**FALL GOLF TOURNAMENT SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20** STONEBRIDGE AT NEWPORT 16401 Country Club Dr, Crosby SCRAMBLE WILL TEE OFF @ 8:00 AM \$50 PER PLAYER

Report from San Angelo Disaster Relief There were 15 on the rebuild team in San Angelo which included 6 from South Main. The 3 person shower team included

The people of San Angelo are hurting and are so grateful for the help. There have been 4 professions of faith on the *Texans* on Mission rebuilds. There were 2 professions of faith at dinner one night as we sat at tables of hurting people and shared God's love.

Everyone in the community wants to share their story. The first place we visited was the home of a disabled vet. After ministering to him, he told me his wife was in the other room on hospice. This man had started a home church with many attending. What a blessing!

2 of our own.

For Kinder - 5th Grade During the 10:45 Service

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# **MAIN EVENTS**

# September 2025

## **CLARIFICATION ON COMMANDMENTS**

Words have a way of becoming ambiguous. For example, I recently went to Daiken Park to watch the Astros play the Red Sox. It was there I saw a bat. In the context of a baseball game, you may assume I mean a wooden bat designed to hit a ball. However, in this case I'm referring to a small mammal who was flying over fans along the third base line. How the little critter managed to get in with the roof closed, I don't know. Unfortunately, this bat did nothing to help the Astros bats effectively win that evening.

When words become ambiguous, clarity is needed. Therefore, allow me to provide some clarity on the word law since I'll be preaching a sermon series on the Ten Commandments. Many refer to this as God's law, and some Christians will undoubtedly wonder why the church should bother looking at such a thing since "we are no longer under the law."

Indeed, when we consider all 613 commands in the Torah, Christians are no longer bound by all of them. One can read about the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15 and see how the early church resolved to not require Gentile believers to observe many of the laws written particularly for ancient Israel. Church reformer Martin Luther also helped by categorizing certain laws in the Old Testament as ceremonial, judicial/civil, or moral. Ceremonial law formerly designed to cleanse us when approaching a holy God has now been fulfilled through the perfect cleansing that comes to us through the sacrifice of Christ. Of course, we now live under the judicial or civil laws of our own land as opposed to those written for ancient Israel.

The Ten Commandments, which Luther would qualify as the moral law and I would argue is the heart of the law, remains to be universally good and beneficial for all of humanity. After all, who wants to be stolen from, lied to, or murdered? Circling back to the "we are no longer under the law" logic, no sane Christian would say, "Because of Jesus and grace, I now have an open license to steal from or kill people."

Nonetheless, I wonder how many of us could honestly share in the Psalmist sentiments when he writes, "The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy...in keeping them there is great reward." (Psalm 19:7, 11 NIV)

As Texas Senate Bill 10 has now required the Ten Commandments to be posted as a 16x20 inch display in the classrooms of public schools; some who do not hold a Judeo-Christian worldview will contend that the first three commandments about worshipping God conflicts with their religion. Ironically, no supporter of this Bill has kept all the commands they now require to be displayed (and neither have we). Consequently, James 2:10 tells us, "Whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it."

How, then, can we keep the law of the Lord and find it refreshing and trustworthy when all it truly does is remind us that we are lawbreakers? I propose personally getting to know the One who issued them in the first place. And just to be clear, that is what this forthcoming series aims to do.

Pastor Daniel

ENGAGING and EQUIPPING others to EXPERIENCE and SHARE God's Transforming Love

# **STARTING SEPTEMBER 3**

**NEW WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE** 

12:00 PM Twice Fed (Lunch & Auxano study) 5:30 PM Family Supper 6:00 PM Youth Snack Supper 6:30 PM Youth Illuminate 6:30 PM Auxano Classes

Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM

#### **AUXANO STUDIES OFFERED**

**NEW MEAL PRICES** 

- Galatians
- South Main Missions
- Guided & Given to Prayer
- Habits of the Household



#### **HOT MEAL - \$7**

Entree Side Salad Sides Dessert Roll

#### KIDS MEAL (free for kids 10 & under)

Entree Juice

Chips Kids Dessert

#### **SOUP & SALAD BAR - \$7**

Salad Bar Selections Soup, Crackers Dessert

#### **ADD ONS**

\$2 Soup (with Hot Meal) Dessert only \$1 Hot Meal and Soup & Salad Bar \$14

#### PLEASE NOTE: TO GO MEALS WILL NOT BE OFFERED

# GRIEF SHARE

Loss of a Spouse

It hurts to lose someone. Find help at GriefShare.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences.

You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.



Sunday, September 7 3:30 - 5:30 PM South Suite 167

# **Foster Hope**

#### **Support Group**

This support group for foster and adoptive families will meet on the second Monday of each month starting September 8. This group is facilitated by the Sanctuary.

9:00-11:00 AM

South Main Baptist Church 4300 E Sam Houston Pkwy S Pasadena TX 77504

Questions? Contact fosterhope@southmain.org





Rehearses Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:15 PM, following Auxano. The choir will sing most Sundays at 8:15 AM this Fall. Come join us!

#### STUDENT CHOIR

For singers 6th grade through college. Here is our schedule for September:

#### September 7

4:30 Rehearsal 5:30 Snack Supper 5:45 Board Games 7:00 Head Home

# September 14

Sing for 8:15 worship Sing for 10:45 worship 11:15 Rehearsal 11:45 Head Home

#### September 21

4:30 Rehearsal 5:30 Snack Supper 5:45 Bible Study 6:30 Head Home

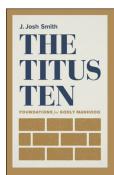
#### September28

4:30 Ministry Opportunity 6:00 Snack Supper 6:15 Rec in FLC 7:00 Head Home

#### **TEAM KID**

For preschool through 5th grade. Meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. The hour includes music and worship time each week along with missions, Bible study and recreation. There will also be opportunities to serve as worship leaders. Come enjoy this wonderful hour on Wednesday evenings.

Bobie



**BIBLE STUDY** 

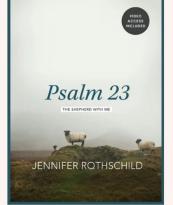
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**Registration Fee: \$10.00** (Includes book)

**MONDAYS SEPTEMBER 8 - NOVEMBER 10** 6:30-8:00 PM IN GREAT HALL AD

We will look at the 10 qualities from the Apostle Paul's short letter to his mentee, Titus. Led by Lonnie Cox.

#### **WOMEN'S 7 WEEK FALL BIBLE STUDY**



Mondays 6:30 - 8:00 PM **Beginning September 29** w/Jean Cain & Vicky Basye

Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:30 AM **Beginning September 30** w/Barbara Gillies

**Registration Fee: \$20** (includes book w/ video access)



PSALM 23 - A source of comfort in times of grief and a quide for living confidently in God's presence.



# **JOY Club for Seniors** 9:00 AM | Great Hall Play Games, Fellowship 8 eat Lunch for \$7

Invite your friends to join you!



Pre K-Kinder

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Let's play a game.

What's the first thing that comes to mind when you hear the word "Play"? Maybe this word is rooted in fun childhood memories or is anchored with a love for board games that only a true child-at-

heart would understand. What about the word "Learn"? Maybe you think of school, reading, or exploring new information as a detective would. How about the word "Praise"? Maybe this word conjures up memories filled with emotion of a time that someone praised you for something or when you were able to show someone genuine appreciation and love.

#### PLAY, LEARN, & PRAISE.

This year we will work to see God move through these three little words. On Wednesday nights in TeamKID, our children will **play** in a way that encourages them to build confidence and cooperation with those around them. They'll begin to see they have a unique place here at our church and, when working toward the same goal, there is nothing that can stop

We'll also dig deep into God's word and learn about who He is. As we **learn**, we'll ask God to help us share what we know with others. Every month will bring a new mission project designed to help us do just that.

Most importantly, we will praise. We will gather together and focus our hearts and minds on the goodness and mercy of our almighty God. We'll praise Him through song, prayer, and scripture. We'll rejoice in knowing the God who created us knows just how to lead us into true worship.

As it turns out, this isn't just for kids. I hope we all spend some time playing, learning, and praising this year.

Carrie

# South Main Youth 6TH - 12TH GRADES WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 6:00-7:45 6:45 WORSHIP GAME 7:00 MESSAGE 6:20 7:20 SMALL GROUPS

Summer has come and gone, but not without great moments! We had some awesome worshipful experiences at Camp, Bounce and Wow Week! I'm hoping to build on that momentum on Wednesday nights.

Our new schedule will implement small group times focused on discussion. We will have worship and a lesson followed by 20-25 minutes of small group time led by several volunteers! The hope is through guided discussion we can all grow in our relationship with Christ! Looking forward to a great Fall Semester!

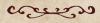
Kevin

## WOMEN ON MISSION **FALL ROUNDUP**

Thursday, September 4 10 am - 12 pm in Great Hall CF \* \* \*

Guest Speaker: Dr. James "Mac" McLeod

Western Heritage & Country Churches Consultant for BGCT



- · Learn about Mary Hill Davis Offering • Enjoy music about Faith, Family, &
- Freedom

LUNCH FOLLOWS FOR \$5

## TIPS FOR TEXAS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

As a way to raise money for the *Mary Hill Davis* Offering for Texas Missions, our TeamKID group will work for tips at the Family Supper.

Let the kids bring you a drink, get you a refill, and/or take your trash, then to thank them, leave them a tip to be used for Texas Missions!



**WMU** of Texas

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR TEXAS MISSIONS** 

CHURCH GOAL: \$14.000.00 SEPTEMBER 7 - 14, 2025