



Forerunner

Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Connecting people to Jesus and one another.

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A little boy worshipped the Lord every Sunday with his family in a great cathedral with beautiful stained glass windows, picturing the saints of the Bible. One stained glass displayed "Saint Matthew," another "Saint Mark." Still, there were others for "Saint Luke" and "Saint John," and so forth.

Sunday after Sunday, as the pastor delivered his sermons, the little boy would stare at these beautiful stained glass windows in wonder. It was obvious that he was overwhelmed by their beauty, and they clearly made a big impression on his mind.

One Sunday during Sunday School, his teacher asked the class, "Can anyone tell me what a saint is?"

The little boy quickly raised his hand. "A saint," he said, "is a person the light shines through, just like the saints in the windows of our church!"

"That's a really good answer," the teacher said. "We need to be like the saints of old and allow the light of Jesus to shine through us."

The Bible teaches us that who know Christ as Savior are saints. We are the "holy ones" of God through His grace, and we need to let the light of Jesus shine through us.

What a beautiful thought from the mind of a child! My prayer for us is that the light of Jesus will shine through us today, that others may see our good works and glorify our Father in Heaven (Mt. 5.17).

In His Service, Bro. Chad

LADIES BIBLE STUDY - *Discerning the Voice of God* by Priscilla Shirer, led by Cathy Shaw and Grace Kelly will begin Monday, May 10 at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center dining room. This study will be every Monday through June 28 with the exception of Monday, Memorial Day. All ladies are welcome!

BUSINESS MEETING

TONIGHT, April 28, immediately following the Prayer Service

Weekly Opportunities

Sunday, 05-02-21

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:45 a.m.

Children's Church

No Evening Activities or Worship Service

Monday, 05-03-21

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

Tuesday, 05-04-21

Prime Time Luncheon, FLC, dr 12:00 noon

Wednesday, 05-05-21

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Wed Week Prayer Service, Sanctuary 6:00 p.m.

Youth IMPACT and TeamKID 6:00 p.m.

Youth Summer Camp Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Postposed until a later date. Cook is needed!

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Goal: \$7,000.00

Received to Date: \$ 8,330.00 / FINAL COUNT



SANCTUARY CHOIR RESUMES

Our Sanctuary Choir practices will resume on Wednesdays, beginning May 5 at 7:00 PM. If you are a choir member, or you would like to join the choir, please make your plans to be with us.

Budget Statistical Report - As of April 18

Budget Receipts This Week	\$ 12,953.03
Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 11,754.85
Budget Received to Date	\$ 170,704.04
Budget Needed to Date	\$ 188,077.60

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Childcare Worship Volunteers:

1st Sunday, May 2

Darlene Causey, Carole Pacheco

2nd Sunday, May 9

Cheryl Procell, Alda Sayles



Thursday, April 29, '21

2 Samuel 1-2; Luke 11:14-28

Friday, April 30, '21

2 Samuel 3-4; Luke 11:29-54

Saturday, May 1, '21

2 Samuel 5-6; Luke 12:1-12

Sunday, May 2, '21

2 Samuel 7-8; Luke 12:13-34

Monday, May 3, '21

2 Samuel 9-10; Luke 12:34-59

Tuesday, May 4, '21

2 Samuel 11-12; Luke 13:1-17

Wednesday, May 5, '21

2 Samuel 13-14; Luke 13:18-35

PARKING LOT SECURITY

1st Sunday, May 2

Morning - Gary Bailes, Dave Linn

Evening - Donnie McCaa

2nd Sunday, May 9

Morning - Lonnie Gilley

Evening - Dave Linn

MEMORIALS

Fund: Mexico

In Memory of:

Arthur Hill,
Alvin Sinclair,
Chuck Shackelford

By: DeWayne & Grace Kelly

Fund: Homebound

In Memory of:

Marjorie Ward

By: Karen Fuller

Fund: Flag

In Memory of:

Joyce Palmer,
Windom Wilson

By: Billie Martin

Fund: Brazil

In Memory of:

Marjorie Ward

By: Ron & Diane Denny

MEMORIALS

Fund: Budget

In Memory of:

Arthur Hill,
Charlie Marable,
Imagene Watkins

By: Floyd & Phail Dean Jones

Fund: Annie Armstrong

In Memory of: Charlie Marable

By: Linda Marable

In Memory of: J.E. Spillers,

Seabell Spillers

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

In Memory of:

Ruth Alane Frey

By: Floyd & Phail Dean Jones

In Memory of:

Marjorie Ward

By: Rose Turner

HONORARIUMS

Fund: Annie Armstrong

In Honor of:

Sharon Sherrod,
Paul Sherrod

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

HONORARIUMS

Fund: Budget

In Honor of:

Phail Dean Jones

By: Patricia Adcock

In Honor of:

Phail & Floyd Jones,
Cheryl Jones

By: Dan R. Adcock

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

This Sunday, May 2, our church family invites all its members and friends, who are willing and able, to come together for a special worship service in celebration of God's faithfulness to us during this pandemic. As we continue to work our way through these unprecedented times, God has supplied all our needs and kept us together, and we praise the Lord for your endurance and generosity.

During our regular Morning Worship Service, "The Hootens" will be with us for our special music, and our pastor will bring the message. After the service, Dave Linn and his crew will be serving his famous "Dave Burgers" in the Family Life Center free of charge and "The Hootens" will bring a special Gospel Concert.

Please make your plans now to join us for this exciting time of worship and fellowship, and bring your family and friends with you. Everyone is welcome!

Hospital List

Lifecare

(Kings Hwy)
Larry Savell

The Promise

(Bossier City)
Kylan Hanson

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
Judy Wells

YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

On Wednesday, May 5, at 6:00 PM, there will be a Parent Youth Meeting in the Meeting Room of the Family Life Center to present our upcoming trip to the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, Kentucky, which is scheduled for July 19-23. (The cost for the trip will be just \$50 for each participant.)

PRIME TIME SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 4 at 12:00 noon

Family Life Center

Bring a friend, a dish to share and a dollar to cover expenses.

Program provided by Bro. Harold and
Claire Pennington