



Forerunner

Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Connecting people to Jesus and one another.

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Wednesday, March 18, 2020

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Weekly Opportunities

Sunday, 3-22-20

ALL ACTIVITIES POSTPONED

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
 Handbell Rehearsal 5:15 p.m.
 AIM, FLC 5:30 p.m.
 Prayer Ministry 5:30 p.m.
 Evening Worship Service 6:30 p.m.

Monday, 3-23-20

ALL ACTIVITIES POSTPONED

Ladies Bible Study, FLC 9:30 a.m.
 Moms in Prayer, Fh 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, 3-24-20

ALL ACTIVITIES POSTPONED

Prime Time Singers, Fh 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 3-25-20

ALL ACTIVITIES POSTPONED

Credos 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Supper, FLC 5:00 p.m.
 TeamKID 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Impact 6:00 p.m.
 Mid Week Prayer Service, FLC 6:00 p.m.
 (Special Called Business Meeting)
 Sanctuary Singers Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 3-26-20

ALL ACTIVITIES POSTPONED

Moms in Prayer 9:30 a.m.
 Prime Time to The Strand Lv EBC at 10:30 a.m.



Thursday, March 19, '20

Deuteronomy 31-32; Mark 12:1-12

Friday, March 20, '20

Deuteronomy 33-34; Mark 12:13-27

Saturday, March 21, '20

Joshua 1-2; Mark 12:28-44

Sunday, March 22, '20

Joshua 3-4; Mark 13:1-13

Monday, March 23 '20

Joshua 5-6; Mark 13:14-37

Tuesday, March 24, '20

Joshua 7-8; Mark 14:1-11

Wednesday, March 25, '20

Joshua 9-10; Mark 14:12-31



POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE

Cajun BBQ and Sunday School High Attendance Day

Mark your calendars, and start inviting your family and friends to join us in Sunday School on April 5 for our High Attendance Day! All Adult Sunday School classes will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall, and Mike Asher will be our teacher. After the morning service, everyone is invited to stay for a special BBQ dinner on the grounds.

Dave Linn, our Sunday School Director, will be our grill master, and you do not need to bring anything unless you would like to bring a dessert to share. This is sure to be a great time of fellowship and fun, and you won't want to miss out!

Budget Statistical Report - As of March 8

Budget Receipts This Week	\$ 13,378.77
Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 11,876.59
Budget Received Year to Date	\$ 114,507.88
Budget Needed Year to Date	\$ 118,765.90

March 15

Adult	99
Youth	16
Children	8
Preschool	11
TOTAL	132

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

North American Missions

Goal: \$7,000.00

Received to Date: \$353.00

Childcare Worship Volunteers:
POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE
4th Sunday, March 22
 Kimm Blankenship, Karen VanArsdel
5th Sunday, March 29
 Debbie Frey, Allison Lane
1st Sunday, April 5
 Babies: Carole Pacheco
 Toddlers: Cheryl Procell
2nd Sunday, April 12
 Toddlers: Glenda Johnson
 Twos/Threes: Patsy Shaw, Brenda Waldrip



Hospital List

WK Pierremont

Lifecare

Mary Harper



Out-of-Town Prayer List

Charles Goodwin
 Edie Goodwin

Prayer Needs

Janine Dunlap
 Cheryl Jones
 Michelle Oney
 Claire Pittman

POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE
A NEW BIBLE STUDY Mondays, at 9:30 a.m., Discerning the Voice of God by Priscilla Shirer, in the Family Life Center. The only cost will be for the book.



MEMORIAL GIFTS

Fund: Benevolent
In Memory of: Nikkie Thorne

By: Karen Fuller

Fund: Brazil

In Memory of: Tim Brown

By: Patty Stowell

Fund: Children's Ministry

In Memory of:

**Bob Griffin,
 Joyce Jones**

By: Roy & Margaret Cordray

Fund: Budget

In Memory of: Ron Culver

By: Bo Worley

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Fund: T W B
In Memory of: Tim Brown

By: Gene Taylor

**In Memory of: Tim Brown,
 Willis Dale**

By: Denise Palmer

HONORARIUMS

Fund: Budget

In Honor of:

President Trump

By: Bo & Judy Worley

Fund: Youth

In Honor of:

Bro. Chad & Staff

By: Sharon Wheless

Dear Church Family,

With the announcement from President Donald Trump that all social gatherings consisting of 10 or more people should be avoided, the deacons and I have decided to postpone all our worship services and activities until Easter Sunday, April 12. In the meantime, I will be streaming the Sunday morning messages online through our church Facebook page and website at 11:00 AM every Sunday.

Please know that this decision has not come easy for us, but we are very concerned about the health of our members and their families. Therefore, we want to act in accordance with the policies of our governmental officials in order to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Be assured that the deacons and I will continue to evaluate the situation, and we will resume our regular church schedule as soon as possible. We will keep you informed of our decisions in our weekly Forerunner and on our Facebook page.

In the midst of this present turmoil, we believe Jesus is still on His throne. He is working all things together for our good (Romans 8.28), and we do not need to be anxious or fearful about the ongoing spread of this virus (Philippians 4.6-7). Instead, let us use this time to encourage one another to embrace the hope of our world in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please continue to pray for our nation, our churches, and our families during this difficult time, and we ask you to continue your support of the ministries of our church through your faithful giving. God will certainly bless you as you remain true to His name in this season of our lives.

In Christian love,
 Bro. Chad

POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE

PRIME TIME TRIP - MARCH 19 / 11:00 a.m.

Our next upcoming trip will be to tour the Strand Theater at no charge.

We will leave Emmanuel BC at 10:30 a.m. Following the tour we will have lunch at Monjuni's on Louisiana Ave. Sign up in the church office.

POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE

DEACON ORDINATION SERVICE

March 22, 6:30 PM

The deacons and I have received your nominations for new deacons to lead us in the service of the Lord, and I am glad to report that four men have accepted God's call to serve in this office. Their names in alphabetical order are: Stephen Gordon, Gene Taylor, Bill Thomas, and David Whitfield. We believe that each of these men is well-qualified to serve, and we are pleased to present them to you for your acceptance by vote during a special called business meeting on Wednesday, March 18, at 6:00 PM. Once approved, these men will be ordained during our regular Sunday evening service on Sunday, March 22, at 6:30 PM. We look forward to how God will use these men in our church, and we ask you pray for them as they come to serve the Lord with us.