

Save the Date!!

Emmanuel Baptist Church
OCTOBER 28TH
5PM-6:30PM 
Face Painting  Fall Fun
PUMPKIN PAINTING
CRAFTS Family, Food, Fun and Fellowship
GAMES Food Prizes
••••• **AND MUCH MORE!** •••••
Emmanuel Baptist Church — Family Life Center and Gym



T-shirts are also available for \$15 each. Orders need to be in the church office by October 6th.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

If you can help with a craft booth, a game booth, or a food booth, please call the church office!

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The Lighthouse

RUSTON, LOUISIANA

SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

PSALM 90:1,2

*Lord, you have been our dwelling place
throughout all generations.*

*Before the mountains were born or you
brought forth the whole world, from
everlasting to everlasting you are God.*





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Ladies Prayer Group—10:30 am</i>	2 <i>Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.</i>	3 <i>No Wed. Night Meal</i> Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	4	5	6 "OUTDOOR FRIENDS" Shreveport—8 a.m.
Lancaster, PA Trip (through October 6)						
7 Lord's Supper 10:15 a.m.	8 <i>Ladies Prayer Group—10:30 am</i>	9 <i>Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.</i>	10 Wednesday Night Meal—5 p.m. Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	11	12	13
14 Ruston Nursing & Rehab.—2:30 p.m.	15 <i>Ladies Prayer Group—10:30 am</i> Association's Annual Meeting @ Antioch 6:30 p.m.	16 <i>Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.</i>	17 Wednesday Night Meal—5 p.m. Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	18 JOY Luncheon 11:00 a.m.	19	20
21	22 <i>Ladies Prayer Group—10:30 am</i>	23 <i>Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.</i> CCA's Soup for the Soul 11 a.m.—1 p.m. Ruston CC	24 Wednesday Night Meal—5 p.m. Wednesday Night Recharge 6 p.m.	25	26 ADULT GAME NIGHT 6:00 p.m.	27
28 Pumpkin Patch Fall Festival 5 p.m.	29 <i>Ladies Prayer Group—10:30 am</i>	30 <i>Men's Prayer Group—8:00 a.m.</i>	31			

pastor'spen

A Spring or a Mudhole...

My family lives up on a hill. After a rain things can dry up pretty quick, but even up on our little hill, there are these places where water collects. I call these low places mudholes. They take in the rain and keep as much as they can, but the water just stays there. Maybe an animal can drink from them, but for me, the one who maintains the yard, they can be a bit of a nuisance. The longer the water remains, the more fowl it becomes. They become places where mosquitoes and other unwanted insects breed and because they stay wet for long periods of time, the weeds that grow in them are difficult to cut with the lawnmower.

If the ministry of the church was rain, I am afraid there would be quite a few mudholes within the Body of Christ. Far too many are enjoying the ministry of the church without ever allowing the ministry to flow through them to minister to others. This type of member is always looking to be filled, yet never satisfied. Their water is stagnant and is a place where fowl things like complaints, disputes, and gossip multiply. We should all endeavor to be springs instead. Springs are never afraid of drying up. They are not dependent upon the rain. They are always moving, always giving and passing along what has been given to them. In a conversation Jesus had with a Samaritan woman Jesus stated, *"whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again. In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up in him for eternal life,"* John 4:14, CSB. The word translated, "well" in verse 14 could also be translated as "spring". Jesus is conveying the understanding that the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer cannot be exhausted. Where is Christ calling you to be poured out in service to others through the ministries of this church? You will experience the filling of the Spirit only as you are emptied for the sake of Christ.



London Bridges

Emmanuel Church Family,

Thank you for your prayerful support and resources that made it possible to participate in the London Bridges project. Continue to pray that the seeds that were planted will be watered and bear fruit.

Randy, Kittie & Suanne



"Remember those in prison as if you were bound with them, and those who are mistreated as if you were suffering with them." Heb. 13:3.
Epiphany Weekend, October 26-28, is a non-denominational ministry offered to institutionalized youth in Swanson Correctional Facility that offers a way for them to know God's love and the love of caring Christians. There are many opportunities to help—from sponsoring a \$5 meal to making cookies. The most important thing anyone can do is pray—for the weekend, for the incarcerated youth and for the volunteers. For more information on Epiphany Weekend contact Wanda Shelby.