

# Little Free Pantry

Our Little Free Pantry is in need of cereals, pop-tarts, canned meats, toiletries such as deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, band aids, baby items, paper goods.

*We do not need canned tuna, mac & cheese, pasta or Ramen noodles. We can not except items in glass jars.*

God Bless You!



In May we are collecting clothing and accessory items such as shirts, pants, underwear, shoes, sunglasses, bags, play jewelry, etc. Clothing in children sizes 2-14.

Thank you to all that give so generously!

## Extended Care Workers

May 1	Jerry & Ashley Miller
May 8	Bobby & Dena Westmoreland
May 15	Jodi Christensen Caleigh Piles
May 22	Dean & Debbie Vanderwilt
May 29	Laura Bullock Lacy Witt

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## Regular Schedule

<b>Sundays</b>	
9:15 am	Sunday School Small Groups
10:30 am	Morning Worship in person and online
4:30 pm	Bible Drill (grades 4-6)
6:30 pm	Evening Worship Youth Discipleship GA's & RA's
<b>Mondays</b>	
10:00 am	Morning Prayer Time
<b>Tuesdays</b>	
6:30 pm	Recovery Ministry
<b>Wednesdays</b>	
6:30 am	Men's Discipleship Groups
10:30 am	Women's Discipleship Groups
5:30 pm	Wednesday Fellowship Meal
6:30 pm	Wednesday night worship Youth Bible Study Children's Bible Study Celebration Choir Rehearsal
<b>Fridays</b>	
7:30 am	Men's Discipleship at Don's

## Area Ministry Coordinators

Adult Sunday School Director—Shirley Hooten  
 Children—  
 Preschool—Dena Westmoreland  
 Youth—Ronnie Witt

# THE MESSENGER

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Emory Baptist Church exists to:

**Love God** (Matt. 22:37-38), **Love People** (Matt. 22:39-40), and **Make Disciples** (Matt. 28:19-20).

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

Thursday, May 5, 12 PM  
Meet at the Front Porch

**GOD BLESS Mothers**

Sunday, May 8  
**Lord's Supper**  
**Bible Drill Recognition**  
**No PM Activities**

**Congratulations CLASS OF 2022**

Sunday, May 22  
**Senior Recognition, 10:30 AM**  
**Baccalaureate, 2 PM, Lake Fork BC**

Lainy Burnett	Jaycee Nugent
Brady DeChant	Caleigh Piles
Joe Lilley	Lexton Sly

And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer.'  
**Matthew 21:13**

Dr. Richard D. Piles, Pastor      Chris Henderson, Minister of Music & Sr. Adults  
 Ronnie Witt, Minister of Youth & Education

## Pastor's Pen

Praise the Lord for Easter Sunday 2022 at Emory Baptist Church! We had 144 in our 8 AM Worship Service and 266 in our 10:30 AM Worship Service for a total of 410! That is 20 more than we had in 2021.

As we look toward the summer, May will be a busy 5 Sunday month with many recognitions.

On May 8, we'll recognize and honor our Mother's on Mother's Day. Each mother attending that day will receive a small gift to show our appreciation. I'm thankful for my mom and the mother of my daughters!

We will also recognize our Bible Drillers on this same day. We had 5 compete at the State Bible Drill on April 30, and we will announce those results on Mother's Day.

On May 22, we will recognize this year's high school graduates, and I am especially excited about one in particular. Later that day, EBC will be hosting the 2022 graduates of RHS and their families for baccalaureate.

On May 30, we will remember our military men and women have made the ultimate sacrifice with their lives on Memorial Day Weekend.

Finally, keep your eyes and ears open for our capital fund raising that will soon start called "Rise Up" based on Nehemiah 2:18, "Let us rise up and build."

God bless you, and I am grateful to be your pastor!



**Bro. Richard**  
Pastor

## Choir Corner with Chris

Brothers and sisters, it was so wonderful celebrating the resurrection of Christ with you on Easter Sunday. It reminded me of just how heaven will be, believers worshipping their Risen King together for eternity. That is an encouraging and exciting thought for me, and I hope it is too. Thank you for being a church who sings out with strength and with joy.

May is going to be full to the brim with activities, and that's a good thing, but as we have so much going on, I want to remind you to take time every day to rest and meditate in God's goodness and the hope we just celebrated on Resurrection Sunday. Look with me at Psalm 46:10-11

*10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;*

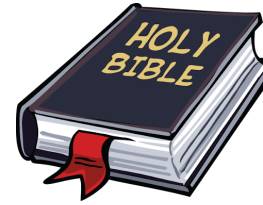
*I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth."*

*11 The Lord Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

God has everything under control. He has it all under His command. Nothing occurs without his knowledge nor his allowance. Verse 11 is especially promising because of the declaration that God is with us and He is our fortress. We are safe when we are in Him and under His protection. Let us be found faithful to be obedient to the Lord so that the security we have may be assured to us.

If you are going on the Ark Encounter Trip, please be aware there is a meeting on Sunday, May 15 at 2pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be loading the bus at 7:30 AM and leaving promptly at 8:00 AM on Monday morning.

**Bro. Chris**  
Minister of Music & Sr. Adults



## DAILY BIBLE READING

May 1	Kings 1-2 Luke 22:54-71	16	2 Kings 15-17 John 6:1-21
2	1 Kings 3-5 Luke 23:1-26	17	2 Kings 18-19 John 6:22-44
3	1 Kings 6-7 Luke 23:27-38	18	2 Kings 20-22 John 6:45-71
4	1 Kings 8-9 Luke 23:39-56	19	2 Kings 23-25 John 7:1-31
5	1 Kings 10-11 Luke 24: 1-35	20	1 Chronicles 1-2 John 7:32-53
6	1 Kings 12-13 Luke 24:36-53	21	1 Chronicles 3-5 John 8:1-20
7	1 Kings 14-15 June 1:1-28	22	1 Chronicles 6-7 John 8:21-36
8	1 Kings 16-18 John 1:29-51	23	1 Chronicles 8-10 John 8: 37-59
9	1 Kings 19-20 John 2	24	1 Chronicles 11-13 John 9:1-23
10	Kings 21-22 John 3:1-21	25	1 Chronicles 14-16 John 9:24-41
11	2 Kings 1-3 John 3: 22-36	26	1 Chronicles 17-19 John 10:1-21
12	2 Kings 4-5 John 4:1-30	27	1 Chronicles 20-22 John 10:22-42
13	2 Kings 6-8 John 4:31-43	28	1 Chronicles 23-25 John 11:1-17
14	2 Kings 9-11 John 5:1-24	29	1 Chronicles 26-27 John 11:18-46
15	2 Kings 12-14 John 5:25-47	30	1 Chronicles 28-29 John 11:47-57
		31	2 Chronicles 1-3 John 12:1-19



Tony Barletta joined by Baptism on Sunday, April 24th.

## CONVERGE JOURNEY CAMP 2022

**For Students in Grades 7-12  
June 13-17  
Talk to Ronnie and Sign up Today!!**



**BE BOLD!  
Be BRAVE!**

**Preteen Camp - Mt. Lebanon  
Cedar Hill, Texas  
June 27-July 1, 2022**

**Preteens come join us for a week of team building, fun, and spirit-filled learning about Jesus Christ.**

**This camp is for students who have completed 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grades.**

**The cost is \$150 for EBC members and \$175 for non-church members.**

**A deposit of \$50 is due by May 1st. Balance is due by June 5th.**

**See Teresa Runion for details.**



## Nursery Rhymes

May is the month we celebrate our Mothers. I used this last year, but since Moms are so special, I thought I would use it again.

### MY MOM IS A RAINBOW

She is RED - Red represents her energy, vitality, perseverance and willingness to give of herself.

She is ORANGE - Orange stands for her thoughtfulness, consideration, persuasion and vibrancy.

She is YELLOW - Yellow shows her optimism, concentration, integrity and energy.

She is GREEN - Green represents her honesty, happiness and health.

She is BLUE - Blue depicts her love, faith, loyalty and inspiration.

She is PURPLE. Purple represents her leadership greatness and unselfish efforts.

Alone, each color is striking, but when the colors come together, something wonderful occurs. A rainbow is created. MOM, YOU ARE MY RAINBOW!

From all the children in the Preschool Department, HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

**Please keep us in your prayers.**



**Dena Westmoreland**  
Preschool Coordinator

## Sonbeam Day School



*Our theme for the 2021-2022 school year will be*  
***“Wild About Jesus.”***

Our little Sonbeamers have had such a great school year! As we enter the last month of school, our littles get to have some fun! We will be taking a trip to the zoo because ‘We Are Wild About Jesus’! We would like to invite all of you to attend our end of year program and graduation. It is sure to bring joy to your heart!

May 2-6 is teacher appreciation week. If you happen to see our teachers around please let them know how much you appreciate them. We have AMAZING teachers!

Sonbeam day school is in need of two three year old teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. We are already blessed with 30 students enrolled! If you or someone you know is interested in applying please email Cecily Kirby at [sonbeamdayschool@gmail.com](mailto:sonbeamdayschool@gmail.com).

### Upcoming Dates

Open enrollment for 2022-2023 school year begins in May

Spring Program/Graduation: May 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30

Last Day of School: May 26<sup>th</sup>

**Please continue to pray for our ministry, staff, students, and their families.**

**Cecily Kirby**  
Sonbeam Director

## Student Ministry Spot

Thank you to everyone who helped with the block party before Easter. We have such a giving and gracious church.

When I was a kid going to Commerce schools, May was always the home stretch of the school year. There were a few weeks of regular school left, but the last few weeks were full of field trips, class parties, and the trip to the city park. Once you hit the park, summer was just around the corner.

Well, it's just about park time, now. There's so much on the schedule this summer, I hope that you're planning to take part.

Before summer gets here, we will have the Graduate Recognition service on Sunday, May 22. This will be a time for our church to recognize those students who have worked so hard to finish their high school journey and are eager to begin the next phase of their lives. We will recognize students in the morning service.

Journey Camp is coming up June 13-17. The last day to sign up for camp is May 13th. To sign up, parents must register students online with Journey Camp. If you need help signing up, please let me know and I'd be glad to help you get signed up. You can go to [Journey.Camp](http://Journey.Camp) and use the code 22emorybc for the group ID to sign up.

Also, we have a lot of our VBS positions filled for VBS, which is coming up July 11-15. We have a lot of helpers, but we need a few teachers. If you're interested in teaching 1st Grade, 4th Grade, or crafts, please let me know ASAP. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up and I expect this to be a wonderful year of VBS for our church. The big value of holding VBS in July is that we'll have more time to follow up with students and families after the week of VBS is over.

**Bro. Ronnie**  
Minister of Youth & Education

## Pray for our Military

Joshua Allen	Leland Knight
Gabe Baker	Christian LaToof
Robert Barrientos	Colin Mayo
Derrick Bourceir	John McCann
Will Cannon	James McGarry
Christopher Donaldson	James Mikulak
Jeremiah Duke	Travis Mosley
Nicholas Endris	Robert Palin Jr.
Moses Garcia	Robert Sandlin
Ryan Hargrave	Kenny Schulze
Jace Hartog	Cole Smith
Jace Herman	Garrick Stainaker
Morgan Hines	Kolby Stephenson
Peter Hughes	Kristy Tunney
Travis Johns	Colton Wilkerson
	Micha Williams

Sonbeam Day School has two open positions for the 2022-2023 school year to teach 3-year olds. If interested in applying please email Cecily Kirby, [sonbeamdayschool@gmail.com](mailto:sonbeamdayschool@gmail.com)




*What an awesome Church family! Thank you for all your prayers as Richard goes through this journey with Jesus. He still has a long road to travel but we have seen so many answered prayers along the way!*

*Praise you for your continued prayers and cards that provide us daily strength.*

*Richard & Beverley Bryan*

**MAY 2022**

Calendar Online: go to [www.emorybaptist.org](http://www.emorybaptist.org) and click on "Schedule"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  <b>\$50 Deposit Due Preteen Camp</b>	2 <b>WOM 11AM</b> <b>Sonbeam Open Enrollment Starts</b>  <b>Teacher Appreciation Week 2-6</b>	3	4 <b>Backpack Buddies 12PM</b>	5 <b>National Day of Prayer, meet at Front Porch 12PM</b>	6	7
8 <b>Mother's Day</b> <b>Lord's Supper and Bible Drill Recognition 10:30AM</b> <b>No PM Activities</b>	9	10 <b>Threads of Service 9AM-3PM</b>  <b>T.E.L. 12:30PM (Joy)</b>	11  <b>Pasta Bake</b>	12 <b>SAM Lunch &amp; Game Day 12PM</b>	13 <b>Last day to sign up for Journey Youth Camp</b>	14
15 <b>Ark Encounter Trip Meeting 2PM, FH</b>	16 <b>Ark Encounter Trip 16-21 Bus leaves 8AM</b>	17	18 <b>Backpack Buddies 12PM</b>	19	20	21 <b>5:30PM</b> 
22 <b>Graduate Recognition 10:30AM</b> <b>Baccalaureate 2PM Lake Fork BC</b> <b>Members Mtg 6:30 PM</b>	23 <b>Balance Due Journey Youth Camp</b>	24 <b>Threads of Service 9AM-3PM</b> 	25 <b>Sonbeam Program 6:30PM</b>  <b>Fried Chicken</b>	26 <b>SAM Lunch &amp; Game Day 12PM</b>  <b>Rains ISD &amp; Sombeam Last Day of School</b>	27	28
29 <b>No PM Activities</b>	30 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 	31				

**CeleBRate**

### Members' Birthdays

2 Larry Smith	14 Jordan Conner
3 Tyler Burgins	15 Ann Dickerson
Trent Jennings	Rayme Huskey
Greg Morrow	Jan Stone
5 Roy Martin	Linda Wallace
6 Drake Hurley	16 Sara Cate Piles
Michele Potts	19 Allison Wallace
Lisa Provost	20 Jamey Burchett
7 Robert Harris	22 Kameryn Kennedy
Wayne Melton	23 Austyn Castillo
Anita Nutt	Linda Jennings
Kyle Thurman	24 Hayden Prestidge
8 Wendi DeChant	25 Martha Bullock
10 Kimberly Crain	26 Don Burgins
11 Cathy Adcock	Jolene Cobb
13 Dianne Ferrell	27 Ansen Hiser
Jeanette Melton	Sue Ramsey
Janice Rouse	29 Brennan Potts
Sherry Smith	30 John Michael McAllister
Kenzy Thompson	

### Members' Anniversaries

5 Jerry & Margaret Maxey	19 Benny & Lori Ellington
8 Carroll & Pat Ethridge	22 Stephen & Keri Gowin
14 Jerry & Wanda McSwain	Bobby & Sara Haley
14 Jonathon & Veronica Bryant	Roy & JoAnn Martin
15 Greg & Gennifer Morrow	25 RJ & Edwina Patterson
18 Allen & Bev Ray	