Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School, 9:30 AM
Morning Worship, 10:45 AM
Children's Church
Pastor Search Committee, 4:30PM
Prayer Time, 5:00 PM
Evening Worship, 6:00 PM

Tuesday

Prime Time Choir, 10:30 AM Prime Time Luncheon, Noon

Wednesday

Pastor Search Committee, 5:00PM Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM Youth IMPACT, 6:00 PM Sanctuary Singers, 7:00 PM

> Harold Ashcraft Music Minister

Denise Griffin Children/Youth Director

> Claire Pennington Church Administrator



March 30, 2023

Where is God?

(Job 24)

Your staff is continuing to study the plight of Job and his lament with evil, and empathy for those in distress. Charles Swindoll states "there are wrongs, failures, injustices, robberies, sins of the flesh and hidden wrongs done in the dark. And where is God? He is permitting it." In this current hour we ask, "why?" Job was asking the same question.

All of us could take a number and take turns mentioning events in our lifetime that the Lord could have stopped, but He didn't. Those who do wrong often get away with it. Those who take advantage of others, often get away with that too. Unexplainable suffering falls into the same category.

Our collective minds and hearts were again shocked and saddened with the recent tragic events with the Nashville school shooting where innocent lives were lost. We choose to believe that God could have prevented that tragedy, but —He didn't. That's the point. Swindoll reminds us that it's a mystery! We cannot justify the permissions of God, but we can choose to trust Him.

Scripture reminds us in the very first Psalm that "The Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly will perish." Jesus knows all the thoughts and intents of our hearts. So we will continue to pray in faith and leave all that is mystery to Him.

God doesn't have a wonderful plan for everybody's life. Not here on earth, for sure. The Bible reads of people who endure disease, pain, heartache and brokenness. God's Word presents its heroes, warts, and all. They hurt. They fall, and on occasion, by His Grace, they succeed.

We should refuse to believe that life is based on blind fate, or random choice. On earth, it seems so confusing, but one day the details will come together and make sense. Hold fast, Church and rest in hope as 1 Corinthians 13:10-12 reads: "But when the time of perfection comes, these partial things will become useless. When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things. Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely." NLT

Bro. Harold

MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

In Memory of Mac and Nelwyn Weaver

By DeWayne and Grace Kelly
Glen and Linda Hall
George and Laverne Smith
Denise Palmer
Budget
TWB

Sharon Wheless Annie Armstrong

Doug and Debbie Frey Budget

Roy and Margaret Cordray Annie Armstrong

In Memory of Bob Fuller

By Karen Fuller Annie Armstrong

In Memory of Claude Burch and Willis Dale

By Mike Asher Gideon's Int'l

In Memory of Ruby Bamburg and Ronnie Tibbit

By Doug and Debbie Frey Budget

In Memory of Ruby Bamburg

By Roy and Margaret Cordray Annie Armstrong

In Memory of John Curtis McCarty

By John and Virginia McCarty Annie Armstrong

In Honor of Denise Griffin

By Jimmy and Leesa Sitter Children's Ministry

We extend sympathy to Ronald and Darlene Causey in the homegoing of his father, Fred Causey. Visitation will be at Rose-Neath South, Saturday, April 1st from 6:00 – 8:00PM. The funeral service will be at Rose-Neath MANSFIELD, Sunday, April 2nd at 2:00PM. Burial will be at Grand Cane Cemetery.

Ladies! You're all invited to the Women's Bible Study Monday at 10:00AM, here at the church. Vicky Wallace is leading our group as we study "The Real Heaven" by Chip Ingram.

Prime Time Choir - Tuesday, 10:30AM

Prime Time Luncheon – Tuesday, April 4th, at Noon, FLC. David Bryant with the Mexican Indian Training Center will be our guest speaker. Bring your covered dish and enjoy the fellowship!

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Friday, March 31 Joshua 23 – 24, Mark 16 Saturday, April 1 *Judges 1 − 3, Luke 1:1-25* Sunday, April 2 Judges 4 - 5, Luke 1:26-38 Monday, April 3 Judges 6, Luke 1:39-56 Tuesday, April 4 Judges 7 – 8, Luke 1:57-80 Wednesday, April 5 Judges 9, Luke 2:1-20 Thursday, April 6 Judges 10 - 12, Luke 2:21-40 Friday, April 7 Judges 13 – 15, Luke 2:41-52 Saturday, April 8 Judges 16, Luke 3:1-20 Sunday, April 9 Judges 17 – 18, Luke 3:21-38



THIS SUNDAY

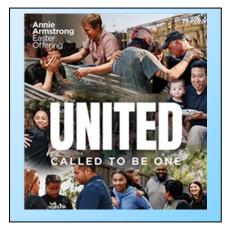
BRO. LANE WILL CONTINUE

THE SERMON SERIES

"THE CROSS - WHERE

OUR VICTORY WAS WON"

1 JOHN 5:4-5



Annie
Armstrong
Easter
Offering
for North
American
Missions
Our Goal:

\$7,000.00

Palm Sunday
April 2nd
Easter Egg Hunt

Toddlers – 5th Grade Immediately following Morning Worship Service.

Bring your Easter Basket!

The Church Office will be closed Good Friday, April 7th.