

# Ebenezer Baptist Church

Newsletter

January 2024

## EVERYTHING I KNOW

The older I get, the more I realize that I know less and less. At least, less than I thought I knew. But I will tell you something else I know for certain:

Everything worth knowing in life, I learned (or re-learned) from my grandsons. Save one big thing.

1. Get plenty of rest. There are times when those boys sleep, and sleep, and sleep. And when they wake up, life is great!! On the other hand, when they are tired and in a sleep deficit, they are absolute BEARS. Don't kid yourselves: the right amount of rest makes all of the difference in the world.
2. Eat well, and eat when you need to eat! Those boys love food. The little one out-eats the big one. But, again, when they are hungry, they are animals!!!! Nutrition (and the RIGHT nutrition) makes a huge difference.
3. Keep it clean and dry. The little, of course, is still in diapers. The big one is potty training. They both are so much more happy (as are those around them) when they are clean and dry. (Please think about how this applies to all areas of life, not just in the potty)
4. Love people, and especially love your Gigi. Both of those boys love people. If you took the little one to Alaska right now, he would sell refrigerators to the residents. And be successful in doing it!! Relate to people, smile, and be kind. And, above all, love your Gigi. Or your Nana. Or your Mimi. Or (fill in the blank for your grandmother). Mamas and daddies love you. Grandpas love you. But no one loves you quite like your grandmother, and she has this way of being able to over-ride her children when it comes to her grands. Recognize the value of love.

Honestly, you can take those principles and apply them to almost every area of life.

And, in the words of Mrs Andi, I do have one more thing: LOVE GOD. LIVE IN CHRIST AND FOR CHRIST. Find your way in Him by asking. He told us to ask and we will receive.... Ask God to help you find your place in His kingdom.

Hope you have a great 2024!!!

Papa..... Oops, I mean "David"

# centrikid camps For Kids

## June 10 - 14

Register your child to attend Summer Camp by January 31<sup>st</sup> at [tiny.cc/centrikid24](http://tiny.cc/centrikid24) with a \$100 deposit. Camp is open to children completing 3rd-5th grades this school year. The cost is \$393 and includes all camp costs, transportation, church and camp t-shirts as well as two travel meals.

Mark your calendars for the pre-camp lock in on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Betty Mears group

will meet January 11<sup>th</sup>  
in the Mears House at  
10:30 am.

### QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

6:15 pm in the Chapel

Regular Wednesday  
Night activities  
will resume on  
Wednesday,  
January 10, 2024  
with supper at 5:00 pm

### "RING"ing in Handbell Practices!

If you can read music and are  
interested in playing handbells,  
join us Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at  
6:30 pm in the Worship Center.  
All ages are welcome!!

#### Wednesday Night Supper Menu

Jan. 10: Fried Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans

Jan. 17: BBQ, Red Gravy & Rice, Sweet Potato Casserole, Coleslaw

Jan. 24: Hamburgers w/fixings, Baked Beans, French Fries

Jan. 31: Chicken Bog, Green Beans

Chicken Nuggets & Salad Bar will be available each week. The Salad Bar w/Drink & Dessert will be a cost of \$5.00

#### Ways to give your tithe

- text to 73256 and enter EBCSC
- drop it by the church office
- drop it in the secure church mailbox
- mail to 524 S. Ebenezer Rd.

Financial Report Through December 24, 2023

Year to date needs.....\$1,570,958.58

Year to date receipt.....\$1,627,436.15



**Food  
Pantry  
Needs**

In great need of  
Peanut Butter &  
Jelly, Grits, &  
Mac & Cheese

Join us Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> as we have Family Woship Day with NO Children's Church. We will observe The Lord's Supper.

Youth Prayer Breakfast will resume Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.



## EBC MISSIONS

### January 2024 Opportunities

#### OM Ships

On Jan. 13 from 9:00am-12:00pm there will be a workday with OM ships. Sign-up at the Missions Center.

#### Parking Lot Ministry

On Jan. 27, the GAs, RAs, and Missions Team will be preparing and serving breakfast. We are still collecting cold weather items for distribution after the breakfast. Please consider donating any scarves, gloves, socks, and hats.

#### Undie Sunday

New boys and girls underwear will be collected on Jan. 28 for donation to the Foster Care Clothing Closet. The Foster Care Clothing Closet exists to provide support in the form of clothing and supplies for wonderful families that open up their hearts and homes to foster children looking for a sense of belonging.

#### Operation Christmas Child

The collection items for January are washcloths and bar soap.

We are collecting supplies for use by the RAs, GAs, and Mission Friends to use while packing shoes boxes during their Wednesday missions time in November. Families will be collecting and packing their OCC boxes at home this year.

#### EBC Food Pantry

Item of the Month: Peanut Butter and Jelly; Spaghetti and Noodles

#### What has EBC Missions been up to? Here is the December recap.

- Lottie Moon Offering
- 40 Christmas Food Boxes were provided to the Trinity Presbyterian Hispanic Ministry

#### EBC Missions Committee

Kim Andrews	843-615-2933
Angie Bessenger	843-618-5403
Amanda Chambers	478-387-5426
Angela Hamlin	843-496-1283
Tiffany Phillips	843-283-1091
Amy Rouse	843-496-0110

## January Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Chuck Andrews	2 Whit Stephens Terry Watford Maggie Dawkins Reed Bausmith	3 Beth Ham Jay Graham Chandler Medlin	4 Greer Maret Lily Anderson Michael Lee	5 Owen Hicks Will Bolt Fran Matthews Ben Gensel Renée Mathews	6 Wesley Nobles Grace Singletary
7 Wayne Atwood	8 Ina Garrison Linda Kennedy Linda Freeman	9 Miller Turner Lily Turner	10 Barbara Hill Ben Early Claire McKay	11	12 Connie Skipper Luke Davis Paula Hooss Lynn Cain Manah Godbold	13
14 Robin Freeman Cybil Usher David Jackson Shelby White	15 Dawn Tolson Bailey Johnson	16 Caleb Todd	17 Michael Shriver David Nelson Tyndall Fountain	18 Jake Webster Alexandria Hicks Kessler Richardson	19 Brad Kempson Kimberly Jordan Geneva Pitstick	20 Carolyn Cooke Stephanie Stone Debbie Winburn Sandra King Gavin Gardner Hugh Garrett
21 Nancy Gatewood Thomas Gless	22 Claire Andrews Jimmy Norton Ernie Connor	23 Caroline Grimsley	24 Tanner Welsh	25 Jim Kizziar Abby Kertis	26 Greg Hamlin Cayden Horne Lisa Conner Stephanie Nobles	27 Priscilla Kizziar
28 Crystal Clemson Neal Kennedy Gale Hobson	29	30 Eden Hinson	31 David Newton			

Happy NEW YEAR

You crown the year with Your goodness,  
And Your paths drip with abundance.

PSALM 65:11

