

# THE PRINTS of PEACE

Emmanuel Baptist Church of Gambrills

Changing Lives with Christ

June, 2013

## Now Thank We All, Our God

I was watching the national news and they were doing a story about the police officer who was shot, and nearly fatally wounded, in a shootout with the Boston Marathon bombers. The reporter asked his wife, "*There is this horrible cliché that out of every terrible experience there's this silver lining. Have you found one?*"

She answered, "*There is more of a silver lining in this than anything bad that has come out of this... This will be the best thing that has ever happened to us. We will never not enjoy a day. We will never not enjoy a hug or a kiss.*"

I translate her words to mean that they will be thankful for every day they have together for the rest of their lives.

Let me encourage you not to wait for some big event in life, whether blessing or tragedy, to decide to be grateful to God for every day of life, every day with your spouse, with your children, your parents, your friends. Choose to start each day by giving God thanks for all the blessings He has allowed you to experience. Follow the advice of the singer in the lyrics below.

*Let us pray, let us pray, everywhere  
in every way  
Every moment of the day,  
it is the right time...*

- Steven Curtis Chapman

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## Church Picnic and VBS Kickoff

Great Food!  
Fun and Games!

Join us for a delicious time as we feast together on Saturday, June 29, at 5:00 p.m.

See the sign-up sheet to let us know how many hungry folks you are bringing.



## COLOSSAL COASTER WORLD

Through every twist, turn, and dive, Colossal Coaster World will challenge kids to face their fears and trust God. With excitement around every curve, kids learn that God has given them a spirit of power, love, and sound judgment. This VBS is the ultimate ride.

Children (4 years old - 6<sup>th</sup> grade), are invited to ride with us at Emmanuel Baptist Church

July 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm - 8:45 p.m.

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[www.EBCGambrills.org](http://www.EBCGambrills.org)

## Thanks

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The Apostle Paul was one who experienced much more tragedy, heartache, and suffering than most of us said, "...give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

## Lightning Danger

If you hear thunder, you are close enough (10 miles or less) to be struck by lightning. This is true even if it is blue sky over your location. So seek shelter.

If you see lightning and the sound of thunder takes 30 seconds or less to get to you, the lightning strike was within 6 miles of you. You are vulnerable. Get inside.

[http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2004/06/0623\\_040623\\_lightningfacts.html](http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2004/06/0623_040623_lightningfacts.html)

## Don'ts for Church Attendees

Don't just attend:  
Worship.

Don't hurry away:  
Speak and be spoken to.

Don't sit at the aisle end of the row:  
Move over, and invite others to join you.

Don't simply sing the songs:  
Pray them to God.

Don't wait for an introduction:  
Introduce yourself.

## Be Praying Now for Vacation Bible School

- Pray for unsaved children to find their way here.
- Pray for unsaved children and parents to hear the Good News.
- Pray that God will convict them of its truth, of their sin, and of their need for the Savior.
- Pray that God will urge these families to pray to God for salvation.
- Pray that God will move them to come, as a family, to Bible Study and worship on

## CAP\* Collection Campaigns

- June - Macaroni & Cheese  
July - Canned Meats  
(tuna, chicken, etc)

\* CAP stands for the **Christian Assistance Program**, a group of Severn, Odenton, and Gambrills churches who, together, sponsor a food pantry and clothes closet to help families living in the Severn, Odenton, and Gambrills zip codes.

## Retirement Reception

You are invited to a Retirement Celebration for David and Sherry Lee! Dr. Lee will be retiring after 19 years of ministry at the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware.

Saturday, June 29, 2013  
5:00 p.m.  
Faith Baptist, Glen Burnie

RSVP, by June 20 at  
[www.bcnd.org/lee-retirement](http://www.bcnd.org/lee-retirement)