

Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School, 9:30 AM
Morning Worship, 10:45 AM
Children's Church
Deacon's Meeting, 4:30PM
Prayer Time, 5:00 PM
Evening Worship, 6:00 PM

Tuesday

Prime Time Choir, 10:30 AM

Wednesday

Business Meeting, 6:00 PM
Youth IMPACT, 6:00 PM
Sanctuary Singers, 7:00 PM

Harold Ashcraft
Music Minister

Denise Griffin
Children/Youth Director

Claire Pennington
Church Administrator



FORERUNNER

February 16, 2023

Deep Calls Unto Deep



When you're in the depths, it's a blessing to have friends who will sympathize with you and encourage you to press on. Unfortunately, Job had acquaintances who were discouraging, to say the least. Eliphaz says in Job, Chapter 4, "Oh Job, you've always been such a good man, but God doesn't punish the righteous. Judging by all your suffering, you must've done a truck load of awful things." My, wasn't that helpful?

Bildad says in Chapter 8, "Job, if you were as good as everyone thinks you are, you would not have this affliction." Bildad saw things the way we do sometimes; God heaps earthly rewards on the good people and punishment on the wicked. If that's how God worked, missionaries would be filthy rich and actors and politicians would barely get by. Our Sovereign Lord says "Many are the afflictions of the righteous." Psalm 34:19

Finally, Zophar speaks in Chapter 11. He asks Job in Verse 7, "Can you discover the depths of God? Can you discover the limits of the Almighty?" The irony of this accusatory question is that Job was the only one in the bunch who COULD discover the depths of God! Only through Job's suffering would he begin to discover the limitless power of the Almighty.

There are many people, even Christians who enjoy the shallow end of the pool because they can keep their feet on the ground, play games, maintain control and take no risks. They want no part of the deep waters of humility, surrender or suffering, so they have no interest in going past the rope in the middle of the pool. We often seem more interested in a comfortable existence than in letting Christ spiritually transform us through His divine hardships.

Charles Swindoll says, "Don't ruin the hardship. Stay in it because that's where God is. You're in the deep end and Jesus is there. That is where you will know the depths of His love. That is where your testimony will be magnified. Job answers in his depths in 12:22, "God reveals mysteries from the darkness and brings the deep darkness into light." David reveals in his depths in Psalm 42:7, "Deep calls unto deep." Don't flee from your deep moments with Jesus. He has an incredible journey for you and rewards beyond belief! **Claire**

MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

In Memory of Dorothy Cleveland

By Carl and Martha Morgan Budget

In Memory of Lou Ellen Hoffman

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In Memory of Ronnie Tibbett

By Carl and Martha Morgan Budget

In Memory of Nelda Lester

By Ricky Simpson Budget

In Memory of James Thorne, Jr.

By Bobby Allen Budget

In Honor of the Pastor Search Committee

By Sue Burch Budget

Our church extends sympathy to Hazel Sowders in the homegoing of husband, Delbert this morning at WKN. Please keep Ms. Hazel in your prayers in the days ahead.

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Thursday, February 16
Leviticus 21 - 23, Matthew 26:1-35

Friday, February 17
Leviticus 24 - 25, Matthew 26:36-56

Saturday, February 18
Leviticus 26 - 27, Matthew 26:57-75

Sunday, February 19
Numbers 1 - 2, Matthew 27:1-31

Monday, February 20
Numbers 3 - 4, Matthew 27:32-66

Tuesday, February 21
Numbers 5 - 6, Matthew 28

Wednesday, February 22
Numbers 7, Mark 1:1-15

Thursday, February 23
Numbers 8 - 10, Mark 1:16-45

Friday, February 24
Numbers 11 - 12, Mark 2:1-13

Saturday, February 25
Numbers 13 - 14, Mark 2:14-28

Sunday, February 26
Numbers 15 - 16, Mark 3:1-12

Our Prime Time Singers will meet Tuesday at 10:30AM.

Come sing with us on Wednesday nights as our choir begins rehearsing our music for Easter!



We will be welcoming Dr. Stephen Bradley to our service this Sunday Morning. Since 2019, Dr. Bradley has served in the Christus Health System as a staff chaplain. Before coming here, he spent 15 years as Director of Spiritual Care in the Texas Health System in Waco, where he also pastored Abbott Baptist Church. Bro. Stephen will be preaching from John 13:36-38, "The Problem with Peter."



Deacon's Meeting – this Sunday, February 19th, 4:30PM

Business Meeting – Wednesday, February 22nd, 6:00PM

Copies of the 2023 Proposed Budget are available on the table in the Main Hallway.

Pastor Search Committee Meeting, Sunday, February 26th, 4:30PM

This coming Sunday Night, February 19th, Bro. Lane will begin an exciting sermon series entitled "Angels – God's Invisible Army." The entire outline is available on the Main Hallway Table for your convenience. Invite your family and friends to worship with us at 6:00PM!

Ladies! you're all invited to the Women's Bible Study beginning Monday, March 6th at 10:00AM, here at the church. Vicky Wallace will be leading our group as we study "The Real Heaven" by Chip Ingram. Books are \$9.00 and there is a sign-up sheet on the main hallway table.

