By the Numbers

	11/01/26
Attendance	
Sunday School Attendance	611
Giving for the Week of	**11/01/26**
Budget Receipts	39,421.00
World Missions	1,000.00
Reach & Renew	8,566.00
Designated	3,335.00
Budget Requirements	
YTD Received	1,660,894.00
YTD Budget Req.	1,790,706.00

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FAMILY GROUP DEVOTION

Jesus and Zacchaeus

FIND/READ IT: Luke 19

SAY IT: "Zacchaeus was a wee little man…" This line from a popular children's song is lighthearted and catchy, but it can make Zacchaeus seem more innocent than he likely was. Zacchaeus was a chief tax collector. In Jewish culture, a tax collector was the kind of person families warned their children about. People thought of tax collectors as thieves and extortionists—people who had betrayed the Jews to work with the Romans.

And yet, chief tax collector as he was, Zacchaeus became a conduit of one of Jesus' most beautiful moments of mercy and grace.

Luke writes that Zacchaeus "was trying to see who Jesus was." Something inside Zacchaeus was stirring, and he wanted answers. But the crowd blocked Zacchaeus' view, so he did something about it: he climbed a sycamore tree. He put himself in a place to see Jesus more clearly.

Our spiritual lives often require similar action. We must learn to constantly position ourselves to see Jesus more clearly by leaning into Scripture and spending time alone with God. We make time for prayer and for fellowship with other believers who encourage and challenge us. We guard our hearts as we choose what content to consume. These disciplines don't make Jesus love us more; they simply help us be in a better position to see and obey Him.

True obedience involves trusting Jesus and doing what He says. We don't negotiate the terms. We move when He speaks. Our obedience becomes a blank check, already signed, ready for Him to fill in however He desires. That kind of surrender is where transformation begins.

LEARN IT: "He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21 CSB

PRAY IT: Heavenly Father, thank You for showing us through Zacchaeus that no one is beyond Your grace. Help us to seek Jesus with sincere hearts, to place ourselves where we can see Him more clearly through Your Word, prayer, and fellowship. Give us willing hearts to trust and obey You without hesitation, and transform us by Your mercy into people who reflect Your righteousness. Thank You that Jesus, who knew no sin, became sin for us so that we might be made right with You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Sermon Notes

Dr. Brian Saxon

Joy In Working Together

Philippians 4:1-3

Stand _____ together (v. 1)

Be of the same _____ (v. 2)

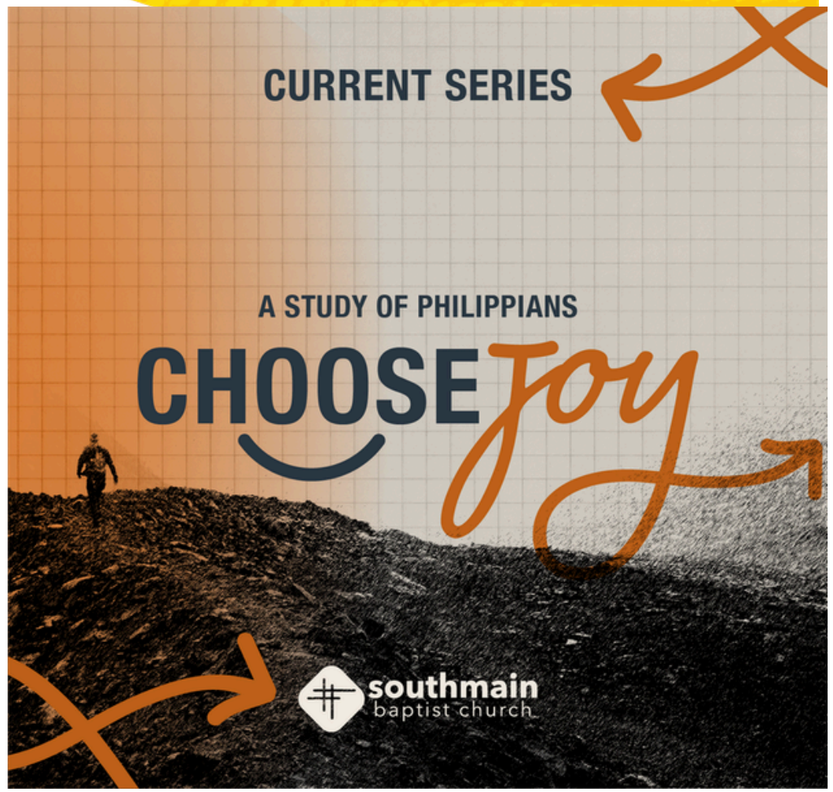
Help everyone _____ together (v. 3)

Choose the work of a _____

THE MESSENGER

To experience and express the love of Christ

11/08





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This Week at South Main

8 SUNDAY

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

9:45AM-Sunday School Small Group

11:00AM-Worship
-Preschool Childcare

3:00PM- Grief Support Group

4:00PM- Handbell Practice

5:00PM- Choir Rehersal

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9:30AM- Women's Bible Study: Joshua

12:15PM- Senior Adult Fellowship: Dempsey's Pizza

6:00PM- Men's Recovery

11 WEDNESDAY

6:00PM- Adult Discipleship Groups

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

6:00PM- Prayer Meeting

7:00PM- Finance Committee

7:30PM- Worship Team Rehearsal

12 THURSDAY

13 FRIDAY

14 SATURDAY

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8:30 Worship

Welcome	Ben Hjalmer
House of The Lord	Praise Band and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer	
Holy Is The Lord	Praise Band and Congregation
Praise The Lord Forever	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon

11:00 Worship

When We All Get to Heaven	Cynthia Adams, Piano; Keith Polatty, Organ
Welcome	Ben Hjalmer
He Keeps Me Singing #425	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder #516	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
No More Night	Chanel Choir and Orchestra
Pastoral Prayer	
Brethren We Have Met to Worship #379	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
God, the Father of Your People #382	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
In This Very Room	Becky Sumerel and Keith Polatty
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
Invitation to Respond	Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon
Postlude	Keith Polatty, Organ





This November, you have an opportunity to share the love of Christ with men, women, and youth who are incarcerated across South Carolina through our Christmas Prisoner Packet mission focus. For nearly 50 years, this ministry of the South Carolina Baptist Convention has provided a Christmas packet to every incarcerated individual in our state. These simple gifts become a tangible expression of hope, encouragement, and God's love during a season that can often be lonely and difficult. Even more importantly, many recipients are introduced to the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ.

Throughout November, Southern Baptist churches across South Carolina collect these packets, which are then distributed in December. We invite you to join us in this meaningful ministry.

How can you help? Purchase the following items and place them in a gallon-size zipper plastic bag. You may also pick up a bag and supply list at our mission display. Please return completed packets by **November 19.**

- One **BLACK** non-retractable pen (no wire clip; black ink only)
- One adult toothbrush (individually factory sealed)
- One adult toothpaste, 4 oz. to 6 oz. (no travel size)
- One bar of soap, 3.2 oz. to 6 oz. (no travel size)
- One 5" x 8" junior legal pad, white or yellow only (no wire-bound or composition books)
- Two first-class #10 **stamp-embossed** envelopes (purchased from the U.S. Post Office)
- Two rolls of hard candy (Lifesavers, Breath Savers, or Mentos only)

All items must fit inside the gallon-size zipper bag, and the bag must close securely.

Thank you for helping us remind those who are incarcerated that they are not forgotten. Of all the gifts you give this Christmas season, perhaps this one has the greatest potential to change a life for eternity.

Andy Roberson

Meet Our NEWEST MEMBERS!



Jake Berry



Jane Burgdorf



Shelby-Anne Scruggs