

Faith alone in Christ alone!

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. Eph. 2:8-9

We need you!!!

Opportunities for service at Emmanuel:

Sunday morning greeters - contact Stewart or Karen Teague.

Children's Joy Explosion & Kids for Christ – contact Rachelle McKibben

Nursery workers – contact Kelly Banik

AWANA workers – contact Garry or Rhonda Jones

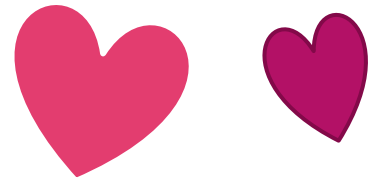
Blessing Team - help make and assemble items for baby and graduation recognitions. Contact Bridget Willeford.

Opportunities to help with our meal ministry occur frequently. Watch your email for these announcements.

If there is another area you are interested in serving besides those listed above, check with Pastor Kenny.

Women of Emmanuel

February 2015



Love – it is all you hear about in the month of February. The world has many definitions of love. Is it a feeling? An attitude? A state of the heart? An emotion? Is it intentional or accidental?

The Bible says “let us love one another...” (1 John 4:7), “Love the Lord your God with all your heart...” (Mat. 22:37), “Love your neighbor as yourself” (Matt. 22:39).

As Christians we are commanded to love. Since God *is* love, His word is the best place to learn the right way to love.

Are you loving more than you are able to love? This is the question Beth Moore uses to begin her study

“Loving Well.” She dives into God’s word walking through how to be filled with God’s love so that you *can* love others. We love because God first loved us. Beth looks at four types of people that we are called to love: those that are a joy to love, those that are difficult to love, people who are actually our enemies and finally, people we don’t even know. She gives great advice on how to love these people through God.

Please join us at our women’s retreat on February 21st and let’s learn together how God wants us to love.

Loving Well, EBC’s Women’s Winter Mini-Retreat

Saturday, February 21st our Emmanuel women will ‘retreat’ from their normal routines and spend the day studying God’s word, fellowshiping with Christian sisters, learning to love better than we thought possible, and having fun! What better way could you spend a cold Saturday in February?

We will be using Beth Moore’s study “Loving Well.” It is designed to help women embrace the biblical mandate to love and to develop skills for loving others (even when they are difficult).

We will begin at 8 AM with breakfast and the first session starts at 8:45. The cost is \$10 a person. You can pay at the door but we need a headcount by Sunday, Feb. 15th to plan for food. Please sign up at the table in the back of the sanctuary.

See you there!!

Coming up.....

Feb. 6 Valentine's Banquet

Feb. 21 Women's Mini-Retreat

Feb. 28 Hot Springs Ladies Friendship Baptist

Are you plugged in to a Bible study?

Opportunities for small group Bible study at Emmanuel:

Tuesdays - 8:30 am

Women's Bible Study
Betty McPhail – leader
Nursery provided

Sundays – 10:00 am

- Women's Sunday School Class - Betty McPhail – leader
- Adult Sunday School Class - Everett McKibben – leader

Bi-Monthly Ladies' Bible study

'Last Days/Revelation Study' meets bi-monthly on Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:30. Facilitated by Mary Cole. Contact Mary for more details.

On-line Bible study - For busy women who can't commit to meeting in person on a regular basis. **New study starting in March!** Contact Bridget Willeford for the details.

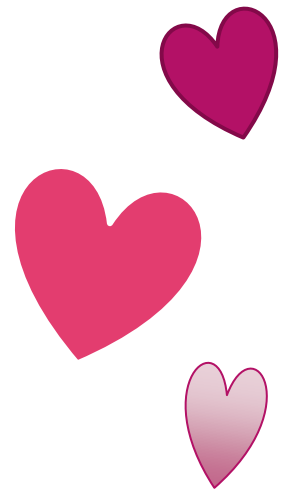
Recipes....yummy, yummy...

Our Emmanuel sister, Judy Sanford, went home to Heaven five years ago this month. She was a sweet lady filled with a fun spirit and she loved the Lord. Here is her amazing chili recipe that she loved to make for her Bunco friends.

Judy Sanford's Chili Recipe

- 2 lbs. ground beef
- 2 small, or 1 big, green bell peppers, chopped
- 2 small, or 1 big, onion chopped
- 2 fresh cloves of garlic, crushed
- Three – 1 lb. cans of tomatoes, diced
- 3 – 5 tsp Chili powder
- 2 tsp. ground cumin
- ¼ tsp tobacco sauce
- 1 cup water
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- Three to four 15 oz. cans of pinto beans

Cook first four ingredients until beef is browned. Drain off fat. Add all the rest of the ingredients except the pinto beans. Cover and simmer 45 minutes. Stir in the un-drained beans and cook for 45 minutes more.



What are you reading, watching, and studying?

One of our Emmanuel sisters recommends the book of Ruth study by Tommy Nelson on Right Now Media. It is a series of 10 videos studying the applications of the story of Ruth. – Its worth checking out!

What has inspired you lately? A good book, a great movie, an insightful Bible study? Please email me the title so I can share it here (jefflaurebell@hotmail.com)

Invitation

Emmanuel ladies, we have been invited by Friendship Baptist Church in Sturgis, MS to attend a potluck gathering at their church on Feb. 28th at 5 pm
Featuring
"The Hot Springs Ladies"



The Hot Springs Ladies are an award winning musical comedy group from First Baptist Church in Okolona, MS. They travel throughout Mississippi bringing joy and laughter to churches, hospitals and other organizations.
A love offering will be taken.