

this week

- Sunday, August 24**
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages,
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Benevolence Committee Meeting
3:30 p.m. Properties Committee Meeting
5:00 p.m. Student Discipleship
- Monday, August 25**
9:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. ESL Classes
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
6:30 p.m. Men's Ministry Game Night
- Tuesday, August 26**
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate
- Wednesday, August 27**
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
5:30 p.m. Kid's Choir Leadership Meeting
6:00 p.m. Student Worship & Prayer Night, Men's Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study-*What Every Christian Ought to Know*
6:45 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
- Thursday, August 28**
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry
6:00 p.m. Gideon's Meeting with Dinner
- Friday, August 29**
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
- Saturday, August 30**
8:00 a.m. Gideon's Meeting
2:00 p.m. 65th Anniversary Celebration for Marty & Cliff Richard

SUMMER IN SAMUEL
This Week's Reading Plan

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| ○ 8/24: 2 Samuel 20 | ○ 8/28: 2 Samuel 23 |
| ○ 8/25: 2 Samuel 21 | ○ 8/29: 2 Samuel 24:1-17 |
| ○ 8/26: 2 Samuel 22:1-30 | ○ 8/30: 2 Samuel 24: |
| ○ 8/27: 2 Samuel 22: 31-51 | 18-25 |

The Reading Plan is available on a printed bookmark at the Welcome Center.



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WELCOME GUESTS - We're glad you joined us! We would love to get to know you and/or pray for you. Fill out the form and submit prayer needs at southtulsa.info. If you're worshipping with us today, we invite you to stop by our Welcome Area for Guests, adjacent to the Welcome Center, after the service to meet a member of our team and receive a welcome gift.



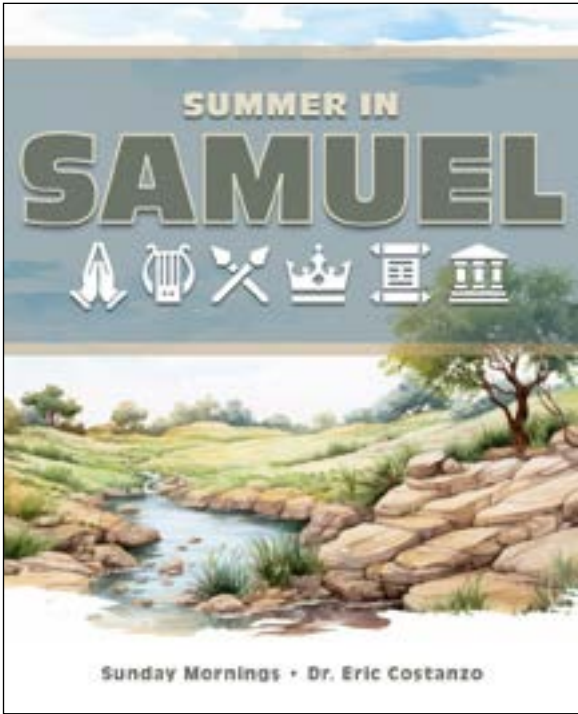
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS BEGIN AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 3 - Make plans to join us mid-week for our Fellowship Dinner, Bible Study and Prayer, kid's music and missions, student worship, choir rehearsals, men's and women's Bible studies, and more. There is something for everyone.

MEN'S GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY - Beginning September 3, men will meet on Wednesday nights, 5:45-6:45 p.m., in the Conference Room for an in-depth study of Paul's letter to the Galatians. This men's group follows the children's schedule on Wednesday evenings.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT - Beginning September 3, join us on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for The Highlights of the Old Testament Bible study in room C245 (above Fellowship Hall). We will examine some of the more obscure and less talked-about accounts from the Old Testament and see what the Holy Spirit has to teach us about the character and nature of God and how it can help us live our lives today.

PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY: DANIEL, PART 1 - Beginning September 4, on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Choir Room, join us for a study of Daniel. Please register [online](#); books are \$20 and may be picked up in the church office. Complete the first lesson before our first meeting.

(For more information about upcoming events, please go to southtulsa.org.)



SOUTH TULSA KIDS
Preschool Choirs
Children's Choirs
Mission Friends
Royal Ambassadors
Girls in Action

Begins 9/3

Music and Missions

Wednesday Nights
5:30 & 6:30 PM

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8:30AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 150:1-6 Philip Hudson
Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)
Holy Forever
Prayer and Welcome Julie DeYoung
New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 12:9-10
Worship in Giving, Children's Offering
King of Kings
Greeting Time
Video Announcements
Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 18:6-15 Emily Forney
Message "Summer in Samuel" Eric Costanzo
My Response *In Christ Alone*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing
Baptism Video

10:50AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 150:1-6 Jim Greenway
Musical Praise See Him Face to Face
Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)
Holy Forever
Welcome Julie DeYoung
New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 12:9-10
Family Dedication Caleb Smith
King of Kings
Prayer and Worship in Giving, Children's Offering
Offertory *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*
Connie Coleman
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Teach Me Your Paths

Michael Ware

When I was growing up, my family would often go to Crested Butte, Colorado in the summertime for vacation. It's such a beautiful place to enjoy the wonders of God's creation. One of our favorite activities was hiking the mountain. Instead of hiking up the mountain, we chose an easier plan of riding the chair lift up the mountain and then hiking down. This was probably a good idea for fairly inexperienced hikers. There was a gravel path down with more switchbacks than I could count. As a child, I didn't understand why it was necessary to make so many trips back and forth. I thought it would take forever! It did take patience, but those switchbacks were there because you can't hike straight down. As a young hiker, I had to learn the path and trust those who were with me to lead.

In Psalm 25, David writes:

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. (Psalm 25:4-5, ESV)

I am amazed at David's humility as king and leader over Israel. It was David's desire to know the ways of the Lord and be taught by Him. We can know that God's way for us is good and right. We may not appreciate all the switchbacks in our path, but we can trust how God leads us. His ways are true. He is the God of our salvation. There is forgiveness of sin because of His way for us in Jesus. Without Him, there would be no hope in us navigating our path down the mountain alone. We must have patience and wait on the Lord. It is so tempting for each of us to do our own thing and not follow as He leads. I pray that as we live our lives, we would know God's ways, follow His path, and wait on Him.

The Parables of Jesus

Jesus was a master storyteller. He knew how to craft stories that were relatable but hid the truth from those who didn't have ears to hear. Come discover the mysteries of the Kingdom as we study the 20+ parables of Jesus. What truths was Jesus revealing to some and concealing from others? How can we apply these timeless truths to our lives today? Our study begins at 9:40 a.m. on September 7, in the Pastor's Conference Room. All are invited. If you do not currently have a Sunday Bible Study Class, come check us out!

Become A Stephen Minister

Cindy Noyes, Stephen Minister

I have been a Stephen Minister, and I have had a Stephen Minister. In some periods of our lives, we may be burdened by a heavy load, either an accumulation of many worries all at once or one constant issue. Stephen Ministers have been trained to listen. We pray for you and can share Scriptures with you that are a strength and a reminder that God is the Great Physician. Whether you need the support for one or two visits, or weekly visits, we are here. "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2).

If you have the gifts of mercy and compassion, consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Please call the church office at (918) 299-0904.



CEO Widows Ministry

Autumn Joy

Fashion, Fellowship, and Food

The widows of South Tulsa are invited to gather on Saturday, September 20, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall for Autumn Joy! Enjoy a fashion show, wreath-making demonstration, and a chili/soup cook-off contest. Please RSVP by 9/15 at southtulsa.org/events, and let us know if you want to enter a pot of chili or soup in the contest.

Getting to Know You

New Members of South Tulsa



Welcome to Tom & Cindy Beswick who recently joined the church! Tom and Cindy moved to Tulsa four years ago

from the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. Tom grew up in Illinois and Cindy in Texas. They have three children and seven grandchildren. They have one son who lives in Tulsa and another in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, who is an associate pastor. Their daughter lives in the DFW area.

Tom was an attorney and retired four years ago. He enjoys playing pickleball. Cindy stayed at home to raise their children, and she enjoys doing Bible studies. They are members of the Empty Nesters' Bible Study class and Tom helps with the parking lot shuttle. They are both planning to join the choir in the fall, and Cindy looks forward to getting involved in the weaving ministry.

Suicide Prevention and Family Safety

Join us Sunday, September 14, for Suicide Prevention and Family Safety, an event sponsored by our Stephen Ministry. Lunch will be provided in Fellowship Hall right after the 10:50 a.m. worship service. The seminar will be taught by Daphne Hillhouse, LCSW, Suicide Prevention Coordinator at Jack C. Montgomery VA Medical Center (623), Eastern Oklahoma VA Health Care System. Learn about how to talk to someone who is thinking about suicide, the characteristics of our Veterans that put them at greater risk for suicide, resources in our area for mental health support, suicide from a Biblical perspective, and interventions we see in Scripture. Free gun locks will be available. Childcare is available for preschoolers (babies-K). Please bring a lunch for your preschooler; it will not be provided. This event is open to all adults. Children are excluded due to the sensitive nature of the subject. Please register by 9/7 online at southtulsa.org/events.

Bridge Builders Luncheon

Let's Celebrate Our Grandparents on Tuesday, September 2, at 11:15 a.m. in the Chapel. Our special guests will be the Four Guys Men's Quartet from First Baptist Church, Owasso. Enjoy a wonderful lunch, a songfest with Philip Stephens and Sherry Remy, and an inspirational message from Phil Dark. Sign up soon at southtulsa.org/events.

Constitution & Bylaws Update

The Constitution and Bylaws Task Force, along with the Advisory Council, bring an updated version of our Constitution and Bylaws to the members of South Tulsa Baptist Church for approval. There will be two opportunities to ask questions. The first Q&A will be Sunday, September 7, at 12:15 p.m. in the Chapel, and the second is on September 14 at 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel. You may pick up a proposed draft of the document in the church office or view it online at southtulsa.org/const or in Church Resources on the app.

Women's Ministry

Trivia Night

Please join us for a fun night of games and fellowship on Monday, September 15, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Please bring a snack to share. Childcare is available for birth through kindergarten. Please RSVP for childcare by 9/8.

Inside South Tulsa

Congratulations Cliff and Marty!

Please join us for a celebration of Marty and Cliff Richard's 65th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, August 30, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the South Tulsa Chapel. RSVP to allen@freedom-church.com.



last week

GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts \$511,662
Ministry Financial Plan 618,133
General Fund 78,882

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 456
Students 75
Children 110
Preschool 74
Unclassified 10
Total 725

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 32
People Helped 165
Showers 44
Hot Meals 120
Church Service 14
Needs: men's shorts and jeans.

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers 50
People Helped 266
Students-School Supplies 47
Needs: gently used athletic shoes, all styles children's shoes, children's fall weight clothing.

NEW MEMBERS

Alex & Molly Gifford by statement
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MINISTRY STAFF

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