CALENDAR

| Wednesday, March 26 | |
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| 10:00 A | Book Study |
| 6:30 P | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday, March 27 | |
| 8:00 A | LLL Trip to Natchez |
| | Bible Study |
| Friday, March 28 | |
| 9:30 A | Yoga |
| Sunday, March 30 | |
| 8:30 A | Common Grounds |
| | Café Open |
| 9:15 A | Sunday School |
| 10:30 A | Worship Service |
| 11:30 A | BBT |
| 4:00 P | Belles et Beaux |
| 5:00 P | Youth |
| Tuesday, April 1 | |
| 9:30 A | Yoga |
| 10:00 A | Quilting |
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| Wednesday, April 2 | | |
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| 10:00 A | Book Study | |
| 6:00 P | Young Adult Bible | |
| | Study | |
| 6:30 P | Choir Rehearsal | |
| Thursday, April 3 | | |
| 10:00 A | Bible Study | |
| Friday, April 4 | | |
| 9:30 A | | |
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| Sunday, April 6 | | |
| 8:30 A | Common Grounds | |
| | Café open | |
| 9:15 A | Sunday School | |
| 10:30 A | Worship Service | |
| 11:30 A | Deacon Meeting | |
| 4:00 P | Belles et Beaux | |
| 5:00 P | Youth | |
| | Parents Meeting | |
| Tuesday, | - | |
| 9:30 A | Yoga | |
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| 10:00 A | Quilting | |
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YOUTH, KIDS & FAMILIES

Children and Youth Activities

Youth Band: Sunday Nights, 6:30-7PM, Youth interested in participating in the youth band will meet for half an hour after our regular youth activities. We will learn to play and sing contemporary worship music together.

Easter Egg Hunt: April 13, 11:30AM, Children are invited to participate in an Easter egg hunt after church on Palm Sunday. Please bring a dozen prefilled eggs per child. Lunch will be provided.

Spring Retreat: April 25-27, The youth are invited to join us for a fun weekend of fellowship and Bible study for our spring youth retreat. We will stay at several host houses and participate in some fun activities around town. More details to come.

New Young Adult Bible Study

First Meeting April 2, 6 P, at the church. Ages 23-30. Contact Bobby for more details

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Holy Week Schedule April 13, Palm Sunday

10:30 A Children wave palms during worship 11:30 A Children's Easter Egg Hunt and Lunch please bring a dozen prefilled eggs per child

April 17, Maundy Thursday

6:00 P Maundy Thursday Service and Dinner in Activites Hall, please sign up

April 18, Good Friday

6:00 P Good Friday Service

April 20, Easter

8:30 A Service around the cross 8:45 A Potluck Breakfast 9:30 A Sunday School 10:30 A Easter Service

"Good Samaritans?"

known, assimilated, and used by 11:29, 27:2-3, 4-7, and 11:30). Fur-Christians and non-Christians, both, is the parable in Luke 10: "The Good Samaritan." Believers and non-believers, both, take the story as paradigmatic for what it means to love and to serve the stranger. However, the story of a good Samaritan was controversial and highly offensive to religious insiders -- Jews. The degree of familiarity with the story has dulled the "teeth" – the bite – of the parable, which was meant to criticize the Reverends of Jesus' day. A little background.

The Samaritans are traced back to foreign captives of the Assyrian conquest, forced by the empire to relocate to the northern kingdom of Israel in the 8th century BCE. They settled around the capital city of Samaria and even became worshipers of Yahweh. Like the Jews, they also held the Hebrew Bible to be sacred text; and they observed the same Jewish festivals. There are approximately 3000 living in northern Israel today.

The book of Kings and other books in the Torah, mostly written with a southern Kingdom of Judah bias, have a negative view of the Samaritans (see 2 Kings 17), exaggerating and "stretching the truth" about them. In brief, the Samaritans did not buy into the centralization of religion in Jerusalem, but held to Exodus 20:17 and Deuteronomy 5:22, which instructs the Israelites to erect monuments of the Jewish Law and to build an altar to Yahweh on Mt. Gerizim. not

Of all stories in the Bible Jerusalem (see Ex. 13:11 and Deut. thermore, the Samaritans followed a different numbering system for the Ten Commandments, starting with our second commandment to end with setting up the Law and building an altar on Mount Gerizim.

> However, Jewish manuscripts of the first five books changed the name of the mountain from Mount Gerizim to "Mount Ebal." This was likely an anti-Samaritan polemic because, according to Deut. 11:29 and 17:13, Mount Ebal is the "mountain of curses." And by re-naming Gerizim as "the mountain of curses," well, the Jews could argue that no altar would have been envisaged at such a place associated with "curses."

> Why did the southern kingdom (Judah) and its writers, the Jews, despise the Samaritans? Because, though they worshiped Yahweh and practiced Judaism, they also worshiped the gods of their home country. The Reverends in Jesus' day despised the Samaritans, who were not religiously pure, held different beliefs, and even worshiped other gods. And vet, when asked how to "inherit eternal life," Jesus elevated the behavior of the Samaritan -"strangers" and "aliens" in the land, yet better than the Reverends. "Who is my neighbor?" Better vet, who is the "stranger" to Jesus? Who, indeed! "Go and DO likewise."



GET INVOLVED



Rare Opportunity: Learn Hebrew!

Have you ever wanted to learn to read the Hebrew Bible/ Old Testament in its original language? Or have you simply wanted to learn a new language or perhaps are planning a trip to Israel. BBC member Aiden Buyuk, who recently moved to the United States from Turkey, will lead twelve two-hour courses with the goal of making you proficient in basic modern Hebrew. Dr. Ezell will complete the course by adding a Hebrew Bible translation component with the goal of translating Genesis 1.

Mr. Buyuk is proficient in Turkish, German, French, English. He studied Hebrew in Istanbul with a private teacher and at Ulpan schools in Tel Aviv for 3 1/2 years. He holds certifications from Ulpan-Or and Ulpan-Bavit at intermediate level.

Dr. Ezell successfully completed two years of graduate and undergraduate classical/ancient Hebrew, as well as a course in the related ancient semitic language of Ugaritic. April 13-July 13, 4-6PM with break in Conference Room

Pool Table

BBC is selling the Pool Table located in the Annex (aka: Youth Hut). We will take the best offer by Sunday, March 30. If you are interested in viewing the Pool Table and/or making an offer, call the Church Office: 225-927-5454. *Buyer is responsible for pick up and delivery.

MINISTRY OUTREACH

Home from the Hospital **Frances Henry**

> **Deacon Meeting** Sunday, April 6, after church

Volunteer Opportunity Saturday, April 12

There is an upcoming volunteer opportunity with the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Organization . On April 12 at 9 AM, they are having an Easter Eggstravaganza at Broadmoor Elementary School. If you would like to help please let Mike Patterson know by April 7.

LLL Trip downtown Wednesday, April 16

On April 16th, LLL will visit Billy Cannon Museum. The fee is \$6.00 if we get 15 people to go. Please pay at time of registration. Fee will go up to \$8.00 if we do not have 15 people. After the tour, we will head to Pastime Restaurant for lunch at your expense. Bus will leave church at 10 am. Sign up now!!

Southeast Ministries

To support SE Ministries they are asking for donations of jelly and basic hygiene items. Donations may be delivered to the church office, SE Ministries barrels or SE Ministries location.

BBC is Hiring

BBC is currently looking for an individual to fill the position of Church Property and Facilities Manger following Mike Patterson's upcoming retirement. The Church Property and Facilities Manager will be responsible for maintenance, upkeep, use and safety of BBC property, buildings, infrastructure and equipment. He or she will supervise the custodial staff, order needed supplies, schedule and coordinate the use of all BBC facilities and property (church, annex, and vehicles). He or she will work closely with the rest of the church staff and with the Trustees Council. This position is part-time, 25-30 hours per week with flexibility on Sundays and weekends. If you are interested in applying for this position email your resume to: Leonard@broadmoorbaptist.com