

Elizabeth Baptist Church News

November 2018

From the Pastor



1 Chronicles 16:8 & 34 (NLT)

Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever.

Thanksgiving gatherings and celebrations will be here soon. We have an abundance of blessings to be thankful for this year. Christians offer their thanks to the LORD. In 1 Chronicles we are prompted to proclaim His greatness, His goodness, and His love while we offer thanks for all that He has done. Remember to thank Him for more than just the meal that you enjoy on Thanksgiving Day. Offer thanks for the present things that He is doing, the past things that He did, and the future things that He will bring about. Take time at your Thanksgiving table to encourage everyone to share at least one thing from God that for which they are thankful.

Thank you to all that helped in putting together a

memorable Homecoming Sunday. The grounds, the program, the meal, and the after lunch music were all a great blessing to enjoy. Our church has been richly preserved by God for 187 years of ministry. We look forward to what He will do through us in the upcoming year.

Continue to pray for disaster relief in our state. Our hearts and prayers continue to go out to those that had their lives interrupted and devastated by hurricane Michael. You may give to Florida Baptist Disaster Relief through our church by designating your gift "Disaster Relief."

I am looking forward to our Deacon Family Fellowships that begin this month. The first fellowship will be for everyone on the Deacon Family List of Allen Adams on Sunday, November 4, at 6:00 p.m. If you are on Allen's list, you received an invitation. Everyone else will be invited in the months ahead as each deacon has his fellowship time. Please plan to attend your deacon's time of fellowship.

Y.E.S. Event

On October 25, the Y.E.S. group traveled to Boston, GA for their event. A total of 13 church members attended.

The weather was beautiful and a wonderful day of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

The group started at the Main Street Boston Café and enjoyed a delicious lunch. When lunch was over everyone walked the downtown streets and visited the shops.

The group finished out the day and visited the Dillon Candy Company and some purchased delicious homemade candies.

Youth

Happy November! Over the next couple months, some Wednesday evening meetings will cancel along with the rest of our church activities during Thanksgiving and Christmas weeks. Please watch our online calendar and Church Facebook page for those dates. I will announce those dates on the EBC Youth Instagram page as well.

Saturday, November 17, will be a Nerf War in the church gym. We will be playing different games in the gym. There is no cost. Bring your own Nerf Gun. The event will begin at 3:00 p.m. and will end by 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 28, will be a worship night for the youth group. All are invited. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. during the normal meeting time and be done by 7:30 p.m. This will be a time of music, testimony, and Scripture reading. The location of this will be announced soon. If you would like to read a passage or give a testimony this night, please contact Brian at brian@ebcmonticello.com.

Brian

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Brotherhood Mission

We will be collecting non perishable food items to be given to less fortunate members of our church and community. This food will be given to help them have a more enjoyable and blessed Thanksgiving Day. There is a box in the foyer designated for these food items. So far we have **four families** to whom the food will be delivered. If you know of anyone, who would benefit from this ministry whether it be a church member or community member, please call the church office and give the name(s) and address (if known) of the family or person to Jeanette. All information will be kept confidential. The deadline for the collection of the food items will be November 12.

Brotherhood breakfast was held Sunday, October 28. 17 members enjoyed good food and fellowship.

The Brotherhood will be hosting a "Thanksgiving Day" luncheon for the Heritage Manor residents on November 19, 2018.

Our next Brotherhood breakfast will be November 25 at 8:00 a.m. All men and boys are invited. Hope to see you there!
Tony

Music

Awakening in the morning to a song playing over and over in my head is a gift from God. I may be humming a song, like "Jesus Is Alive." Other choir members also say they wake up with songs going through their heads. It is no wonder as choir rehearses each song several times in preparation for Sunday services. David and Solomon also had their choirs to be practiced up. "All the Levitical singers, Asaph, Heman, and Jeduthun, their sons and kinsmen, arrayed in fine linen, with cymbals, harps, and lyres, stood east of the altar with 120 priest who were trumpeters; and it was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the Lord" (2 Chronicles 5:12-13). And so our choir rehearsals continue in order to give praise to God.

One recent highlight for the EBC choir was on Homecoming Sunday when the EBC choir encouraged us with the songs "I Believe" and "Behold Our God." At the close of the service, past choir members joined us in singing "Amazing Grace," a special highlight for all. Now with the Christmas program approaching, the choir is in full swing of Christmas music practice. You can join us to sing. You can also be inviting others to the December 16 program. You will not want to miss this day.

To God Be the Glory,
Merry

~Sunday Schedule~

9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
 11:00 am Worship Service
 5:00 pm Choir Practice
 6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

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~Wednesday Schedule~

6:00 pm Prayer Meeting
 6:00 pm Youth
 6:00 pm RA's, GA's, Mission Friends,
 TeamKIDS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Daylight Saving Time Ends 2:00 am
4 6:00 pm Deacon Family Fellowship (Adams)	5 6:00 pm Ladies' Nite Out (Land & Sea)	6	7 9:00 am EaglesWings 10:00 am Day WMU 6:00 pm Evening WMU	8 7:00 pm BMW Meeting	9	10 10:30 am Bridal Shower (Kaitlin Jackson)
11 7:00 pm Business Meeting	12	13 10:00 am MFBA WMU Rally (Mount Olive Baptist Church)	14	15	16	17 3:00 pm Youth (Nerf Wars)
18 6:00 pm Music Nite	19 12:00 pm Brotherhood Ministry (Heritage Manor)	20	21 9:00 am EaglesWings No Youth, TeamKIDS, RA's, GA's, Mission Friends No PM Service	22 <i>Thanksgiving Day (Office Closed)</i>	23	24
25 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Deacon's Meeting	26	27	28 6:00 pm Youth Worship Nite	29	30	

Sunday School

"To become a well-informed, responsible follower of Christ" is the first promise of the Royal Ambassador pledge. Each week it is the endeavor of our Sunday School teachers and classes. Each week, as we gather in our classes, the goal is to produce more informed followers of Christ so we may "Be Prepared" (last month's article) to spread the gospel. Being prepared and being well-informed are not age or gender specific. The main hindrance to being both of these is not being there. We hope you will come and get in the habit of attending each Sunday for these purposes.

Be prepared, and be informed; our teachers are waiting on you.
 Danny

New Fellowship Activities

Do you desire to get to know your church family better in a casual setting? There are two opportunities beginning in January 2019 that will help you achieve your desire. You can show your interest by signing up for them in the foyer.

The first opportunity is a CHURCH VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE. Six Tuesday nights in January and February are being set aside for volleyball teams to compete. To be involved, you can form your own team of four or submit your name to be put on a team. This activity is for youth through age 99.

The second opportunity is SUPPER SIX. Groups of six adults (individuals and couples) will be formed from everyone that signs up to participate. Each group will make its own arrangements to meet for supper three times during the months of January, February, and March. Groups may have supper in their homes or choose to meet at a restaurant.

Sign up for either one or both opportunities in the foyer.

WMU

The Day WMU met on October 3 with 5 members present and the Night Group met that evening with 4 present. The BYW met on Sunday, October 7. I am happy to report that we reached the goal of \$2,000.00 for the State Missions Offering. We are preparing the Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes. Thank-you to all who donated items and money for this important ministry. "A Special Thank-You" to Judy Miller who spends all year making over 100 dresses for the shoe boxes. She uses her skill to create lovely little dresses and some shorts from any fabric remnant she can find, shower curtains, old pillow cases, old skirts and dresses, tablecloths, sheets etc. We are very blessed through her ministry and many of our shoeboxes contain these dresses. The one's we can not use are shared with Central Baptist Church. I am sure Judy would welcome any donations of fabric, and most especially thread. If you could donate these items, bring them to me and I will see that she gets them. We look ahead to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering during the month of December. Our church's goal is \$4,000.00. Begin praying now about your donation to this offering that goes to fund International Missions.

Shirley

Attention EBC Parents

Do you want your children to have a love for God's Word and the Church? Do you desire for them to love Jesus and have a personal relationship with Him?

Beginning in November, there will be a weekly video series that will be available to you to help disciple your children and teach them to have a strong devotional life for the rest of their life. This is for everyone raising children in our church, no matter your age or your child's age. This is **not** a "how to raise your child" training. This is to encourage and help you disciple your child and have a weekly/daily devotional time as a family. Statistics tell us that parents do not spend time in family devotions because they do not know where to start or they do not feel like they are capable of leading a devotional. You will receive help in both of those areas with this video series. Resources will be provided to use, Scripture to pray over, and even specific studies to use in a family setting. There will be three ways to view these videos: a closed Facebook page, an emailed link to you directly, or a Vimeo page. Each of these videos will be easy to watch on your phone or computer and will not take up too much of your time. I encourage you to join this Facebook page if you are on that social media outlet. This will be an encouragement to you and to other parents in our church. Please contact me at 850.997.8444 if you have any questions. Brian

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