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2018 Missions Offering: The Heart of the Church



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We are now accepting donations toward our annual Missions Offering that will culminate on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018. Our goal is to raise \$125,000 that we can give to our Mission Partners here and across the world.

Deacon Hospital Visitation Training

On May 20 at 12:45 in Chafin 210, deacons who would like to become a part of South Main's Deacon Hospital Visitation or those deacons who are a part of this ministry who would like to receive some additional training, are welcome to attend a Deacon Hospital Training/Orientation led by Greg Funderburk and Gillian Cooke. The training will last about 45 minutes. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Lonnie Campbell at lonnie@smbc.org. A lunch will be provided if you RSVP.

ONE LORD

ONE FAITH

ONE BAPTISM

Please join
the Horton family
in the Fellowship Hall
following the
11:20 AM service
on May 20
for a special celebration
honoring
Nick Horton
on his baptism
and profession of faith.

With cake and ice cream,
family pictures,
and a special
word of blessing,
we gather for
an informal opportunity
to encourage
and love on him.

Dolores Rader's 10th Anniversary Recognition



Dolores Rader is celebrating her 10th anniversary as a minister at South Main Baptist Church this year.

During worship on May 20, we will recognize her ministry among us.

Please don't miss this celebration of our favorite Minister to Families!

“Whenever I reflect on Dolores Rader, I always think about her smile. It is the best smile on the planet hands down because, aesthetics aside, it is genuine. I think she is genuinely happy to see and greet each and every one of us. In fact, I have the distinct impression that we are all her favorite.

I asked my children what they appreciate most about Ms. Dolores, and independently of each other, both answered that, “she works so hard to make sure everyone is happy.” I can remember the first Kids' Night Out I ever attended; the theme was Candyland, and the Fellowship Hall was utterly transformed into this magical land. Or when the gym was completely remodeled to resemble Nazareth. Dolores does work hard, and her mammoth efforts are not lost on us or our children.

What I appreciate most about Dolores is how much she loves my children. In working so hard to make sure that our kids have 5 interested/involved adults in their lives, she has become one of those adults. I thank God because as my son would say, Mrs. Dolores is a BOSS at kindness.”

– Shannon Dove

“Dolores has a magical ability to connect with each and every child and family and make them feel like they are her favorite in the whole world. From holding my hand before a surgery to taking our kids overnight so we could have an adult getaway to taking our middle schooler out for ice cream after school, she truly is the family of God for us at South Main.

Despite seemingly juggling a million balls at once, Dolores always finds a minute to lend a listening ear or give a warm hug or fit my child into an activity after I've missed the registration deadline. At the same time, she's always focused on the long game of growing our children into committed disciples of God. We have more than just a regularly scheduled set of fun Christian activities for our kids because Dolores is there making sure every interaction is a connected step on the path to discipleship.

Sometimes I wonder how God can love and care for all 7 billion people on this planet. But I think he gave us Dolores so we could see a living example of boundless compassion, joy, and love.”

– Lisa Marie McLaughlin

“Dolores is a ray of sunshine. It is inspiring how much she loves ALL of the children, students, and families at South Main Baptist Church. Every child knows they are loved and cared for by her.

I am thankful to see Dolores living out the great commandments of loving God and loving others in many aspects of her ministry. She also strives to live out the great commission of making disciples of all nations, baptizing them, and teaching them to obey everything Christ has commanded. I know she is not perfect, but many times she seems practically perfect in every way!”

– John T. Spoede, Jr.

Congratulations and Thank You, Carol Shattuck!



Houston mayor, Sylvester Turner, issued a proclamation designating Wednesday, May 2, as “Carol Shattuck Day” in Houston. The proclamation recognized Carol for her many years of advocacy for early childhood education.

The following link leads to an article reflecting on the legacy Carol will leave when she retires from her post as president and CEO of Collaborative for Children later this

year. Be sure to watch the video that is included in the article.

<https://tinyurl.com/ShattuckLegacy>

MainKids Musical: Life of the Party

What a privilege it was to be with the amazing kids and adults that made this year’s MainKids Musical: Life of the Party such a great show. These kids are so full of talent. I loved gathering in small group with them to read through the Bible stories and parables presented in the show. They never failed to offer spot on insights during our discussions with that raw honesty of childhood. It is a beautiful thing to see the seeds of faith sprouting as these kids dive into scripture and sing together, with songs like:

“Though we come from different places we know one day we will stand face to face with God, who holds us in a strong and caring hand. And we’ll find that we are closer than the bonds that we can see, children of the One who loves us for all eternity.”

I am so thankful for all of the other adults whose big hearts pour into this ministry. Leigh Anne Bryant’s passion for music is infectious, and how she can keep a room full of fifty kids focused and singing on pitch is beyond me. Cleavy McKnight, Cindy Hippel, Alison Jefferies, Yosdee Arenas, Kendra Skipworth, Lauren Rader, Missy Wells, and many others worked hard to create a safe space for these kids to blossom into their roles. While watching the kids excitedly sign shirts after having bravely performed, knowing they are loved and celebrated, I see future leaders of the Church, and I know it is in good hands.

– Lauren Raimer-Goodman

*Celebrating and navigating Mondays through Sundays
from week one to week 936
toward authentic and lasting faith in Christ.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- 20 Last day for Missions Offering
Dolores Rader’s
10th anniversary recognition;
Pentecost
- 27 Single Service Sunday
(10:00 AM Worship, 11:00 AM SS,
No lunch)
- 28 Memorial Day, Church office closed

JUNE

- 3 Food Pantry
- 6-10 Tribe Mission Trip
- 11 Walk with Me/MainStreamers
- 12-14 MainKids’ Water Park Camp
- 13-15 CBF General Assembly
- 21-22 MainKids’ Camp In
- 24-29 Youth Mountain Camp
- 25 Walk with Me/MainStreamers,
Deacons’ Mtg



Worship Flowers

A family or individual from our congregation may contribute an extra measure of beauty to our sanctuary by donating a flower arrangement to honor a family member, a friend, a group, or simply to commemorate the anniversary of a birth, a marriage, or a death.

If you would like to give flowers for this purpose on an upcoming Sunday please contact Susan Moore by email at susan@smbc.org.

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Our Weekly Records

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Budget Receipts	\$	73,041
Weekly Budget Needs	\$	78,225
YTD Receipts	\$	1,211,791
YTD Budget Needs	\$	1,486,275
Designated Receipts	\$	11,088
YTD Missions	\$	81,342

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MAY 2018

Sunday -Relationship with God and others	Monday Pray for church staff	Tuesday -Members, visitors, ministries	Wednesday -The sick, needy, oppressed and Armed Forces	Thursday -Houston, workplaces, school and neighborhood	Friday -The world, social justice, religious freedom and peace	Saturday -Gratitude for people, events and things in our lives
1 Our spiritual growth; giving more of ourselves to God	2 Worship Ministry: Steve/Carey, pastoral care team & support staff and their families	1 Families; the church as a place of growth for parents and children	2 Those in mourning and periods of grief <i>Pray for our choir as they make a recording and share their gifts with the world</i> SANCTUARY CHOIR	3 Our workplaces and those looking for work	4 Latin America OSA staff, other volunteers	5 Offer thanks for opportunities in our lives
6 Generosity of spirit toward those around us <i>Pray for our pastor and his family as we celebrate their work in our midst</i> STEVE WELLS 15TH ANNIVERSARY	7 Adult Education Ministry: Greg & support staff	8 Visitors to our church & those seeking answers, meaning in life,	9 The marginalized & poor, those seeking assistance, Grace Wood, EAC <i>Pray for our families as the school draws to a close</i> LAST NIGHT OF FAMILY MINISTRY	10 The streets of our city; First responders	11 Asia, North Korea, China	12 Offer thanks for God's presence and authority in our lives
13 Openness to God's leading in our lives <i>Pray for our mothers as we set aside a special day to honor them</i> MOTHER'S DAY TEA	14 Youth Ministry: Suzann, J, VOX, and SS leaders	15 Visitors to our church; GO Team & Outreach	16 MANNA ministry worship & friendship for the homeless, SEARCH <i>Pray for our homeless neighbors and the relationships that are formed at Chess Club</i>	17 Internationals in Houston; those who need a friend	18 Africa, Europe	10 Offer thanks for God's care and guidance
20 Our growing in the knowledge of God <i>Give thanks for Dolores and her vision and for the 10 yrs she has ministered among us.</i> DORIS RAIDER 10TH	21 Church Admin-Brad, Susan and support staff P	22 New members: A place of connection & acceptance here	23 People with illness,, the elderly and their caregivers, Amazing Place; Sojourn House	24 Our communities; those needing friends South Main at Home	25 People who are in places with armed conflicts; refugees and their families	26 Offer thanks for the challenges that make us trust more
27 Insight for showing God's love and mercy <i>Give thanks for those who have given their lives in service to our country</i> MEMORIAL DAY	28 Children's Ministry: Dolores, staff and families	29 Adult communities' teachers, leaders, and classes	30 People serving in the military & government	31 People who are homebound or isolated		