

## **Greetings Emmanuel Family!**

We are gearing up for another great year in the College Dept. If you know of any incoming freshmen that will be attending Tech (or any other university) this fall, **PLEASE** let me know their names so we can personally welcome them. Also, **AND THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT**, if you know any single working professionals, please send them our way. We are including **YOUNG PROFESSIONALS** with our student ministry. Feel free to let me know their names and I will be sure to personally contact them and invite them to join us!

Also, from the 3rd of August until the 12th, Kittie and I will be leading a team of college students on a mission trip to London. The project is called **LONDON BRIDGES**. After doing some training in the afternoons we will be out in London engaging people in the evenings with the Gospel. We will be distributing tracts, New Testaments and films. Please **PRAY** for our team as we travel and as we share with many who have never had the opportunity to hear the Good News that has changed our lives.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for our ministry to college students and young professionals.

Randy



## **Hello from the Youth Ministry!**

We are looking forward to a new school year in our student ministry as we begin the month of August. I have been praying for our current students and the ones that God will send us this year. I ask that you would consider doing the same.

In our Wednesday night class we have begun our chapter-by-chapter study of **Revelation**. This will be my 4th time doing this over an 18 year period as a youth minister and I will say that each time I teach this, I have seen newer prophecies come to pass.

On <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 4th</u>, we will be ministering to our "**Outdoor Friends**" (homeless) in Shreveport. This month we will take PB&J sandwiches, snack cakes and waters to hand out to roughly 30-40 homeless. And yes, we would love any help or donations for this if you feel called to do so. Please pray for us and for the homeless.

Adron

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Sat	"OUTDOOR FRIENDS" Shreveport— 8 a.m. (CTR reserved for baby shower)	SS ReGroup Conference @ Temple BC		18	25 Youth Back-to-School Surprise Trip	
Fri	3 LONDON BRIDG	10		17	24	31
Thu	2 WEC 5:00 p.m. (A5)	6	3-12	16 JOYFish Fry 11:30 a.m. FLC	23	30
Wed	Sew & Sews 9:00 a.m. Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	8 Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	LONDON BRIDGES Mission Trip 3-12	Wed. Night Meal—5 p.m. WNR—6 p.m. Nominating Comm. Mtg. 7 p.m.—A5	Wed. Night Meal—5 p.m. Wednestay Night Recharge 6 p.m.	29 Wed. Night Meal—5 p.m. Wednestay Night Recharge 6 p.m.
Tue		7 Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.	LONDO	Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m. Assoc. Ex. Bd. @ Rocky Branch 11:00 a.m.	21 Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.	28 Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.
Mon		6 Ladies Frayer Group—10:30 am		13 Ladies Frayer Group—10:30 am	20 Ladies Frayer Graup—10:30 am	27  Radies Frayer Graup—10:30 am  Lancaster Irip Mtg. @ FLC 6 p.m.  (Light snack supper)
Sun		Signer on the Grounds & Old Fashioned		12 Promotion Sunday Ruston Nursing & Rehab.—2:30 p.m.	19	26



It is a blessing to finally be serving officially alongside the membership of Emmanuel as your Pastor. This morning I have met with staff members, put some books on the shelf, and learned some of the needful office procedures. I pray everyone will be gracious as we get acquainted with the congregation and the ministry of Emmanuel. My family has already been blessed and encouraged by the kindness and grace shown both during our visit and throughout the moving process. We are pleased to announce we are now officially residents of Ruston!

Knowing where to start is sometimes difficult. I do not plan to implement any sweeping changes in the next few months, but I am looking forward to worshipping and praying with you for God's direction. The kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ is observed in us individually through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in each of our lives and collectively through the oneness of the local church. I believe it is God's will for the Kingdom to advance in me through greater surrender, in the church through collective holiness, and in the world through the salvation of lost souls. As I preach through Genesis on Wednesday nights and Hebrews on Sunday mornings, I pray each of us would pray, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done!" Might we ask the Holy Spirit to show us where we each may grow in submission and service to our King, our Lord Jesus Christ?

**Brother Paul**