

**By the Numbers**

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>01/04/25</b>
Sunday School Attendance	664
<b>Giving for the Week of</b>	<b>01/04/25</b>
Budget Receipts	\$14,223.00
Budget Requirements	\$40,698.00
YTD Received	\$14,223.00
YTD Budget Req.	\$40,698.00
World Missions	\$965.00
Designated	\$1,075.00

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**FAMILY GROUP NIGHT**

Faithful Steps in Gods Global Mission  
Zechariah 4:1-10

**READ IT**

The angel who was speaking with me then returned and roused me as one awakened out of sleep.<sup>2</sup> He asked me, "What do you see?" I replied, "I see a solid gold lampstand with a bowl at the top. The lampstand also has seven lamps at the top with seven spouts for each of<sup>[a]</sup> the lamps.<sup>3</sup> There are also two olive trees beside it, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left."<sup>4</sup> Then I asked the angel who was speaking with me, "What are these, my lord?"<sup>5</sup> "Don't you know what they are?" replied the angel who was speaking with me. I said, "No, my lord."<sup>6</sup> So he answered me, "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by strength or by might, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord of Armies.<sup>7</sup> 'What are you, great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become a plain. And he will bring out the capstone accompanied by shouts of: Grace, grace to it!'"<sup>8</sup> Then the word of the Lord came to me: <sup>9</sup>"Zerubbabel's hands have laid the foundation of this house, and his hands will complete it. Then you will know that the Lord of Armies has sent me to you.<sup>10</sup> For who despises the day of small things? These seven eyes of the Lord, which scan throughout the whole earth, will rejoice when they see the ceremonial stone in Zerubbabel's hand."

**DISCOVER IT**

The prophet Zechariah receives his fifth vision, which centers on God's power at work in rebuilding Jerusalem and the temple. In this passage it is God who uses Zerubbabel to rebuild the temple but now without the power of His Spirit. There seem to be four key thoughts in this passage. God's work is accomplished by His Spirit. Divine empowerment outweighs human ability. Faithfulness in small beginnings matters to God. God guarantees the completion of His purposes. Today, God wants to use us in His Kingdom work. In verse 10, we are told not to despise the small things. In the message on Sunday, we spoke of the importance of not despising things which may appear small in our lives. Such small things may be the avenue and instruments which are divinely planned for you to join God at work.

**ASK IT**

1\_ How do we know when we are relying on our own strength versus God's Spirit?

2\_ Verse 10 says, "Who dares despise the day of small things?" Why do you think God values small beginnings?

**LIVE IT**

1\_ Ask God to give you faithfulness in the small things of missions: Praying, Giving, Going and Caring.

2\_ As you rely on the Spirit, what is your next step that the Lord is leading you to take?

**PRAY IT**

Heavenly Father, thank You for involving your people in your kingdom work. Thank you for your Spirit who empowers us to do great things. Help me to take the next step (even if it feels small) to accomplish your work of missions.

**SERMON NOTES****Faithful Steps in God's Global Mission**

**Zechariah 4:1-10**

**The Lord's Power.** Zechariah 4:1-3.

God provides the power for His \_\_\_\_\_.

**The Lord's Presence.** Zechariah 4:4-7.

God's \_\_\_\_\_ ensures that His global mission goes forth and that obstacles are removed.

**The Lord's People.** Zechariah 4:8-9.

God \_\_\_\_\_ to use His people to accomplish His global mission.

**The Lord's Promise.** Zechariah 4:10.

God's global mission will be accomplished, so \_\_\_\_\_ small steps of faithfulness.

**Question:**

As you rely on the Spirit, what is your \_\_\_\_\_ that the Lord is leading you to take?

**Key Takeaway:**

God's global mission will be accomplished through the \_\_\_\_\_ of His people by the power of His spirit.

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# THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ



**WHAT'S YOUR  
NEXT STEP?**

**MISSION  
SUNDAY**

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## DEACON ORDINATION *Service*

**JANUARY 11 | 6PM**



Tonight (Sunday, Jan 11) we invite the entire South Main Baptist Church family to gather at 6:00 PM in the Worship Center for a very special Deacon Ordination Service. We will be ordaining five whom God has clearly called and prepared to serve our church. In Acts 6:3, the church is instructed to choose leaders who are "known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom," and deacons still play a vital role today in serving faithfully. This will be a meaningful time as we pray over and affirm God's work in their lives. So, let's show our unity and gratitude by coming together as a church family to celebrate and encourage these men.



# This Week at South Main

11   SUNDAY	12   MONDAY	13   TUESDAY	14   WEDNESDAY
Mission Sunday			
8:30AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Grades			
9:45AM- Sunday School Small Group			
11:00AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare			
5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal			
6:00PM- Deacon Ordination			
15   THURSDAY	16   FRIDAY	17   SATURDAY	18   SUNDAY



# ADULT D-GROUPS

WINTER 2026

STARTS JANUARY 21 AT 6PM  
SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/DGROUPS

## ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE



SUNDAY AFTERNOONS  
FEB. 22 - APRIL 12 (NO EASTER)  
9TH GRADE & UP (COED)

SCAN TO  
REGISTER  
\$50  
PER PLAYER



## 8:30 Worship

Is He Worthy	Praise Band & Congregation
Living Hope	Praise Band & Congregation
Welcome & Missionary Interview	Andy Roberson and IMB Missionary
King of Kings	Praise Band & Congregation
Faithful Steps in God's Mission	John Austin Roberson
Next Step Invitation	Andy Roberson
King of Kings	Praise Band & Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson



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Today is Mission Launch Sunday and our theme is NEXT STEP. During the worship service you will hear from John Austin Roberson, a product of South Main who has surrendered to the call of international missions, along with his wife Emily. You will also hear from a testimony and interview from a young adult who serves in South Asia assigned to unreached people groups who have never heard the name of Jesus. Along with an exciting worship service, we will be sharing some of the upcoming 2026 mission initiatives and trips. Throughout the worship service and mission fair, you will be challenged to take your NEXT STEP in missions.

Mission Sunday continues during the Sunday School hour. We will be hosting our missions fair in the Connecting Place, but it will be a bit different than in years past. Instead of visiting booths from our mission partners we will gather and hear a short report from each partnership along with ways you, your family and Sunday School Small Group can get involved. Some of these short reports will include International Bible Church in Clarkston - Georgia, Medical Mission in Togo - Africa, Rebuild Hurricane Helene -North Carolina, and more.

### Mission Fair Schedule:

- 10:20 PM - 10:50 PM. – Middle School, High School, All Young, Middle Adult and Senior Adult Classes/Groups. **Teachers, please dismiss your class at 10:15 AM to get everyone seated in the Connecting Place.**
- 12:00 PM – If you are a High School student, college student or young adult, please attend the free lunch in the Connecting Place at 12 PM. During the lunch you will again hear from missionaries serving in South Asia and Clarkston, Georgia.

Let's take our Next Step together!

Andy Roberson

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**MEET  
MY  
FRIEND**

Experiencing  
and Sharing  
Friendship  
with God

### Meet My Friend Moment:

Look for ways to reach out to hurting people with the love of Jesus and His message of salvation.



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