

The SkyLight

The Church of Christ at



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God is so Good! By His infinite grace we have been blessed to see another year by the calendar of finite time. That's time as we have it. That's time as we know it. And it is finite, because it runs out—or at least to us it does. If I am beginning to sound redundant, it is because I want us to get the point that we serve a God who is not controlled nor defined by time. He is from “everlasting to everlasting.” (Psalm 90:2) Therefore, December 31st and January 1st have no more significance to Him as does May 14th or January 2nd. You and I think of our new year as a chance to start over, when in reality, God gives us that chance EVERYDAY! I pray that each of us as members of SouthCentral will approach this blessing of life in 2016 from a fresh perspective of God and his expectations of us. The question of productive Christianity comes into focus here. Surely you understand that from God's viewpoint simply having one's name on a church roll book is not His idea of

you celebrating the salvation He gave you. We must produce. “Produce what Brother Bowdre?” We need produce things in our own lives and for the sake of others. Personal spiritual growth and service to the kingdom and others ought to be on every child of God's everyday-to-do-list.

Our 2016 Birthday Challenge has been announced! I am excited because I know we are going to surpass last year's totals. Through this effort we have done many things over the years. (Carpet, pews, signage, etc.). Please support this cause. It is called the Birthday Challenge because everyone (Children included) are encouraged to give your age in dollars. And you don't have to wait until your birthday to give it. Even though our goal is to have monies in by April 15th, you can still give throughout the year. We try to urge you to give it during “TAX-MAS.” This can be the most successful year—and surely you see what's going on in our facilities and that the need is there. Please involve your family.

In relation to the 2016 BIRTHDAY CHALLENGE, it has come to my attention that some literally CUT their tithes and offering in order to give in this special challenge. Church, I caution you against such a practice. It is not right because the tithes and offerings are what we need to keep the church operating. The Birthday Challenge and other special efforts are to be over and above our tithes and offerings.

SouthCentral 101 begins on Sunday February 7th. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in South foyer. If you are a new member (within the last 2 years) or if you are a visitor who would like to know more about our church, it's mission and direction, you are asked to be a part of SC101. This is the first session we have had in a while and so I am anxious of the potential size of the class. It will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:00 during Bible study and will be taught by me. Tentatively, we are planning to meet in the Ingenuity Centre, but I can see us changing that location as the date draws near. Stay tuned to the website, www.sctyler.com, our Facebook page, the monitors in the building (soon there will be more), and of course the announcements during services.

The First Lady and I thank God for a spiritual family like you. You have been and continue to be a source of encouragement for our ministry and lives, and we trust that we are a blessing to you. I'm thankful for our deacons and their unrelenting dedication to our church in every-way. Being a deacon means you're not just present and accounted for, but giving that extra on other days and times—all the time. I'm thankful for our D.L. Smith, our minister of development and the talents he brings to the table, not just from the pulpit, but with the Praise Leaders. To my executive staff, our Bible School teachers and staff, our YouthCore, “Praise” and all ministries and programs. YOU are who sets the tone in order for leadership to set the pace! Let's “pick up the pace” and remember that God gives us a new chance EVERYDAY!!

Pastor Bowdre

January 2016

Schedule of Services

Sundays

Worship
10:00 a.m.

Sunday School
9:00 a.m.

Wednesdays
Mid-Week Bible Classes
6:30 p.m.

Ministry Meetings

2nd Sunday
Care Groups
North, Central & South

3rd Sunday
Youth C.O.R.E.
(Centered On Rejoicing Eternally)

4th Sunday
MENistry
8:00 a.m.

1st Tuesday
The G.A.M.E.
(Girlfriends Anointed Motivated and Excelling)

1st Thursday
Technology Meeting
6:30 p.m.

1st & 3rd Thursdays
Women's Circle Meeting
6:30 p.m.

Rehearsals

1st & 3rd Sundays
SouthCentralites
8:00 a.m.

2nd & 3rd Sundays
Total Praise

Deacons

Prentice Butler
Rufus Thompson

Pastoral Illumination



At SouthCentral Church of Christ...PRAISE is what we do!

Derren Smith, Minister of Involvement/Development

December 6, 2015	
Sunday School	43
10:00 Worship	99
Mid Week	43
Visitors	17
Placed Membership	7


December 13, 2015	
Sunday School	35
10:00 Worship	115
Mid Week	35
Visitors	38

December 20, 2015	
Sunday School	34
10:00 Worship	91
Mid Week	NA
Visitors	25
Placed Membership	7

December 27, 2015	
Sunday School	29
10:00 Worship	92
Mid Week	38
Visitors	29
Placed Membership	7

Electronic Giving

We now offer the ability to give by pay-pal, credit card and debit card via the church website. It's simple and you can do it at any time! Simply log in to the site and choose your method of payment and follow the instructions. You will be given a receipt number and simply indicate it on your contribution card. Several are finding this method more convenient!




BFF
BEST FRIENDS FOREVER
Sunday
January 31st @ 10
Wear Red.
#JoinUs
Church of Christ at South Central
Invite your Friends and Family!
(Casual Sunday Rescheduled for Sunday, February 7, 2016)

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY
February 7, 2016

Pre-Game (Sunday School) 9:00 a.m.



game time kick-off (praise and worship) 10:00 a.m.

Wear your Favorite Team Jersey
#GodsTeam #TeamSC



Tax Statement Requests

2015 statements of giving will be available by request only for amounts exceeding \$250. Please make your requests by signing the appropriate sheet in the foyer. In our effort to maintain efficiency and good records, we ask that "consistent givers" please use a contribution card each week. A church is not totally tax-exempt, especially one that has (501) C3 status as we do. It is imperative that we record both outgo and income. Please help us comply with this federal rule. This is also the ONLY record that we keep of your giving for tax purposes, therefore it is IMPERATIVE that you remain consistent in this matter. Tax Statements are prepared by contribution cards ONLY.