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There are many ways you can be involved in serving the Lord and the people of South Church.

## » MISSIONS

**CFPM Sponsorships** We are in need of sponsors for the kids at the Child & Family Prison Ministry (CFPM) in northern Thailand. Sponsorship information is available on the missionary wall or contact Nancy in the office.

**The India Team** wants to thank you for your many prayers and support as we ministered with women and children in Kolkata. We will host an evening of testimonies and pictures on Sunday, May 6 at 4:30 PM in the Worship Center. We hope you will join us to hear about the amazing things God is doing in India.



Have lunch with a missionary at the **Mission Focus luncheon** Monday, April 23 at 12:00 PM in the Commons. We'll hear from Mike Winter (and family), sharing about his work with CBMC in Lansing. Call Detta Wesolek at (517) 323-4930 to reserve your spot. Come and see how God is working!

## » SPECIAL EVENING SERVICE

We are pleased to host the **Samaritan's Purse-Operation Christmas Child Regional Director** for the Middle East, Mr. Haytham Abi Haydar, at South Church on Sunday, April 29. Please join us at the 6:00 PM service to hear how the Lord is using shoebox gifts to open for the Gospel in the Middle East.

Born in Lebanon, Mr. Haydar spent 14 years planting churches in the Dearborn, MI, area prior to serving with Samaritan's Purse. His passion for evangelism and discipleship continues today through his leadership of Operation Christmas Child in 11 Middle Eastern countries. Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has delivered the Good News of Jesus Christ to children and their families in more than 160 countries and territories through Operation Christmas Child.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT

5:10 PM: Dinner, South Life Center

5:30 PM: International Ministries Prayer Team, Room 228 - Join the **legacy of prayer**.

6:30 PM: Bible Study & Prayer, Room 111 • Awana, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Men's Bible Study, Room 228 • Women's Bible Studies, Room 201 & Fireside Room  
Jr. High Awaken, Student Ministry Center • Sr. High Arise, Chapel

Join us for Wednesday night dinner. Sign up at [www.southlife.org/meals](http://www.southlife.org/meals) or call the church office by Tuesday at 4:30 PM. Call by noon on Wednesday to cancel. Cost: \$3.50 for adults/teens, \$2.50 for children 3-12, children under 3 are free. Family maximum is \$15. All meals include a salad bar, fruit, and dessert and a gluten/lactose free entree option. **On the menu this week:** Pizza

## PRAYER

If you have a prayer request that you would like the deaconesses to pray for, please call Connie Norman at (517) 323-3838 or Judy Search at (517) 882-5867.

## EMERGENCY NEEDS

A team is on hand Sunday mornings to respond to emergencies.  
If you have a need, please go to the Welcome Desk.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

2017-2018 Budget	\$2,999,312
2017-2018 Budget through March	\$2,999,312
Offerings through March	\$3,198,022

## OUR MINISTRY STAFF

Don Denyes	Senior Pastor
Doug Phillips	Executive Pastor for Ministries
Tim Van Loh	Pastor of Evangelism & Outreach
Corb Felgenhour	Pastor of Worship Ministries
Neil Odgers	Pastor of College Ministries
Shannon DeLap	Director of College Women's Ministries
Keith Sova	Pastor of Small Groups
Nick Nagy	Pastor of Student Ministries—Sr. High
Joel Wayner	Lead Pastor of Student Ministries—Jr. High
Heidi Cheney	Director of Elementary Ministries
Kathy Risch	Director of Early Childhood Ministries
Kelly Sites	Connections Director
David Seal	Business Coordinator

## WANT TO HEAR THE SERMON AGAIN?

Sunday morning sermons can be found online at [www.southlife.org/media-home](http://www.southlife.org/media-home), on CDs at the Welcome Desk, on the iTunes Podcast store (South Church Sermons), and on SoundCloud at [www.soundcloud.com/southchurchlansing](http://www.soundcloud.com/southchurchlansing).

## WIFI ACCESS

Wifi is available at South-Public on Sundays during service times.



## SOUTH CHURCH

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9:35 AM & 11:05 AM Balanced Service • 10:55 AM Creative Service  
6:00 PM Evening Service

Office Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Monday - Friday

## CONNECTION CARD

*Thank you for joining us today!*

Please place this card in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter at any exit.

Service:  Balanced 9:35  Creative  
 Balanced 11:05  Evening

First-time guest  Returning guest

Regular attendee  Member

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

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*Name(s)*

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*Address*

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*City/State/Zip Code*

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*Phone*

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*Email*

## AGE GROUP:

13-18  19-25  26-35  36-45  
 46-55  56-65  66-75  76+

## TELL ME MORE ABOUT:

- Being a Christian
- Baptism
- Membership
- Children's Ministry
- Student Ministry (Jr. High/Sr. High)
- College Ministry
- Men's Ministries
- Women's Ministries
- Adult Communities/Growth Groups
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Worship Ministries
- Chosen Ministry
- Prayer Ministry

## PRAYER REQUEST:



## CONNECT

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If you are visiting with us for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Desk at the main entrance to receive a guest packet.

## » COMMUNITIES



**Adult Bible Communities (ABCs)** are a great place to connect and study the Word on Sunday mornings. Groups of varied stages of life focus on learning God's Word together in a growing relationship of mutual care and encouragement. For more information, visit our website at [www.southlife.org/ministries/adult-communities](http://www.southlife.org/ministries/adult-communities) or contact Pastor Doug at [dphillips@southlife.org](mailto:dphillips@southlife.org).

9:35 AM

**Berean**, Room 206

**Journey**, Room 201

**Kainos**, Room 205

**Kaleo**, Room 204

**New Horizons**, Room 202

9:40 AM

**Christian Families**, Room 111

11:00 AM

**Friendly Bible**, Fireside Room

**God's Potpourri**, Board Room

**Homebuilders**, Room 111

## NEXT STEPS



Are you new to South? Whether you had the chance to RSVP or not, please join us for a luncheon today from 12:25-1:30 PM in the Student Ministry Center!

[www.southlife.org/simply-south](http://www.southlife.org/simply-south)



Who is Jesus? Why did He come? What does it mean to follow Him? This course will begin tonight at 5:45 PM in the Fireside Room. Please join us if you are interested in the basics of Christianity.

[www.southlife.org/christianity-explored](http://www.southlife.org/christianity-explored)

**Membership COURSE** The course to church membership begins with breakfast on Saturday, April 28 with 3 sessions to follow on May 6, 13, and 20 at 9:35 AM.

Yes, I'll be there! or RSVP at: [www.southlife.org/faq/membership](http://www.southlife.org/faq/membership)

**BAPTISM** Interested in learning more about baptism? Join us for classes on May 6 & 13, 2018.

Yes, I'll be there! or RSVP at: [www.southlife.org/faq/baptism](http://www.southlife.org/faq/baptism)

## » CHILDREN



Save-the-date for **VBS 2018: Snowed In June 25-29** from 9 AM-12:15 PM daily.

Online registration will be open May 13 at [www.southlife.org/vbs](http://www.southlife.org/vbs). Beginning May 13, there will also be a table in the Gathering space for sign-ups (both for kids to attend and adult/teens to serve) as well as invitations available for you to begin inviting!

**Awana Awards** is Wednesday, May 2 at 6:30 PM.

## » STUDENTS

**Jr. & Sr. High Youth Hour** meets today at 9:35 AM in the Student Ministry Center.



**Jr. High Awaken** continues Wednesday, April 25 from 6:30-8:15 PM in the Student Ministry Center.

**Jr. High Guys' Night** Friday, April 27 from 7-10:00 PM at South.



**Sr. High Arise** continues Wednesday, April 25 from 6:30-8:30 PM in the Chapel.

**Sr. High Junior and Senior Overnight Getaway** Friday, May 4 through Saturday, May 5!

## » COLLEGE



**College Hour** will meet today at 10:00 AM in the South Life Center.

**Graduates** We will be recognizing our college graduates next Sunday, April 29. If you would like to participate, please contact Katie in the church office at (517) 322-2000 or [ktreadway@southlife.org](mailto:ktreadway@southlife.org).

## » BAPTISM CLASSES

Baptism classes will be held May 6 & 13 at 9:35 AM in the Fireside Room for those who are interested in learning more about baptism. This is also the second installment of The Membership Course. Our baptismal service will be held at 6:00 PM on June 10.

## » GROWTH GROUPS



**Growth Groups** are small group Bible studies committed to growing together and in relationship with Jesus Christ as they are transformed through Bible study and prayer. If you would like to join a growth group, please contact Pastor Keith at [keithsova@southlife.org](mailto:keithsova@southlife.org).

## » MEN



**Tuesday Evening Bible Study** meets at 6:30 PM at Flapjack's in DeWitt. All men are invited. For more information contact Dan Loomis at (517) 643-3289.

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study** meets at 6:30 PM in Room 205. Men of all ages are welcome. We're discussing the Sunday morning sermons from Ephesians in depth. Contact Fred Nose at [frederick2n@gmail.com](mailto:frederick2n@gmail.com) for more information.

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study** meets at 6:30 PM in Room 228 studying Ephesians. Contact Dan Sutter at [danielsutter@gmail.com](mailto:danielsutter@gmail.com) or Dick Ranshaw at [rranshaw@att.net](mailto:rranshaw@att.net) for more information. Men of all ages are welcome.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study** meets 8:30-9:30 AM in Room 228. Men of all ages are welcome. For information contact Bill Post at (517) 267-9639.

**SPUR** will meet this week, April 27 and resume our regular schedule in May on Friday, May 4. SPUR is devoted to prompting spiritual growth and leadership among men. We meet the first and third Fridays of each month, from 6:30-7:30 AM at Panera in Frandor. For more information contact Brian Chapman at (616) 745-6275.

## » WOMEN



**New Spring studies are beginning soon!** You can visit our website [www.southlife.org/WomensStudies](http://www.southlife.org/WomensStudies) to register one week prior to the first class session to reserve your study materials.

• **Tuesdays, April 3-May 8 at 9:30 AM: Entrusted by Beth Moore.**

This study will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others, & pour into future generations. Facilitated by Nancy Denyes & Sheila Rynbrandt (Workbook \$14).

• **Tuesdays, April 10-May 8 at 12:00 PM: Precepts Study on Genesis Part 3.**

Abraham was called "the friend of God." Explore what you can learn from him to ground your faith, challenge your walk, & give you hope for the future. Facilitated by Pat Schaible & Marilyn Wagner. Contact Marilyn in the church office if you are new to Precepts to schedule an introduction session. (Workbook \$14).

• **Wednesdays, April 11-May 23 (note date change) at 6:30 PM: Manuscript Study of James.** This study will help you develop skills as you study the text of James & hear what it says about trials, wealth, favoritism, faith & deeds in the early church. Facilitated by Becky Bartlett & Emma Waltz (no fee, bring color pencils).

• **Thursdays, April 26-August 9 (Break on July 5/12) at 6:30 PM: Recovering Redemption by Matt Chandler.** Have you ever wondered, "why are things such a mess-even for Christians?" This study unpacks the nature of God with practical application. Facilitated by Dawna Kilgore (Workbook \$15).

**Never Alone** (widows) group will meet Thursday, April 26 at 1:00 PM at Buddy's (Corner of Holt Rd. & Aurelius). To reserve a spot, call Carol Sebard at (517) 256-1122 or Lois Freeman at (517) 449-3279.



# ORSHIP

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Listen to Sunday morning sermons online. CDs of today's message are available at the Welcome Desk following the services. CDs of the full morning service may be ordered.

## » BALANCED SERVICE

9:35 AM & 11:05 AM

*Come Thou Almighty King  
All Creatures of our God and King*

Scripture Reading

*Shout to the Lord*

Ministry Highlights

Prayer

Worship through Giving

*God Will Make a Way*

Special Music

*Worthy is the Lamb*

**Sit. Walk. Stand.**

Ephesians

Don Denyes

## » CREATIVE SERVICE

10:55 AM

*This is Amazing Grace*

Welcome

**Sit. Walk. Stand.**

Ephesians

Don Denyes

*No Longer Slaves*

*Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King*

Prayer

Worship through Giving

Ministry Highlights

*The Father's Love*

*Mercy Tree*

Scripture Reading

*Grace Alone*



## » EVENING SERVICE

6:00 PM

The annual meeting will take place after a slightly abbreviated service. Between the service and the meeting, parents should pick up their children so that those serving in children's ministry can participate.

- Christianity Explored begins at 5:45 PM in the Fireside Room.
- Kids' Choir (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, Room 212) begins at 6:00 PM.
- Sondown Station (K-2<sup>nd</sup>, Room 213) will be dismissed during the service.

APRIL 22, 2018