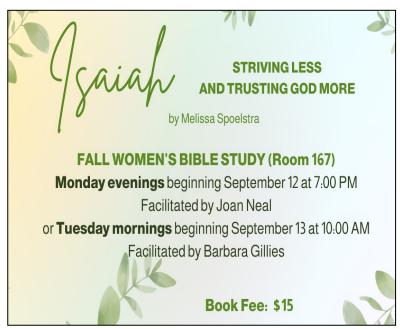
A free weekly support group designed to help rebuild your life GRIEF SHARE Thursdays (August 18-November 17), 6:30-8:15 PM in the Martin Room Contact griefshare.org or Esther Janis 281-732-9314 for more information

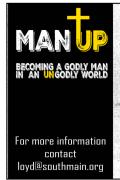




Saturday, August 13 10:00 AM in North Suite 107

Free to Preschool & Children's Volunteers \$35.00 for All Others

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED** 



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus:

The Explosive Power of Jesus' Parables by R. Albert Mohler Jr.

Monday nights, Great Hall A/D Starts Sept. 12 from 7 - 9 PM

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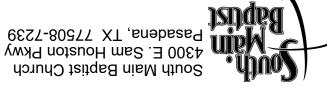
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9 AM GREAT HALL **BREAKFAST BY THE RESERVE** 

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

SENIOR ADULTS



# MAIN EVENTS

**AUGUST 2022** 



#### **DANIEL CROWTHER PASTOR**

Let it be known that on the Monday following my first Sunday as Pastor here, I decided to transfer my church membership and join South Main Baptist Church. It happened in the church office after Kim Pressly invited me to consider the possibility. That seemed to be the best way to go about such church business. If I weren't already the pastor then I could have walked the aisle following the sermon and taken this action. However, it's awkward to take the traditional route when you're already at the front of the church following a sermon you just preached. So I decided to join, not on account of the sermon, but because of Jesus and each of you.

When I told Kelley Trimble what I had done, she welcomed me into this faith family with a phrase that has evidently been used a lot at South Main over the years. Was it spoken over you too? "We promise to love you and let you love us." May the familiarity of that pledge never overshadow the beauty and boldness it calls for.

The promise to love a church and let them love you is certainly easier said than done. It brings to mind the apostle Paul writing that long letter to the church in Corinth. Those Corinthians were people too, and they came with their own set of problems just like any of us. Just peruse 1 Corinthians sometime where you'll get the sense that there were arrogant people, easily offended people, and immoral people all going to church together. Who would want to join the church at Corinth? It seems like a recipe for disaster. However, Paul seemed to believe that because Jesus died to redeem them (1 Cor. 6:11) and called them to be like Christ (1 Cor. 7:17, 11:1) that even the Corinthians were capable of receiving and offering love to one another (1 Cor. 13:4-8).

You might find it hard to love the church at times because of certain people within it who try your patience, kindness and all those other things Paul says love is. But consider the wisdom of Jimmy Dorrell, the founding pastor of Church Under the Bridge in Waco, who said, "The church is like Noah's ark: it stinks, but if you get out, you'll drown." Our God who calls us to life does not wish for us to drown. The sending of Jesus into the world and the establishment of his church undergirds this claim. So let us not jump ship on the places God has called us to love and be loved.

#### **Music Notes**

Dr. Kirk Lewis reminded us on July 10 of these truths:

Forget about what's happened. Don't keep going over old history. Be alert and present. God is about to do something brand new.

Isaiah 43:18-19

This is a wonderful thought to carry with us into the approaching Fall. There will be similarities to last Fall, but also new components and emphases in many of them. I'm quite energized by the upcoming possibilities, and I trust you are as well. I welcome these almost as much as I will welcome the cooler temperatures. They can't come too soon!

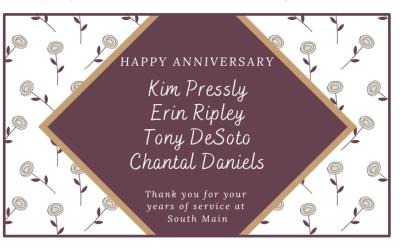
Wednesdays will transition to our official Fall program on August 17, with our Choir and Mission Kickoff in the FLC. We welcome all parents to come by and meet our music and mission leadership and register children for the new year at 6:30 pm.



Music and Mission classes will begin Wednesday, August 24, at 6:30. Children's music will run from 6:30 to 7:10 and missions will then begin at 7:15 and end at 8:00 pm. Hope you can join us Wednesday, August 17, for our 6:30 kickoff. It will be something old with something new.

Adult choir will be off and running on Wednesday, August 17. We begin at **7:15 PM** and always have room for one more. Come

**Student choir** for students in 7th Grade – College will begin Sunday, September 11. More information coming soon.



## **Children's Ministry**







# **FLC NEWS**





### Women's Ministry









Ezer is a new group from Main Women, led by Jenny Bright, designed to bring fellowship and community to all the ladies from college age up to 50 (but not restricted to this).

(smcd1998@yahoo.com)

#### Save the Date:

Ezer Main Women Kick-Off Friday, September 2, 2022 7 – 8:30 PM, Worship Center

September 7, 6:00 PM - Weekly Bible Study begins

# Notes from Jeff

There is excitement in the air each week now that we have a Senior Pastor again. There are many new ministry strategies that will be shared in the coming weeks, and I am convinced you will want to be a part of it. Beginning on Wednesday, August 24, Bro. Daniel will be sharing his vision. Make plans to be here and join us for dinner. Dinner is served from 5:30 - 6:15.

Our new church year is approaching quickly. Sunday School Directors need to be at our next meeting on August 14 to discuss the new church year and help set our goals and action plans for Sunday School. All Sunday School leaders should have been recruited and turned in to me by August 1. If you haven't, please do so soon.

When you look at the world around you, it's easy to be overwhelmed. In our new study. Difference Makers, you will discover the purpose and mission God has designed for you. You will learn how to become a difference maker who influences the world for Jesus Christ. You will learn how to make



the ministry God placed on your heart a reality. Above all, we will get off the sidelines and make an eternal difference in the world. Look for this 6 week study in September and October. Other options to be announced soon.

## Student Ministry Intel



