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EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA, LA A PLACE TO BE, A PLACE TO BECOME

Upcoming Events

Friday, March 28

5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Parents' Night Out (Birth - 6th grade)
- Family Life Center

6 - 9 p.m.

Bowling Social (Adult S.S. Library Group) - Tiger Lanes Bowling Alley at England Airpark (1711 Keglman Blvd.)

7 p.m.

Young Adults 5 & 6: Sake Sushi & Spring Art Walk - Meet at Sake Sushi by Mall (2159 North Mall Dr., Alexandria)

Saturday, March 29

4 p.m.

R.A. Sleep Over (1st - 6th grade)
- Family Life Center

Sunday, March 23

Lent IV

9 a.m.

Breakfast - Weems Hall

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study

10:50 a.m.

Worship - Baby Dedication

Noon

Deacon Council Meeting & Luncheon - Weems Hall

4:30 p.m.

Youth Choir

5:15 p.m.

Youth Snack Supper & YouthLIFE - Weems Hall

6:15 p.m.

Emmanuel Ringers

Tuesday, April 1

9 a.m. to Noon

Adults on Mission Volunteer - Main Street Mission, Pineville

1 - 4 p.m.

AARP Free Tax Assistance (Age 55+) - Rm. 105...first-come, first served

Wednesday, April 2

5 p.m.

Supper - Weems Hall

5:15 - 7 p.m. Library & Media Center Open

5:30 - 5:45 p.m.

Game Room Open for 1st-6th grade (FLC staff escort them)

5:30 p.m.

Early Room (Age 3 - Kind.) - Rm. 120 (Parent/Adult escort children)

5:45 p.m.

Music & Missions

5:45 p.m.

Youth Element (7th - 12th grade) - Gym & Rm. 201

6:40 p.m.

Yoga Class - Large Art Gallery

7 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

FLC open ONLY for children whose parents are in Sanctuary Choir or committee meetings.

Looking Ahead:



Friday, April 4

Main Street Mission Volunteers Banquet, 6 p.m. - Weems Hall

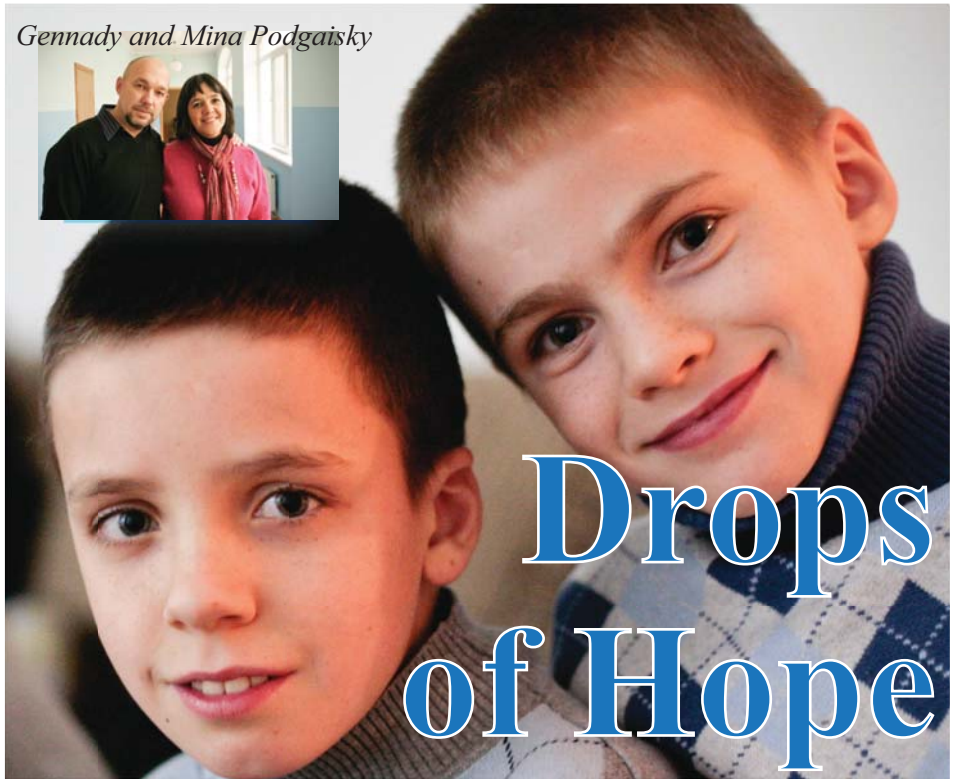
Sunday, April 6

Lent V

Deacon Ordination & Installation, 6 p.m. - Bolton Chapel

Emmanuel Ringers, 7 p.m.

Gennady and Mina Podgaisky



Drops of Hope

North American Missions Focus...

Every day, thousands of children spend their time on the streets of Kiev, Ukraine. These children eat most of their meals from a dumpster and sniff glue so they don't have to think about how cold, hungry or lonely they are.

When Cooperative Baptist Fellowship field personnel Gennady and Mina Podgaisky moved to Ukraine in 2002 to start their ministry, they were overwhelmed and worried for the street children of Kiev, but they were also determined to turn their tears into drops of hope.

More than a decade later these "drops" have rippled out among Kiev's orphaned, abandoned and runaway children through life-changing ministries — three foster care homes, transformational teaching tools, powerful partnerships and other ways of sharing Christ's love.

The Podgaiskys' ministry started small in Kiev, Ukraine. To any child on the street who looked hungry, they gave food. And while they realized that providing food was important, they also realized it would always be a drop in the bucket of an overwhelming crisis. So the Podgaiskys helped form a coalition of Christians committed

to addressing the crisis at its root.

Feeding stations turned into shelters where street children could linger to wash clothes, bathe, learn to read, study the Bible or receive medical care for common street wounds.

For children who wanted to leave the streets, the Podgaiskys and Ukrainian Baptists wanted to do even more. They envisioned a place where orphans could live with a loving family that would nurture, teach and care for them while also sharing God's love.

In 2003, their dream became reality. Amid 17 wooded acres less than an hour from Kiev, the Village of Hope was born as a community for Christian families raising foster children.

The Podgaiskys are not only drops of hope among street children but also among adults and families living in an economically-challenged society. Every week they host a Bible study in their home, where they share the gospel with people like Oxana, who then shared Christ with her entire family. The Podgaiskys offer counseling for couples and reach out to struggling families — hopefully preventing crises that would send more children to the streets.

ALL CHURCH

Start a Heart Cenla

FREE Bystander CPR Training
Saturday, April 5
Alexandria Riverfront Center

Two Sessions Offered
 8 - 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Register today: call 1-877-477-7637
 or online www.startaheartcenla.org.

Holy Rowers of Emmanuel

If you or your business would like to be a sponsor for Emmanuel's 2014 team please let us know.

If you would like to contribute, or have any questions, please contact Scottie Brooks as soon as possible at scottiebrooks@emmanuelalexandria.org or 442-1302, or 715-0738. Come to the races and cheer us on Saturday, May 10, 2014. Thanks - Captain Brooks.

SAVE THE DATE

Dr. and Mrs. John M. Smith
 invite you to join in
 the celebration of the marriage of
 their daughter

Elizabeth Rosene



to
Bobby Lee

Son of Mr. & Mrs. James E. Alford

Saturday, the Twelfth of April
at Six O'clock in the Evening
Emmanuel Baptist Sanctuary

Reception: River Oaks Square Arts Center

- C** Dr. Chris Thacker, *Pastor*
- Dr. Larry Taylor
Pastor Emeritus
- H** Dr. Lee Weems
Associate Pastor - Education
- U** Rev. Jerry Cauley
Minister of Music
- Rev. Susan Cauley, *Associate*
Minister of Music & Organist
- R** Gail Smith
Children's Ministry Director
- C** Rev. Greg Carroll
Youth Minister
- Scott Brooks
Activities Director
- H** Gayle Carroll
Day School Director
- Charleen Courtney
Pianist
- Karen Weems
Homebound Director
- S** Butch Berry
Facility Manager
- T** Pat McKee
Finance Manager
- Donna Blair
Administrative Assistant
- A** Karen Hamilton
Publicity Secretary
- F** Carolyn Robinson Wilson
Director of Food Services
- Ricky Keller
Custodian
- F** Adolphis Wilson
Custodian

ADULTS

Bowling Social

(Adult Bible Study Library Group)
6 - 9 p.m.
Friday, March 28

Tiger Lanes at England Airpark



We have a deal set for 3 hours of bowling in two lanes (which can accommodate 16 people)

for \$169.90, which includes pizza and drinks. We can add more lanes if needed, but right now the cost is roughly \$12 each.

There is a Parents' Night Out that evening, but kids are welcome to come.

For questions, contact Heather Matlock via e-mail at heather@matlocksupply.com or call/text her at 318-229-7613.

Young Adults 5/6

7 p.m.
Friday, March 28
Sake Sushi

(2159 North Mall Dr., Alexandria)
 Join us for Sushi and the Spring Art Walk Downtown! For questions, contact Jessica Thacker or Danielle Marcotte.

Tax Assistance

1 - 4 p.m.
Tuesdays
Through April 15

AARP offers free tax filing services to those age 55 and older at Emmanuel. There are no appointment times; this service is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

God's Mission Rooted in the Gospel

North American Missions Offering
 March 9 - April 20
(as of 3/26/2014)
Annie Armstrong (SBC) \$1,595.00
CBF Global 1,212.50
Total: \$2,805.50
Emmanuel's Goal: \$4,000

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CHILDREN

Easter Egg Hunt

(Preschool - 6th grade)
Sunday, April 13
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Pineville High School Football Practice Field

Bring your Easter baskets. There will be activities, games and opportunities for pictures. Rainy Day Plan - Family Life Center at Emmanuel.



Parents' Night Out

5:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Friday, March 28
Family Life Center

RSVP all children's names to the church office at 442-7773. The cost is \$5 per child.

R.A. Sleep Over

Saturday, March 29
Family Life Center

Boys and dads/granddads come to the FLC at 4 p.m. Saturday. We'll walk to the Red River levee for kite flying and walk back to Emmanuel passing by the Holocaust Memorial. We'll have tracks set up for them to race their cars to warm up for our official race at the church picnic in May.

On Sunday morning, pick up your boys and take them down to enjoy Carolyn's breakfast. You may want to bring a change of clothes for Sunday. If you want them to shower at the FLC please send a towel.

Other items to bring: sleeping bag, sleep clothes, toothbrush and paste, kite, and whatever non-electric activity your son might want to bring (nothing valuable).

Children's Summer Camp

July 31 - August 2
Tall Timbers

This is for those who have completed 2nd - 6th grades. A \$30 non-refundable deposit is due April 9 and the balance is due by July 18.