

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts
Attendance	10/04/26	October 8 - October 14
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Giving for the Week of	10/04/26	Jesse Attaway 864-377-1814 jesseattaway@gmail.com
Budget Receipts	32,795.00	
World Missions	1,765.00	
Reach & Renew	8,471.00	
Designated	2,993.00	October 15– October 21
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YTD Received	1,520,251.00	
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FAMILY GROUP DEVOTION
Jesus Walked on Water

READ IT: Matthew 14

SAY IT: The Texas Giant is a roller coaster that slowly sends riders up 153 feet before dropping them back down at high speeds. At the top of that incline, a sign states, “Wait! Let’s discuss this!” A similar thought might have been on the minds of the other disciples when Peter asked to join Jesus walking on the water!

When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water, they were terrified. But as soon as Jesus spoke to them in the boat and identified Himself, Peter saw an opportunity. He asked for Jesus to command him to come, stepped out of the boat, and started walking toward Jesus.

Peter wanted to be where Jesus was even if it meant leaving his comfort zone. Peter left the security of the boat and took a risk. God calls us to do the same. He calls us to step into the challenges He sets before us, even when the task seems difficult or even impossible.

This story also shows us that when we step out in faith, challenges are to be expected. The wind was fierce, and the waves were intimidating. And when Peter shifted his focus to the situation around him, he began to sink. The writer of Hebrews tells us to keep our eyes on Jesus as we run the race of life.

Even in Peter’s failing, he discovered the goodness of God. When Peter cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out His hand and lifted him up. God’s grace meets us in the middle of our weaknesses. Even when our faith falters, He is faithful, ready to rescue and restore.

Peter shows us that following Christ with boldness will draw us closer to Him. We will experience a deeper relationship with our Savior as we take risks for Him. Each act of obedience, every step taken in faith, brings us closer to Him and gives us courage to face the next challenge.

LEARN IT: “Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me, even if he dies, will live.” *John 11:25*

PRAY IT: Heavenly Father, Thank You for sending Jesus, who is greater than every storm we face. Give us the courage to step out in faith like Peter and trust You even when the path seems impossible. When we become distracted by our fears and doubts, remind us that Your hand is always reaching out to help us. Thank You for Your grace that rescues, restores, and strengthens us when our faith is weak. We praise You that Jesus is the resurrection and the life, and that everyone who believes in Him has the hope of eternal life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

SERMON NOTES

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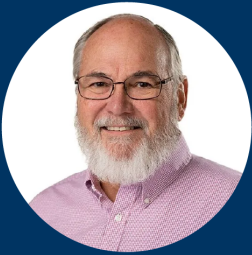
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THE MESSENGER
To experience and express the love of Christ

WELCOME | GUEST SPEAKER



REV. DAVID LITTLE

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS,
LAKELANDS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELLO
NAME TAG
SUNDAY
OCTOBER 18

Today, we are honored to welcome **Rev. David Little** to our pulpit. David serves the Lakelands Baptist Association as Director of Missions. For the past 23 years, his faithful leadership has impacted more than forty Southern Baptist churches throughout Abbeville, Greenwood, and McCormick Counties, helping strengthen local churches in the areas of ministry, missions, and church multiplication. His leadership has also helped advance numerous ministry initiatives, including Disaster Relief, English as a Second Language, mission trips, and collegiate ministry on the campuses of Lander University and Erskine College, just to name a few. We are grateful for David's faithful service to our churches and our community. Please continue to pray that the Lord will bless, strengthen, and guide him as he leads our local Baptist association.

This Week at South Main

11	SUNDAY	12	MONDAY	13	TUESDAY	14	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 3:00PM - Grief Support Group 4:00PM - Deacon Meeting 4:00PM - Handbell Practice 4:30PM - Personnel Committee 5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal				9:30AM - Women's Bible Study: Joshua 6:00PM - Men's Recovery		6:00PM - Adult Discipleship Groups 6:00PM - Preschool- Wee Trackers Elementary- Truth Trackers Students- Midweek 6:00PM - Prayer Meeting 7:30PM - Worship Team Rehearsal	
15	THURSDAY	16	FRIDAY	17	SATURDAY	18	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 4:00PM - Handbell Practice 5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal 5:00PM - Properties Committee	



Advent Handbell Opportunity for the Christmas Season

Rehearsals Every Sunday at 4PM Starting October 25

- Students & Adults Welcome
- Ability to Read Music Needed
- Sign Up by October 20 by Contacting Keith Polatty





BREAKFAST. BIBLE STUDY. GOLF.

OCT. 31

- 9AM -

GREENWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

BREAKFAST. BIBLE STUDY. GOLF.

8:30 Worship	
Welcome	Bradford Russ
Baptism	Kevin Garrison
Alive In Us	Praise Band and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer & Commissioning	Andy Roberson
Simple Kingdom	Praise Band and Congregation
God Of Revival	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Rev. David Little
Holy Hands	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson

11:00 Worship	
Praise to the Lord, Thee Almighty	Cynthia Adams, Piano; Keith Polatty, Organ
Welcome	Bradford Russ
Praise Him! Praise Him! #227	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee #7	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer & Commissioning	Andy Roberson
Worthy of Worship #3	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
King of Kings	Chance Choir and Orchestra; Mary Helen Hunton, Soprano
Morning Message	Rev. David Little
Tis So Sweet to Trust un Jesus #411	Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson
Postlude	Keith Polatty, Organ



SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

OCTOBER 13
LEAVING AT 9:00AM

SKY TOP ORCHARD
HENDERSON COUNTY, NC

SIGN UP IN SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY



Hello, my name is...On most Sundays, those four words aren't particularly exciting. But on Name Tag Sunday, they might just help you make a new friend! As odd as it may sound, Name Tag Sunday is one of our favorite Sunday School/Small Group traditions at South Main. Why? Because sometimes the simplest things can make a big difference. We have **two big goals** for this special Sunday:

1. Let's put names with faces! We are blessed with a growing church family, and with growth comes a wonderful challenge: *Who is that person I see every Sunday? I know I should know their name...* Name Tag Sunday solves the mystery! Wearing a name tag gives all of us permission to call one another by name, introduce ourselves, start a conversation, and get to know our church family a little better.

2. Let's bring someone new! Name Tag Sunday is also a great opportunity to invite a friend, neighbor, coworker, or someone who isn't currently connected to a Sunday School class or Small Group. After all, when everyone is wearing a name tag, nobody feels like the new person!

This week letters are being mailed to ensure you receive your blank name tags and instructions. If you don't receive your nametags in the mail, or you forgot your name tags, no worries! Name tag stations will be available at each building entrance, along with extras for guests and friends.

Come ready to wear a name, learn a name, invite a friend, make a connection, and **eat a donut!** It could be one of the easiest and most enjoyable things to make our growing church feel a little smaller.

Hello, my name is... Andy.

I can't wait to learn a few more names!



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