

April 27, 2025

On the Horizon

Fellowship Meal – Join us after the service, even if you're visiting, please be our guest.

1st Quarter Ministry Conference - Following today's Fellowship Meal.

Ladies' Night Out - Tuesday, May 6, from 6:30-8:30 PM, at Bosses Pizza in Lake Worth.

Game Night – Join us at Bonnie Jones' house on Friday, May 16, from 6:30–8:30 PM, for wholesome fun and fellow-ship around board and card games.

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, April 27

Bible Study at 9:45 AM Morning Worship at 10:45 AM Fellowship Meal at 12:00 PM Ministry Conference at 1:00 PM

Wednesday, April 30

Prayer & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

Pastor's Pondering

I was shocked by the news that Pope Francis died on Monday - he had just made his first public appearances in over a month the day before! This man who had been out of the news was suddenly back, and then he was gone.

While I don't view the pope as the head of the church and disagreed with much of Pope Francis' pontificating, there is something to be said for a man who, sick as he had been, made the effort to appear for Easter, and then went home to meet his Maker. The speed of his passing makes me wonder if he knew he was close, or maybe had been holding on for one more Easter.

I do believe Francis tried to serve others in his life, and I think that is what he was doing last Sunday. It wasn't about making his life last longer, as so many try to do today, it was about making a difference one last time. For Catholics, I think he did.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

We embark on a new study in the book of 2nd Timothy with Paul's remembrance of Timothy, his service, and his family's faith in 2 Timothy 1:1-6.

April Memory Verse

Isaiah 53:6

All of us like sheep have gone astray,

Each of us has turned to his own way;

But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.

Physical Needs:

- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (MH)
- Robert is being treated for cancer (DC)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Steven Wells' stage 4 prostate cancer is getting worse (LL)
- Louis Lapointe has artery blockage (LL)
- Kelly Spear's sister, Beth, has cancer (AC)
- Mark Alexander has Parkinson's Disease (LL)
- Lillie DeRossett stopped all medical care (MH)
- Kelly Bickett has a blood clot in her leg (GL)
- Ben Price's broken jaw is wired shut (CR)
- Michelle is recovering from surgery (DC)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- Jane Sutton struggles with Dementia (MM)
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Pat has poor mental health and alcoholism (TC)
- Hilda Lapointe's extended family (HL)
- Tiffany's mom is off her bipolar meds (GL)
- Wilson Roberts for victory in a lawsuit (DC)
- Julie & Juan have legal and familial issues (LL)
- James and Sharon Rollins as he cares for her
- John Bickett is taking care of his sister (GL)

World Events:

- War in Ukraine, for Christians to be faithful, specifically those believers in Chernivtsi
- Peace and justice for Israel & neighbors
- Remaining hostages in Gaza

Ministry Requests:

 Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)

In the Hospital:

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Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman Army
- Andrew Cecil Army
- Alex Grant Army

Praises:

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Special Days:

• Nathan Cecil's Birthday is on 4/28

Special Note:

• Kathryn Cecil's Senior Recital and Graduation - You are invited to celebrate the completion of Kathryn's High School study on Friday, May 2. Her Senior Recital is at 5:45 pm and the graduation ceremony will be at 7:00 pm. If attending, please RSVP to 817-929-1108 or pastor@embcmail.com. Thank you!

Please send new prayers or updates to office@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us accurate with your updates!

Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Giving Report for 4.20.2025 World Missions Giving **Last Week** Year to Date **Offering** General Offering Needs: 2025 Goal \$ 2,073.35 \$ 33,173.60 \$6,000.00 \$ General Offering Actual: 2,230.00 38,750.80 April Goal \$2,000.00 Designated Offering: 0.00 3,580.00 Last Week 00.00 \$ 2,230.00 \$1,780.00 **Total Offering:** \$ 42,330.80 Year To Date