

## Acts & Facts Newsletter

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Sunday, March 31. Come worship the Risen King and invite someone
to join you in one of our Holy Week events.

Matthew 28:5-6: "The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lau. ""



Holy Communion 3/29

1 Corinthians 11:26 - For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### Emmanuel Communications Reminder—

The two main modes of communication that we use are the Emmanuel Facebook Page and the eNews that comes in the form of an email almost weekly. The Acts and Facts is issued once a month and also includes great information, but for communication of unforeseen changes and important information, please be sure that we have your email and also that you are following our Facebook page. Thanks for staying connected through these modes of communication.

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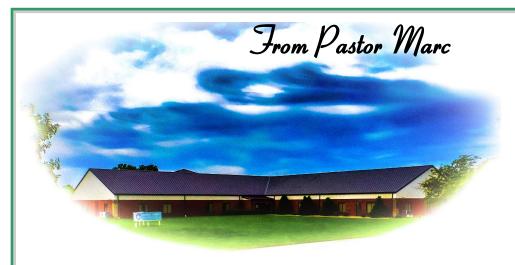
### **Our Core Values:**

Love

Grace

**W**orship

**7**ruth



#### Emmanuel Church,

As I sit down to write this, I am in the midst of writing the FEAR series, and waiting on the February 25<sup>th</sup> Emmanuel Partner special called meeting so a decision can be made on the Lead Pastor position for the next season of Emmanuel Church. Regardless of the outcome of the vote, I am extremely grateful for the people of Emmanuel Church. I have been aware of the many prayers that have been lifted up on my behalf, and I'm convinced that your intercession is a large part of the success that we've had in this Interim time. I'm also very humbled by the Lord, and His desire to thrust me into something that I wasn't looking for, something that I didn't want at first, and something that I believe God has orchestrated, even when there were times where fear wanted me to feel overwhelmed. God's grace and mercy has been a refuge during this season. Regardless of the vote, my interim time has been so good for my own growth and maturity. I've had to live out the words that I'm preaching during the FEAR series.

When I think about being thrust into something that wasn't really desired, I think about Holy Week. This year, we celebrate an early Easter. The timeline of events that lead up to Jesus on the cross would easily fit into an undesirable situation, a circumstance that Jesus would not have chosen himself, and one that was fully orchestrated by His Heavenly Father. He lived on this earth "fully human", and had the same temptation to fear that we all have. Yet His status as "fully God" would not allow Him to fall into that temptation. In Luke 22:42, He did ask in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." When we walk in fear and face an uncertain future, we can ask the same thing. We are fulfilling the "ask" that we talked about in week 4 of the "Authentic" series, where we are called to ask for those things that are our desire and that align with His heart. Ultimately, though, we allow His wisdom to define what is right for us. We submit to His desire.

As we walk through seasons of FEAR, and as we walk toward Holy Week this year, let us remember to have the same mindset as Jesus. Asking for our heart's desire, but allowing God to direct the outcome. It is in the times of waiting and submitting to His will, that we learn and we are transformed the most.

Speaking of Transformation... can you say our mission statement from memory yet?

"To see ... ... ... and the ... ... because of the ... ... and ... of Jesus Christ."

How'd you do? Regardless of how you might grade yourself, I'm glad to be on this journey with you. You are all a blessing and it is an honor to be serving Emmanuel Church. In Him.

**Pastor Marc** 



#### **Stay Connected:**

Instagram:

momentumyouthabilene

Facebook:

Momentum-Youth

Momentum Youth updates can be found on the Youth bulletin board as well.



Youth Discipleship Hour Sundays 10A.M.

Happy March everyone! Thank you all for helping with the Bake Auction! It was a blessed time together and we can now look forward to mission trips, camps, and other fun ministry related activities as well. This month we can enjoy some nice weather as we will be entering Springtime. Hurray! Sunday mornings we will be starting a series going through the book of Colossians during the discipleship hour. During Blast on Wednesdays, we will be going through a series called "Be Real" We will discuss being sincere for God in all we do. This month we will also meet during Spring Break on Wednesday for some time to hang out in the Youth room. There will be games, music, snacks, and we also look forward to Easter this month on the 31st, as Easter is in March this year. We will also continue our different Youth Life Groups this month. If you would like to check out one of these groups, please let us know, and we will give you more information. We look forward to seeing you soon. Hope you have a great March! Blessings! -Pastor Stewart Baker



**Todd Braschler** – We will be welcoming Todd Braschler from Branson, MO back to join us on Sunday, March 3. He will also be sharing at the Men's Gathering on Friday night (3/1), and Saturday morning (3/2). Mark your calendar for all of these great options to hear him speak.

**Spring Break** – Because of the area Spring Break's, there will not be B.L.A.S.T. events on Wednesday, March 13.

**Concert of Prayer** – The Concert of Prayer for this month is on the Sunday, March

17 at 3:30pm in room 205. Come be blessed!

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**Read Through the Bible with Pastor Marc**– If you'd like to join the "BibleProject: One Story that Leads to Jesus" YouVersion devotional, it isn't too late. Even though we started on February 1, you can join in whenever. Use the QR code below.



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Instagram: @emmanuelkidsabilene

Facebook: Emmanuel-Kids



**Emmanuel's Preschool Registration**: Emmanuel's Preschool is open for enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year! Emmanuel's Preschool is a school for students aged 3-5 yrs. focused on the spiritual as well as the academic development of its students. We will have a MWF morning class and a M-F afternoon class. Applications available in the church office. A nonrefundable \$25.00 deposit is needed to hold your spot.



Easter Sunday: HE IS RISEN! Emmanuel Kids will be celebrating Easter Sunday, March 31, with



a special service in between services at 10:00 with an egg hunt included for all ages. Please plan for your child to bring some sort of Easter basket. We are also encouraging families to enjoy the Easter service together and will only be providing nursery for children 2 and under. We are also looking for donations of eggs, candy or small toys, or filled eggs with candy or small toys. Please

bring by the church office or give them to Pastor Rachel. We are also looking for volunteers to help with this service.

**Palm Sunday**: On Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, if your child would like to wave palms during the service, please have them meet in Room 104 at 8:30 and 10:45. After the palm parade, they will be dismissed to the back of the worship center so please meet your child there. This is for children walking to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child is younger than 3, please plan to accompany them.

**Operation Christmas Child**: This month we are collecting homemade things and crafts for our end of year packing party. Get together with your friends and sew or create something a child

would enjoy!



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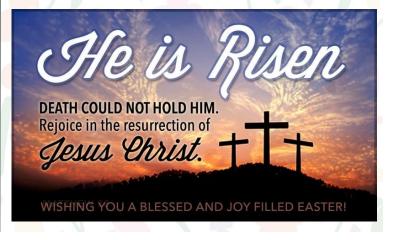
# YOU'RE INVITED

TO THE EMMANUEL PARTNERS CLASS. Sun., April 14, 2024 - 12:15pm - Rm. 205.

You'll learn about Emmanuel Church, the ministries we have and how you can be a part of serving the Lord with your Spiritual Gifts. (Don't know what those are, don't worry, we'll help!) After hearing about Emmanuel, you'll be able to choose if you want to become a partner or not.

Food will be provided, and childcare is available upon request. Sign up on the bulletin board or use the QR code to register. We hope to see you there!





## DID YOU KNOW—



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# Emmanuel Kids Volunteer Training

If you volunteer in Emmanuel Kids or would like to, please plan to attend one of the 2 trainings below.

Lunch will be provided so please sign up at the Emmanuel Kids Bulletin Board.

Sunday, March 3rd at 12:30

Sunday, August 11th at 12:30





# POST HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP

This Scholarship is designed to benefit those students who have graduated High School and plan to pursue a degree or course of study in ministry. The student must have been or are currently an active part of Youth Ministry at Emmanuel Church. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide a \$1,000 scholarship for the first year of studies to help defray the cost of their pursuit. All awards will be based on available funds.

• Application Deadline: 8 weeks Prior to start of classes.

#### **ONLINE FORM:**

https://emmanuel.fellowshiponego.com/external/form/a6a 7e3e3-lb0f-4b8f-a024-db4d63l764f2



## DID YOU KNOW—



## SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2024-2025 YEAR

Wilma Green, a long time active member of Emmanuel, established the Wilma and Lester Green Scholarship. A scholarship totaling up to \$4,500 is available for the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Green set up the following criteria for the Wilma and Lester Green Memorial Scholarship:

- Applicants must reside in Dickinson County, Kansas, with a preference for youth active in a Dickinson County church and/or newspaper carriers from the Abilene Reflector-Chronicle.
- Applicants must attend one of the following schools: Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, Kansas; McPherson College, McPherson, Kansas; Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas; Baker University, Baldwin City, Kansas; Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas; Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas; Any vocational or community college located in Kansas.
- Scholarship recipients must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and be fulltime students as determined by the institution of higher education.
- Scholarship recipients can apply in successive years for the scholarship, assuming that they meet all other criteria.
- Applicants must show a financial need for the scholarship.

Applications may be obtained online, or on the Abilene High School website, and returned by Monday, April 15, 2024

Link and QR Code for the Wilma & Lester Green Scholarship Application:

https://emmanuel.fellowshiponego.com/external/form/8a9afo52-1663-48b8-b2ob-25b5d67dfb64



# DID YOU KNOW— CONGREGATION SUBMISSIONS

#### What are you afraid of? - by William Bishop

As spring and summer approach, we'll be kicking off the mowing here at the church and I'll be afraid of going outside. I'm allergic to everything in Kansas. I go outside and immediately start sneezing uncontrollably. My throat swells and my eyes turn red as I long for the air in my home filtered by MPR 2800 MERV 14 filters with ultra fine particle reduction and several Benadryl in bed.

It's easy to view other people's fears as silly or unfounded. But when questioning the basis of someone else's phobia you will most certainly be met with the phrase, "put yourself in their shoes" or something to that effect. I'm not asking you to put yourself in my shoes. Nor am I discussing the basis of anyone's fears.

So fear not!

But

We're going to get into this simple and effective tactic of the devil. Simple you say?

Yes.

Satan does not have the power to read your mind, manipulate your limbs, or do anything without the permission of God.

Satan, if you're reading this, you're pretty pathetic.

After the fall of man nature has been running its course. Nobody needs to teach a child to be selfish or rude, to lie or to fear the dark. We are born this way. We hold on to our self serving nature and although we may overcome some childish fears, it seems the more we know the more we are prone to fear.

BOO!

Fear leads to inaction.

Fear the dark? Don't go into the dark. Fear the enemy? Don't go into battle.

Fear sickness? Don't eat, drink, go outside, look at another person for too long, or breathe.

As a Christ follower, there is something God has for you to do, and a fear that you have, to excuse yourself from doing it.

Whether it is simply asking someone how they're doing to open up a conversation, or getting a passport to go on a mission's trip. You have an excuse (a fear).

Just like I have a fear of going outside that I must overcome to keep the grounds, everyone has something they are supposed to do which will reap great benefit. But we must overcome the fears that would otherwise keep us from fulfilling our purpose.

Finally, I ask, what are you afraid of?

Totally unrelated, but, if you're interested in volunteer opportunities here at Emmanuel Church you can give me a call at (785)727-6784.

"A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere."

Ephesians 6:10-18 NLT

## DID YOU KNOW—

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR **COMING SOON**

April 1—Salina Rescue Mission Service Project, NoPreschool

April 3—MomLife April 6—Monthly Coffee Date- Women's Ministry

April 13—Men's Breakfast

April 14—Emmanuel Partners Class

April 20—If Gathering - Women's Ministry

April 21—Cindi's Hope Special Service

April 21—Concert of Prayer

April 26-27—Youth Foundations Retreat April 26-27—Appalachian Trip Fundraiser April 28—5th Grade Recognition Ceremony

May 4—Monthly Coffee Date- Women's Ministry

May 4—Graduation Brunch

May 5—Honoring of High School Graduates May 6—Salina Rescue Mission Service Project

May 12—Mother's Day

May 12—SPSC Baby Bottle Campaign begins

May 15—Preschool Park Day May 16—Preschool Graduation May 19—Holy Communion May 19—Concert of Prayer

May 26—Memorial Service of Light

May 27—Memorial Day-Church Office Closed

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS WITH SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF:

Roger Beckley (father of Nicole Demars) Joyce Mann (sister of Sharon Darling)

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



#### PRAISE & PRAYERS:

**Praise**– We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers and calls of concern prior to and going through Ann's process. When you hear the word cancer it is scary but it is a comfort knowing you have support going through the scary time. Thank you to everyone who kept us in your

prayers- Ann & Guy Winters; Greg's pain is slowly lessening- Marjaul Ferris, Lynette Campbell is home from the hospital. Thank you for praying.- Rebecca Stoffer, Praise that Keith's family made it safely to WA.- Chuck & Lynette Shrader, Praise & Thanksgiving for answered prayers. God is good & Thanksgiving for answered prayers. God is good. – Cindi Wilson.

**Prayers**– Greg Davis, Marc (family friend of the Price's), Denise McCullough, Coni (sister of Sherry Osland), Family of Kyle Martin, Jim Reinstein, Michael Brackney, Carla Rankin, Tracy Morley, Cat Brundage, Connie Frazier (mother & grandmother of Rose Brundage), Lacy Graf, relationships, safe travels for Keith, Teira, Daisy, & Mary Shrader traveling to WA, Jaxon Arméndariz, Doug Keesling, Gary Corn, Taylor Tibbitts

#### PRAYER FOR WORLD/NATIONAL CONCERNS-

President Biden

Congress

Supreme Court Justices Israel- Peace & Salvation

State of Connecticut

Persecuted Christians in Djibouti

**Farmers** 

Small Businesses

MomLife

Youth & Childrens Ministry

**Easter Services** 

Men's Gathering- March 1-2

Southern Border

U.S Troops & their Families

#### PRAYER FOR OUR LEADERSHIP-

Pastor Marc Riegel Pastor Rachel Bishop Pastor Stewart Baker

Call the church office (785.263.3342) if you have a prayer request. Your need will be prayed for by 50 Prayer Chain volunteers. In addition, all prayer requests will be listed in the bulletin for two weeks.



**Keep our** Administrators, Teachers & Support Staff in your prayers

Andres, Jacob Andres, Jennifer Aramowicz, Cynthia Armstrong, Megan Arnold, Marilyn Bathurst, Charity Bathurst, Jeff Bishop, Thomas Brown, Denise Brown, Greg Casteel, Jennifer Cornell, Amanda Demars, Nicole Ediger, Laura

Free, Katie Fry, Gavin Gfeller, Stephanie Goldsmith, Jill Griffis, Anca Hedstrom, Sherri Heidorn, Debbie Hirsch, Abigail Kohman, Kelli Koop, Mona Lady, Megan Liby, Colten Lucas, Zach Malo, Marie

McCook, Andrea Nely, Shonna Newton, Brent Nyquist, Becki Pekarek, Brian Pekarek, Robyn Prater, Christie Reimer, Kennedy Reimer, Tyson Riegel, Dwynne Rock, Anne Rogers, Traci Roth, Brian

Roth, Deb

Scherberger, Christina Schultze, Michelle Signer, Erin Sims, Tanya Spohn, Michael Stroud, Christina Taplin, LouAna Turnbull, Lisa White, Wesley Womochil, Paige

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### YOUR STAFF:

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			Director		
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It's important for people to know their pastors are available when someone has a question, needs some help, or just wants to talk for awhile. Our Administrative Assistant, Jenna Dedeaux will be happy to receive your office visits, telephone calls, texts, and email messages. We work diligently to use the communication resources available, such as voice mail and cell phones, to be available most of the time for questions. Our pledge to the congregation is to respond in a timely and courteous manner. When someone calls and says, "It's urgent," we will be contacted by the quickest means possible. The pastors are often out of the building for a variety of ministry tasks. They are available to schedule an appointment with you at your convenience. Please contact us if we can be of help to you. We want to be available to serve you!

#### NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you are wanting to put an article into the April Acts & Facts Newsletter, please have the article to the church no later than the 20th of March. You may either put it in Administrative Assistant slot in the wooden boxes hanging on the wall in the tower entrance, or e-mail it to the Administrative Assistant at jdedeaux@ecabilene.org; please indicate that it is for Acts and Facts. Articles may be edited.

Following are names of active servicemen connected to Emmanuel. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. If there are others connected to our church that are presently serving, please get their name to the church office.

MILITARY SERVICE

Lucas Cole (husband of Taylor Cole) US Army
Dale Cornelison (husband of the granddaughter of Chuck & Dorann Clemence) US Navy
Travis Gregg (nephew of Sherry Osland) US Navy
Gavin Hanna (son-in-law of Krista Johnson) US Air Force
Cameron Hoskins (son-in-law of Krista Johnson) US Army

**Kyle Jones** (husband of Megan Jones) US Army Reserve **Trevon Snyder** (son of Shadd & Janice Snyder) US Army

Stop by the tower entrance display and pick up a prayer list of those serving our country.