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, 4:30 PM
Prayer Time, 5:00 PM
Evening Worship, 6:00 PM

Tuesday

Prime Time Singers, 10:30 AM

Wednesday

Business Meeting, 6:00 PM TeamKid, 6:00PM Student IMPACT, 6:00 PM Sanctuary Singers, 7:00 PM

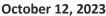
"By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35

> Harold Ashcraft Music Minister

Denise Griffin Children/Youth Director

> Claire Pennington Church Administrator







OCTOBER has been designated as Pastor Appreciation Month. As chair of our recently concluded Pastor Search Committee, I wanted to ensure our members are aware of this special time of opportunity.

Some might ask, what can we do for our new pastor? I thought about things to buy or do for Bro Scott, Bethany and their children, all of whom I believe we have come to love and appreciate in a very short period of time. Physical gifts are well and good, and I would not presume to tell you what or whether to give if you feel led of the Lord. There are things we can and should do, that won't cost us a thing other than time.

I came across an article written by the former CEO of Lifeway, Mr. Thom Rainer that summarized it well. In that article he stressed two "greatest gifts" that all of us can do for Bro Scott and his family. Those gifts are:

"Gift #1: Pray for Your Pastor. There is power in prayer. Pastors need prayer. God answers prayers.... You [can] take it a step further [by] creating a system where you are reminded to pray for your pastor [and staff] daily..., [then] please let [him] know. A simple email or handwritten note will suffice. You cannot imagine how encouraged your pastor will be to know that church members are praying for [him] daily.

Gift #2: Enlist Others to Pray. ...In the last church where I, Thom Rainer served as a pastor, over 100 church members [were recruited] to pray for me daily. I was blown away...it was a demonstration of [their] love and respect for [their] pastor." Finally, I believe we should have all our small groups pray regularly throughout the year for Bro Scott, our staff and their families. *In Christ, Bill Thomas Colossians 3:15*



Pack a box. Impact a life.



Emmanuel Family,
This month at our
church, we begin our
emphasis for
OPERATION
CHRISTMAS CHILD.
This is a powerful
ministry -- reaching

and changing the lives of millions of children and their families around the world. Operation Chistmas Child collects shoebox gifts filled with fun toys, school supplies and personal care items, and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, has collected and delivered more than 209 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 170 countries and territories. This year, in 2023, OCC hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 11 milion children. This year, Operation Christmas Child will celebrate its 30th year of ministry! (See instructions on next page)

Emmanuel has been a part of this ministry for many years. The empty shoe boxes (and information on how to pack a bax) are located in the hallway by the library. If you are unable to pack a shoebox, there are still other ways to join in this donation to: Samaritan's Purse, P.O.Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607. And most importantly, we can PRAY for the children to come to know the love of our Savior through these shoeboxes.

We need members to open their trunks for our Fall Fair!





Branson at Bethany Christmas Show
Tuesday, November 28, 2023 9:30AM Cost \$10
We have TWO tickets still available for this event.
The sign-up sheet is in the church office.

Deacon's Meeting – Sunday, October 15 4:30 PM Business Meeting – Wednesday, Oct 18 6:00 PM

Emmanuel Baptist Church Family Fall Festival Trunk-n-Treat



Saturday, October 28, 2023
2,00 - 4,00pm
Back Parking Lot
Free Admission
Everyone Welcome!



Old Time Cars - Bounce House Hot dogs - Nachos - Treats

The candy bins are in the hallways. Please bring individually wrapped candy to be given out at the Fall Festival. Thank you for your help in making this year's Trunk-n-Treat such a success. We couldn't do it without LOTS of candy!!



MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

In Memory of Karen Johnston

By Mike Asher Budget
A.T. "Mike" Clingan Budget
Ron and Diane Denny Budget

Karen Fuller Bereavement
Mike and Judy Gaddis Georgia Barnette
Jimmy and Linda Gentry Together We Build

Glen and Linda Hall

Floyd and Phail Dean Jones

DeWayne and Grace Kelly

Budget

Budget

Denise Palmer Bereavement
Jimmy and Leesa Sitter Together We Build

George and Laverne Smith Budget

Gene Taylor Together We Build

In Memory of Claude Burch

By Sue Burch Budget

In Memory of John Curtis McCarty

By John and Virginia McCarty Georgia Barnette

In Memory of Dr. C. Garth Cline

By Floyd and Phail Dean Jones Budget

In Memory of W. J. and Zena English

By John English Budget

In Honor of Ron Massey and Denise Griffin

By John English Budget

Our church family extends sympathy to R. L. and JoAnn Bamburg in the passing of their great-grandchild in South Dakota.

3424 Judy Lane Shreveport 71119-5410

Our church family extends sympathy to Peggy Caraway in the passing of her great-grandson, Gavin Ryder Kinsey.

7319 Red Fox Trail Shreveport 71129-3536

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Thursday, October 12 Jeremiah 22 – 23, Colossians 2 Friday, October 13 *Jeremiah 24 – 25, Colossians 3* Saturday, October 14 Jeremiah 26, Colossians 4 Sunday, October 15 Jeremiah 27 - 28, 1 Thessalonians 1 Monday, October 16 Jeremiah 29 - 30, 1 Thessalonians 2 Tuesday, October 17 Jeremiah 31, 1 Thessalonians 3 Wednesday, October 18 Jeremiah 32, 1 Thessalonians 4 Thursday, October 19 Jeremiah 33 – 34, 1 Thessalonians 5 Friday, October 20 Jeremiah 35 – 36, 2 Thessalonians 1 Saturday, October 22 Jeremiah 37 – 38, 2 Thessalonians 2 Sunday, October 23 Jeremiah 39 - 41, 2 Thessalonians 3



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Make a difference in the life of a child!

Pick up a shoe box in the hallway across from the church library. There are instructions on the box on how to pack a shoebox, or you can go to: samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Be sure to include a \$10 donation inside your packed box to cover shipping, or you can make your \$10 donation at: follow your box.

The deadline for our church collection is Sunday, November 19th.

We will take them to our local collection center after that date.