

March 17 MARK DALEY

Mark is a native of Rocky Mount, N.C. He graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1964. He is married to his childhood sweetheart Susan Richardson. They have three sons and nine grandchildren. Mark is President of Daley Investments, Inc., but is now retired and living in Topsail Beach. Mark met Christ when he was 25 years old. He and Susan regularly attend Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. *SURF CITY BBQ: BBQ, slaw, rolls, pickles, chips, dessert, beverages*



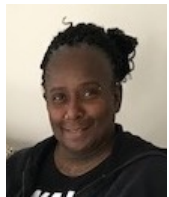
March 24 BAXTER ENNIS

Baxter has a diverse background—military, academia, politics, publishing, fundraising, and community service. After 21 years in the United States Army, he retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. The things that matter most to him are God, family and country. He leads a prayer breakfast at his church. Both he and his wife have led a prayer group for many years. Baxter and his wife Glenda live in Chesapeake, VA. In 2018, he published a book entitled "When Leadership Matters: Inspiring Stories of 12 People Who Changed the World". *CORA'S DELI: Chicken salad and tuna salad wraps, potato salad, pickles, chips, dessert, beverages*



March 31 DR. DONALD RIBEIRO

Dr. Ribeiro is a primary care physician serving the Greenville, N. C., area. He's also an ordained minister. Called to missions, he sold his practice and established a foundation to benefit his cause. Dr. Ribeiro later returned to the practice of medicine where he continues to care for those in need of his medical expertise. He was named Physician of the Year by the NC Academy of Family Practice in 2011. He's been pastor of the Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church since 1998. The church is thriving under his leadership. *SURF CITY BBQ: Applewood smoked chicken, potato salad, hush puppies, pickles, chips, dessert, beverages*



March 3 BRENDA GARRISON

Brenda was born and raised in the Hampstead, N.C., area and has lived there all her life. She has seen and experienced many changes during that time. Brenda enjoys flower arranging, crafts and writing inspirational quotes. After Hurricane Florence devastated her home, she met EAMC affiliate Freddie King through the Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief Organization. It was a meeting meant to happen. *SURF CITY BBQ: Fried chicken, baked beans, pickles, chips, dessert, beverages*



March 10 JIMMY SAPPENFIELD

Jimmy grew up in Statesville, N.C. Upon graduating from the University of South Carolina in 2013, he joined the Young Life staff in Asheville, N.C. Young Life introduces adolescents to Jesus Christ and helps them grow in their faith. Jimmy moved to Hampstead in 2016 to become the Area Director for Topsail Young Life. His wife Rachel is a 6th grade teacher at Surf City Middle School. Jimmy is an energetic role model serving our area youth. *CORA'S DELI: Turkey and ham wraps, macaroni salad, pickles, chips, dessert, beverages*

\$7 Per Luncheon
Please sign up for each luncheon in the south wing of the Chapel or contact Peggy Marziani at 717-279-1984.
Reservations requested 2 days prior to each luncheon.

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

February 2020



Time flies, doesn't it? It seems like yesterday that I was writing my last column about getting in the Christmas spirit. Now I'm back at it

writing this column in mid-February with daffodils already blooming on the island.

Christmas and Year End Thanks

So much has transpired over the last few months through the Chapel. I want to extend heartfelt appreciation to all the affiliates who gave countless hours to make our Christmas season so special. **Dianne and David Barnes**, with the help of many others assured that the Chapel was decorated to its fullest beauty. **Merle Morris and Carolyn Kugatow, along with our Chancel and handbell choirs**, provided great music capping it off with the Cantata. Our Advent and Christmas Eve services were made richer by **Rich Pollock and the Worship Committee**. **Kimry Gardner and the Communion Committee** made sure communion was a part of the Christmas Eve candlelight service. **Janie Hauser and her team of helpers** trimmed the 200 candles that were used in the service. And the **Social Committee**, as always, assured a great time of feast and fellowship after the Cantata.

Macon Basinger who did an outstanding job as Chair of the Chapel's **Flower Committee** for many years, "retired" from the position at the end of 2019. The three "B's" – **Ginny Barnett, Penny Burrell and Jean Bell** – have agreed to now co-chair the committee. Planning for and coordinating flower arrangements with sponsors for the Chapel each week, all year long, is a tremendous job and responsibility. A big thank you to them for stepping up to take on this responsibility!

Spring and Beyond

It's not only during the Christmas season that our affiliates step up to plan and implement programs and services. They do so all during the year. Easter is coming soon and affiliates are already busy planning for Lenten Luncheons,

our Easter services and programs, our youth summer program, homecoming, and our summer potluck dinners at the Assembly Building.

Our **Lenten Luncheon Speaker Series** has been a very popular program for the past several years thanks to the work of **Julia Sherron and Dianne Barnes**. I understand that last year's attendance averaged 65-70 each week. **Peggy Marziani** has volunteered to coordinate the luncheons this year. Thank you, Peggy! The first luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3, and will be held each Tuesday through March 31 with a different inspirational speaker.

The **Christian Education Committee** sponsored a movie night February 12 featuring the movie *Overcomer*. Five consecutive Wednesday nights of Bible study will follow based on the movie. If you missed the it, the movie is available for you to watch at home. Contact **Jean Bell** (910-328-2345) or **Julia Sherron** (910-690-2595) for more information about the movie and this winter Bible study.

Pat Gunter is coordinating an exploratory **Missions** trip to Haiti for affiliates from May 4-8 in conjunction with Haiti Outreach Ministries in Durham. The purpose of this short trip is to explore mission opportunities for EAMC affiliates. Findings will be shared with those who are interested in planning and participating in a weeklong trip in the future. Please contact Pat (919-724-9459) for more information if you are interested in participating in the May trip.

June Homecoming

This year marks the 70th anniversary of Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. A series of activities is being planned by the **Social Committee** to commemorate this milestone. Make sure to be in town for a Homecoming Celebration on Sunday, June 14! Contact **Bettye Benton** (252-532-0762) for more details

It Takes a Village

As you can see, it takes many affiliate volunteers to keep our Chapel running. *I've only touched the surface of the programs and activities that our committees (all 27 of them) and affiliates work on year round, and often do so unheralded behind the scenes. Dedicated affiliates make our Chapel what it is and allow us to minister to others. Thank you, thank you, thank you!*

Whether as a committee representative, committee chair, board member or volunteer on a mission project, there are plenty of opportunities to serve EAMC. Please pray for opportunities that you might be led to fulfill. Stay abreast of these via our website calendar.

We're often thought of as just the little white Chapel at the end of the island (with no full-time minister). But the wealth of missions and programs that come out of our Chapel spreads the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our communities and, in fact, the world.

As always, please continue to reach out to me with your thoughts and ideas about our Chapel's future. I can be reached at 910-604-3835 or rickbenton56@gmail.com



In Christ's Service,

Rick Benton, Chair
EAMC Board of Governors

But we want to hear from our Lenten Luncheon speakers what a difference the Cross of Christ has made in their daily lives. If we are honest, we want to know how Jesus' life, death and resurrection changes us personally - our relationships, our work, our daily living.

As I listened to the choir one Sunday morning in mid-February sing an adaptation of the gospel hymn, *We Will Understand It Better By and By*, it struck me that even though the work of Christ was completed on the cross (remember just before He died He said, "It is finished"), for us it is somehow ongoing. It is ongoing in the sense that it is for us a continual process of knowing Christ more deeply, of following Him more nearly, and loving Him more dearly. In other words, it's a process of becoming more like Him through the power of His Holy Spirit.

Like the old hymn says:

*Trials dark on every hand, and we cannot understand
All the way that God could lead us to that Promised Land;
But He guides us with His eye, and we'll follow till we die
For we'll understand it better by and by.*

*By and by, when the morning comes
When the saints of God are gathered home
We'll tell the story how we've overcome
For we'll understand it better by and by.*

We will understand it better by and by because Jesus died on the cross and rose again, so that we, too might die to sin and live for Him.

REFLECTIONS

Understanding the Cross, By and By



March is the season of Lent, which for us means Lenten Luncheons. So mark your calendars for all five Tuesdays in March starting at noon in the Assembly Building where we will gather for food, fellowship and hear from a different inspirational speaker each week about "what the Cross means to them."

What difference does it make that Jesus died upon the cross? For most of us we know the threefold Sunday school answer: He paid the price for our sin, he won a victory over death, and he gives us eternal life.

We Will Understand It Better By and By was written in 1906 by Rev. Dr. Charles Albert Tindley (July 7, 1851 - July 26, 1933), an American Methodist minister and gospel music composer. Often referred to as "The Prince of Preachers", he educated himself, became a minister and founded one of the largest Methodist congregations serving the African-American community on the East Coast of the United States, ultimately becoming pastor of the congregation where he had worked 15 years earlier as the janitor.

Rich Pollock lives in Topsail Beach with his wife Julia. Both are active affiliates of Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel. Rich happily fills in at the pulpit when a guest minister is unable to lead us in Sunday worship.

Honor or Remember a Loved One on Easter



Purchase a lily to be displayed at the front of the sanctuary! An insert in the bulletin will list the names of all the individuals for whom the lilies have been given.

\$7.00 per lily. Orders due March 15. (Order forms are in the brochure racks in the chapel.)

Questions? Contact [Ginny Barnett](mailto:Ginny.Barnett@eamc.org) (910-328-4535)

CELEBRATING 70 YEARS, 1950-2020



An early view of Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel and the town of Topsail Beach. Chapel can be seen in lower left corner, parsonage in lower middle.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Source: *The Diary of Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel: 1949-1985* by (Mrs. Steve) Elizabeth Keith Mallard "Lib" (mother of Merle Morris and Pat Braxton).

February 1949 J. G. Anderson Sr. announces the sale of lots in New Topsail Beach. "All of Block 20 is reserved for a non-denominational church" with ten percent of the purchase price going toward the construction of "a nice church".

June 1949 First lot is sold.

August 1949 First Sunday School meeting is held "in the living room of the Steve Mallard Cottage (the cottage located just south of the Gift Basket), in the area known as New Topsail Beach. In attendance that day were Merle Mallard, Pat Mallard, Edna Earl Brown and Jane Boone of Wallace." [Ed. note: You might recognize some of those names!]

December 1950 N.G. Hines, Notary Public, witnesses the signing of the deed naming. . . Trustees for the Non-Denominational Church of New Topsail Beach. "The property was to be used for a church, otherwise it was to revert to the Grantors."

Mrs. Mallard ends her entry for 1950 with this comment, "News of all events, church, social, etc., passed from one person to another by word-of-mouth (as the nearest telephone was in Holly Ridge)."

We've come a long way in 70 years!

COMING UP!

- **MAY 27:** Our first covered dish supper of the summer featuring a special theme. Stay tuned!
- **JUNE 14:** Our big Homecoming celebration featuring prayer, praise, food, fellowship and fun!

Questions? Co-chairs of the Social committee are happy to answer them. Contact [Bettye Benton](mailto:Bettye.Benton@emcnc.org) (252-532-0762) or [Jeannie Daniels](mailto:Jeannie.Daniels@emcnc.org) (910-328-1496).



Thirty-three people enjoyed a delicious Soup 'n Sandwich Supper plus great fellowship on February 16 to kick off EAMC's 70th Anniversary year!

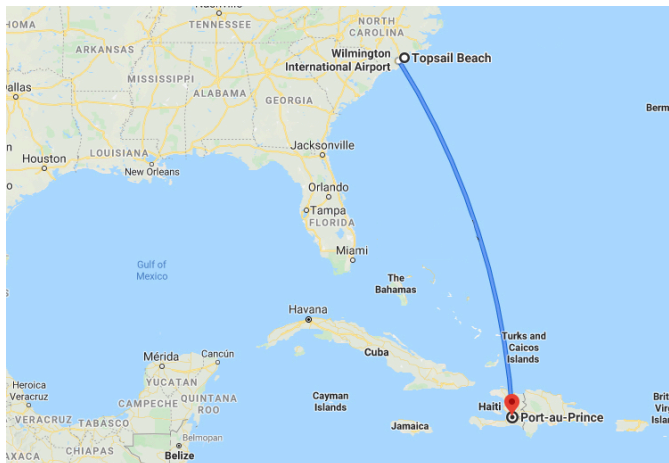
Helping our local neighbors in need



The Benevolence Committee is collecting oatmeal, cereal, and pancake mix for our local food pantry- Share the Table- during March. We have "adopted a shelf" and will keep the pantry supplied with these items year round. We are also collecting diapers for the community-wide project "Keep Me Dry".

We appreciate your support as we minister to our neighbors in need. Questions? Contact Benevolence chair [Beth Holder](mailto:Beth.Holder@emcnc.org) (910-328-2562).

Helping our world neighbors in need



EAMC's Away Missions committee is joining [Haiti Outreach Ministries](#) (HOM) on a mission trip to Port-au-Prince, May 4-8, 2020.

They will be exploring future mission opportunities for EAMC affiliates. Findings will be shared with those who are interested in planning and participating in a weeklong trip at a later date. Contact trip coordinator [Pat Gunter](#) (919-724-9459) for more information if you are interested in going on the May trip.

In 2010 Haiti was devastated by an earthquake that killed more than 316,000 people and destroyed 250,000 homes. Learn more about conditions ten years on in ['Things have gotten worse': Weary Haitians approach a somber anniversary](#) (National Geographic, January 10, 2020).

Affiliates Reach Out



Louis Cox (front) and Dan Longest assist Baptists On Mission at a private home restoration project in Duplin County ongoing since Hurricane Florence (2018). Other EAMC "contractors" included George Allen, David Barnes, Rick Benton, Eddie Hatch and Gayla MacMillan.

EAMC Bible Study



Women's Bible Study

Meet Esther, Bible heroine

The women completed their study of Paul's Letter to the Galatians in late February. They now return to the Old Testament to pursue a 12-week study of the Book of Esther, the story of a Hebrew woman in Persia, born as Hadassah but known as Esther, who becomes queen of Persia and thwarts a genocide of her people.

This interesting and unique book is completely absent of any explicit reference to God, worship, prayer, or sacrifice. So why should we make a careful study of Esther? By deliberately refraining from mentioning God or any religious activity, the author heightens the fact that it is God who controls and directs all the seemingly insignificant coincidences that make up the plot of Esther's story. By studying this book, we will learn that God, Israel's Great King, exercises His providential and sovereign control over all His beleaguered covenant people.

Join the women on Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the south wing of the Chapel to learn more about Esther and how her journey is still relevant to us today. No sign-up required. Questions? Contact [Nancy Green](#) (910-328-1092).

Men's Bible Study

Explore the Life of Jesus

During March, the men will continue their 15-week study of the life of Jesus. The weekly topics are timely for the season of Lent: His entry into Jerusalem (March 6), the Last Supper (March 13), his arrest (March 20) and, ultimately, his crucifixion (March 27).

Join the men on Fridays at 9:00 a.m. in the upper room of the Fellowship House. View details and Bible readings in the [calendar](#) on our website. No sign up required. Questions? Contact [David Barnes](#) (919-606-1653).

#BTW

The Minister Selection Committee is pleased to announce that our 2020 calendar is complete! The committee is grateful to all affiliates who graciously sponsored a minister. It is the dedication of these families who make it possible for Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel to have ministers for our worship services for the entire year.



Applications for 2021 are in the brochure rack in the vestibule of the Chapel. It's not too early to get one, complete your part, and forward it to your favorite minister!

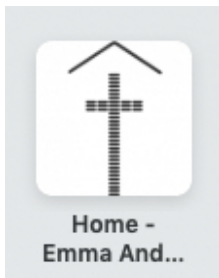


Two sweet friends of EAMC— Donnie Tenney, and Linda, a friend of affiliate Kay Grady— with lap blankets they received from Kingdom Crafters. Both loved that the Crafters prayed over the blankets with them. 😊



A new Spring study guide for March-May is available for our Sunday School curriculum *Bible Studies for Life*. Topics cover "Holy Vocabulary: Unlocking the Language of Faith" and "Dealing with Messy Relationships".

Pick up your copy in Sunday School, 8:50 - 9:45 am., Fellowship House top floor. Join us any time!



Want quick easy access to the Chapel's website? With the website open on your...

- Computer: add a Bookmark to your Favorites folder.
- Phone or Tablet: click the Share arrow at the bottom of your screen, then click Add to Home Screen.

Now just click the icon to open it!

The *Our Daily Bread* devotional booklet— written to help you grow in your relationship with Jesus—is now available for March - May. Pick up your copy from the brochure racks in the Chapel vestibule or south wing. (BTW, inside are instructions to have booklets sent directly to you.)

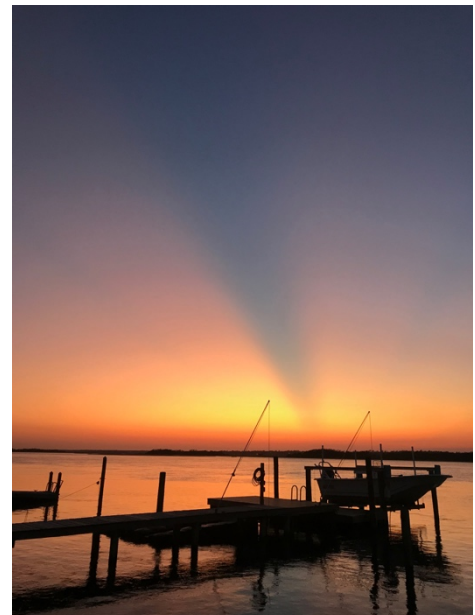


"He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved." Psalm 104:5

From God's Glorious Paintbrush!



Sunrise on the ocean



Sunset on the sound

MARCH MINISTERS

Sunday School, 8:50am, Fellowship House
Sunday worship, 10am, Chapel
Nursery, ages infant - 4, 8:35-11:15am, Chapel north wing

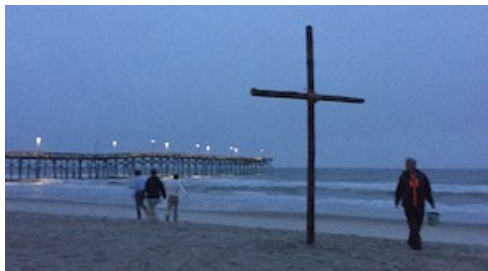
1 Rev. Dr. Jerry Harper, Baptist, Retired Pastor. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Combs, Topsail Beach NC

8 (Daylight Savings Time begins) **Rev. Margaret Hockett**, Methodist, Retired Pastor, Wesley Memorial United Methodist. Sponsor: Mrs. Pat Weyher, Topsail Beach NC

15 Rev. Paul Shields, Presbyterian USA, Parish Associate, Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian, Cary NC. Sponsor: Mrs. Til Herring, Clinton NC

22 Rev. Dr. Melissa Nethery, Nondenominational, Faculty, College of Humanities and Sciences University of Phoenix, Charlotte NC. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hughes, Topsail Beach NC

29 Rev. Glen Money, Baptist, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg FL. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mills, St. Petersburg FL



MARCH CALENDAR

1-29 Cereal, oatmeal and diaper drive. Bring items to the Chapel, north wing.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Lenten Luncheons, 12pm, Assembly Building.

4, 11, 18 Winter Bible Study (based on the movie OVERCOMER), 7pm, FH upper room. Contact [Julia Sherron](mailto:Julia.Sherron@eachapel.org) (910-690-2595) for more info.

8 Daylight Savings Time begins. SPRING ahead one hour!

13 Committee Reports due

15 Easter Lily order deadline

21 Board of Governor's meeting, 9am, Fellowship House upper room

24 April Newsletter articles due

31 April Newsletter published

RESOURCES

BEREAVEMENT NOTICES If you are a chapel affiliate (you've attended services at least once) and would like to have an announcement sent to affiliates regarding a death in your family, please contact [Rick Benton](mailto:Rick.Benton@eachapel.org) (910-604-3835) or [Sandra Davis](mailto:Sandra.Davis@eachapel.org) (919-605-6362).

CHANCEL FLOWERS Sign up on the calendar in the south wing of the chapel or contact [Ginny Barnett](mailto:Ginny.Barnett@eachapel.org) (910-328-4535) to sponsor Sunday flowers. Cost is \$85. A local florist selects and delivers the flowers.

CHURCH DIRECTORY You can be included in our online directory at any time. Contact directory@eachapel.org with name(s), home/beach address (plus 2nd address, if you have one), email address(es), home/beach phone number(s), cell phone number(s), and a photo. Copies of the printed directory are available at no charge for new affiliates. A supplement with updates is periodically emailed (or mailed via USPS, if necessary) to those who are listed. If you are in the directory and your information changes, don't forget to login and update it!

EAMC EMAILS To continue receiving our newsletter and other email announcements, remember to notify us if you change your email address. To prevent our emails from being snagged by your spam folder, add newsletter@eachapel.org to your address book.

FELLOWSHIP HOUSE RESPITE APARTMENT If you know of a missionary who is on assignment abroad and will be coming stateside on furlough then returning to his or her assignment, please let him or her know about our Missionary Ministry. A family of six (max.) can enjoy a respite for six nights at no charge in our Respite Apartment. We especially welcome referrals from affiliates who know of missionaries associated with their home churches. Spread the word! Any questions? Contact [Sandra Davis](mailto:Sandra.Davis@eachapel.org) (919-605-6362). Pick up a brochure at the chapel for more info.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES If you'd like to make a gift to EAMC of appreciated stocks or mutual funds, contact Dee MacMillan at 910-340-1237 or Herb Ormond's office at 877-343-3576.

HOME COMMUNION If you or someone you know is unable to attend Communion service at the chapel on the first Sunday of any month or on special holidays, but would like to receive Communion at

home that day, please contact the coordinator [Janie Hauser](#) (910-620-8720).

LIBRARY Come and visit the Chapel's Library located in the Fellowship House, 2nd floor. (Elevator accessible.) We have 1400 holdings! Sundays 8:50 - 9:30 a.m. and by request. If you can't visit, a librarian will be happy to deliver a book locally. Librarians: Nancy Green (910-328-1092), Gerry Horner (910-328-7251), Nancy Howell (910-328-0354), and Frances Keir (919-522-3934).

MINISTER SPONSORSHIP Nominations are being accepted for guest ministers for 2021 until mid-October 2020. Any affiliate-- someone who has worshipped at EAMC at least once-- is eligible to nominate a guest minister. Pick up an application in the vestibule of the chapel or request one via [email](#) from Hope or Dan Longest. For more information about the nominating process, click here.

NEWSLETTER Current and previous issues are available on our website. [Please let us know](#) if you would like to receive our newsletter or if you stop receiving it. You can unsubscribe at any time. We will not share your email with anyone for any reason at any time.

OUTREACH If you would like the chapel to send a note of encouragement or sympathy to an affiliate of the chapel who needs uplifting, please let [Connie Taylor](#) (919-630-5839) know.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Three-year course of study from Sept. 2018-2021: "Bible Studies for Life". Learn how to connect God's Word to your life in an intentional way. Join us anytime for great teaching and fellowship, 8:50-9:45 a.m., Fellowship House. ADULTS: top floor; CHILDREN: ground floor. Join in anytime!

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Topsail Beach NC 28445

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