

Emmanuel Baptist Church

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

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

Tuesday

Prime Time Choir, 10:00 AM
Singing at The Glen 10:30

Wednesday

Pastor Search Committee, 5:00PM
Business 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



FORERUNNER

May 18, 2023

THE OBEDIENCE OF BRIEF ENCOUNTERS

In 1970, every Tuesday afternoon, our youth minister would take us skating at the Linwood Skating Rink on Flournoy Lucas Road (Gold Star Roofing now occupies that corner). "Love Grows Where My Rosemary Goes" by Edison Lighthouse would be blaring through the speakers, the strobe light would be turning and we thought we were too cool for school. And if you were wearing anything white, you would glow under the black light as strobe circles danced on the skating rink floor. Sadly, Edison Lighthouse only had one good song. They were a One-Hit Wonder.

One of my favorite heroes of the Bible is an 8-Verse Wonder who shows a tremendous amount of courage; Ananias of Damascus. In Acts 9, the Bible says Saul (Paul) was breathing threats of murder against the disciples of the Lord and had letters of persecution in his pocket. Verse 10 named Ananias a disciple, so he was probably high on Saul's list to be arrested. Saul had a heavenly experience with Christ and was struck blind on the way to Damascus.

The Lord spoke to Ananias in a vision telling him to go to Straight Street, lay hands on Saul of Tarsus and heal him of blindness. If I was Ananias, I'd be saying, "You want me to go WHERE and do WHAT to WHO? God, I'm actually hiding from that man and I've never healed anybody of anything! When I say abra-ca-dabra and nothing happens, Saul is going to kill me dead!" But the Lord reassured Ananias that Saul was already praying and was God's chosen instrument before the Gentiles and the Jews.

Ananias went to Saul, layed hands on him and reassured Saul he had been sent by Jesus to restore his sight. Also that he would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Immediately, Saul regained his sight and he was baptized.

Be careful in feeling too comfortable about where you are. Although obedience was frightening, it provided Ananias a front-row seat to a healing miracle and gave him a valuable friend for life. Ananias also witnessed Saul's transformation into the Apostle Paul who was divinely enabled to preach and write large portions of the New Testament. Paul's sermons and letters continue to draw the lost world to everlasting life. Ananias' obedience in this brief encounter yielded an eternity of supernatural results.

Blessings! **Claire**

MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

In Memory of Delbert Sowers

By Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir

In Memory of Larry Kivell

By Mike Asher Budget
Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir
Glen and Linda Hall Budget
Denise Palmer Together We Build

In Memory of Roosevelt Jackson

By Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir
Michael and Judy Gaddis Georgia Barnette

In Memory of Susan Antala

By Denise Palmer Together We Build
Gene Taylor Together We Build

In Memory of Harry and Margaret Fletcher's Birthdays

By Dale Deloach Budget

In Memory of Yvonne Douglas

By Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir

In Memory of Carl Morgan

By Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir
James and Lori Smith Prime Time Choir
Richard and Marla Vergo Budget

In Memory of Pam Rachall

By Mike Asher Budget
Glen and Linda Hall Budget
Wayne and Carol Dillman Prime Time Choir

Our church family extends sympathy to Ron Massey in the homegoing of his wife, Linda. The funeral will be at 2:00PM Saturday, May 20th at Centuries on Mansfield Rd. Visitation will be at Centuries Friday from 5:00 – 7:00PM.

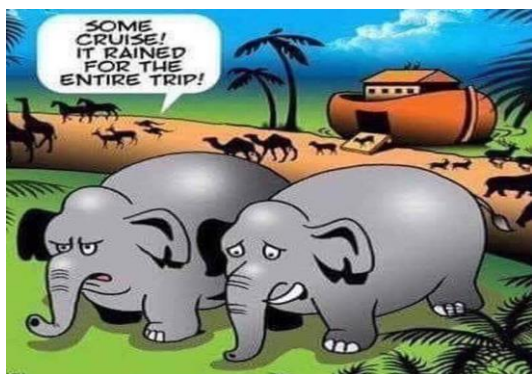
Prime Time Singers – Tuesday, 10:00AM

Singing at The Glen at 10:30AM

EBC Graduate Recognition, May 21st AM Service

Deacon's Meeting – Sunday, May 21st, 4:30PM

Business Meeting – Wednesday, May 24th, 6:00PM



THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Friday, May 19

1 Kings 18 – 19, Luke 21:1-28

Saturday, May 20

1 Kings 20 – 21, Luke 21:29-38

Sunday, May 21

1 Kings 22, Luke 22:1-23

Monday, May 22

2 Kings 1 – 3, Luke 22:24-53

Tuesday, May 23

2 Kings 4-5, Luke 22:54-71

Wednesday, May 24

2 Kings 6-7, Luke 23:1-12

Thursday, May 25

2 Kings 8-9, Luke 23:13-32

Friday, May 26


2 Kings 10 – 11, Luke 23:33-56

Saturday, May 27

2 Kings 12 – 13, Luke 24:1-12

Sunday, May 28

2 Kings 14 – 15, Luke 24:13-53



Sunday Morning,
May 21st, Bro Lane
will be preaching
from Job 1,
“A Hedge of
Protection for Your
Family”

The Sunday School Literature for the new quarter has been placed in your classrooms. A Big Thank you to Denise Griffin!

“Refresh and Renew”

Ladies' Event

Saturday, June 3rd

11:00am – 2:00pm FLC

Bring-a-Dish Luncheon

Sign-up Sheet in Hallway and Office

*Katie Ashcraft and Amy Sutton Ricketts
will be our special guests!*

