

# **EMMA ANDERSON MEMORIAL CHAPEL NEWS**

*June 2015*

## **EAMC SUMMER YOUTH MINISTRY**

We are excited to announce the return of Sarah Stidley and Andrew Miller to lead the 2015 EAMC Summer Youth Program! Activities begin on Monday June, 15th, and continue through early to mid-August. There are activities for ages 6-12 and for rising seventh graders through rising college freshman! It is a great opportunity to meet new people and learn more about Jesus! Come join the fun! Look for our flyers in local businesses and connect with us online at the Chapel website, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Submitted by Donna Pendergrast

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS for SUMMER 2015**

Join the excitement of learning about God through the study of His Word and the joy of fellowship with the community of faith at Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. Whether you are here for the summer or just for the week, check out this list of opportunities. There is something just right for you!!

**Adult Christian Life Class – Sunday 8:50-9:45am, top floor of the Fellowship House.** Do not miss the amazing video teaching series, "Follow", by Andy Stanley, pastor/teacher from North Point Church in Atlanta. "Regardless of what you believe, regardless of how you behave, Jesus invites you to...Follow!" 8 weeks starting June 14<sup>th</sup>. Workbook provided and lively discussion guaranteed! Come on up!

**Men's Friday Morning Bible Study – Friday 9-10am, top floor of the Fellowship House.** Faithfully studying God's Word and praying for each other are the priorities of this year round group. A light breakfast snack is also shared. They take turns teaching and cooking! Newcomers are always welcome!

**Women's Friday Morning Bible Study – Friday, 9-10am, South Wing of the Chapel.** This year round group meets each week to study the Bible with teacher, Grayson ReVille. They delve into Scripture to explore it's meaning and application to their lives. They also pray together for each other and for all those in need. Come one and all!

**Women's Summer Bible Study – Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am, top floor of Fellowship House. Starting June 16<sup>th</sup>.** Treat yourself to time with the "girls" studying God's word, praying for each other, making new friends, and reconnecting with others. This 7 session video study by Priscilla Shirer on Gideon: Your Weakness. God's Strength, promises to deliver a powerful message for living today! Workbooks will be provided your first day of class. Edna Dougher will coordinate the morning schedule while Julia Pollock and Vicki Sovel will facilitate the discussion. There will be a light snack and most always an impromptu invitation to lunch afterward!

**College Salt and Light – Sunday, 8:00pm, Youth Cottage starting June 21.** Addie Yancey and Rachael Stidley will rock your world as they facilitate the Bible study, Truth Matters - Confident Faith in a Confusing World. Workbooks provided along with amazing discussion and fellowship. College age to 25 yo are welcomed and can sign up in the South Wing of the Chapel or by contacting Rachel at rls8117@uncw.edu or 912-659-5682. Bring your Bible!!

**Teen Son Seekers – Sunday, 8:50 am, Youth Cottage, starts June 14<sup>th</sup>.** Lively discussion and lots of fellowship are guaranteed for rising 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders in this summer group starting with a 3 week video series entitled "The Comparison Trap" followed in July by a study challenging us to lead a life that is "surrendered, reckless and courageous as we learn to stop chasing the things that make us happy and start living a life that truly matters." A light breakfast snack also provided. Bring your friends! The more the merrier!

**Lighthouse Kids (Sunday School)-Sunday, 8:50-9:45am. Lower Level of Fellowship House. Beginning June 21.** This group, ages 5 yrs to rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade, will study God's word and age appropriate principles of Christian living through stories, music, art, and drama. This one promised to be a blast! Bring a buddy!

**Lighthouse Kids (Children's Church) – Sunday morning beginning June 14. Being a Winner in Christ...** is the theme of this summer's program. Children, ages 5yrs to rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade attend 10:00 worship with their families and following the Children's sermon exit the side door with designated leaders to go to the Fellowship House. The children will be treated to a time of learning and fun by our excited team of volunteers headed by Ginny Barnett. Parents please pick children up at the Fellowship House!

**Baby Nursery-Sunday, 8:00am and 10:00am, North Wing of Chapel** Infant to 4 yrs are invited to attend our bright, cheerful baby and toddler room to the right of the sanctuary. Two capable caregivers provide a safe and entertaining place for your little one so you can fully focus on the worship service. An age appropriate Bible story will be shared each week along with prayer. Also, snacks provided.

If you want more information contact: Judy Brock, [919-610-4748](tel:919-610-4748) [judyakcorb@gmail.com](mailto:judyakcorb@gmail.com)  
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**2015 FRIENDS FEEDING FRIENDS SUMMER COLLECTION** Friends Feeding Friends Summer Collection is ready for **2015!** We received helpful feedback from last summer's launch, recently met with Dawn to review the program, and have the full support of Max's Pizza and the island's rental companies. Here we go again! We will collect each Saturday morning from 8-11am in Max's parking lot. We will have a Sunday collection as well at the office of Topsail Realty. We will collect for 12 weekends **starting June 20 and ending Sept. 6.** We will again have three teams, Johnson, Mendy and Sherron, to coordinate their volunteers. We all enjoyed gathering and visiting on Saturday mornings last summer but often had more help than was needed, (what a great problem to have), so this summer we will only ask volunteers to work one, at most two, Saturdays. This will be coordinated with the team leader.



This summer **refrigerator magnets** will be used rather than brochures to get the word out. The 5 x 7 magnets seen here have been printed and distributed to all participating rental companies. Anyone needing a magnet for their rental property please let be in touch! We also plan to place small posters in each office to remind folks when they check in to keep F3 in mind! We always welcome any free publicity! If you hear of an opportunity please let us know! We will continue to

use social media and local publications.

Many thanks to Dawn Ellis and her team at Share the Table Food Pantry who each week sort through our collected food and stocked the shelves at the Pantry for the two shopping days offered each week. The need continues to grow. Pray for her team and those in need right here in our community.

If you can help collect this summer, please let us know ASAP! Send word via text message to Julia at 910-690-2595 or email to [JBSherron@gmail.com](mailto:JBSherron@gmail.com). We sure need you! If you know of others who want to help, feel free to recruit, or we will give them a call! The more the merrier! And yes, we will wear our yellow shirts again and have our F3 signs out each week! Be in touch!

Fellow workers in Christ, Lisa and Bryant Mende, Julia and Frank Sherron

**MINISTERIAL SELECTION** Although the first quarter of 2015 presented the Ministerial Selection Committee with some cancellations and substitutions, the selections for the rest of the year remain committed. The Committee thanks Jac Reville for filling the pulpit for a last minute cancellation. We encourage affiliates who wish to sponsor a minister for 2016 to complete their portion of the application and forward it to their minister soon. Submitted by Hope Longest

## CHRISTMAS IN JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST

Many children around the world receive only one Christmas gift in their young life – an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. EAMC participates in this project as shoebox packers, a Relay Collection Center and with a volunteer team that works at a processing center in Boone or Charlotte. Last year, EAMC affiliates packed over 100 shoeboxes. We would like to increase the number of shoeboxes this year by doing a collection for shoebox items during the summer months. Beginning in June, a box will be located at the entrance of the Chapel to collect items. Monetary donation will also be appreciated and will be used to purchase items or to pay for the shipping of the shoeboxes. (Each shoebox costs \$7.00 to ship.) Shoebox items can be for a boy or girl. Age divisions are: 2-4 years old; 5-9 years old; 10-14 years old. Gift suggestions are offered with the dates of the collection.

**June 7 – 14 TOYS:** toy cars and trucks (with larger wheels), toy airplanes, jump ropes, balls (especially mini soccer balls), toys that light up (with extra batteries), puzzles, harmonica

**June 21 – June 28 SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, colored pencils, notebooks, solar calculators, coloring and picture books

**July 5 – July 12 NON-LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS:** toothbrush and toothbrush holder, bar soap with plastic soap dish, comb, band-aids, plastic or melamine plate, bowl or cup

**July 19 – July 26 ACCESSORIES:** t-shirts (preferably with no writing), socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

**August 2 – August 9 SOMETHING TO LOVE:** dolls, stuffed animals

Thank you for your donations. Debo Bell

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** We kicked off our summer Wednesday night covered dish suppers on May 26th at 6:30. The suppers will be held each fourth Wednesday during the summer -- May 26th, June 24th, July 24th and August 26th. We will start receiving food at 6:00 each evening of the dinner and eat at 6:30. Bring a covered dish large enough to feed your family and one more and join us at the Topsail Beach Assembly Building for an evening of good food and fellowship. We welcome visitors and guests.

Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel will have homecoming Sunday, July 12, 2015. A luncheon will be served following the worship service at the Assembly Building. Johnny James will be catering the meats and affiliates are asked to bring sides and deserts. The Social Committee will provide the drinks.

Co-chairs: Bettye Benton and Jeannie Daniels

## ISLAND INDEPENDENCE 5K RUN ON JULY 4, 2015



Do not forget to join us on July 4<sup>th</sup> for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Island Independence 5K! We still need volunteers to help the day of the race and fun walk.

**SPONSORS:** This annual race is now being organized and hosted by Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. We are looking for sponsors of the race. Sponsorship and marketing opportunities are available for both businesses and individuals. Levels of sponsorship: \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1000. All proceeds are tax deductible and will be used by EAMC to support the many needs and ministries in the local community. Please contact Maria Holler at 910.990.4597 with questions. More details to come in the June newsletter.

**PARTICIPANTS:** The race will begin at 7:30 am behind Emma Anderson Chapel. The 1-mile fun walk will follow directly after the 5k-road race. New this year will be the 5-man team run. Be sure to challenge your friends and family to get a team together. All proceeds from this year's race will benefit Emma Andersons' Christian Outreach program. We look forward to seeing everybody this year for a hurricane free event. Register online at [www.its-go-time.com](http://www.its-go-time.com).

**MUSIC MINISTRY** The Chancel and Hand bell Choirs presented their annual All Music Sunday Service on May 17, 2015. Our next big event will be Sunday, July 19, when the choir will present a new anthem which was commissioned by Francis Keir in memory of her parents and in honor of the Music Program at Emma Anderson. If you have ever enjoyed singing, consider joining the Chancel Choir on Thursday nights at 7:15 for our weekly rehearsals. Submitted by Merle Morris

**COOKBOOK GREAT SUMMER GIFT IDEA** Summer is here and let the fun begin! If you are returning to our sweet Chapel for your summer vacation, or if you live here and have lots of guest coming for vacation an Emma Anderson Taste Of Fellowship Cookbook is a great take home gift idea. To purchase one you may ask any usher at the beginning or end of a service to help you. The Gift Basket, Quarter Moon Bookstore, or The Topsail Island Trading Company are our local stores that also sell the cookbook for \$20.00 no tax. All proceeds go to help pay down the Fellowship House debt. This cookbook is special because it is not only full of great recipes, but it has iconic pictures, specially written prayers, and the original Topsail Island cookbook written back in the 70's. This keepsake will surely be one that many of us will treasure, as future generations become blessed as we have been watching this sweet little Chapel grow into a messenger of Gods' word and love.

Submitted by Reenie Pegram

**EVANGELISM/MISSIONS** A growing group of women meet each Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:00 am to fellowship as we create handmade items for distribution near and far. Pictured are some of the items that have been made for Operation Christmas Child boxes. We alternate houses to sew, knit, and crochet clothes, accessories, blankets, shawls, and washcloths. Contact Julia Pollock at [jawp2@me.com](mailto:jawp2@me.com) or 910-398-1923 for where to start coming!



Chris Embler, a former EAMC youth minister, has asked for our help this summer and fall. He leads the GAIN ministry where pastors, evangelists, as well as missionaries along with their spouses and children are loved through week long retreats. They need volunteer helpers at retreats in Ocracoke August 10-16, September 14-20, and October 12-18. If you would like a volunteer application, call Sandra Davis at 919 605 6362. The Hausers would love to share about their experience volunteering with GAIN last summer.

We are excited that Chris is bringing an additional group to Topsail for a retreat November 9-15. Six to eight couples will be coming. Some EAMC affiliates have offered their homes for the week but additional space will be needed. If you are interested in helping this way or in any other capacity, Chris would love to hear from you at 919 634 5657 or [mblur@hotmail.com](mailto:mblur@hotmail.com). Submitted by Sandra Davis

**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.

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 or Lynette Boyd.

The committee is grateful for all those who supported the Easter Lily program. 65 lilies were displayed at the chapel services on Easter Sunday. Submitted by Judy Teachey

## **HISTORICAL MEMORIES--CELEBRATING EMMA ANDERSON MEMORIAL CHAPEL**

How often have you been in a group setting, having a conversation about the Chapel when the next thing you know – the questions begin..... Well, how was this done? .... Do you remember when we poured the concrete for the basketball court?... When did we acquire this building...that building? ... Who was the Youth Leader when so-and-so did such-and-such?... How long ago was the mission trip to Belize?... Tell me about mission trips... Who was Baptized in the Sound?... Do you remember the first time we did that?... Does any of this sound familiar? We all ask these questions. – and so many more!

Lib Mallard spent countless hours, in her life time, gathering and producing information – some of which is shared in the publication *The Diary of Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel 1949 – 1985*. This publication is out of print; however, you will find a copy in the Library located in the EAMC Fellowship House. The History Committee is working on the next historical publication and we continue to collect information and pictures of the Chapel since the inception of starting “*a church in New Topsail Beach Township*”.

We are looking for Chapel documents and pictures showing events (the history) that many of you have acquired over the years. We could use any items you feel would make the next publication more complete. It can be anything that you think might be beneficial in documenting EAMC history. Do you have pictures or papers (not previously submitted) that you would like to “lend” to the Committee? If you do – please put them in an envelope and send to the Chapel – Attention: Michelle Reynolds. If you would like for this information to be returned – include a self-addressed envelope, and once reproduced – it will be returned just as soon as possible. We will use as much of the gathered information as possible. It is our intention to capture as many words and deeds as possible of all who have generously helped to build and continue *God’s plan for each of us here at Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel*.

**BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE** We have continued to support the Christian community with financial support to various ministries: Topsail Senior Center for Meals on Wheels, Release Ministries, Lower Cape Fear Hospice, and Safe Haven of Pender County. Lorraine Hayleck and Beth Holder

**LIBRARY** Summer is the perfect time to check out a good book and enjoy the sea breezes. The EAMC Library offers over 1,000 titles of Christian fiction and non-fiction books that are just right for summer reading. So, take a few minutes and find that perfect book to read this summer.

The children’s reading group will not meet this summer. They will resume in the September.

The Library Committee would like to encourage each of you to visit the library. Our Library hours will be Sunday 9 AM to 10 AM and by request by contacting any member of the Library Committee. Committee members are: Nancy Green, 328.1092, Gerry Horner, 328,7251, Nancy Howell, 328.0354, Frances Keir, 919.522.3934, Cheryl Polzer, 382.7687, Grayson ReVille, 328.1244 and Brenda Teachey, 910.200.8335.

Submitted by Nancy Green

**CALENDAR/EVENTS COMMITTEE** Do you need to reserve the Chapel for a special event such as a wedding or christening? Do you need to schedule a program, activity or meeting at the Chapel? If so, please contact Debo Bell at [dtbell56@gmail.com](mailto:dtbell56@gmail.com). A Chapel Calendar with scheduled activities for the next six months is located in the south hallway of the Chapel.

Submitted by Debo Bell

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