

Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel News March 2014

MINISTERIAL SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Ministerial Selection Committee met on October 29, 2013, to fill the ministerial calendar for 2014. Thanks to the dedicated efforts of committee members Jane Autry, Pat Braxton, Larry Combs, Durwood Johnson, Freddie King, Jeri Mills, Brenda Price, Michelle Reynolds, Julia Sherron, Grayson ReVille, Mildred Wilson and Dan and Hope Longest, the calendar is complete. Confirmation has been received from all invited ministers and their sponsors have been notified. A complete list of the year's schedule is posted on the south wing bulletin board.

2015 applications can be found in the chapel vestibule. **As a reminder, each ministerial application should be submitted with information first competed by the EAMC affiliate sponsoring the minister.** If you have a minister that you would like to sponsor, please start your minister's application soon. The deadline for 2015 applications is October 14, 2014. The selection committee will meet in October.

Information about the selection process, which is directed by the Board of Governors, is also posted on the chapel website.

If you have questions, please call Dan or Hope at 910-541-0198 or email hopeinc@gmail.com.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Every Friday morning at 9 am many ladies gather in the South Wing of the Chapel for a time of Bible study and prayer. For one hour we discuss a passage of Scripture, previously selected, and we pray for those in need. All ladies are invited to attend. It is a time of fellowship and sharing. All ladies are welcome. We are currently studying 1st and 2nd Samuel. Call Grayson ReVille if you have any questions....910 328 1244.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The EAMC Board of Governors consists of 20 members plus 3 Trustees. Each Board Member serves for a period of 4 year and Trustees serve for a period of 3 years. Each year 5 new members are elected to the board and 5 members "cycle" off the board after having served for 4 years. Each year a new Trustee is elected to the Board of Trustees and one Trustee "cycles" off. I would like to welcome the new board members - Judy Teachey, Nancy Green, JR Howell, Cameron Lee, and John Hauser and our new Trustee - Larry Combs. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the 5 board members that have served for the last 4 years - Ginny Barnett, Merle Morris, Larry Combs, Donna Pendergrast and Russ Eichman. Also thanks to Michelle Reynolds for serving as a Trustee for the past 3 years.

Durwood Johnson
Chairman EAMC BOG

NEW SUMMER OUTREACH

The **Friends Feeding Friends** ministry will now expand and begin collecting food from summer visitors and renters as they exit the island each Saturday morning



from **June 21 to Sept 1!** This outreach, called the **F3 PROJECT**, will use volunteers to collect **non-perishable** food items from "our summer friends" in the parking lot of Max's Pizza each Saturday morning from **7:30 to 11:30**. (Max's Pizza is in Surf City on

the right before crossing the swing bridge.)The food will be delivered to the **Christian Community Caring Center** in Hampstead the following Monday morning for distribution through their food pantry to "our friends in need" in the local community.

The plan involves utilizing local property management groups to notify their renters, posting flyers in various island businesses and making announcements in the local churches. The food collection volunteers will be organized into four teams. Each team will have three summer Saturdays to collect. We need your help! Call Julia (910-690-2595) or Frank (910-690-2194)Sherron to join this exciting outreach.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

As the construction work on the Fellowship House comes to a close, the Library Committee is working to clean the books and have the Library in tip-top shape in the coming months. We encourage everyone to visit the library to see our new books and browse all the new library offerings.

Library hours will be Sunday 8:45 to 9:30 AM, and by request by contacting any member of the Library Committee.

We will continue the EAMC version of a bookmobile. If you live in the Topsail Island area and have books that you would like to read from the adult fiction or nonfiction, young adult literature or from children’s literature sections but are unable to get to the library, call any member of our committee and we will check it out to you and deliver it. (Reference books, any book with a red dot, cannot be checked out of the library).



Members of the Committee are; Nancy Green, 328.1092, Gerry Horner, 328.7251, Nancy Howell, 328.0354, Cheryl Polzer, 382.7687, Grayson ReVille, 328.1244, and Brenda Teachey, 910.200.8335.

FLOWER COMMITTEE

What a wonderful way to honor loved ones by giving flowers in their name! The memorial sheet for flowers is posted in the south foyer of the chapel. If a memorial has not been requested, the sponsor of the minister for that Sunday will be contacted by the Flower Committee regarding their desire to provide flowers.

Again this year, a donation of \$85.00 is requested to cover the cost of two arrangements for the front of the chapel. For your convenience, the arrangements and the delivery of the flowers are handled by a local florist. Any questions, please call Judy Teachey, Lynette Boyd, or Susan Williford. Our committee extends much appreciation to all those who provided the altar flowers in 2013.

EASTER LILY, SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2014



If you would like to participate in the Easter Sunday Lily Program, please complete the form below. Forms and payment of \$12.00 per lily ordered must be received by **April 6th**.

To return by mail, please send the form and payment to **Flower Committee**, P.O. Box 2682, Surf City, N C 28445—Attention Judy Teachey. Orders may also be made by placing an envelope with the form and payment in the offering plate.

Checks should be made payable to Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. **One form must accompany each lily you wish to purchase.**

An insert listing all individuals designated by you will be included with the Easter bulletin. Please pick up your lily on Sunday morning at the conclusion of the 10:00 a.m. service. If you have questions, contact Judy Teachey at 328-1834.

Contributor’s Name _____

Telephone Number _____

In Memory of _____

Given by _____

OR

In Honor of _____

Given by _____

I understand that I owe \$12.00 per lily and that I can pick the flower(s) up at the conclusion of the 10:00 a.m. service on April 20, 2014.

MENS BIBLE STUDY

The men of the Chapel gather every Friday at 9:00 am in the Upper Room of the Fellowship House for biscuits, coffee and Bible study. We are currently doing a study of The Revelation. The men take turns leading the discussion and preparing the food. All men are welcome.

EVANGELISM/MISSIONS

After many years of prayer, fundraising, and delays, some of our Emma Anderson friends who have volunteered have a great sense of how the Lord worked to



complete the first prison chapel in the USA to be funded and built by volunteers. Our church was a financial supporter in this effort from the beginning and Rick Benton organized a loyal group who regularly went to work. Ask David Barnes, Rick, Larry Combs, Tom Eggleston, Chris Emblar, Eddie Hatch, Durwood Johnson, or Rich and Julia Pollock about the experience. Now we can pray God's word will be heard and influence the hearts and lives of many there.

For the fifth year, Emma Anderson affiliates worked at Samaritan Purse's Operation Christmas Child. This year Rick Benton, Levi Boyd, Dwight Davis, Kay Grady, Tim Horner, Don King, Tom and Fran Liu, Julia and Rich Pollock, and Ken Sides joined us for the first time.



Returning workers were Bettye Benton, Ginny Barnett, Lynnette Boyd, Sandra Davis, Mary Eberhardt, Norfleet Herring, Debbie Hill, Dick Holder, Gerry Horner, Jim and Freddie King, Merle Morris, Butch and Margaret Parrish, Julia Sherron, Marilyn Sides, Grady and Brenda Teachey, and George and Rebecca Womble. Everyone worked one, two, or three four-hour shifts from December 7-9. Spare time was spent at the Billy Graham Library, Ikea, resting, and seeing the beautiful lights in nearby McAdenville, "Christmas Town, USA." Jim and Dwight led our morning devotions and prayer time. The last night we enjoyed a great Italian meal at Portofino's, a Charlotte favorite. Visit the church website to see more pictures. Won't you plan to go next year to Boone?

Our church hosted 5 missionary families for a week's stay during 2013. There are presently two families scheduled to be our guests in the fellowship house's missionary apartment for 2014. Please take a flyer and share the information far in advance to any connections you have with those coming home on

furlough. Since they generally come home every few years, they plan far in advance.

In closing, we praise God for his fervent and faithful servant, Louise Shepard. She was a passionate evangelist and so badly wanted to go on what she called "a real mission trip". In 2005, she joyfully sent EAMC's first team of 7 people to Biloxi with a prayer and a check. Her whole life was a real mission trip.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Chapel will begin its Easter Programs with a series of Lenten Luncheons, starting on Tuesday, March 11th at 12 noon at The Assembly Building and continuing each Tuesday for the next 4 weeks (March 11, 18, 25 & April 1 and 8). Each week we will have lunch, great fellowship and a guest speaker. The cost is only \$5 per person and we try to finish in an hour. Reservations are necessary and can be made by signing up each week at the Chapel in the South Wing or calling Diane Barnes at 910 - 328 - 2421.

On Thursday April 17th, we will have our Maundy Thursday Worship Service, "The Way of the Cross" and Holy Communion at 6:00 pm.

On Friday, the Chapel will be open from 12 noon until 3:00 for private prayer and meditation.

Easter Sunday begins with a Sunrise Service on the beach at Crews Avenue at 6:15 am. Regular Easter Services with Holy Communion will be in the Chapel at 8:00 and 10:00 am.

Please plan to join us for as many of these as you feel led, as we remember and celebrate the sacrifice, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

EAMC COOKBOOK

Our beautiful red, conversation piece, cookbook is still available. The cost is \$20.00 and can be purchased at any of the Chapel services, just ask the ushers for assistance; or three local stores The Gift Basket, Quarter Moon or Topsail Island Trading Co. in Surf City; or for home delivery call Reenie Pegram at 910-520-5676. The purchase continues to help pay down the debt of our Fellowship House plus keeps the fellowship of our friends and family alive in our hearts. God Bless our sweet Chapel and all of His children.

BENEVOLENCE

In addition to the eight organizations that we support annually, we also assisted two local families in need. The total distribution was \$15,300 for 2013.

The Holiday Assistance program that we support during Thanksgiving and Christmas was very successful. Thanks to all that donated food during Thanksgiving. Thank you to all the "Angels" that purchased gifts from the "Angel Tree" and to all who donated food for Christmas baskets. I also want to thank each person that helped to wrap presents and sort food for each family. I believe each committee member will agree this program makes our Christmas complete.

We served twenty seven adults and thirty three children during Thanksgiving and Christmas...Thanks to each participant for Sharing the Love from Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel!!

MUSIC MINISTRY

2013 kept our choirs busy. The hand bell choir worked to learn music to ring with four hundred plus ringers at the Mid-Carolina workshop in Raleigh in November. What an experience!

The Chancel Choir presented "Night of the Father's Love" for our Christmas program in December and it was beautifully done.

Choir rehearsals have begun for 2014 and we welcome those who would like to join us in raising our voices to praise our Lord. We are rehearsing for Easter and will soon have music for our Choir Sunday. That takes place May 18th at 10 am.

Hand bell practice will begin in March with newly refurbished bells. We are grateful for fourteen years of bells and chimes which add a great deal to our music at EAMC.

A special "Thank You" to Jim and Beulah Fredrickson for 25 years of sharing their talents with our Choir and Chapel. "Happy Birthday" will never be the same! God bless them!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

On Saturday, February 15 we celebrated Valentine's Day a day late!

Soup, sandwiches and desserts were served to anyone from Church who wanted to celebrate with us. The Social Committee again showed a good time to all!



Our next event will be the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th at 11:00 o'clock in front of the Youth Cottage! Children from the ages of 2-8

are more than welcome to participate. So hop



on over with your own baskets to hold all those eggs you may gather! You might even get a Hug, a piece of Candy or a Picture with the Easter Bunny on that day!