



Forerunner

Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Connecting people to Jesus and one another.

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1 Peter 4.12-13

“Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you take part of Christ’s sufferings.”

C. S. Lewis, the very astute Oxford professor and writer of the classic children’s series, *The Chronicles of Narnia*, was well acquainted with grief in his life. His mother died at a fairly young age, as did his wife, and some of his most prolific thoughts were written during his time of grieving for his wife.

In his book, *The Problem of Pain*, Lewis wrote, “We can ignore even pleasure. But pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.”

Nobody likes to suffer pain. Yet, as Lewis proclaimed, God often allows us to experience emotional and physical hardship because it’s in those times that we actually hear His voice the clearest. It’s our pain that allows us to connect with God on a whole new level.

This fact can give us such comfort, for we know that God has a purpose for our pain that goes far beyond our immediate experience. So whatever pain you may be facing today, seek God. Ask Him to speak to you and give your pain a purpose for your good and His glory!

God bless you, Bro. Chad

Weekly Opportunities

Sunday, 03-14-21

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:45 a.m.
Children’s Church
Deacons Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Evening Worship Service 6:30 p.m.

Monday, 03-15-21

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

Wednesday, 03-17-21

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



Saturday, March 13,
move your clock
forward ONE hour
whenever you go to
bed.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING **North American Missions**

Goal: \$7,000.00
Received to Date: \$ 605.00

BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, March 31, immediately following the
Prayer Service

Budget Statistical Report - As of Feb. 28

Budget Receipts This Week	\$ 15,996.00
Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 11,754.85
Budget Received to Date	\$ 94,387.42
Budget Needed to Date	\$ 105,793.65

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Childcare Worship Volunteers:

2nd Sunday, March 14

Alda Sayles

3rd Sunday, March 21

Patsy Shaw, Brenda Waldrip



Thursday, March 11, '21

Deuteronomy 10-11; Mark 9:1-13

Friday, March 12, '21

Deuteronomy 12-14; Mark 9:14-29

Saturday, March 13, '21

Deuteronomy 15-17; Mark 9:30-50

Sunday, March 14, '21

Deuteronomy 18-20; Mark 10:1-16

Monday, March 15, '21

Deuteronomy 21-23; Mark 10:17-31

Tuesday, March 16, '21

Deuteronomy 24-26; Mark 10:31-52

Wednesday, March 17, '21

Deuteronomy 27-28; Mark 11:1-11

PARKING LOT SECURITY

2nd Sunday, March 14

Morning - Larry Savell, Lonnie Gilley

Evening - Dave Linn

3rd Sunday, March 21

Morning - Ron Carroway

Evening - Jimmy Sitter, John McCarty

MEMORIALS

Fund: Budget

In Memory of:

Bill Magness

By: Bo & Judy Worley

Fund: Flag Pole

In Memory of:

Windom W. Wilson

By: Billie Martin

Fund: Annie Armstrong

In Memory of:

L. J. Baronette,

Norma Goulston,

Ruby Taylor

By: The Deacons

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON RETURNS

Tuesday, April 6th / 12:00 noon

DEACONS MEETING

Sunday, March 14, 4:30 p.m.

Our Sincere Sympathy to . . .

George & Laverne Smith and family in the loss of her sister, Ruby Stoker.

Glen Hall in the loss of his brother, Arthur G. Hall.

Hospital List

WK Pierremont

Bill Allen

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

GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesdays / 6:00 p.m.

**Summer Grove Baptist Church
8924 Jewella Avenue, Room 2 - S
(South Entrance Beside Playground)**

Contact Kathy Freeman (318 - 617-1047)

Please Call to Register

(318 - 686-1470)

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.