson
<i>Forever</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
<i>Bless God</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Ben Hjalmer

11:00 Worship	
<i>Brand New Morning Medley</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Welcome	Andy Roberson
<i>Since Jesus Came into My Heart #441</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>He Keeps Me Singing #425</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>The Goodness of God</i>	Steve Wilkie, baritone
<i>In the Presence of the Lord #440</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Offertory Prayer	Bradford Russ
<i>Joy and Peace</i>	Chancel Choir & Orchestra; Becky Sumerel, soprano soloist
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
<i>I Have Decided to Follow Jesus #305</i>	Congregation
Closing	Ben Hjalmer
<i>Postlude</i>	Keith Polatty, Organ



students

MIDWEEK KICKOFF

JULY 29 | 6PM
6TH-12TH GRADE



MISSIONS UPDATE

southmain.church/missions

College Welcome Gift & Good News Club

As August approaches, we are excited to welcome a new school year and several opportunities to give and serve. In just a few weeks, students will return to classes at Piedmont Technical College, Erskine College and Lander University. We invite our church family to join us as we encourage, support and minister to these students during this season of transition. We are also thrilled to announce our ongoing work with Good News Club at Pinecrest Elementary School. This ministry provides children with a safe and engaging environment where they can learn God’s word. Here are a few ways you can participate.

- Good News Club Informational Meeting** – Sunday, August 9 @ 11 AM and 12 PM. Interested in serving with our Good News Club ministry? Join us for an informational meeting to learn more about the program and volunteer opportunities.

- Participate in the BCM Lander Prayer Walk** – Tuesday, August 11 @ 6:00 PM. Meet at the Lander BCM building to pray for students, faculty and the Baptist Collegiate Ministry. Walk or drive with your spouse or as an individual.

- Give \$15.00 to purchase a “College Welcome Gift”** – Help us bless college students with a special welcome gift as they begin a new semester and a new church. A donation of \$15 will provide a college appropriate gift and we will do the shopping for you.

- Provide a Bible and Devotional for a Child** – Your gift of \$15 can provide a Bible and devotional to a child participating in our Good News Club. To contribute, follow the same giving instructions above and select “Good News Club” for the fund dropdown menu.

Thank you for partnering with us as we invest in the next generation of college students and children.

Andy Roberson



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new here?

text us your name and “guest”
scan or text (864) 392-9815



need prayer?

text us your name and how
we can pray for you!
scan or text (864) 392-9815





ready for baptism?

text the word “baptism”
to sign-up!
scan or text (864) 392-9815

Giving Envelope Update

Over the past several weeks we have experienced delays in receiving our mailed giving envelopes. Please know that our provider, Cathedral Stewardship, tell us they have corrected the issue.

For the month of July, please use your June envelopes which you just received by mail. No July envelopes will be mailed, but Cathedral Stewardship insists that our SMBC members will receive their August envelope packets on time. Thanks for understanding.