

# South Main Today

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## Wednesdays in August

### 12:00 PM: Lunch served

\$9 (adults), \$7 (seniors and youth/Tribe) and \$5 (MainKids and Mini-MainKids)

### 12:15 PM: Bible Study

Pastor Steve will lead us to discover insights into the parables unique to Luke's gospel.



## South Main Summer Musicals presents Hello, Dolly!

This year's South Main Summer Musical is "Hello, Dolly!" Performances are Friday and Saturday evenings, August 10 and 11 at 7:30 PM, and a Sunday matinee on August 12 at 2:00 PM.

Lynda McKnight is reprising her role as Dolly Gallagher Levi, and this performance will certainly be a highlight of your summer. All shows will once again be performed at the MATCH Theater located at 3400 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002.

Tickets are on sale now! All tickets are purchased through the MATCH ticket office at <https://matchouston.org/events/2018/hello-dolly> or 713-521-4533.

Premium Seats \$50  
General Seats \$30  
Youth \$20 (ages 13 – 18)  
Child \$10 (ages 6 – 12)

## SMBC/Buckner Shoes for Orphan Souls Henry Hill Memorial 2018 Shoe Drive



South Main's 2018 Buckner Shoes for Orphan Souls Shoe Drive is under way. Join us in the Welcome Center on Thursdays through August 30th, anytime between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM to help unpack and prepare the shoes for children in need.

If you would like to contribute a new pair of shoes, they are being collected in the Welcome Center. A monetary gift that is used to purchase shoes in bulk, may be made by writing a check to SMBC or online at [smbc.org/giving](https://smbc.org/giving). Please designate the contribution is for "Shoes for Orphan Souls."



Contact Damon Ankenman  
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for more information.



When you partner with Shoes for Orphan Souls, the new shoes you donate don't just bring joy – they can save lives.

Hear from a boy living in a slum in Nairobi, Kenya about the importance of shoes:

First when you wake up in the morning, the most important thing to do first is to find out where are your shoes so that you can do the rest of your work. Why shoes are useful: when you walk without them, your legs can get injured by anything dangerous like bones, thorns, and many others.

## Walk with Me/ MainStreamers



“Journey of Faith and Courage” is the title of our program brought by Gillian Cooke on Monday, August 13. She will share how God uses all our experiences to further His Kingdom, good

or bad, joyful or petrifying. When there is a divine purpose in your life, nothing or no one can stop it from happening.

Table games start at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall followed by lunch (\$7) served at 11:45 AM and the program starting about 12:15 PM.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### AUGUST

- 10-12 Hello, Dolly! at MATCH
- 12-14 Family Ministry Transition events
- 15 Midtown Midweek Midday Bible study and lunch
- 16 Shoe Unpacking in the Welcome Center
- 19 Family Ministry Leader Training
- 21 Family Swim Night
- 22 Midtown Midweek Midday Bible study and lunch, Sanctuary Choir Kickoff Retreat
- 23 Shoe Unpacking in the Welcome Center
- 29 Midtown Midweek Midday Bible study and lunch
- 30 Shoe Unpacking in the Welcome Center

### SEPTEMBER

- 2 Single Service Sunday, Promotion Sunday, Regular Adult SS classes resume, Shoe Packing Day
- 4 SMILE year begins
- 5 County Fair
- 9 Family Ministry Programming begins, Blood Drive

## Register for Adult III Retreat

It's time to sign up for our special retreat held at Camp Allen in Navasota, October 3-5. Our theme will be “A Closer Walk.” A closer walk with God? A closer walk to the dining room? A closer ride to the Camp? And a closer relationship with your fellow South Mainers? Marvin Gaspard will be our special musician for the three days and two nights. Our speakers will be our very own ministers. There will be lots of time for table games and time in the great outdoors. We even have some competition games on the schedule. You can register online or mail a check to the office. Let Lonnie Campbell ([lonnie@smbc.org](mailto:lonnie@smbc.org)) know if you need more information. You won't want to miss this, so sign up soon!

## South Main's Mornings at MacGregor



South Main's Mornings at MacGregor are a chance for everyone, be they young or young at heart, to support the work we're doing at an elementary school right in our neighborhood. August 18 is our next Morning at MacGregor. We'll be doing hands-on work, filling needs that are outside the resources of this wonderful school.

We'll gather at 8:30 AM in the Welcome Center then move to MacGregor's campus just around the corner at 4801 La Branch St. Our work will conclude by 12:30 PM. If you can't make it for the whole event please know that any time you can be there will be well spent.

Teachers will just be coming back to school and this occasion gives us a chance to help them as they do the hard work of preparing for the year to come. This opportunity has something for everyone and includes kid-friendly options. Projects will range from organizing supply closets and classrooms to making teacher appreciation gifts to painting, power washing, and freshening up playground equipment.

For more information please contact J Hill at [J@smbc.org](mailto:J@smbc.org). We hope to see you there!



## Family Swim Night

### END OF SUMMER FAMILY SWIM PARTY

What better way to end the summer than with family, friends, pizza, and swimming! Join us on Tuesday, August 21, from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Quillian Center located at First Methodist Houston's Westchase Campus. South Main has exclusive use of the swimming facilities which include a large swimming pool with dual slides and two diving boards. The smaller pool, known as the "Noah's Ark Pool" is shallow and provides a good area for splashing with a mushroom water drop, a rainbow slide, a coconut water drop, and spraying water from Noah's animals to complete the fun! Join us for a relaxed evening to visit with other parents and let your children enjoy the final days of summer together. Cost for the evening is \$25 per family and includes pizza, drinks, and dessert.

# SUMMER SUNDAY MORNINGS

Summertime can be a season of soul-expanding adventure— a time when we break from our regular schedules, perhaps travel a little, and hopefully take some deep breaths to reorient and renew ourselves.

At South Main, our Summer Sunday Mornings are designed with all of these things in mind. Instead of our regular Sunday morning classes, we have three exciting venues to foster this sense of renewal. Sunday mornings from 10:10 to 11:10 AM, running through August 26, make plans to be in one of the following spots:

## Bible Study

### August 12

Peter Almond, *Questions from the Bible: What are you doing here...?*

### August 19

Peter Almond, *Questions from the Bible: Has Your God... been able to deliver you...?*

**Fellowship Hall**

## Contemplative Practices

### August 12 & 19

Michael Raimer-Goodman and Dave Robertson

**Chafin 214**

## Life Stories & Roundtables

### August 12

*Hearing God in Music:*  
A Panel with Jake McKim, Brook Ballard, and Mark Jones  
Moderated by Greg Funderburk

### August 19

*Finding God in Literature and Writing:*  
A Panel with Seth Humble, Angela Holder, & Charis Smith  
Moderated by Greg Funderburk

**Loessner 207**

## Five Dates

This fall the Family Ministry invests in marriage with a five date adventure creatively named "Five Dates."

Five Dates is for couples. Married couples. Engaged couples. Couples who are just starting out or who have been together for decades. Here is what "Five Dates" offers:

- 1** A His and Hers "Five Dates" Workbook focusing on presence, talking styles, gratitude, origins, and dreams.
- 2** Five Friday nights of childcare at the church (August 24, September 7 and 21, October 12, and November 9) from 7:00 - 9:30 for infants through 7th grade
- 3** A devoted Facebook group community
- 4** One evening of sharing, encouragement, and laughter (Friday, September 21)
- 5** Opportunities to hear advice and life experiences from other church members (Wednesday evenings, September 12 and November 14)

Cost for the entire package is \$60 and includes all five nights of childcare for all children in the immediate family up to 7th grade. Cost for just the books is \$25. Sign up no later than September 6 online at <https://www.smbc.org/ministries/family-ministry>.

*Couples will not sign up for individual nights of childcare. Your reservation allows you to use any or all of the five nights of childcare. Childcare on the designated five nights is ONLY open to couples participating in the Five Dates program and who have registered on or before September 6.*

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## Our Weekly Records

### Tithes and Offering 8/5

Budget Receipts	\$	59,970
Weekly Budget Needs	\$	78,225
YTD Receipts	\$	1,925,350
YTD Budget Needs	\$	2,424,975
Designated Receipts	\$	4,314
<b>YTD Missions</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,767</b>

## Your Offerings Make a Big Difference Each Week



AUGUST 2018

<b>Sunday</b> -Relationship with God and others	<b>Monday</b> Pray for church staff	<b>Tuesday</b> -Members, visitors, ministries	<b>Wednesday</b> -The sick, needy, oppressed and Armed Forces	<b>Thursday</b> -Houston, workplaces, school and neighborhood	<b>Friday</b> -The world, social justice, religious freedom and peace	<b>Saturday</b> -Gratitude for people, events and things in our lives
			1 People serving in the military & government <b>EAC BACKPACK DISTRIBUTION</b>  Pray for the children who receive school supplies to feel the love of Jesus	2 Our workplaces and those looking for work	3 Latin America OSA staff, other volunteers	4 Offer thanks for opportunities in our lives
5 Generosity of spirit toward those around us  r	6 Adult Education Ministry: Greg and Family Team Ministries	7 Families; the church as a place of growth for parents and children	8 Those in mourning and periods of grief <b>MIDTOWN MIDWEEK MIDDAY</b> Pray for our August Bible Study, at its new time, to be a way for people to discover God's word	9 The streets of our city; First responders	10 Asia, North Korea, China <b>HELLO, DOLLY!</b> Pray for the participants' safety and making 2 AM friends, and the audience who might be introduced to our church family through this musical	11 Offer thanks for God's presence and authority in our lives
12 Openness to God's leading in our lives	13 Children's Ministry: Dolores, staff and families	14 New members: A place of connection & acceptance here	15 People with illness, the elderly and their caregivers, Amazing Place; Sojourn House	16 Internationals in Houston; those who need a friend <b>SHOE UNPACKING</b> Pray that through this ministry, children around the world will learn about Christ's love and live more	17 Africa, Europe	18 Offer thanks for God's care and guidance <b>AM AT MACGREGOR</b> Pray for the teachers and students at MacGregor Elementary and our church members who are
19 Our growing in the knowledge of God and choosing God's way	20 Youth Ministry: Suzann, J, VOX, and SS leaders	21 Visitors to our church: GO Team and Outreach <b>FAMILY SWIM NIGHT</b> Pray for our families as they enjoy the end of summer and prepare for the start of a school year.	22 MANNA ministry worship & friendship for the homeless, SEARCH <b>SANCTUARY CHOIR RETREAT</b> Pray for our music ministry as the choir kicks	23 Our communities; those needing friends South Main at Home	24 People who are in places with armed conflicts; refugees and their families	25 Offer thanks for the challenges that make us trust more
26 insight for showing God's love and mercy <b>KINDERGARTEN BLESSING SERVICE</b> Pray for our Kindergarten children and their parents as they transition to full-	27 Worship Ministry: Steve/Carey, pastoral care team & support staff and their families	28 Adult communities, teachers and leaders	29 The marginalized & poor, those seeking assistance, Grace Wood, EAC Food Pantry	30 People who are homebound or isolated	31 Europe, Ukraine	