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Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel News October 2013



BIBLE STUDIES--The men are continuing their study of Genesis. They meet at 9am every Friday morning on the top floor of the Fellowship House. Newcomers are very welcome. Coffee and a pick up breakfast are served. Come and enjoy an hour of fellowship while learning more about God's Word.

The Ladies' Bible study meets in the South Wing of the Church. We do not serve food, but we enjoy an hour of fellowship and prayer. Our study is usually one of the books of the Bible. We begin at 9am and finish at 10. We welcome all who are interested in learning more about who God is and what He has done for us, His children. Grayson ReVille

EVANGELISM/MISSIONS

Progress is being made in Burgaw on the prison chapel. A faithful crew of David Barnes, Rick Benton, Tom Eggleston, Chris Emblar, and Durwood Johnson have worked several days on various stages of the project. There will be many opportunities for anyone who can help finish the facility. It will be the first prison chapel funded and built by volunteers in the country.

35 people are looking forward to December 9-11, the



dates for the 5th annual trip to work with at a Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child site. This year's mission work will be done in Charlotte. Look for pictures of our volunteers on the website after the trip. The girl who took the reservation was named Emma Anderson! Isn't God good?

Three foreign missionary families home on furlough have been blessed this summer by a week in the Fellowship House missionary apartment. Another family is scheduled in November. Thank you for helping us spread the word about this opportunity. They have all been so grateful and have shared how their week was an answer to specific prayers.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Fall has arrived and we are planning for a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas season. In addition to our regular services, the Chapel will have a Thanksgiving Eve Service and a Christmas Eve Service. Both will begin at 5:00. Christmas Eve will be a Festival of Lessons and Carols, with the lighting of candles. If you plan on being at Topsail for Christmas, you will not want to miss this Service.

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM 2013

We've spent our summer Eagerly Pursuing Intimacy with Christ (EPIC) with a large group of youth from all over the country. What a blessing it has been for all who were involved! On Mondays throughout the summer, the younger group broke quite a few records with their fishing skills. Our activities varied each Wednesday from skating, to sand castles, to games, and to water wars just to name a few. We enjoyed an EPIC "Journey with Jesus" on Friday mornings, learning more about Jesus' life and ministry through a Bible lesson, games, crafts & snacks at Vacation Bible School.

The older group deepened their relationships with the Lord through themed weeks this summer. During ONE in Christ week, we (the youth and affiliates of EAMC) hosted a mission team from Temple Baptist in Selma, NC. We were involved with community outreach on Monday and a special worship service on the beach around the cross on Tuesday morning. Each Monday we had our Journey night. The youth divided up in teams and set out to explore the town through scavenger hunts. What a great way to meet some new friends and spend time with others! Tuesday and Wednesday nights featured all kinds of games including Ultimate Cabbage, Fear Factor, water races, game nights, and an occasional movie night. On Wednesdays, we also had the opportunity to serve in the community through Friends Feeding Friends. On Thursdays, we were fed physically at breakfast and spiritually through the EPIC Bible study night. We studied the scriptures from the Old Testament and the New Testament learning how Jesus is in every part of the story. Friday night cook-outs were the final event of the week. It was always wonderful to get to spend time with the families who hosted us each week!

Thank you again for the wonderful privilege to serve Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel and the youth of Topsail! Please continue to pray for the youth throughout the school year—being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:6) We love you and look forward to when our paths will CROSS again!

Chris, Rachel, Asher, Anna & Baby Simeon Emblar

MINISTERIAL SELECTION COMMITTEE

The application deadline for ministers for 2014 has been extended to October 13, 2014.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE would like to encourage everyone to visit the library to see our new books and browse all the new library offerings. Over 60 books have been donated recently. So come in and enjoy. Please contact any member of the Library Committee for additional information. 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 ReVile 328.1244, and Brenda Teachey 910.200.8335.



"THE POWER OF A SIMPLE GIFT" – Christmas Cards

This Christmas we once again invite you to send a donation to the EAMC Fellowship House in honor or in memory of those you hold dear. We will send you beautiful Christmas card(s) so that you will have a special gift for each of them. If you request, we will send the cards directly to those honored or the family of those remembered, with your name. Please send us each recipient's name and address. Thank you for your generosity at this special time of the year.

Send your donation with the names and addresses of the recipients to:

EAMC Fellowship House, P.O.Box 3071,
Topsail Beach, NC 28445

May God give you a blessed "CHRISTmas" in which the Gift of Christ remains foremost in your mind.



BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

Our Committee has been busy this year thus far donating to the organizations we have agreed to support annually. In the spring we had a nonperishable food drive and delivered to Good Shepherd Center in Wilmington. It was most welcomed!! Thanks to all that supported this wonderful cause.

We will soon begin our Thanksgiving food drive to assist several families from local schools that otherwise would not be so fortunate to have a "Happy Thanksgiving" without the help of our Chapel. Check our church bulletin late Oct or early November as we will begin our collections of non-perishable food items for the Thanksgiving Baskets..

MUSIC MINISTRY

This is an exciting and busy time for our Chancel and Handbell Choirs. Our Handbell Ringers have been working on music for Capital Area Handbell Festival in Raleigh Nov. 8 and 9. This is sponsored by the Raleigh Ringers with Tim Waugh as guest conductor. A final concert will be presented Sat. afternoon at the Kerr Scott Building on the N. C. State Fairgrounds. The Ringers gave a program for our August Covered Dish supper and played during Church service in September using the bar chimes given in memory of Laurel King.

The Chancel Choir is getting ready for our Christmas cantata. December 8 they will present "A Night for Rejoicing" by Lee and Susan Dengler. This work shares the joy and excitement of that glorious night when our Savior was born. We hope you'll be with us to share this exciting program.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

It is so very hard to believe that summer has come and gone already! We had another successful summer with our Covered Dish Dinners, well attended, delicious food, great entertainment and outstanding fellowship. The Jubilee was another successful event this past summer! So if you have missed any of these social events, please mark your calendars for next summer. They are always the third Wednesday of every month starting with May and ending in September!

Be sure to keep your eyes and ears open for our next Social event!!!

REMINDER: Please make sure year-end giving is postmarked in 2013, in order to be included on your statement.

PROPERTY FOR SALE

A buildable lot has been given to EAMC to sell and the money to be used toward paying off the debt of the Fellowship House. Lot #34 is located on Woodberry Forest Drive in the Harbour Club in Hampstead. For more information on this great property call Dee MacMillan at 910-328-0053.

FELLOWSHIP HOUSE REPAIRS

The Fellowship House is being used in so many different capacities. From Sunday school classes, Bible studies, a library, respite for missionaries, exercise classes, feeding families going through the loss of a loved one and preparing food for our shut-ins. This building is used almost on a daily basis. We are so blessed to have this much needed piece of property.

As many of you have seen there is repair going on there now. As homeowners of coastal property, we know buildings are in constant repair. The Fellowship House is no exception. We have discovered significant rot which must be repaired so we can continue to use this building for years to come. We are asking you to help us with the financial part of the repairs. If you will help it will not be a financial burden on the chapel. Thank you for always giving with a cheerful heart.

**In the name of
Christ,
we bid you
welcome.
Welcome
to this church!**