

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts	
Attendance	8/3/25	August 7 - August 13	
Sunday School Attendance	657	Steve Wilkie 864-910-2888 paparef9922@gmail.com	
Giving for the Week of	8/3/25	August 14 - August 20	
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Budget Requirements	\$38,576.00		
YTD Received	\$1,214,793.00	David Tuck 864-992-0877 cdtuck71@gmail.com	
YTD Budget Req.	\$1,195,842.00		
World Missions	\$1,775.00		
Designated	\$2,135.00		

FAMILY GROUP NIGHT
"Playing Favorites"
(James 2:1-9)

READ IT
If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. (James 2:8-9)

DISCOVER IT
Have you ever seen someone get special treatment just because they were rich, popular, or dressed nicely? Or maybe you've noticed someone being ignored because they didn't look important or have much to offer. In James 2:1-9, the Bible warns us not to show favoritism. God values every person equally, not based on their money, clothes, or position, but because He made them and loves them. As followers of Jesus, we're called to treat everyone with the same love, kindness, and respect. When we play favorites, we are not acting like Jesus, and we actually break God's command to love our neighbor as ourselves.

- ASK IT**
1. Can you think of a time when you saw someone being treated unfairly because of how they looked or what they had (or didn't have)?
 2. Why do you think God cares so much about how we treat other people? What does it mean to "love your neighbor as yourself"?
 3. How do you think Jesus would treat the rich and the popular? How do you think He would treat the poor and the overlooked?

- LIVE IT**
1. Realize that God doesn't play favorites, and we shouldn't either. Every person matters to God, so every person should matter to us.
 2. Realize that loving our neighbor means treating everyone with kindness, whether they can do something for us or not.
 3. Realize that true faith shows up in how we treat people, and especially those who are different or overlooked.

PRAY IT
Dear Jesus, thank You for loving us all the same. Help us to see people the way You do. Forgive us for the times we've judged others or treated someone unfairly. Give us kind hearts, open eyes, and the courage to love our neighbors - every one of them - as ourselves. In Your name we pray, AMEN.

"Playing Favorites"
(James 2:1-9)

In the light of the "glorious Lord Jesus Christ," the Bible condemns _____

Favoritism is when we accept someone solely based on their _____

God does not show favoritism. He shows no _____

The Lord doesn't look on the outside; He looks at the _____

Loving your neighbor is the heart of King Jesus; it is the _____

When we show favoritism, we break God's law and _____ before Him

Let your faith work and you'll see the _____ of loving your neighbor

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THE
MESSENGER
To experience and express the love of Christ

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Dr. Toby Frost,

Andy Roberson has always reminded us, "South Main is not a church WITH small groups; we are a church OF small groups!" And... every person needs to be part of one of our small groups for Bible learning, prayers, support, accountability, ministry, and reaching others. And... with this in mind, I want to urge our teachers and leaders not to forget our Leader's Meeting tonight. Join us for great food, and super strategy as we reach out to our community and world for Jesus through groups! "See you tonight at 6:00 PM!"

This Week at South Main

10	SUNDAY	11	MONDAY	12	TUESDAY	13	WEDNESDAY
8:30AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM - Sunday School Small Groups 11:00AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare 1:00PM – Adult Flag Football Game 5:00PM – Choir Practice 6:00PM – Sunday School Leader Dinner		6:00PM – -Jean Glaze Meeting room E201 C		6:00PM - Men's Recovery Bible Study & Meal		6:00PM – -Preschool: Wee Trackers -Elementary: Truth Trackers -Students: Midweek -Prayer Meeting D-GROUPS: -Marriage Series: A305 -Acts: 304 -Daring Joy: A307 -Mormonism: A308 -Revelation: A207 7:15PM – Band Practice	
14	THURSDAY	15	FRIDAY	16	SATURDAY	17	SUNDAY
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SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP


AUGUST 19 | 11:00AM
CONNECTING PLACE

SAFETY AWARENESS
FEAT. SHERIFF KELLY

SIGN UP IN SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CHURCH OFFICE



COLLEGE SUNDAY



AUGUST 24

WORSHIP: 8:30AM
COLLEGE GROUP: 9:45AM

COME TO COLLEGE GROUP FOR A FREE BREAKFAST & GIFT

8:30 Worship

<i>The Lords Prayer (It's Yours)</i>	Praise Band
Welcome	Bradford Russ
<i>Oh But God</i>	Praise Band
<i>Abide</i>	Praise Band
Message: "Playing Favorites" James 2:1-9	Dr. Toby Frost
<i>O Come To The Altar</i>	Praise Band
Wrap Up	Andy Roberson

11:00 Worship

<i>Prelude</i>	Cynthia Adams, Piano
<i>We're Marching To Zion #524</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>When We All Get To Heaven #514</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Welcome	Bradford Russ
<i>The Last Days Medley</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Offertory Prayer	Susan Frost
<i>No More Night</i>	Chancel Choir and Orchestra
Message: "Playing Favorites" James 2:1-9	Dr. Toby Frost
<i>Share His Love #567</i>	Congregation
Benediction	Andy Roberson
<i>Postlude</i>	Keith Polatty, Organ

NEW MERCH



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Available August 3-20



Online giving is available for your convenience.
Visit our website at www.southmain.church

August Mission Project



College Welcome Bag & Good News Club

We only have a couple of weeks before our college students begin classes at Piedmont Tech, Erskine and Lander University. Join us as we welcome back college students during the month of August! We are also excited to promote the launch of our Good News Club weekly bible program at Pinecrest Elementary School. Here are few ways you can participate:

· **Participate in the BCM Lander Prayer Walk** on Tuesday, August 12th @ 6:00 PM. Meet at the Lander BCM building. Walk or drive with your spouse, walk as an individual or join some Lander BCM students.

· **Give \$15.00 to purchase a "College Welcome Bag" and we will do the shopping for you.** You can give your gift at www.southmain.church and click on "GIVING." Click on the "FUND" for a drop down which reads, "College Welcome Bag." Each bag will contain ink pens, highlighters, snacks and a gift card from Chick fila.

· **Or you may give \$15.00 to purchase a bible and devotional** for a child who attends our Good News Club at Pinecrest Elementary. Follow the same giving instructions as above. Look for the drop down box which reads, "Good News Club."

· **Volunteer to serve at our Good News Club** Our afterschool club takes place each Tuesday afternoon at Pinecrest Elementary. Contact Brenda Culbertson to learn more about how you can volunteer. Brenda.culbertson@gmail.com

For more information visit our mission display during the month of August.

Andy Roberson




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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!

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ready for baptism?

text the word "baptism" to sign-up!

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MEET MY FRIEND

Experiencing and Sharing Friendship with God

Meet My Friend Moment:
Text a new friend and ask them how you can pray for them today.