

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts	
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>01/11/26</b>	<b>January 15– January 21</b>	
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<b>Giving for the Week of</b>	<b>01/11/26</b>	<b>January 22– January 28</b>	
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Budget Requirements	\$40,698.00	<b>January 22– January 28</b>	
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YTD Budget Req.	\$81,396.00		
World Missions	\$530.00		
Designated	\$1,548.00	Bubba Culbertson 864-554-0662 gculbertson@gmail.com	

FAMILY GROUP NIGHT  
"Engage with Scripture"  
(Psalm 119:9-11)

**READ IT**  
"How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to your word. With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." (Psalm 119:9-11)

**DISCOVER IT**  
Psalm 119 is the longest chapter in the Bible, and it is a beautiful song of love for God's Word. These verses address a timeless question: How can we, especially young people, keep our lives pure and aligned with God's will in a world of temptations and distractions? The psalmist answers clearly: through God's Word. Scripture isn't just a book to read; it's a guide for daily living, a heartfelt pursuit of God, and a powerful defense against sin. When we actively engage with the Bible, reading, memorizing, and applying it, we invite God's truth to shape our thoughts, our choices, and our character. This passage reminds everyone that that God's Word is essential for spiritual growth and protection at any age.

**ASK IT**  
1\_ Verse 9 asks, "How can a young man keep his way pure?" Name some temptations or distractions today that try to pull us off God's path.  
2\_ Verse 10 says, "I seek you with all my heart." What does it look like to seek God wholeheartedly as an individual or family?  
3\_ Verse 11 talks about hiding God's Word in our hearts. Why is memorizing Scripture helpful for avoiding sin? Share a favorite Bible verse if one comes to mind!

**LIVE IT**  
1\_ God's Word is the key to purity, so live according to Scripture. It will keep your paths clean and guard you from sin.  
2\_ Wholehearted seeking leads to God's guidance: When we pursue Him fully, He helps us stay on track and avoid wandering.  
3\_ Memorize and internalize Scripture: Hiding God's Word in your hearts to equips you to resist temptation and live in obedience.

**PRAY IT**  
Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of Your Word that guides us and keeps us pure. Help me to live according to Your truth. Ignite in my heart a passionate desire to seek You wholeheartedly. Guard me from straying and give me strength to hide Your Word deep in my heart so I won't sin against You. As I engage with Scripture daily, let it transform my life and draw me nearer to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

# SERMON NOTES

ENGAGE WITH SCRIPTURE  
(Psalm 119:9-11)  
(Sermon #1 in "The Eight Attributes of a Modern-Day Disciple")

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One way to engage with scripture is to \_\_\_\_\_ the word. (vs. 9) The way is not \_\_\_\_\_. It is \_\_\_\_\_ rooted in God's Word."

When you begin to \_\_\_\_\_ God and His Word with your \_\_\_\_\_, your prayers change from casual requests into earnest cries. (vs. 10)

When you treasure God's Word in your heart, it does not merely inform us; it \_\_\_\_\_ us, \_\_\_\_\_ us, and keeps us from \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 11)

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# THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ

8 Attributes of Discipleship  
Week 1:

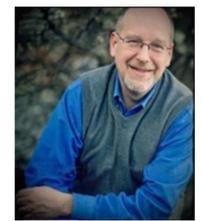
# Engage Scriptures

groups

# ADULT D-GROUPS

WINTER 2026

STARTS JANUARY 21 AT 6PM  
SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/DGROUPS



Dr. Toby Frost,

Guests and new members are cordially invited to attend our next **Discover South Main** event! DSM is a wonderful time where Susan and I have the chance to share about the awesome history, mission, and vision of our church, and how YOU can get more connected. There are two options to attend – Sun Jan 25 at 4:00 PM and Wed Jan 28 at 6:00 PM. So... if you haven't yet been to a Discover South Main event, this one is for YOU. **Great childcare** is provided, and **ALL are welcome!** Just go to our website [www.southmain.church](http://www.southmain.church) to sign up. We need YOU to help make us an even better church for the Lord. "See you at Discover South Main!"

# This Week at South Main

18 <b>SUNDAY</b> 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 3:00PM- Grief Support Group 5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal	19 <b>MONDAY</b>	20 <b>TUESDAY</b> 6:00PM- Men's Recovery	21 <b>WEDNESDAY</b> 6:00PM- Preschool: Wee Tracker Elementary: Truth Tracker Students: Midweek 6:00PM- Prayer Meeting 6:00PM- Adult D-Groups Return 7:30PM- Worship Team Rehearsal
22 <b>THURSDAY</b>	23 <b>FRIDAY</b>	24 <b>SATURDAY</b> Upward Basketball Gameday #3	25 <b>SUNDAY</b> 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 4:00PM- Discover South Main 5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal

**discover** southmain **DISCOVER MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH.**

**JAN. 25 | 4PM OR JAN. 28 | 6PM**

REGISTER AT [SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/DISCOVER](http://SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/DISCOVER)

**ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

**SCAN TO REGISTER \$50 PER PLAYER**

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

## 8:30 Worship

<i>Take You At Your Word</i>	Praise Band & Congregation
<i>Welcome &amp; Morning Prayer</i>	Bradford Russ
<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	Praise Band & Congregation
Holy Hands	Praise Band & Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Toby Frost
<i>Same God</i>	Praise Band & Congregation
Closing	Andy Roberson

## 11:00 Worship

<i>Prelude</i>	Cynthia Adams, Piano
<i>How Firm a Foundation #338</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Welcome to Worship & Morning Prayer	Bradford Russ
<i>Wonderful Words of Life #261</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
<i>Holy Bible, Book Divine #260</i>	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Offertory Prayer	Andy Roberson
<i>Order My Steps</i>	Chancel Choir
<i>King of Kings</i>	Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Toby Frost
<i>Open My Eyes, That I May See #502</i>	Congregation
Postlude	Keith Polatty

**take YOUR next step**

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Online giving is available for your convenience. Visit our website at [www.southmain.church](http://www.southmain.church)

## adult midweek discipleship groups

Winter 2026

A winter round of adult discipleship groups will launch on January 21. Our elective classes are offered at 6:00 PM and at the same time as our Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting. Some individuals choose to attend the prayer meeting, some will serve our preschool/elementary/students, while others will elect to attend one of our short-term group options. To learn more visit [www.southmain.church](http://www.southmain.church)

1. **Insanity of Obedience:** Based on the documentary *The Insanity of God*, this Bible study presents missionary Nik Ripken sharing true stories of people who are suffering for the name of Jesus. This study is an invitation to open your heart, your mind, and your eyes to the realities of walking with Jesus in difficult places. This six-week study is led by Andy Roberson

2. **Financial Peace University:** As stewards of God's resources, learn step by step how to budget, save money, and build wealth for the future. No complicated blah blah here. FPU teaches simple, commonsense principles that work.

3. **Acts:** Join David Payne and Dr. Jared Tavernier for a verse-by-verse study through the book of Acts.

4. **Heaven: (Women's Study):** What will Heaven be like? What will we do there? God tells us He is preparing our true home, but what does that mean for my everyday life today? Come and discover the answers from God's word as we see how our life on earth is a pointer to the main aspect and person of Heaven, Christ Himself! Group Leader: Jennie Galloway.

**GIVE ONLINE**

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