



CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for January 1, 2023

Read Through the Bible in 2023 With Your Church Family

Looking for a way to reboot your spiritual growth for the New Year? Read through the Bible this year with your church family! Reading through the Scriptures is a great way to deepen your knowledge of God's Word and grow closer to him. We'll be offering both Old and New Testament reading plans this year, or you can read through the entire Bible. Printed Old and New Testament reading plans are available at the Welcome Center. Or to follow along digitally, visit the webpage online at efcc.org/read-bible and link to the YouVersion Bible App.



Prayer & Worship Night | Wednesday, January 4, 6:30-8pm, EFCC Chapel
You're invited to our prayer and worship time this Wednesday at 6:30pm which will be led by our youth ministry teams. We'll unite our hearts in praise and prayer, experience the Lord's presence, and enjoy some much needed renewal. Come join us for a great time of intercession and praising the Lord.

Join a Life Group for *This Is Our Story Series* | efcc.org/groups

Starting January 22, you're invited to join us on a deeply personal and communal exploration of Luke 15. We'll read and study the parables in this chapter together, and learn about *Our Story* in church. We hope you'll see it as *your Story*, too. We'll be creating resources to help you on this six-week journey. It will begin in the worship services, but it won't be complete without new life groups. Come sign up and join us for this study.

Newcomer's Lunch

 | Sunday, January 22, 12:15pm-1:30pm, in the Cafe

Are you new to Emmanuel Faith? We'd like to invite you to our next Newcomer's Lunch on Sunday, January 22. You'll enjoy lunch with some of our elders, pastors and staff, and have the opportunity to learn more about the church and find ways to get connected. Please register for this free lunch at efcc.org/events.

FaithKids and Youth Winter Camps Coming Soon

 | February/March 2023

Our kids and youth ministries are gearing up for winter camps. FaithKids will be going to Pine Valley February 24-26 for elementary camp, and then to Indian Hills (Jamul) March 10-12 for 6th grade camp. Junior High (February 10-12) and High School (February 24-26) will be going to Hume SoCal at Green Valley Lake again near Big Bear. For more information, or to sign up, visit our website at efcc.org/events.

Care & Counseling 2023 Classes

 | efcc.org/need-help or efcc.org/events

Are you looking for a fresh start in the New Year? Check our Care & Counseling webpages or events page online for more information on subjects like relationship recovery, overcoming grief or an addiction, dealing with feelings of anxiety, or finding a support group. Many of our ongoing groups start soon, like Divorce Care (January 11) and Grief Share (January 24), along with some other special class offerings. Contact us at care@efcc.org.

Announcements are continued on the next pages, or visit efcc.org/events.

NEW TO EFCC? Start Here!

We'd Love to Get to Know You! | efcc.org/connection

Take a moment to tell us more about yourself. Scan the QR code at right, or fill out a Connection Card in the chair back. Or visit our Welcome area in the Worship Center lobby, or go to efcc.org/connect on our website.



At the Welcome area, you can learn more about Emmanuel Faith Community Church including our various ministries and programs for all ages. Thank you for visiting today!

EFCC Care & Counseling Ministry | efcc.org/help

Support Groups & Other Classes

Have a Need? We're Here to Help!

Life can be hard at times, but you don't have to go through it alone. Whatever your need, we want to be there for you as your church family in order to assist, guide, encourage, and point you toward the love of Jesus. Consider this upcoming, one evening seminar.



Dealing With Anxiety Seminar | Tuesday, January 17

6:30pm, Education Center, Room 23/24

Contact: Adaly Eurich, care@efcc.org, (760) 781-2108

If you or someone you know is experiencing worry and anxiety through the ongoing COVID time period, or even before that due to life's confusing and challenging circumstances, you are not alone. These issues can have debilitating effects, impacting our hearts, minds, and souls. Join us at EFCC on Tuesday, January 17, at 6:30pm for a seminar on anxiety with Margy Hill. She will explore the impact of anxiety, tools to overcome its effects, and the hope that we're offered through Jesus, our Prince of Peace. For more information, please contact Care & Counseling.

Get the Emmanuel Faith App!

Visit our App page on the website at efcc.org/app for more details or scan the QR code to the right.

Have you downloaded our new EFCC App yet? With the App you can watch sermons and fill out sermon notes on your phone or tablet; check-in your kids for their programs; register for events; give to EFCC; and much more. Scan the QR code to the right or visit the webpage to access links to the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. Or, search for "Emmanuel Faith" in either store. Then download the App (click "Install" or "Get"). To install it, just follow the prompts on your Apple or Android device.



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THERE MAY BE DRAGONS

A Strong Maybe

1 Samuel 14:1-6

Ryan Lunde, Young Adults Pastor

Desperation can lead us to _____

or it can lead us to _____.

_____ → _____

→ _____

_____ — _____

vs.

_____ — _____

_____ → _____

→ _____

Prayer & Fasting → _____

_____ ?

When does _____ turn into _____ ?

What is the path that requires greater _____

and still grapples with _____ ?

Christ's victory _____ & _____ our

own battles — but also _____ our own defeats.

Have questions about the sermon, the Scriptures, or just life? Email them to Questions@efcc.org and we'll try to respond at our earliest convenience.

Helpful links: efcc.org/sermons | efcc.org/devos | efcc.org/podcasts

Take Your Next Step!

Thank you for joining us for worship and time in God's Word today! If we can be of further assistance, please contact us at welcome@efcc.org. To connect more, or to go deeper at Emmanuel Faith, here are some ways to take a next step ...

Need Prayer? | efcc.org/prayer

We'd love to pray for you! Do you have a specific request or need, or are you going through a tough time? Visit our prayer form online, scan the code at right, or email prayer@efcc.org.



Give to EFCC | efcc.org/give

Thank you for your generosity!

By joining our giving community you're becoming part of something bigger than yourself. Visit our giving page, scan the code to the right, or use an offering envelope at church.



Connect in a Group | efcc.org/groups

Go deeper with a community of people!

Build lasting relationships, learn about God's heart for you, and walk alongside others in every season of life. Scan the code at right or visit our groups page online.



Join a Team | efcc.org/teams

Helping others live in the way of Jesus with the heart of Jesus brings blessings and joy to everyone involved, you included. Don't believe us? Give it a shot. It might just change your life.



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EFCC Merch Update: We Have T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Hats

Contact: Cheri Wright, cwright@efcc.org
Visit the Courtyard after our services.

We want to thank all of you who have checked out the new Emmanuel Faith merch we made available recently. It has been such a great success that some of our stock has run low! But rest assured, we'll keep ordering more. Come by the Courtyard following the Sunday services to see what new and fun designs we have ready for sale.

CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

FaithKids | efcc.org/kids

Sundays (Children's Center)
Infants to 6th Grade | 9 and 10:45am

Wednesdays (Children's Center)
Infants to 6th Grade | 6:30-8pm (September to May)

Junior High & High School

efcc.org/jr | efcc.org/hs

Sundays | 10:45am (Youth Center) — *Will resume on January 8!*

Wednesdays | 6:30-8pm (Sept. to May, and summer camps/events)

Young Adults | efcc.org/ya

Sundays (ages 18-30) | 5pm, Worship Service (Worship Center)

Tuesdays (ages 18-25) | 7pm, Young Adults Room (upstairs)

Week Night Small Groups | 7-9pm (off campus)

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

CLASSIC | Sundays, 9am, Worship Center

MODERN | Sundays, 9am, Chapel (video venue)

MODERN | Sundays, 10:45am, Worship Center, & 5pm, Chapel

EN ESPAÑOL | Sundays, 10:45am, Chapel



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Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm (full & part day)

EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

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Pray for Our Church Family

Home With the Lord

Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates

Rev. Jim Welch — Long-time former Emmanuel Faith Associate Pastor passed away recently. Please pray for his family members at this time (Jim was living in Washington state).



Richard Reese — A reception (only) will be held for him on Wednesday, January 4, at 4pm in the Chapel downstairs rooms.

Richard Marymee — A memorial service and reception will be held for him on Friday, January 6, at 3:30pm in the EFCC Chapel.

John Guth — A memorial service and reception will be held for him on Saturday, January 7, at 2pm in the EFCC Chapel.

Vicki Sebastian — Passed away recently. A memorial service and reception will be held for her on Saturday, January 21, at 2pm in the EFCC Chapel.

Sven Olsen — A memorial service and reception will be held for him on Saturday, February 4, at 2pm in the EFCC Chapel.

In the Hospital or Outpatient (at Present or Pending*)

Dave Sebastian (surgery in January).

Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Nancy Porter, Gary Morris, Jim Munson, and Bob & Donna Rowan.

In Hospice Care

Pam Munson and Jerold Schreiber.

EFCC Family News Update

(Continued)

Fighting Cancer

Bruce Bechard, Elizabeth Birch, Ginny Bowman, Teri Chalfant, Ruby Chan (child), Jody Dietel, Denise Dominguez, Betty Eastman, Bev Feiker, Wally Goff, Terry Haynes, Ron Henderson, Sherman Johnson, Madison Jones (child), Dave Keller, Joseph Kelsch, Sharyll Kirkbride, Pam Munson, Barbara Neely, Terry Ogden, Lynn Petersen, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Dan Sandland, Connie Schacher, Ed Schacher, Dave Sebastian, Richard Sloan, Patrick Stoker, Isla Strobl (child), Pamela Thacker, Craig Timmons, JoAnn Twombly, Donna Vuckovich, and Mike Walker.