



EMMANUEL
CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
5657 ROSEBURY DR
DAYTON OH 45424-4349

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

February Newsletter

Emmanuel Church

News for February 2019 Issue 2 Volume 29

Dean Garrett, Pastor, Roger Oren editor

Promised Land

For those of you that have been on road trips, do you recall what goes into the experience? Making preparations. Setting aside the money. Making hotel reservations. Making sure the car is in good shape. Mapping out the route. While this comparison has definite limitations, there are likely some parallels to the Hebrews journey from Egypt to Canaan.

When dividing the Bible into sections, I tend to think of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth as a natural division. I call it “Promised Land”, because it tells the story of how the Hebrews settled the land God gave them. It describes their early days as an established people. We see that God carried through on His promised to give them a homeland.

1. Joshua is a record of the conquests that brought the land into their possession. The man Joshua had served as the military leader under Moses, and now took Moses’ place after his death. Throughout the Old Testament, we see God unfolding His purpose. One step in the journey unfolds to lead to the next.
2. Judges is a several hundred year period that takes place once the children of Israel have settled in the new land. They are governed during this time by a successive list of twelve to fifteen individuals called judges. Some of the Canaanite peoples still live among them, but Israel already possesses much of the land. They have not yet taken Jerusalem as their capital. They often worship the false gods of the Canaanites and each judge tries to lead them back. God uses several of these leaders to bring them victory over oppressing enemies and direct their way back to Him.

3. The book of Ruth takes place during the time of the Judges. It tells of how a young Moabite woman marries into a Hebrew family. She decides to become a follower of the true God. After being widowed, the story tells of how God providentially leads her life into His plan for caring for her family's needs. In God's plan she met and married someone who would provide for her. This story shows that God works for our good and the romance illustrates God's love for His people.

Most of us might be familiar with these stories, but the purpose of this broad view is to see how God opens doors of opportunity and works out His will for a long range good.

Suggested verse: "And the people said to Joshua, 'The Lord our God we will serve, and His voice we will obey.'" - Joshua 24:24

An Open Letter to a Discouraged Teen-ager.

DEAR KID: Today, you came to me for a job. From the look of your shoulders when you walked out, I suspect you've been turned down before. Or maybe you believe nobody wants to hire a kid just out of high school.

Well, it happens that I did hire a teen-ager today. He had a big smile on his face, and he wore a necktie. What was so special about that kid? Experience? No. He didn't have any. It was his attitude that put him on the payroll instead of you. Attitude, son. A-T--T-I-T-U-D-E. He wanted that job bad enough to put on a clean shirt and take the time to find out something about our company before he came down here. He did his best to impress me. That's where he edged you out.

You see, kid, folks who do hiring look for young people who have a spark. They want someone around who looks energetic, eager and rarin' to go. Your first questions were "What are the hours?" "How many vacations would I get?" and "How much do you pay?" I knew when you asked those questions that you weren't going to get a job here.

I couldn't care less that you're behind in your car payments. That's your problem. What I needed was someone with enthusiasm who'd keep his eyes open and work for me like he'd work for himself. If you have even the vaguest idea of what I'm trying to say, let it show the next time you go looking for a job. If you do, you'll be head and shoulders above the rest.

You know, kid, men have always gotten jobs the same way they get girls. They case the situation, wear a clean shirt, put their best foot forward and appear interested. Maybe jobs aren't plentiful right now, but a lot of us can remember when master craftsman walked the streets. By comparison, kids today don't know the meaning of the word "scarce."

All around you, employers are looking like crazy for smart, alert, energetic young people. When they find one, they can't wait to get him or her on their payroll. If you paid a dime's worth of attention to what I've said today, you'll land a job pretty darned soon. Good Luck. You're going to need it.
Ann Landers Column May 7, 1997

Latest Prayer List (1-6-19): Katie Engel, Ronald Allan Scribbs Sr; Ed Cromwell; Cathy Coldwell, Hannah Smith, Angie Porter, David Hackett, Rene Majja, Joshua & Becky Pentecost & Lillian; Jaffeth Saucedo; Jay Johnson, Joan Lewis, Bob Smith, Nikki; Sue Slone; Allie; Sue Timbrook; Kim Walker; Shirley Gooch; Matt & Trish; Faye Tyler; John Pierce; Suzy E; Becky's brother; Bill Pentecost; Regina Smith; Darren Ginter; Marsha Lyle; Nora Pierce; Shelly Porter; Louise Mobley; Butch Wise; Dick Hyde; Bobbi Suber; Rita and Jay; Joy Lynn Garber; Lou Schneider; David Knecht; Janice's grandson; Faith Koechel; Nancy Davis; Jerry Ary, Ted Paige; Bill & June Parker; Sharita Arnold; Katie & Tim Harris; John Whitehouse; Debbie Obanion; David Pierce; Russell Wilke; Wilbur Holbrook; Carol and Denny Insgro; Audrey Gilbert; Chevel Morgan Pettifore; Maxine Alyea; Janice Schneider

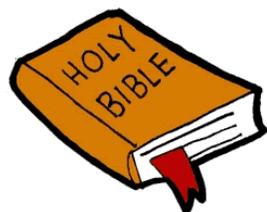
Local News:

Snow Day! We've had two Sundays in a row where the snow was more than 5 inches deep, and we called off church. See WHIO TV for further announcements.

Soon you will be Springing Forward (March 10th) so set your clocks Saturday, March 9th.

Our Pastor:

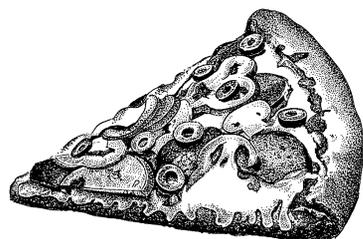
Pastor Dean Garrett
3198 State Route 503 S
West Alexandria OH 45381-9352
Office: 937-233-1422
Home: 937-839-4233



Bible Study:

February 6th and 20th

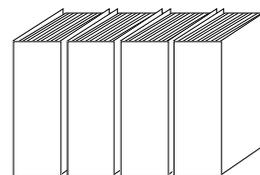
Pastor will hold Bible Study
Wednesdays at 6:00pm at the
Schneider Homestead.



Pizza Party:

February 10th, after the
services, we will dine on
delivered pizzas and treats
you bring.

Brethren Heritage Center



The center is open on Monday,
Wednesday and Saturdays, usually
10:00am to 4:00pm. Contact them at
937-833-5222 or email
amack1708@brethrenheritagecenter.org

to schedule a visit.

Coming up:

March 3rd, Bring a Friend Carry-in after church.

March 6th, 6:00pm Ash Wednesday Service