

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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For The Record...

July 5th - Attendance	July 12th - Attendance
Sunday School 102	Sunday School 81
Worship 183	Worship 186
July 19th - Attendance	July 26th - Attendance
Sunday School 96	Sunday School 115
Worship 164	Worship 184



General Fund Offering (Weekly Budget Requirement \$7,349.15)


July 5 Offering	\$ 10,343.90
July 12 Offering	\$ 3,857.00
July 19 Offering	\$ 6,810.00
July 26 Offering	\$ 6,613.00
Budget Requirement YTD (30 Weeks)	\$ 220,474.50
Offerings Received YTD	\$ 201,103.79
Expenses (Actual) YTD	\$ 193,095.79
Designated Receipts YTD	\$ 33,294.66
Love Offerings (YTD)	\$ 398.00

SLBC Senior Pastor Travis Wood (770) 710-5351

SLBC Deacons *Deacons for the month of *August
 Brian Bishop 414-9831 Charles Conyers 446-8792
 *Ron Matthews 312-3036 *John Meador 960-8395
 Ted Priester 250-9753 Marion Steele 609-6115



The Road Of Life —God of our life, there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies gray and threatening; when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage. Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and saints of every age; and so quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life, to Your honor and glory. —St. Augustine

 The God on the mountain is still God in the valley; He is worthy of praise in all Seasons-Winter, Spring, Fall and Summer-don't take a vacation from Him. Put God first as He is worthy.



South Lexington Baptist Church
"Sharing Love Because of Christ"

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Our Mission

South Lexington Baptist Church exists for the sole purpose of glorifying God. Our mission consists of reaching people for Christ, worshiping in Spirit and in Truth, teaching people the Bible, training people (discipleship), ministering to people's needs, and fellowshiping with people in Christ's name. Let His Light shine through You!

- All Welcome!
- Sunday Worship 10:30 AM
- Sunday School (All Ages) 9:30 AM
- Evening Worship 6:30 PM
- Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7:00 PM
- Awana (Sept-April) 3 Yrs. thru 6 Grade

WELCOME ALL!!




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To Pastor Travis Wood, Andrea, and Boys (L-R) Taite, Owen, Reed & Caleb. We anticipate great things our Lord has in store at SLBC as they join our Family of Faith. Look for opportunities to encourage them in every way possible, especially with your prayers! They hope to see YOU Sunday!



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED Now is a great time to buy school supplies for the children in West Virginia. With supplies discounted along with tax free week-ends you can almost double your purchases! We will even purchase the supplies for anyone who donates money. Help us show these less fortunate children that others really do care and that Jesus loves them. Thank you for your support of this and ALL mission projects at SLBC. Marion Steele, Missions Ministry Leader.



- SS Teachers/Leaders/Subs-Meeting Aug. 9th after AM Worship**
- Deacon Nominations August 23rd**
- Lord's Supper & Benevolence Offering Aug. 30th**
- Sunday School Promotion & Awana begin September 6th**
- Church Picnic September 13th 3-6 PM (@ Fishers's Place)**



Deacon Nominations will be held on Sunday, August 23rd. These men currently serve as Deacons and are not eligible for nomination: Brian Bishop, Charles Conyers; Ron Matthews, John Meador, Ted Priester & Marion Steele. Deacon election will be held in November to fill vacancies of Ron Matthews and Marion Steele rotating off on December 31st. Pray for God's guidance and direction as you nominate God's servants as Deacons. Thanks to all these servants!



We will observe the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper on the 5th Sunday, August 30th and will also receive a special love offering for our Benevolence Fund.



God uses ordinary people to carry out His extraordinary plan.

AUGUST



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Pastor's Corner
 Greetings to all of you, the family and friends of South Lexington Baptist Church. It is with great excitement and gratitude that I write to you. First of all, I'm very thankful to our heavenly Father for bringing me and my family to South Lexington. This family of believers is one of the kindest I've ever had the privilege of being a part and I already feel right at home. I'm also thankful to God for the servant's heart that so many of you have. You have done so much to welcome us to the community and to make our transition as smooth as possible, and we appreciate that so very much. Secondly, I'm also very excited about what the Lord has in store for us as a church in the coming days. I believe with all my heart that God has some great things in mind for South Lexington Baptist Church, and I'm thankful to be a small part of it. I'm just sitting on the edge of my seat with eager anticipation waiting to see what God does. We serve a great and awesome God. And we serve a God who is zealous for His own glory. I know that more than anything else, God desires to glorify Himself here in Lexington, SC. I believe that the Lord wants to use South Lexington to be a tremendous influence for Him to our neighbors across the street to the uttermost ends of the earth. I believe He will do exactly that when we, as His people, completely surrender our lives over to Him for His use. So stay tuned because good news is coming! I also want to take this opportunity to inform everyone that I will begin preaching a series on Sunday mornings about what the Bible has to say about marriage beginning July 26th. The institution of marriage was created and ordained by God as the foundation for human society. Before there were governments, educational institutions, hospitals, social organizations, or even the church, there was marriage, the bedrock of society, and out of which all other institutions eventually come. Whether you're single, married or dating, I believe you will find this series both instructive and encouraging. So, plan to be here every Sunday and invite someone to come with you. Until next time, may the grace and peace of our God and Savior be with you all! In Christ's love, Pastor Travis.

DOLLAR\$ & CENTS **Be Generous to Others**--Generous is a word that our church culture has assigned multiple meanings to, such as giving more, giving a little more than what is expected, or giving until it hurts. What we see in Scripture is generous giving that gives beyond the expectation. Often, we think about giving generously only as associated to our finances; however, we should also give of any and all of our resources. Each of us can liberally share our time, energy, emotions, home, car, self, and so much more. Living a generous life means living beyond ourselves and looking to the needs of others. Solomon passed along wisdom when he explained that what we give will be seen again, as we give our lives away, we gain them back. Today, ask the Lord to point your eyes to those around you in need. Someone may need a listening ear, a hug, a bill paid, a ride to the store, or simply someone to care. Spend time with the Lord, asking Him to make you one who gives generous of all your resources and who goes beyond yourself. And remember; support your church with your time and resources as well as your tithes.
 Excerpted from "Open Windows". *Jerry Frick, Finance*

Living Memory
 Condolences and Christian Sympathy to the following Families and Friends in the loss of these loved ones: Andrea's Grandmother, Aura; Jessie Faircloth; Gail McIntosh; Zack Pace; Frank Peters; Jenny Poole and Pauline Wooten. We pray for God's Peace and Calm in all the storms of life. Please receive our prayers for God's Peace and Comfort during difficult times and days ahead. Although it is difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort your tomorrow.

Operation Christmas Child
 With reduced prices on school supplies and tax free weekend start collecting shoe box items now for this upcoming project. A Workshop is provided for: **Who:** Operation Christmas Child Church Project Leaders
What: Workshop to improve Church response **When:** Saturday August 8th, 10 AM - 12 PM **Where:** St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Irmo, 6952 St. Andrews Rd. Columbia, SC 29212. Call 788-5797 or e-mail johnmyers26@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

Food Pantry Needs
August Collection: Canned meats/vegetables.
 Food Pantry Hours: Wednesdays 10 AM - 1 PM

PRISON MINISTRY
 Life-Saver type mints, candy, and small note pads (like legal pads) for this month's Prisoner Packet collection. Thanks, Beryl & WMU Ladies.

F R O G (FOREVER RELY ON GOD)

MISSION NEWS

We give God the Glory and Praise for the safe return of our West Virginia Mission Team and especially for the 22 new believers! (Please pray for them). Make plans now to join us for next year's trip, July 9-16, 2016. Marion Steele, Missions

Sunday School Meeting
 We will have a meeting for ALL Sunday School Teachers, Subs & Leaders on Sunday, August 9th following AM Worship. We will meet in the classroom beside new kitchen (Young At Heart). Your presence is most important, please plan on attending. Thanks, Toby Spires, Sunday School Director

PRAYER FOCUS
 Pray for Pastor Travis, Deacons and their families and especially for each another. (Ephesians 3:17-19)



Sunday Schedule Morning Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Evening Worship 6:30 PM AWANA Sept.-May 5:30 PM	Wednesday Schedule 7:00 - 8:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7:00 - 8:00 PM Team Kids 7:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Meeting NO Celebration Choir Rehearsal during Summer
	Tuesday Schedule Discipleship Bible Study (Resumes in Sept.)
	On-Going Activities WMU-Last Tuesday (Resumes Sept. 30th) Seasoned To Serve-Sr. Adults-Last Thursday (Resumes Sept. 25)

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2 Gloria Steele 	3	4	5 Mel Harley	6 Walter Fulmer Gage Pennington Andrea Wood	7 Samantha McGee Ted Orcutt Tax Free Week-End	1 Hal Inabinet 8 Tax Free Week-End
9 Joe Wood, Jr. Tax Free Week-End	10 Alice Gless Joey Jennings Jared Steinmetz Kaylin Stratakos	11 Corinne Carter	12 Gerry Cox Amelia Rast	13 Hilbert Cantley	14 Micha Humphries	15 Kayla Hood
16 Sign-up to provide altar flowers for a Sunday 	17 Ronnie Aguilar 	18 Sandra Voelker	19 Mel Carlyle Judy Matthews	20 Erika Goff Rachel Kaney	21 Jerry Conyers, Jr. Debbie Hatchell	22
23 Deacon Nominations	24 Daniel Dahlgren Cheyenne McCune Leanne McCune Justin Hall Lorri Moorer	25 Margaret Fisher Kimberly Sharpe Blake Whitesides	26 Devin Dooley Maycee Jumper	27 Bruce Stanley	28 Wyatt Williams	29 Bonnie Ard Irene Farmer
30 Lord's Supper Benevolence Offering	31 Britt Altman Kyleigh McGraw Evelyn Stogner Caleb Wood					

IF WE'VE MISSED YOUR BIRTHDAY, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 957-8285 SO WE CAN UPDATE OUR RECORDS TO WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY! THANKS!!

An idol is anything that takes God's rightful place. God's help is only a prayer away.

God's love does not keep us from trials, but sees us through them.