

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts
Attendance	08/30/26	September 3 - September 9
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Budget Receipts	39,594.00	
World Missions	710.00	
Reach & Renew	382,450.00	September 10 – September 16
Designated	800.00	Gene Pinson 864-993-4824 lepinson72@gmail.com
Budget Requirements		
YTD Received	1,345,927.00	Dan Grubbs 864-910-2555
YTD Budget Req.	1,424,425.00	Dan.grubbs@wctel.net

FAMILY GROUP DEVOTION
“Jesus Taught in Parables”

READ IT FROM THE BIBLE: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

SAY IT: Have you ever wondered why people can hear the same message about Jesus, and some believe while others don't? You might think, If the gospel is so good ... why doesn't everyone receive it with joy? This question isn't new. Even the disciples struggled to understand it. They watched Jesus teach crowds of people—some were amazed, some were confused, and some were totally uninterested. If Jesus Himself was speaking, why didn't everyone follow Him? To help them understand, Jesus told the parable of the soils. Jesus explained that the seeds are like God's Word. And the different soils are like the condition of our hearts. Some hearts are hard and don't want to listen. Some get excited at first but give up when things get tough. Some want to follow Jesus, but there are too many distractions—worries, drama, pressure, or the desire to fit in. But the good soil is a heart that listens and understands the gospel. This person believes God's Word, and it changes their life. Like a seed planted in good soil, they begin to grow in faith. When we are open to God's truth, He softens our hearts and opens our eyes to see our need for Jesus. Having a heart of good soil means repenting and trusting in Jesus, receiving His forgiveness, and allowing His Word and Spirit to take root in our lives so our faith grows and changes the way we live. Not everyone who hears about Jesus believes in Him. Some people don't understand the gospel, and some people care more about the things of this world than they do God's kingdom. But people who believe in Jesus and follow Him will grow to be like Him and will share His good news so others can believe too. Pray: God, help us listen to Your Word and let it take root in our lives. Help us grow in our love for You and let it change all that we say and do. And help us share the good news about Jesus with others so they can also grow in Him. Amen.

MEMORIZE IT: “The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.” Isaiah 40:8

PRAY IT: Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Word. Please give us a heart like good soil, ready to hear, trust, and obey You. Help us choose what is right, even when life is difficult or distracting. Forgive us for the times we do not listen to You or follow Your ways. Remove anything that keeps us from growing closer to You, and help our faith take deep root and bear good fruit. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Stop Your Complaining
Philippians 2:12-18

Making Our _____ Work (vv. 12-13)

The _____ to Stop Complaining (vv. 14-15)

_____ to Stop Complaining (Philippians 2:15-18)

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CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
MONDAY FOR LABOR DAY



6	SUNDAY	7	MONDAY	8	TUESDAY	9	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 No Choir Rehearsal		Labor Day Church Office Closed 		6:00PM - Men's Recovery		6:00PM - Adult Discipleship Groups 6:00PM - Preschool- Wee Trackers Elementary- Truth Trackers Students- Midweek 6:00PM - Prayer Meeting 7:00PM - Leadership Counsel 7:30PM - Worship Team Rehearsal	
10	THURSDAY	11	FRIDAY	12	SATURDAY	13	SUNDAY
		10:00AM - Senior Adults: Aiken's Makin				8:30AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM - Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare 3:00PM - Grief Support Group 4:30PM - Personnel Committee 5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM - Deacon Meeting	



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Grief *Support* *Group*

September 13 3PM | A-202
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8:30 Worship	
Welcome	Ben Hjalmer
Baptisms	
<i>Mighty To Save</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer	Andy Roberson
<i>We Praise You</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
<i>Reason To Praise</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
<i>Thank You Jesus For The Blood</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon

11:00 Worship	
<i>Prelude</i>	Cynthia Adams, Piano
<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit #243</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Welcome and Celebration of Believer's Baptisms	Keith Polatty
<i>There's a Glad New Song #431</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>Just a Closer Walk with Thee #448</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer	Andy Roberson
<i>Refiner's Fire with Rain Down</i>	Chancel Choir and Orchestra
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
<i>I Need Thee Every Hour #450</i>	Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon
<i>Postlude</i>	Keith Polatty, Organ

prime timer's

SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

**SEPTEMBER 11
LEAVING AT 10:00AM**

**AIKEN'S MAKIN'
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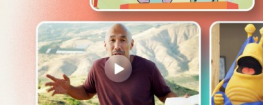
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Nepal Flood Relief

On Wednesday, August 26, a wall of water and debris swept down the river valleys of northern Nepal. It destroyed homes, buried streets in mud, washed bridges away and left debris behind. As you know, hundreds of people have died and literally hundreds are missing as search efforts continue.

Because of your faithful giving to the South Main World Missions Offering, we have already responded by sending a gift of \$2,000 to the International Mission Board and the Send Relief efforts. Our Send Relief Southern Baptist volunteers are already on the field partnering with churches in these affected areas providing relief to believers and non-believers living in these valley regions. Sample relief resources include rice bags, first aid bags, tents, prayers, gospel witness and more.

Thank you again for giving to the South Main World Mission Fund. You can see that your weekly, monthly or one-time gifts provide us with immediate financial response to US or world crises with the Gospel. If you have not yet become a regular contributor to our mission fund, visit www.southmain.church and click on the “give” tab. The “fund” box will allow you to select “world missions”.

As you give, don't forget to also pray for those greatly affected: Pray for families grieving the loss of loved ones. Pray for those still searching as they move through dangerous conditions. Pray for families who have lost homes, livelihoods and belongings. Pray for churches and believers in Nepal who serving their own countrymen.

Andy Roberson