By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts
Attendance Sunday School Attendance	8/31/25 e 544	September 4 - September 10 Randy Culbertson 864-993-909 50randyculbertson@gmail.com
Giving for the Week of Budget Receipts Budget Requirements	8/31/25 \$30,732.00 \$38,576.00	Michael Petrella 480-797-4680 ppgpetrella@gmail.con
YTD Received YTD Budget Req. World Missions	\$1,361,233.00 \$1,350,144.00 \$1,266.00	September 11 - September 11 Ben Davis 864-980-5294 benhd1968@gmail.con
Designated	\$1,539.00	Gene Pinson 864-993-4824 lepinson72@gmail.con

FAMILY GROUP NIGHT "True Wisdom" James 3:13-18, Focus Vs. 13

READ IT

"Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom." (James 3:13)

DISCOVER IT

Wisdom is more than knowing facts or giving clever answers. According to James, true wisdom shows itself in the way we live. Earthly wisdom often leads to pride, jealousy, and conflict, but heavenly wisdom is pure, peace-loving, gentle, and full of mercy. In other words, wisdom is not just what we know. It's how we live in relationship with God and with others. When we follow Christ, our lives should reflect His character. True wisdom is revealed not in our words alone, but in our actions, attitudes, and the way we treat people.

ASK IT

- 1. What do you think it means to be "wise"? Can someone be very smart but not wise?
- 2. James says wisdom is shown "by good conduct" (v. 13). What are some examples of wise behavior in everyday life?
- 3. Verses 17 and 18 list qualities of heavenly wisdom (pure, peaceable, gentle, etc.). Which of these do you think you need most in your life right now?

LIVE IT

- 1. Understand that wisdom from above is more about character than knowledge.
- 2. Allow God's wisdom to produce peace, gentleness, and mercy, while avoiding the worldly wisdom which produces selfishness and division.
- 3. We show true wisdom when we live out our faith with humility and love toward others. So, work with your family and friends to pursue God's wisdom together, growing in unity, peace, and joy.

PRAY IT

Heavenly Father, thank You for showing me the difference between earthly wisdom and the wisdom that comes from You. I confess that I often try to handle life my own way, and it leads to frustration and conflict. Please fill me with Your Spirit and guide me to live with purity, peace, gentleness, and mercy. Help my family, my friends, and me to be an example of true wisdom, bringing peace and encouragement to others. In Jesus' name... AMEN.

True Wisdom James 3:13-18

Definition of Wisdom - True wisdom is seeing the world; the way God sees it.
Demonstration of Wisdom - True wisdom quietly reveals itself in a and in
Denial of Wisdom - Harbors bitter envy, selfish
Demonic Wisdom - Rooted in the of the world.
Divine Wisdom – Pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of and good fruit, impartial and
True Wisdom – It's about Christ filling your You just have to

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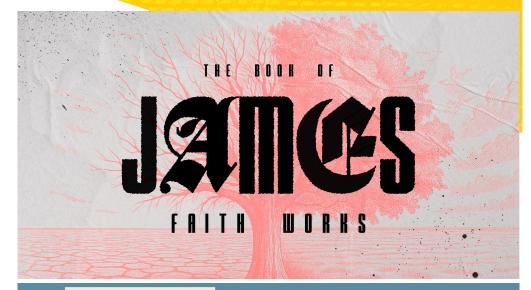
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SEPT. 9 - OCT. 28

WOMEN'S **BIBLE STUDY**

TUESDAY'S AT 9:30AM **CONNECTING PLACE**

CONTACT LYNN MATHIS LYNNMATHIS@GMAIL.COM



TONIGHT at 6:00 PM, we will gather here at South Main Baptist Church for a very special occasion - the ordination of Matthew Woodyard. Having grown up and served among us, Matthew has now been called to pastor Jordan Memorial Baptist Church, and they have requested that we his home church ordain him to the Gospel ministry. Everyone is invited to attend this meaningful service of worship, prayer, and encouragement as we send Matthew and his precious family out with our love and blessing. See you tonight!





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This Week at South Main

SUNDAY 8:30AM- Worship

Preschool Childcare -Children's Church .st/2ndGrades

9:45AM- Sunday School Small Groups

11:00AM- Worship Preschool Childcare

5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal

6:00PM—Matthew oodyard Ordination MONDAY

6:00PM- Jean Glaze Meeting E201C

TUESDAY

6:00PM- Men's Recovery Bible Study &

Meal

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6:00PM--Preschool: Wee Trackers -Elementary: Truth Trackers

WEDNESDAY

-Students: Midweek -Prayer Meeting D-GROUPS: -Marriage Series: A305 -Acts: 304 -Daring Joy: A307

-Revelation: A207 7:15PM- Band Practice

-Mormonism: A308

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

13 SATURDAY

14 SUNDAY

8:30AM- Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1st/2ndGrades

9:45AM - Sunday School Small Groups

11:00AM- Worship

5:00PM- Choir Rehearsal

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SEPTEMBER 16 LEAVING AT 9:30AM

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Grief Support Group

September 21 3PM | A-202 southmain.church/support

8:30 Worship

Only Jesus Can Praise Band

Welcome Bradford Russ

Holy (Song Of The Ages) Praise Band

> King Of My Heart Praise Band

Message: "True Wisdom" James 3:13-18 Toby Frost

Thank You Jesus For The Blood Praise Band

Wrap Up

11:00 Worship

Cynthia Adams, Piano

Susan Frost

Worship

Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation

Welcome

Bradford Russ

Kevin Garrison

Worship

Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation

Offertory Prayer

Worship

Chancel Choir and Orchestra

Message: "True Wisdom" James 3:13-18

Toby Frost Worship Congregation

Benediction

Susan Frost

Postlude

Keith Polatty, Organ



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September Mission Theme

CONNIE MAXWELL CORN MAZE

South Main is pleased to again partner Connie Maxwell Children's Ministry. In recent years we have been recognized as one of the top 25 giving churches over a period of 125 years. Thank you South Main for believing in the mission partnership with Connie Maxwell Children's Ministries.

We also partner beyond our financial giving...people resources matter as well. During the upcoming month there are several ways you can volunteer with our church to communicate the message of hope. Take a look at the volunteer opportunities below.

Volunteer @ Corn Maze - September 26 - 27 or October 3 - 4. Volunteer to assist at the annual corn maze. Volunteer opportunities include parking, tractor rides, working at the kids' zone and more. Shifts range from 3 - 4 hours. Currently we need approximately 50 volunteers from our church.

To volunteer, text keyword CORN MAZE to 864-392-9815 to receive the necessary registration link to volunteer at Connie Maxwell. Or you may immediately https://conniemaxwell.com/volunteer/ and click on the tab, single occurrence volunteer opportunities.

Local missions with a purpose!

Andy Roberson

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Meet My Friend Moment:

Ask a friend if they are looking for a small group to be apart of, then invite them to attend with you.