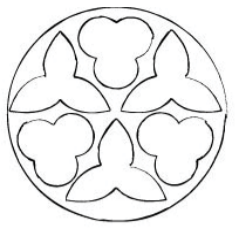




# EMMANUEL LIFE



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A PLACE TO BE, A PLACE TO BECOME

## Upcoming Events

### Friday, July 25

**Youth: Deadline to RSVP for Canoe Trip**

5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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

6 p.m.

Young Adult "Pool Fiesta" -  
*Scott and Sally Newcomer's  
Home (2825 Marye St., Alexandria)*

### Saturday, July 26

7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Youth Canoe Trip** - *Ouiska Chitto  
River (\$20 per person)*

### Sunday, July 27

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

9:30 a.m. July Adult Sunday School  
Studies - *Personal Spirituality  
in Classic Literature, Rm. 111;  
Significant Women of the Bible,  
Rm. 105; A Sermon and  
Dialogue, Bolton Chapel*

10:50 a.m. Worship - *Sanctuary*

4:30 - 7 p.m. Youth Home Life: Swim Party  
- *Hannah Mackey's House  
(4205 Aspen Court, Pineville)*

### Tuesday, July 29

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

**Terrific Tuesday:** Picnic & Pool  
Party (*K-6th completed*) - *The Mackey's  
House (4205 Aspen Court, Pineville)*

### Wednesday, July 30

**Gym Closed in FLC**

4:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Blood Drive - *Rm.*

5 p.m.

**Summer Supper Special:  
Adult 5&6** - *Weems Hall*

5:15 - 7 p.m.

Library & Media Center Open  
Early Room (*Pre-K and under*) -  
*Kiddie Korral (Parent/Adult  
escort children)*

5 p.m.

5:45 - 6:30

Children: Davey & Goliath's  
Camp Creation - *Rm. 208*

5:45 p.m.

**Preschool Committee  
Meeting** - *Rm. 106A*

5:45 p.m.

Prayer Meeting: Lord's  
Supper - *Weems Hall*

5:45 p.m.

Youth: A Reason to Shower -  
*FLC & Youth Room*

6:40 p.m.

Yoga - *FLC, Art Gallery*  
**No Choir Rehearsal**

## Looking Ahead:



### Thursday, July 31

**Ricky Keller celebrates 25 years  
of service at Emmanuel**

**Children leave for Camp** - *Tall Timbers*

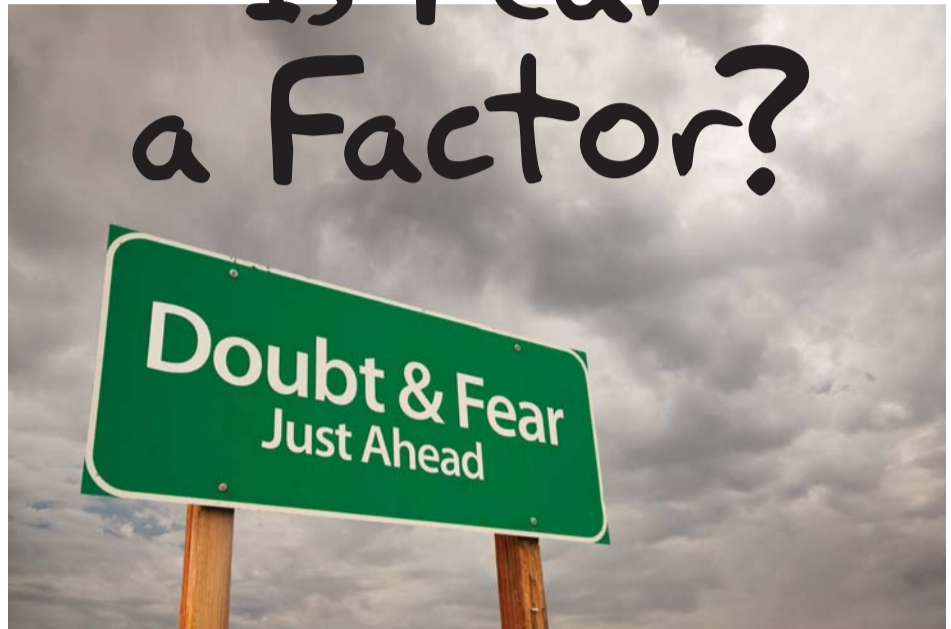
### Friday, August 1

**Louisiana Baptist All State Youth Choir  
Concert** - *West Monroe*

### Sunday, August 3

**Joshua Deville: "A Night on Broadway"  
Fundraising Concert**, 6 p.m. - *FLC, Gym*

# Is Fear a Factor?



From My View...

By: Karen Hamilton

Fear – it comes in many forms and everyone has experienced it at one time or another. As a parent I feel constantly challenged by fear...whether it's my own worry for my children or their own anxieties of growing up.

One thing I've really struggled with lately is my youngest daughter's bedtime fears. I feel like I've tried almost everything – magic sleeping spray, various night lights, nightly devotions, bribes, calming music, prayer, closet checks and the list goes on. It's a regular battle getting her to bed, asleep and having her stay there.

But isn't that how many of us are with God so many times? We tend to let fear from the enemy get the better of us and unconsciously challenge or doubt God's attempts to get us moving forward according to His will. "My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever," Psalm 73:26.

I have so often thought parenting can give us some of

the greatest insight into how God loves His children, works to help us grow and points us in the right direction.

Fear and worry are not the inheritance that God has prepared for us and it's not what I want to pass along to my own children. He wants us to cling to the promises of His word reminding us that He is our portion and we are His.

God is with us in facing our fears and will bring good out of it – many times that's how we grow our faith and confidence. Fear may always be a factor we must face in our earthly lives, but God wants us to let go and move forward despite fear and anxiety.

My prayer is that God grants me the wisdom and ability to pass this on to my children and loved ones. I want to live out the promise of Joshua 1:9, "Be strong and courageous, do not be terrified, do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go!"

**SUMMER BIBLE STUDY**

**July Adult Sunday School Studies**

9:30 a.m. for all classes

**Personal Spirituality in Classic Literature led by Adam Lord Room 111**

July 27: Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet"

**Significant Women of the Bible Room 105**

July 27: Priscilla, Lydia, Dorcas & Phoebe - led by Susan Tudor

**A Sermon and Dialogue led by Lee Weems Bolton Chapel**

July 27: "Imagine Life from God and Back to God," Walter Brueggemann - Deuteronomy & Hosea

**WELCOME**

**New Members**

Jackie and Brenda Barton joined the Emmanuel Family of Faith on July 20. The Bartons live at 206 Claiborne Street in Pineville, LA 71360.



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

**ALL CHURCH**

**Be a Hero: Donate Blood**

4:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday, July 30  
Room 105

Make a blood donation this July and receive a \$5 Off offer from Outback Steakhouse® and a patriotic-themed blood donor shirt for your life-saving donation!

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6 p.m.

Friday, July 25

Newcomer's House

(2825 Marye Street, Alexandria)

**Joshua Deville Presents: A Night on Broadway**

6 p.m.

Sunday, August 3

Family Life Center, Gym

"A Night on Broadway" is a concert to help Joshua Deville raise money to perform at the Advent Sing Festival in Vienna, Austria. This December, Joshua will travel with his college's chorale, the Lee University Chorale, to participate in an 8-day ministry and concert tour. The cost for the trip is \$3,200.

Joshua's concert, "A Night on Broadway" is to raise money to help him further God's Kingdom as he shines the light of Christ in Munich, Salzburg and Vienna. There is no cost to attend the concert; instead, a love offering will be collected. Please join the fun and attend a night of beautiful music from Broadway's most renowned musicals! Thank you all for your support!

**MISSIONS**

**Bags of Hope**

**TOTAL Collected: \$970.00**

THANK YOU for donating dollars and books to the annual Bags of Hope campaign.

**Homeless Outreach**

These needed items are being collected during July in Weems Hall: *powder, battery-operated fans/misters and fresh fruit.*

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**CHILDREN**

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(Birth-6th grade)

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(Completed K-6th grade)

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 29

the Mackey Home

(4205 Aspen Court, Pineville)

Join us for a splash in the pool. Please bring your own lunch. Don't forget sunscreen and a towel.

**Lionel Trains**



The Lionel Trains will be running the week of Monday, August 4, through Sunday, August 10. To Schedule an appointment to learn more or learn how to operate them contact

Jay Bolen at 443-3296 or [jbolen@bolenlaw.com](mailto:jbolen@bolenlaw.com).

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