

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts	
Attendance	04/12/26	April 16 - April 22	
Sunday School Attendance	555	William Holladay 864-993-7550 wholladay1221@gmail.com	
Giving for the Week of	04/12/26	April 23 - April 29	
Budget Receipts	\$40,250.00	Bill King 864-337-9552 scrufytam@gmail.com	
Budget Requirements	\$40,698.00	Gene Pinson 864-993-4824 lepinson72@gmail.com	
YTD Received	\$583,409.00	Rett Templeton 864-980-0952 Rett.templeton@gmail.com	
YTD Budget Req.	\$610,468.00		
World Missions	\$1,835.00		
Designated	\$8,044.00		

Family Group Night
"Finding the Kindness of God"
2 Samuel 9

READ IT
Please take time to read the entire chapter of 2 Samuel 9.

DISCOVER IT
Mephibosheth never went looking for King Saul. The king went looking for him. Hidden away in Lo-debar—a place whose name means "no pasture"—Mephibosheth lived with shame, fear, disability, and poverty. As the grandson of Saul, he had every reason to believe David would destroy him. Instead, David summoned him—not for judgment, but for kindness.

David's kindness was not based on Mephibosheth's worthiness but on a covenant, he had made with Jonathan. Everything that followed flowed from that promise: restoration of land, a new identity, daily provision, and a permanent place at the king's table. This is a powerful picture of the gospel.

Like Mephibosheth, we were once spiritual fugitives—living far from God, unable to fix ourselves, and expecting judgment. We did not seek God because of our goodness; God sought us because of His grace. Through Jesus Christ, God extended kindness to us—not because we deserved it, but because He is faithful to His covenant love. Grace changes addresses. Grace changes identities. Grace changes tables. When the King calls your name, He does not remind you of your past—He restores your future.

- ASK IT
1. In what ways do you see yourself in Mephibosheth's story?
 2. Are there areas of shame or fear that still make you feel distant from God?
 3. What does it mean for you today to "sit at the King's table"?
 4. Who might God be calling you to show His kindness to this week?

- LIVE IT OUT NOW
1. If you are a follower of Christ, pray thanking God for his forgiveness and kindness to your lost soul.
 2. If you are not yet a follower of Christ, pray and ask Christ to save you from your sins, death and distance from God. If you need help knowing how to take this next step, please reach out to our ministry staff or Andy at 864-223-4377.
 3. Finally, take time to show the kindness of God to someone this week? Who might this person be? This can be done as a family or individually.

SERMON NOTES

Finding the Kindness of God
2 Samuel 9

Finding Mephibosheth (2 Sam. 9:1-4)
 Mephibosheth's _____ (1 Sam. 15:23)
 Mephibosheth's _____ (2 Sam. 3:1)
 Mephibosheth's _____ (2 Sam. 4:4)
 Mephibosheth's _____ (2 Sam. 9:4)

Calling Mephibosheth (2 Sam. 9:5-8)
 David's _____ (vs. 3, 7)
 David's _____ (vs. 7-8)

Learning from the Story of Mephibosheth
 We are to show the kindness of God to our _____.
 We are to bless those who are possibly _____.
 We too are _____.

- How?
- A new _____.
 - A new _____.
 - New provision.
 - New _____.

God's Message Today: The story of Mephibosheth reminds us that God is still _____ for people living in Lo-debar—places of shame, fear, and barrenness. And when the King calls your name, _____ changes.

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THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

FINDING THE KINDNESS OF GOD

2 SAMUEL 9



Dr. Toby Frost,

Andy's preaching today and it's gonna be great! Welcome Andy! Also, I want to encourage your attendance at an important church business conference this Wednesday, April 22. At this conference you will hear a report and update about the pastor transition plan. Please know our staff, leadership council, personnel committee and deacons have been prayerfully working on this. So, come hear a progress report and please PRAY for God's will to be done in the exciting days ahead!



This Week at South Main

19 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 1:00PM- Bible Basketball 3:00PM- Grief Support Group 5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal 5:00PM- Properties Committee 6:00PM- Mission Mobilization	20 MONDAY	21 TUESDAY 6:00PM- Men's Recovery	22 WEDNESDAY 6:00PM- Preschool: Wee Tracker Elementary: Truth Tracker Students: Midweek 6:00PM- Business Meeting 6:00PM- Prayer Meeting 7:30PM- Worship Team Rehearsal
23 THURSDAY	24 FRIDAY	25 SATURDAY Upward Volleyball	26 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

Pastor Update & Transition Plans

business meeting

APRIL 22 | 6PM
WORSHIP CENTER

FILL OUT YOUR COMMITMENT CARD TODAY!

Available in the Lobby & Front Foyer

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8:30 Worship

<i>Raise a Hallelujah</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Welcome and Morning Prayer	Bradford Russ
Reach + Renew Report	Martin Moore
<i>Battle Belongs</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
<i>That's The Power</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Andy Roberson
<i>Defender</i>	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson

11:00 Worship

<i>Wonderful Grace of Jesus</i>	Cynthia Adams, Piano; Keith Polatty, Organ
Welcome and Morning Prayer	Bradford Russ
<i>He Lives #533</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra, and Congregation
<i>Because He Lives #407</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra, and Congregation
<i>Who Can Satisfy My Sound Like You?</i>	Becky Sumerel, Soprano
<i>Amazing Grace! How Sweer the Sound #330</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra, and Congregation
Reach + Renew Report	Martin Moore
<i>Were It Not For Grace</i>	Meagan Wilburn, Soprano
Morning Message	Andy Roberson
<i>Grace Greater than Our Sin #329</i>	Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson
Postlude	Keith Polatty

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GRAD SUNDAY

APRIL 26 8:30 & 11AM

GO+

MISSIONS UPDATE

southmain.church/missions

One Church. Many Nations. — May 3

Many at South Main are already familiar with our mission partnership with **Clarkston International Bible Church (CIBC)** in Clarkston, Georgia. For those who may not know, Clarkston is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in North America. Each year, more than 3,000 refugees arrive in this unique city, fleeing political or religious persecution in search of asylum. These refugees represent numerous unreached people groups, and many have never heard the name of Jesus.

Over the past three years, South Main has partnered with CIBC through prayer walks, summer outreach camps, and project support—such as providing diapers and school supplies—all with the purpose of sharing Christ and making disciples. Through these short-term mission opportunities, our church family has been able to serve and learn within a meaningful cross-cultural context.

Join Us on May 3

On Sunday, May 3, you are invited to join others from South Main for a **one-day mission trip to Clarkston**. This special opportunity fulfills their annual initiative, "One Church... Many Nations." Beginning at 10:00 AM, we will worship together with CIBC and its many language congregations. Imagine joining in one worship service while hearing praises to God in languages such as **English, Swahili, Arabic, Burmese, Nepali, and Urdu**—a beautiful picture of God's kingdom.

How You Can Participate

To take part, simply text "*missions*" to 864-392-9815. You will receive additional details, including early departure time, specific assignments, and other important information related to the day.

Andy Roberson

IMPACT STORY SPOTLIGHT



South Main Baptist Church has laid a foundation for my life and the ministry to which God has called me. Through pastoral leadership, meaningful relationships, and a deep love for God's Word, the people and staff have shaped who I am. I am forever grateful for the South Main family.

*Dr. Mac Brunson,
Senior Pastor,
Valleydale Church*

MORE IMPACT STORIES

