

THE PRINTS of PEACE

Emmanuel Baptist Church of Gambrills

Changing Lives with Christ

January, 2017



SKATE PARTY

Sunday, January 22

5:45 - 7:45 PM

Admittance is Free!

Skate rental is \$3 for quads and \$4 for roller blades.

Christian Music!

OUR LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Goal was \$4,000.00

As of 12/19/16 we had \$ 4,551.00

A BIG THANKS

Robin and Margaret thank you all for your generous gift. You have taken good care of us over the years here. Whenever we listen to other pastor couples recount how tough it is at their church, we thank God again for this church and your care of us. It is a joy to serve Jesus with you.

REBATES TO THE CHURCH

For those of you who use Amazon.com to purchase items, you should know that our church, Emmanuel, is now designated as a charity under Amazon's "AmazonSmile Program". Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of your eligible purchases. That's 5 cents for every 10 dollars purchased. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. Note, items cost the same on Amazon.com and Smile.Amazon.com.

It easy to do this. Instead of logging onto your account at Amazon.com, log in to Smile.Amazon.com with your same username and password. On your first visit, when prompted, type in

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as your charity (this selection will stay in place each time you return via Smile.Amazon.com). Then continue on to shop as you normally would with the same Amazon interface. If you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile, your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same. Every 3 months, the church will receive our amassed contribution. The key point is you have to go through Smile.Amazon.com for the contribution to go through.

(Yes, the name of the program is Amazon Smile, but he website is Smile.Amazon.com)

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HUMBLE YOURSELVES

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

-- Abraham Lincoln
Proclamation of a day of National
Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer
1863

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The children's Choir will be rehearsing on
January 6, 13 and 27.
Practice is from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council will be meeting on Saturday, January 28. We'll be working on the annual calendar, mission offering goals, and more, for the new year. The meeting starts at 10:00 AM.

A PRAYER

Lord, save me from my sins. By thy name of Jesus I am encouraged thus to pray. Save me from my past sins, that the habit of them may not hold me captive. Save me from my constitutional (having to do with one's body) sins, that I may not be the slave of my own weaknesses. Save me from the sins which are continually under my eye that I may not lose my horror of them. Save me from secret sins; sins unperceived by me from my want of light. Save me from sudden and surprising sins: let me not be carried off my feet by a rush of temptation. Save me, Lord, from every sin. Let not any iniquity have dominion over me.

Faith's Checkbook
by C.H. Spurgeon

CAP FOOD DRIVE

January - Pasta and pasta sauces
February - Canned Soup

HOMELESS MINISTRY NEWS

We received a nice letter back from Light House shelter in Annapolis. They relate how , with our help, they are rebuilding lives with compassion by providing shelter and services to prevent homelessness and empower people as they transition toward employment, housing, and self-sufficiency.

In 2015, the Light House provide shelter for over 300 adults and children as well as supplied 95,000 meals to residents and community members in need, clothing to 600 clients, over \$27,000 in rent and utility assistance to prevent homelessness, and over \$28,000 in client assistance for residents, alumni and community members. Their community outreach program touches over 2,000 people a year in Anne Arundel County.

The B.E.S.T. workforce development program has trained 218 people with certifications in Culinary

Arts or Facilities Maintenance and Landscaping. Over 80 percent of those graduates are now employed.

Eighty-six percent of support for the Light House comes from private funds. Our church, providing lunches, helps in this effort.