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In case of an Emergency

**Please call
Pastor Tim
on his cell
phone
286-1090**

Pastor's Message

What was Joseph to do? He was the favored son of a wealthy father, but that position of privilege had been stripped from him. He now lay in the pits of an Egyptian prison.

His brothers had been the first to betray him, having pushed him into a pit and then sold him into slavery. Next he had been betrayed by his master's wife, so now he lay in the pits of an Egyptian prison, forgotten and useless. What should he do? What could he do? He was helpless to steer the course of his life.

The noble character of Joseph is revealed in his lack of complaint when he could have despaired. Instead he trusted the God who had promised in revealed dreams to use Joseph to accomplish His purpose.

God did have a plan and purpose for Joseph. While Joseph seemingly languished in prison, God had Joseph right where He could deploy him to alter the course of history and help fulfill His promise to the world.

God had promised to Adam and Eve and to the Patriarchal Fathers (Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) that He would send the blessing of a Redeemer into the world through one of their descendants. That Redeemer is of course, Jesus Christ, our Savior. But in the days of Joseph, the Chosen people were facing a life threatening seven year famine that also threatened the promise of God. God used Joseph, raising him from prisoner to second in command of all Egypt, to save the Egyptian people, the Chosen people and to help keep the promised of the Savior.

This great Biblical drama, from the book of Genesis, is the basis of the first of a new summer series of sermons on Biblical Heroes of the Faith. In the coming weeks we will walk with God as He deploys His heroes like Ruth, Isaiah, Esther and Peter. We shall ask God for the eyes to behold what God is doing in our world and how we can share in that eternal work.

Remember, God has you right where He can use you to be a blessing.

Pastor Tim Cartwright

Celebrating Father's Day at Lutherhaven



The weather on Father's day was perfect for our "All Church" picnic at Lutherhaven. We were entertained once more by the Hometown Band. Our member, Marialis, plays the clarinet in the band. Thank you for sharing your talent with us.

Special thanks to Mary M. for these great pictures.



Come join us on Sunday, August 21st
(following our worship service) at Lutherhaven
for our Annual Emmanuel Church Picnic,

In the Mission Field

Greetings from Africa

June 7th was a red letter day. I received the legal validation of my living in Cameroun! That’s what that little piece of paper with my photo on it isAll of the love of the Manby, Mazagway Hidi and Guidar. Praise be to God. The entire Emigration-Immigration office was in the shade of a nearby tree as their office was topsy-turvy. It was being re-painted. But they served well in the shade of the tree and got this done in only a few minutes. Another Hallelujah! The Mazagway Hidi translation center is “off and running”. The building up and now ready for use.

During the rainy season, when there are lots of mosquitoes, malaria in this part of the world takes many lives. The unnecessary plague is recurring and tragic. Meskine hospital as other hospitals and clinics, has overflowing people needing quick IV treatment to save lives. The results are that there are no more beds inside-and it is “normal” to go to the hospital at this season and see people lying on mats in the shade of trees with the IV sack suspended from a handy limb or nail. Outside, they are being re-infected all night as a mosquito gets a blood meal from someone in a malaria crisis and then bites the next person close. Actually, inside, as well, because very rarely does a hospital or clinic have mosquito screens or screened doors.



Please pray for the patients, their family members and the workers at the Meskine hospital.

Koinonia, Marian (A complete copy of Marian’s newsletter can be found on the table near the entry)

Serving in Niger I realize that many of you are already receiving Bob and Cheryl’s newsletter. For those of you that are not I would just like to pass on their Praise and Prayer requests. They are currently travelling around our country. They have felt called by the Holy Spirit to serve in Niger but need the financial support before they can leave at the end of August for their language school.

“Praise for safe travels. God granted us safety on the roads so far. **Pray for God’s financial provision.** We must be fully funded in order to leave. Pray that the hearts’ of God’s people will be moved to become monthly, quarterly, or annual supporters. **Praise for getting our French visas.** God graciously granted us favor with the French consulate, and we now have our visas. **Pray God will provide more opportunities to share about Niger.** Praise for helping us transition out of our home. “



If you wish to read Bob & Cheryl’s newsletter in its entirety you can contact them at:

Bob.Fox@SIM.org or Cheryl.Fox@SIM.org

You can also support them by sending a check to
SIM USA, PO Box 7900, Charlotte, NC 28241

Remember to write their account number in the memo line (041764).

Summer Movie Night ————— July 22nd

The next “Summer movie” at Emmanuel is “WAR ROOM”, a compelling faith drama with humor and heart that became the #1 movie in US theaters and received raving reviews from audiences of all ages. BE SURE to mark your calendars for July 22nd at 6:30 PM at Emmanuel. Pop corn and drinks providedbring along your friends and your “happy “ hankies”.

(Thanks Larry, for coordinating this event.)

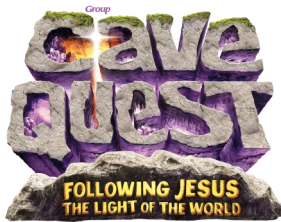


Vacation Bible School ————— 2016

Are You Ready for the brightest week of the summer? Then join us August 15–19, 9:30 AM–12:30 PM for **Cave Quest VBS—Following Jesus, the Light of the World!**

We will explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus’ love through incredible Bible—learning experiences that help our faith flow into real life. We will help you children discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life through games, music, Bible stories and verses, and even treats!

And we will help spread Jesus’ love to the needy in our community through a special coin and food collection.



So, register your children for this life-changing adventure today! VBS is free for children ages PreK–4th grade (age 4, almost 5–10). Registration forms are available on our church Website, at the church, or by calling 360-373–0290.

News From the Emmanuel Childcare Center

The letters for the month are A–L. The children will be learning about the number 12. Our colors this month are red and blue. The shapes are the circle and square.

Each week the childcare center focuses on different themes. The first week was “Storybooks.” The second week is “Father’s Day.” Week three will be “Frogs” and week four will be “Beach Week.”

On July 13th—the 17th the Good News Club will be visiting to share the Good News of the Lord with our friends. August 10th–14th, we are having our annual VBS.



"First Fruits" for July

56 pounds of food and 25 pounds of clothing were donated on Sunday, July 3rd. Thank you, Emmanuel, for showing your love to others. Our next opportunity to donate will be August 7th. Please consider items for lunches as schools will be starting late August and early September.

You may want to consider food that is easy for children to prepare. Canned pasta, soups, cereals, Peanut Butter and Jelly.

Thank you for your generosity.

Food Drive



Don't Forget our "Dresser Ministry"



Our local Pregnancy Resource Center always needs our help. Let's get busy and fill the dresser. As we know, babies need so many supplies and the Resource Center is there to help pregnant woman prepare for their new babies. Any donations are appreciated whether it is something hand made or purchased.

Emmanuel is Planning a Community-Wide Celebration—you are invited!

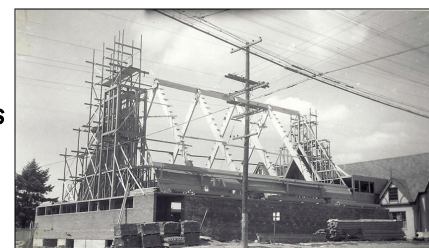
Emmanuel has been serving this community for 70 years. We have something to celebrate and we want community members and former members to celebrate with us. Please mark your calendars!

September 17th— 12:00—4:00 We will hold an open house of the church with historical documents on display. The childcare center will be open and are happy to show you how the center has grown. Lutherhaven will open for the afternoon to give tours of the facility.

September 18th—Worship service -10:00 AM

Buffet Lunch -11:30 AM (please contact the church two weeks prior if you plan on joining us for lunch.)

Program—1:00 PM—We are planning a special program taking us on a historical journey of Emmanuel through music, pictures and word.





July Birthdays

- 1Cole Simons
- 26Peter Mace
- 29Ashlee Cartwright

July Anniversaries

- 13Tim Jr. & Gina Cartwright
- 20Jim & Bonnie Mace

August Birthdays

- 7Bob Armstrong
- 14Samantha Brewer
- 15Bonnie Stouffer
- 27Teresa Prange

August Anniversaries

- 1Pat Alcantra/Nancy Kerlee
- 10Jim & Miki Turowski
- 12Glen & Marialis Jorges
- 12Matt & April Mills
- 18Ward & Mollie Erickson
- 27Carl & Melody Knight
- 27Patrick & Keri Roberts
- 30Peter & Ashlee Cartwright

If there are any additions or corrections to the list please let Sharie Adrig, editor, know. You can do so via church mailbox, 377-2448 or



Members Serving in July

- Altar GuildSharie Adrig
Sally Farner
- ReaderMiki Turowski

Members Serving in August

- Altar GuildJoEllen Klempan
Carol Henning
- ReaderCarol Henning

Sunday School and All Bible Studies are taking a break for the Summer and will resume in the fall. Special Thanks to all our teachers and assistants and substitutes, you all are appreciated!

Thanks to all who are signing up to host coffee hour! If you are interested, the sign up sheet is on the counter in the fellowship hall!

Thank you to Carol R. for being our coordinator for coffee hour. Thanks to Theresa P. for all your help in the

If you need to contact Pastor Tim Cartwright you can call-286-1090.

If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sharie A 377-2448 or Judy A 479-4892.

Any comments or questions about the newsletter call Sharie Adrig-377-2448