



# Forerunner

## Emmanuel Baptist Church

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*Connecting people to Jesus and one another.*

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**Wednesday, March 3, 2021**

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“My sheep hear My voice, and they follow Me.”  
John 10.27

The owner of a sawmill lost an expensive watch in the sawdust. He offered a generous reward to any of his employees if they found it, and they searched for the watch with rakes all day long through the sawdust.

That evening a security guard checked in for his nightly shift. He had heard about the generous reward, and he knew that the watch had not been found. So, he also raked through the sawdust, trying to find it. At last, he gave up and sat down.

As he sat in the silence of the room, he heard a ticking noise in the sawdust behind him. He immediately got up and walked toward it, bent over and shifted through the dust with his hands, and there it was – the watch that everyone was looking for!

The next day, he turned it in to his boss and received his reward.

Everyone asked him. “We searched for that watch yesterday all day long. How did you find it?”

He answered, “I just sat down in the dust and waited awhile, and I heard it ticking.”

Sometimes our lives get too busy to stop and listen for the voice of God. We seek His direction, but we seldom sit still and wait to hear His voice. God is speaking, but are we too busy trying to find Him our own way? My prayer is that you will take the time to stop and listen for the voice of God.

God bless you, Bro. Chad

### Weekly Opportunities

#### Sunday, 03-07-21

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:45 a.m.  
Children's Church  
Evening Worship Service 6:30 p.m.

#### Monday, 03-08-21

Ladies Bible Study & Fitness Class 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, 03-09-21

Mid Week Prayer Service, Sanctuary 6:00 p.m.  
Youth IMPACT and TeamKID 6:00 p.m.

### **FAITH & FITNESS CLASS**

#### **“Stronger: Finding Hope in Fragile Places”**

Ladies Bible Study and Fitness Class,  
led by Brandy Cumberland.

Mondays at 6:00 PM

in the Family Life Center

Childcare will be provided.

Contact Brandy with any questions  
or to sign up at 601-562-3028.

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### **ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING** **North American Missions**

Goal: \$7,000.00

Received to Date: \$585.00

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Wednesday, March 31, immediately following the  
Prayer Service

### **Budget Statistical Report - As of Feb. 21**

Budget Receipts This Week	\$ 10,033.80
Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 11,754.85
Budget Received to Date	\$ 78,391.42
Budget Needed to Date	\$ 94,038.80

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. / TeamKID.

### Childcare Worship Volunteers:

#### 1st Sunday, March 7

Darlene Causey, Carole Pacheco

#### 2nd Sunday, March 14

Alda Sayles



#### **Thursday, March 4, '21**

Numbers 30-31; Mark 6:14-32

#### **Friday, March 5, '21**

Numbers 32-33; Mark 6:33-56

#### **Saturday, March 6, '21**

Numbers 34-36; Mark 7:1-23

#### **Sunday, March 7, '21**

Deuteronomy 1-2; Mark 7:24-37

#### **Monday, March 8, '21**

Deuteronomy 3-4; Mark 8:1-10

#### **Tuesday, March 9, '21**

Deuteronomy 5-6; Mark 8:11-26

#### **Wednesday, March 10, '21**

Deuteronomy 7-9; Mark 8:27-38

## PARKING LOT SECURITY

### 1st Sunday, March 7

Morning - Gary Bailes, Dennis Wilson

Evening - Donnie McCaa

### 2nd Sunday, March 14

Morning - Larry Savell, Lonnie Gilley

Evening - Dave Linn

## MEMORIALS

### Fund: Budget

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette**

By: David & Rebecca Cooksey

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette**

By: Wayne & Carol Dillman

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette**

By: Carl & Martha Morgan

#### In Memory of:

**Charlie Marable,**

**Ruby Taylor**

By: Debbie Shackelford

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette,**

**Bob Griffin,**

**Ruby Taylor**

By: Leesa & Jimmy Sitter

#### In Memory of:

**Mother & Father**

By: Bo & Judy Worley

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette,**

**Myrna Rhodes**

By: Dorothy Mullins

#### In Memory of: Ruby Taylor

By: Joanne Page

#### In Memory of:

**Imogene Watkins**

By: Melony Templin

#### In Memory of:

**Mrs. Jean Watkins**

By: Mariella Welch

## MEMORIALS

### Fund: Budget

#### In Memory of: Jean Watkins

Celebrate SS Class

### Fund: T W B

#### In Memory of: Bob Scott

By: Jeanette Grainger

### Fund: Annie Armstrong

#### In Memory of: L. J. Baronette

By: Doug & Debbie Frey

### Fund: Benevolent

#### L. J. Baronette

By: George & Laverne Smith

### Fund: Homebound

#### In Memory of: Jean Watkins

By: Karen Fuller

### Fund: Mexico

#### In Memory of: Jean Watkins

By: Bo & Judy Worley

#### In Memory of:

**L. J. Baronette**

By: DeWayne & Grace Kelly

### Fund: Brazil

#### In Memory of

**L. J. Baronette**

By: Bo & Judy Worley

## HONORARIUMS

### Fund: Annie Armstrong

#### In Memory of: Alli Cloyd

By: W. P. Spillers, M.D.

## Hospital List

### Prayer Concerns

### Out-of-Town

#### Prayer List

Charles Goodwin

Edie Goodwin

## Prayer List Home

Margaret Alexander

Ruth & Lloyd Rainer

### Special Prayer Needs

Janine Dunlap

Richard Hadwin

Sandra Hadwin

Cheryl Jones

Michelle Oney

Clair Pittman

Bo Shackelford

### Our Sincere Sympathy to . . .

The Donnie & Janet McCaa in the loss of his mother, Norma Goulston.

## SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON RETURNS

Tuesday, April 6th / 12:00 noon

## REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Mon - Thurs)

8:00 a.m. - noon (Friday)

Please continue to wear face masks when coming into the office!