# Youth Ministry of Emmanuel Baptist Church – Summer 2025



 $^\sim$  Helping students know Jesus and experience His church  $^\sim$ 

(For students entering grade six through twelve)

#### Congratulations to our graduate in the Class of 2025! Tori Jopson

**Youth Group this Summer** -All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us for a great activity, prayer, and a Bible lesson. Youth Group events are also wonderful opportunities for you to invite an unchurched friend. As always, please let us know if you need help with transportation.

**June 8 – Bike Ride & Youth Group!** -Bike riders, please meet at 5:30 PM at the Xenia Station Bike Hub. We will bike to Spring Valley. Youth group activities and Bible study will be at Walton Park in Spring Valley from 6:30-8:00 PM. Bike riders will return to Xenia Station at approximately 9:00 PM.

**June 15 – Canoe the mighty Little Miami River.** The voyage begins at The Narrows (2575 Indian Ripple Rd, Xenia) at 3:00 PM and concludes at the Mill Bridge Launch Park (2754 Graf Mill Rd, Bellbrook). Registration is required so that we can provide a life-jacket for every person. Dad's, you can come too!

**July 13 - Farmball** -Tonight we invite college and career age friends to join us for a wild game of Farmball, fried chicken, and Bible study at Pastor Van's home (301 S. Valley Rd, Xenia). 6:00-8:30 PM

**July 20 – Xenia Scouts Baseball.** Meet at Grady's Field at the AIA Sports Complex at 5:00 PM. Use your *Youth Bucks* or bring a few dollars if you plan to purchase food from the concession stand. Students should be picked up at Grady's field at 7:30 PM or contact a leader to help with transportation.

July 27 - Anti-volleyball Tournament - save the date

**August 10 – Water Wars! Families are invited to Youth Group!** 6:00-8:00 PM. Families, please join us for fun, games, and snacks at Pierce Park (651 Dayton Xenia Rd). Invite a friend and prepare for games that will get you wet. Wear clothes that are appropriate to get wet. SCUBA gear is optional!

**Bible Study this Summer** – Get connected for accountability, encouragement, prayer, and learning. It is our desire that students would be consistently reading and obeying God's Word this summer. Bring a Bible each time and let us know if you need help with transportation. Invite an unchurched friend to come with you. Pastor Van and Drew Brads are the Bible study leaders this summer.

Mondays, 11 AM - noon beginning on <u>June 9</u>. Meet at the main pavilion at Shawnee Park in Xenia.

We hope this schedule will help you to stay on track with Bible reading this summer.

 June 9 – Introduction to the book of James
 July 14 – James 3:1-18

 June 16 – Come prepared to study James 1:1-18
 July 21 – James 4:1-12

 June 23 – James 1:19-27
 July 28 – James 4:13-5:6

 June 30 – James 2:1-13
 Aug 4 – James 5:7-20

July 7 – James 2:14-26 Aug 11 – Celebrate James with Ice Cream!

Please contact us if you have any questions or need help with transportation to any youth event.

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### Here are some more opportunities for you to grow and serve.

- Encouragement Team & Visitation on the first Saturday of each month from 9-11 AM. Give up part of your Saturday and help us bless those in our church family who are elderly, shut-ins, or in the hospital. This is a great ministry of writing encouragement notes, visits, and prayer. Your whole family is welcome to come. (June 7, July 5 and Aug 2)
- EBC Plays in the Park Come chill out at the park with the church family. 6-7:30 PM
  - > Wednesday, June 4 at the Fairgrounds Recreation Center in Xenia
  - Wednesday, June 18 at Shawnee Park in Xenia
  - Wednesday, July 16 at John Bryan State Park

## **Fantastic One-time, One-of-a-kind Events**

**The Grand Prix Mid-Ohio** — Saturday, July 5. *For boys only.* Meet at EBC at 9 AM for a full day of Indy Car racing. Use your *Youth Bucks*.

**The Ohio State Fair** – Friday, August 1. *For girls only.* Meet at EBC at 9 AM and we will return at about 9 PM. Ticket cost is \$6 plus money for two meals (or use your *Youth Bucks*). It should be a great day at the fair!

## **Youth Highlights at a Glance**

| Wed, Jun 4 – EBC Plays in the Park, Fairgrounds 6 PM      | Sun, Jul 13 – Youth Group / Farmball 6-8:30 PM                               |
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| Sat, Jun 7 – Encouragement Team 9 AM                      | Mon, Jul 14 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM                              |
| **Sun, Jun 8 – Youth Group / Bike Ride to Spring Valley   | Wed, Jul 16 – EBC Plays in the Park, John Bryan 6 PM                         |
| Mon, Jun 9 – Bible Study begins at Shawnee Park 11 AM     | Sun, Jul 20 – Youth Group / Xenia Scouts game 5 PM                           |
| **Sun, Jun 15 – Youth Group Canoe Trip 3 PM               | Mon, Jul 21 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM                              |
| Mon, Jun 16 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM           | Sun, July 27 – Youth Group / Anti-volleyball Tournament                      |
| Wed, Jun 18 – EBC Plays in the Park, Shawnee Park 6 PM    | Mon, Jul 28 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM                              |
| Mon, Jun 23 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM           | **Fri, Aug 1 – Ohio State Fair, girls only 9 AM                              |
| Mon, Jun 30 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM           | Sat, Aug 2 – Encouragement Team 9 AM   |
| Sat, Jul 5 – Encouragement Team 9 AM                      | Mon, Aug 4 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM                               |
| **Sat, Jul 5 – Grand Prix Indy car racing, boys only 9 AM | Sun, Aug 10 - Youth Group / Water Wars with Families @<br>Pierce Park 6-8 PM |
| Mon, Jul 7 – Bible Study at Shawnee Park 11 AM            |  |
|   | Mon, Aug 11 – Bible Study Celebration, Shawnee Park 11 AM                    |

<sup>\*\*</sup>A 2025 Medical Consent Form & Liability Waver is required for these events and activities.

Invite your unchurched friends to any of these youth ministry events.