

# Emmanuel Baptist Church

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## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

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

### Tuesday

Prime Time Singers, 10:00 AM  
Brookdale in Bossier, 10:30 AM

### Wednesday

Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM  
TeamKid, 6:00PM  
Student IMPACT, 6:00 PM  
Sanctuary Singers, 7:00 PM

*"By this all will know  
that you are My  
disciples, if you have  
love for one another."  
John 13:35*

*Harold Ashcraft  
Music Minister*

*Denise Griffin  
Children/Youth Director*

*Claire Pennington  
Church Administrator*



November 9, 2023

FORERUNNER

**ONLY GOD!!** Last week, Ms. Denise began her Fall Fair article with these words, "Only God." What better way to begin today's story than with those exact words. Tuesday afternoon, a young woman pulled into our front parking lot, grabbed her baby girl from the back car seat and ran for the office door, just as flames began to engulf her vehicle. The fire fighters came and the police cruisers raced to the scene as we watched the fire raging, blowing up the engine and exploding the tires. For 15



minutes, black smoke and the smell of burnt rubber filled the air as loud pops and snaps were heard through the flames. With her precious toddler clinging to her, Bridget explained she was driving down Buncombe

Road and her car began to lose power. Even though no warning lights appeared on the dash, she knew she should get off the road and get her baby out of the car. Sometimes, calamity falls upon us without any warning lights. We're going along and then suddenly, our situation is on fire. Panic wells up and the enemy convinces us there is no way out; we will be overcome.



The LORD says in Isaiah 43, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. . . When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."

As we waited for the tow truck, we gave Bridget ice water and a gift card for groceries. Her widowed mother arrived shortly with the other three young children and explained Bridget was a single mother of four, working at Target, relying on Jesus to help her get by financially. Her mother looked toward the sky and whispered, "Thank You, God for leading my daughter to pull into the Emmanuel Baptist Church parking lot where she would be safe." What an honor the Lord used our church in such a special way. **Only God.** Ms. Claire (More information on Page 2)

**Cover Article:** Several folks have asked how they can help Bridget, whose car burned up on our parking lot Tuesday afternoon. We have established a **“Bridget Deal Love Offering”** through our Benevolence Fund. You may mark an envelope “Bridget Deal” with cash or a check made payable to *Emmanuel Baptist Church*.

## MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

### **In Memory of Joyce Palmer and Kay Asher**

By Floyd and Phail Dean Jones Budget

### **In Memory of Karen Johnston**

By Richard and Sandra Hadwin Budget

### **In Memory of Charlie Marable, Jr.**

By Linda Marable Budget

### **In Honor of Herman Palmer and Mike Asher**

By Floyd and Phail Dean Jones Budget

## THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

### **Friday, November 10**

*Ezekiel 13 – 14, Hebrews 5*

### **Saturday, November 11**

*Ezekiel 15 – 16, Hebrews 6*

### **Sunday, November 12**

*Ezekiel 17 – 18, Hebrews 7*

### **Monday, November 13**

*Ezekiel 19 - 20, Hebrews 8*

### **Tuesday, November 14**

*Ezekiel 21 - 22, Hebrews 9*

### **Wednesday, November 15**

*Ezekiel 23 - 24, Hebrews 10*

### **Thursday, November 16**

*Ezekiel 25 - 26, Hebrews 11*

### **Friday, November 17**

*Ezekiel 27 - 28, Hebrews 12*

### **Saturday, November 18**

*Ezekiel 29 - 30, Hebrews 13*

### **Sunday, November 19**

*Ezekiel 31 - 32, James 1*



## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Pick up a shoe box in the hallway across from the church library. There are instructions on the box on how to pack a shoebox, or you can go to: [samaritanspurserg.org/occ](http://samaritanspurserg.org/occ). Be sure to include a \$10 donation inside your packed box to cover shipping, or you can make your \$10 donation at: follow your box. **The deadline for our church collection is Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.**

# Upcoming Events:

**This Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM – Monthly meeting of the Ladies Bible Study, FLC**

**This Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, Prime Time Singers, 10:00AM, travel to Brookdale in Bossier at 10:30AM**

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM, FLC – Church Wide Thanksgiving Dinner.**

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to sign up for Jefferson Tour of Homes and drop off Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.**

**Deacon's Meeting, Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 4:30PM**

**Branson at Bethany, Tuesday, Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:30AM**

**Business Meeting, Wednesday, Nov 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:00PM**

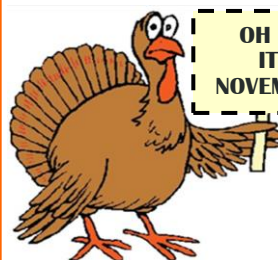
**Jefferson Tour of Homes, Thursday, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, 3:00PM**

There is a Sign-up Sheet in the office for the Candlelight Tour of Homes, Jefferson, Texas, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 – 7:00PM. Tickets are \$20.00 if you sign up by Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. For more details, please see Darlene Thomas or Robbie Ramsey.



Sometimes our lives seem plain and ordinary. We wonder, “Can God really use me?” Over the next several months, Bro. Scott will be leading us through the Bible examining **Ordinary People – Extraordinary God.** Each Sunday night at 6:00PM we will meet in the FLC and study the lives of some very familiar people. This Sunday, we will study Adam, who was tempted to be extraordinary without God. You won't want to miss it!

## **Church Wide Thanksgiving Dinner**



**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM, FLC**

**The church will provide the Turkey, so bring your favorite side dishes and desserts.**

**Good Times are in store!**