

this week

Sunday, August 13

Promotion Sunday!

8:30 a.m. Worship
8:40-9:40 a.m. Library Open
9:00 a.m. Early Sunday Bible Study Group
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Preschool Sunday Bible Study Lunch
12:15 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
4:00 p.m. CARE101 Meeting
6:00 p.m. NO Evening Worship

Monday, August 14

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project
8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
1:30 p.m. GriefShare
6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Tuesday, August 15

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project
9:00 a.m. ELP Teacher Planning

Wednesday, August 16

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project
9:00-11:00 a.m. ESL Registration
8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
5:45-6:30 p.m. Library Open
5:45 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
6:00-8:00 p.m. ESL Registration
6:20 p.m. Student Back to School Prayer
6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, August 17

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project
9:00-11:00 a.m. ESL Registration
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, August 18

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project
8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class

Saturday, August 19

8:00 a.m. Ezra Project, Deacon's Meeting
2:00 p.m. Naedean Neumeyer 85th Birthday

WEDNESDAY DINNER

August 16, 2017

Mesquite chicken, potatoes, salad, dessert and beverage.

Adults \$5, children \$3.50, family max \$18.

Please call the church office, 918-299-0904 to make your reservations by Tuesday at noon.

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY DAY TRIP #3 - Our last trip is to Bentonville, Arkansas and Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art on Saturday, September 9, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. sign-up now in the Commons or online at southtulsa.org/wevents.

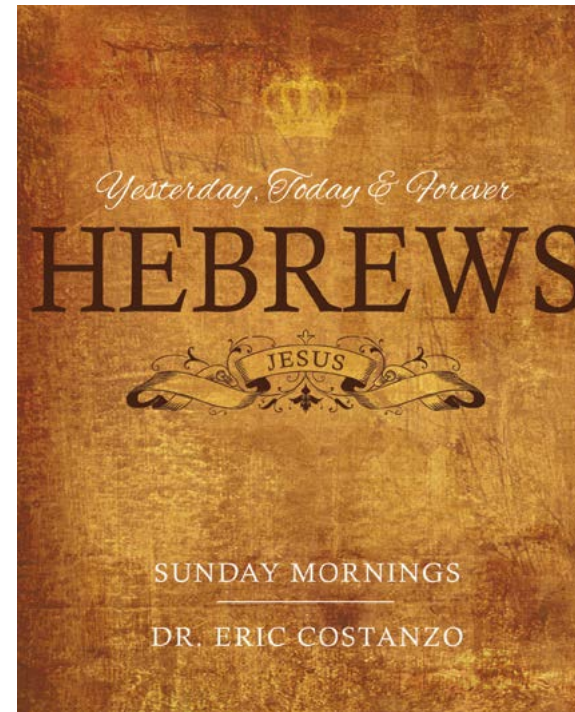
CHRISTIAN STANDARD BIBLE (CSB) - Starting with the Ezra Project (8/14), we will begin using the new Christian Standard Bible (CSB) in our teaching times on Sundays and Wednesdays and our Daily Bible Readings in our App. This is the same version that is now in all our Lifeway Adult Bible Study literature and will be used in all future Student, Children's, and Preschool materials. CSB is available in print at Lifeway and Mardel, to order online, and it is on all the Bible apps and Bible Gateway. For more information on the CSB and why it really is a great translation, go to: <https://csbible.com/about-the-csb/translation-philosophy/>.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR LEADERSHIP PLANNING MEETING - Wednesday, August 30, D-268-269, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Children's Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

THANK YOU - South Tulsa Baptist Church family, we, the Davis family would like to express our sincere gratitude for the heartfelt love you all showed during such a critical time in our lives. Your genuine efforts made Deborah's home-going celebration such a joyous occasion. Thank you! With love, Johnell, Paige and Nathan.

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for a special Women's Ministry evening event "Wonderstruck." More info coming soon.

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



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8:30AM Worship

Join Us @ South Tulsa

Everlasting God
The Solid Rock

Prayer and Welcome Dru Finley
Song of Thanks
It Is Well

Greeting One Another Eric Costanzo
Scripture Reading Kelsey Thompson
Message Hebrews 6:19-7:3
Response I Surrender All
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

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Tenth Anniversary - Kim Hayes Chuck Baukal
I Sing Praises

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo

Greeting One Another

Blessed Be the Name of the Lord

First Grade Bible Presentation Connie Faurot
Lord, I Need You

Choral Worship Give Me Jesus

Awesome in This Place

Giving Amazing Grace

Scripture Reading Kelsey Thompson

Message Hebrews 6:19-7:3

Response The Solid Rock

New Commitments - New Members

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Would You Give Up Everything For The Kingdom?

by Dr. Eric Costanzo

Last week we talked about two of Jesus' parables about the Kingdom in connection to our study of Hebrews. In both parables, a man sold everything he owned to buy something which was beyond value. For one, it was a field containing a treasure. For the other, it was a priceless pearl.

I don't know about you, but for me to continue to seek His Kingdom first often involves some "de-cluttering" of my life. When was the last time you evaluated these areas of your life?

- 1. Relationships.** No relationship should be more significant than our relationship with God. Amazingly, a healthy relationship with God will make our other relationships more fulfilled and more alive.
- 2. Goals.** If we set our goals without consulting God, we are likely to find ourselves moving us away from His best. Sometimes our goals become so entrenched that they are almost completely immovable, even by God Himself.
- 3. Status.** In our culture's economy, status often comes at the expense of others and even at the expense of ourselves. In God's economy, status is achieved by being the least and serving the most. In God's economy our identity is found in Christ and what He has done for us, not in what we do for ourselves.
- 4. Activities.** We live in a culture that offers and expects more than we can possibly sustain. Being busier doesn't mean we are more important or living fuller lives. It can actually mean the opposite.
- 5. Stuff.** If there is one thing about which the Bible is clear time and time again, it is that the love of money and the love of earthly things cannot fulfill us. Putting our trust in material things will become a barrier to truly experiencing God's best.

Are these areas blessings God is using, or barriers to your spiritual health? Perhaps all of us ought to consider some "de-cluttering."

VBS Offering

This year's VBS offering of \$1900.03 purchased: 70 pairs of shoes (35 girls and 35 boys), 142 pair of girls socks, 125 pair of boys socks, 171 girls underwear, and 87 boys underwear - that was given to the Ministry Center.

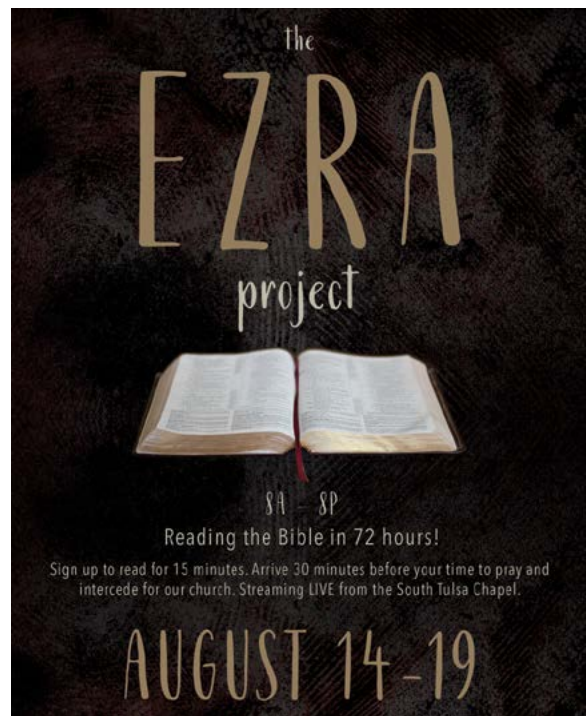


Scot Cameron



On Sunday, August 20, we will have the privilege of hosting Scot Cameron. Scot has led worship for some of our January Bible Conferences. Some of you have also heard him sing in

Branson. He presently serves as Worship and Arts Pastor at Sugarland Baptist Church in Sugarland, Texas. Our choir and orchestra will join him on some selections. Scot sings everything from spirituals to classics. He will be featured that Sunday morning and will present a concert that Sunday evening. Plan to attend as he leads us in a wonderful day of worship. An offering for Scot will be taken that evening.



Precept Bible Studies Beginning in September

Philippians

How to Have Joy (9 lessons) **Mondays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the Choir Room beginning **September 11**. How do I live the Christian life joyfully regardless of people or circumstances? What is the purpose of suffering and the Christian perspective on death? Do I have "the mind of Christ"? Discover true, deep-down joy in your life that the world cannot take away. The workbook is available in the church office for \$21. Please contact Patrick Lovelace at patricklovelace@cox.net, 918-286-3226 for more information or to enroll.

1 Peter

How to Stand Firm When Tested (12 lessons) **Thursdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the Choir Room beginning **September 7**. Are you prepared for suffering? Will trials and persecutions reveal your faith and bring glory to God? Listen to what Peter says to believers enduring tribulations. The workbook is available in the church office for \$27. Please contact Patrick Lovelace at patricklovelace@cox.net, 918-286-3226 for more information or to enroll.

Women's Bible Study

The Explicit Gospel

Ladies, join us for a 7 week fall Bible Study by Matt Chandler beginning on Wednesday, September 20 from 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. in room D165/166, child care provided. As Christians, we believe that we understand the gospel's call on our life. Do we understand that the gospel is not only for the unchurched, but for us as Christians to study and deeply understand as well? Here is a call to true Christianity, to know the gospel explicitly, and to unite the church on the amazing grounds of the good news of Jesus! Please let Debby Arnold (darnold@capmgtco.com, 918-639-5777) know if you wish to attend so a workbook can be ordered for you.

A NEW DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT -

September 23, 8:00 a.m. at the South Lakes Golf Course in Jenks \$75, benefiting A New Day at South Tulsa.

Inside South Tulsa

NAEDEAN NEUMEYER 85TH BIRTHDAY - Join us Saturday, August 19 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate Naedean's 85th Birthday. RSVP: Samantha, 918-697-3633 by August 16.

Kim Hayes Celebrates 10 Years

This week we celebrate Kim Hayes' 10-year anniversary as our church graphic designer. Kim's excellent work in designing, developing, and producing all of our written material including the Channel, bulletin, prayer card, and all of our ministry publications effectively communicates the best for our Lord. Kim also assists with our church website and social media. She is very active in our church family and has a heart for missions as she leads our exciting Girls in Action ministry on Wednesday nights. Please congratulate Kim on 10 years of outstanding service to our church.

Thinking Christian

by Dru Finley

Hope

Hope changes things. It changes our perspective. It changes our attitude. It is that thing that gives us fortitude to press on when outward circumstances say that we have nothing to fight for. Hope is a powerful reminder that propels us forward.

For the Christian, hope is far more than a wishful thinking. "Hope is called the anchor of the soul (Hebrews 6:19), because it gives stability to the Christian life. But hope is not simply a 'wish' (I wish that such-and-such would take place); rather, it is that which latches on to the certainty of the promises of the future that God has made" (R.C. Sproul). Our hope is based upon a guarantee that we are simply waiting to receive! The work has been done by Christ, it is finished and it assures that eternal life is waiting for you!

(Read Dru's full article at southtulsa.org.)

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan.....	409,114
Actual MFP Receipts	295,551
General Fund	59,222
A New Day at South Tulsa.....	6,736

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults.....	457
Students.....	76
Children.....	77
Preschool.....	73
Unclassified.....	10
Total	693

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers	26
People Helped	219
Medical Clinic.....	9
Salvations.....	2

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views	3,607
<i>(U.S. 2,405; International 1,202)</i>	
Retirement Center Ministry.....	127
<i>(12 locations)</i>	
ON DEMAND Views.....	1,152
<i>(U.S. 768; International 384)</i>	

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ON THE COVER

1st & 2nd Grade Day Campers