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EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA, LA

A Place to Be, A Place to Become

Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 8

Set your clocks ahead 1 hour before going to bed!



Sunday, March 9

Daylight Savings Time begins Week of Prayer kicks off for North American Missions

Avery Island Trip - RSVP Deadline

Breakfast - Weems Hall 9 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study Worship - Lent I 10:50 a.m.

Parent VBS Meeting Noon

(Parents with preschoolers and children) - Weems Hall...light lunch \$3 each with \$12 family maximum. Childcare in FLC.

4:30 p.m. Youth Choir

5:15 p.m. Youth Snack Supper &

YouthLIFE - Weems Hall

Emmanuel Ringers 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11

Esther Bible Study - Rm. 111 10 a.m. 1 - 4 p.m. **AARP Free Tax Assistance**

(Age 55+) - Rm. 105...firstcome, first served

Wednesday, March 12

Supper - Weems Hall 5 p.m. 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)

Personnel Committee 5:45 p.m.

Meeting - Rm. 111

Children's Committee 5:45 p.m.

Meeting - Rm. 106

North American Mission 5:45 p.m.

Prayer Focus - Weems Hall

Music & Missions 5:45 p.m.

5:45 p.m. Youth Element (7th - 12th

grade) - Gym & Rm. 201

Finance Meeting - Rm. 106 6:30 p.m. Yoga Class - Large Art Gallery 6:40 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m.

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

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

Looking Ahead: Thursday, March 13



Avery Island Trip, 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. -Meet in church parking garage

Sunday, March 16

Pizza & Pysanky Eggs, Noon to 2:30 p.m. -**Bolton Art Gallery**



Missions Focus...

This is the final article in a three-part series of articles focusing on Emmanuel's Adults on Mission.

Adults on Mission is one of Emmanuel's many groups that focus on missions locally, regionally, statewide, nationally and around the world.

Volunteering time at Main Street Mission is just one of the many ways that this group seeks to impact others for Christ.

Another focus for this group is the "Mission of the Month," where they select and implement specific mission and ministry projects that encourage a spirit of giving. Adults on Mission member Patsy Byles sees the group impact through these projects as focused and personalized.

Usually we can see the local needs and know what's needed to ask for specific help, Patsy said. "We see what people really need and hear what they ask for," she said

From the Fall Food Roundup for the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home to collecting clothing for the homeless, monthly projects vary in how and where people are impacted. There is even a special corner in Weems Hall dedicated to the Mission of the Month.

Emmanuel has always been a

very generous church in giving of their time and resources to help others.

The "Mission of the Month" for March focuses on North American Missions to collect financial resources for Annie Armstrong and CBF Global. "God's Mission Rooted in the Gospel" is this year's theme and Emmanuel's goal is to raise \$4,000. This Sunday, March 9, we will officially kick things off with a week of prayer.

Looking forward, here is a list of upcoming "Mission of the Month" projects:

April – Crafts for Tensas (Lake Providence in Tensas

May – CBF Catalog Project in memory of Bobbie McGraw for a medical mission.

June – Families on Mission & *Ministry projects.* There will be a list of ideas to pull from, but you and your family can implement your own ideas.

July – Bags of Hope for school children.

To become involved in Adults on Mission or for more information, contact Karen Weems, Debbie Dollar or Frances Blair.

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ALL CHURCH

Tools, Tools!

Are you still missing tools used during Pilgrimage to Bethlehem? It's likely that we have them stored in the lattice cage. Contact Butch Berry in the church office at 442-7773.



Please help us free up some of our storage space by claiming your items.

Holy Rowers of Emmanuel

The 2014 Holy Rowers of **Emmanuel Baptist Church are** looking for sponsors for this year's Dragon Boat races. The total cost will be about \$2,400 and about \$1,600 is still needed.

If you or your business would like to be a sponsor or make a contribution of any amount, whether for the team as a whole or an individual we are greatly appreciative.

To make a contribution, or if you have any questions, please contact Scottie Brooks as soon as possible at

scottiebrooks@emmanuelalexandria. org or call 442-1302, or 715-0738.

Come to the races and cheer us on Saturday, May 10, 2014. Thanks -Captain Brooks.



Dr. Chris Thacker, Pastor Dr. Larry Taylor Pastor Emeritus Dr. Lee Weems Associate Pastor - Education Rev. Jerry Cauley Minister of Music Rev. Susan Cauley, Associate *Minister of Music & Organist* Gail Smith Children's Ministry Director Rev. Greg Carroll Youth Minister

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Karen Hamilton

Homebound Director

Publicity Secretary Carolyn Robinson Wilson Director of Food Services

Ricky Keller Custodian **Adolphis Wilson** Custodian

ALL CHURCH

Avery Island Trip 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 15

Deadline to RSVP: Sunday, March 9

This trip includes a tour of the Tabasco factory and a visit to the Jungle Gardens/Bird Sanctuary.

Itinerary: Leave the church at 9:30 a.m.; lunch in New Iberia; tour the Tabasco factory, then visit the Jungle Gardens/Bird Sanctuary; leave around 4 p.m.; and arrive back at the church at approximately 6

Costs: Entry into the Jungle Gardens/Bird Sanctuary (\$6 for 13 and up, and \$3 for 12 and under) and bring money for lunch. Activities ministry will pay for transportation costs; entry into the Tabasco factory; and \$2 toward each person's entry into the Jungle Gardens/Bird Sanctuary (entry fee is \$8 for 13 and up, and \$5 for 12 and under).

Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian, or other responsible adult supervisor.

For questions or to sign up, contact Scottie Brooks at scottiebrooks@emmanuelalexandri a.org or 318-442-1302 or 318-715-0738. Payment for entry into the Jungle Gardens/Bird Sanctuary is required at sign up.



GRATITUDE

Thank you to all of the ladies who prepared meals for the Rawson/Hargis family.

Virginia Short

CHILDREN

Parent VBS Meeting Noon Sunday, March 9 **Weems Hall** Childcare in FLC

Parents of Emmanuel's preschoolers and children please attend this meeting to discuss Vacation Bible School for this summer. A light lunch will be provided for \$3 each or a family maximum of \$12.

If you have any questions, call Gail Smith in the church office at 442-

> 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 by noon the day of the event to avoid extra fees. The cost is \$5 per child.



ADULTS

Tax Assistance

1 - 4 p.m. **Tuesdays Through April 15**

AARP will once again be offering free tax filing services to those age 55 and older. There are no appointment times, this service is provided first-come, first-served. Emmanuel is only a host site for this event and has nothing to do with the filing service being provided.

Round Table Luncheon

(Age 55 plus) Noon Friday, March 21 **Weems Hall**

Rabbi Judy Ginsburgh will be here to share music and her story. Join us for a wonderful meal and fellowship.

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