

Emmanuel Faith Community Church  
Sunday, September 10, 2023

## CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for September 10, 2023

### **Newcomers Lunch: You're Invited** | Today, 12:15-1:30pm, Café

If you're new to Emmanuel Faith, consider attending our Newcomers Lunch today. You'll enjoy a meal in our on-campus Café with some of the elders, pastors and staff. Also, you'll learn more about the church and the many ways you can connect here. We hope to see you there!

### **Young Voices Choir Resumes** | Begins This Monday, September 11 6-7pm, Children's Center, Warehouse

Children and students aged from 6-16 are invited to join the Young Voices Choir this fall. Participants will receive vocal training and learn how to lead worship with modern songs and classic hymns. Choir members will perform multiple times a year including at the annual Christmas concerts in December. Rehearsals begin Monday, September 11, from 6-7pm in the Children's Center, Warehouse. Register online at [efcc.org/events](http://efcc.org/events).

### **Marriage Tune-Up Workshop: Keeping the Spark Alive** | Mon., Sept. 25 6:30-9pm, Education Center, Rooms 23 & 24

Investing in your marriage is one of the greatest investments you can make. Come and learn some transformational tools in a fun, interactive setting. Discover some ways you can continue to grow your marriage and keep the spark alive. Please register by Sunday, September 24, at [efcc.org/events](http://efcc.org/events).

### **Be Still: Women's Worship & Prayer Night** | Tuesday, September 26 6:30-8pm, Chapel

Waiting is hard. When we can't see what's ahead, it can be easy to want to give up. Join us for a special evening just for women, as we turn to the Lord and experience the peace that guards us when we seek God together. Childcare will be available for infants through pre-K with registration. Also, we'll have some fun games planned for dads and kids kindergarten-age to 6th grade. Childcare will be available if you RSVP at [efcc.org/events](http://efcc.org/events).

### **Ladies & Gents Luncheon** | Wed., September 27, Noon, Family Center (Gym)

All our widows and widowers (who are not remarried) are invited to our annual, special gathering held in your honor. This year's luncheon will be held on September 27. You'll enjoy a delicious lunch, great music and the fellowship of others. This event is hosted by the church's pastors, elders and staff. There is no cost to attend, but an RSVP is requested by Tues., Sept. 12.

### **Join the Emmanuel Faith Choir for our December Christmas Concerts**

Do you love the Christmas concerts here at Emmanuel Faith? Would you enjoy being a part of the team this year? If so, we invite you to join the Emmanuel Faith Christmas Choir as they ring in the Christmas season at our annual concerts on December 8-10. See below for more details.

Choir Rehearsals Information: There will be three Saturday rehearsals on September 30, October 28, and November 18 from 9am-Noon held at church. Thursday rehearsals also will happen from October 12 to November 30 from 7:50-8:30pm also at EFCC. Please sign up online at [efcc.org/events](http://efcc.org/events) by Wednesday, September 27, if you want to join.

Announcements continue on the next pages, see our App, or visit [efcc.org/events](http://efcc.org/events).

## NEW TO EFCC? Start Here!

### We'd Love to Get to Know You! | [efcc.org/connection](https://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. You also can visit our Welcome area in the Worship Center lobby, or go online to visit our website at [efcc.org/connect](https://efcc.org/connect).



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](https://efcc.org/help)

#### Support Groups & Other Classes

#### Have a Need? We're Here to Help!

Life can be hard at times. Please don't feel like you 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 attending one of these upcoming groups or classes this fall.



**God's Waiting Room** | 2nd & 4th Thursdays  
6:30-8:30pm, Youth Center Lounge (upstairs)  
Contact email: [toniflash@cox.net](mailto:toniflash@cox.net)

Join a safe community of caring mothers in prayer, sharing and encouragement while waiting for the return of our young adults who have strayed from God.

**Changes That Heal** | Wednesdays, September 13 to October 11  
Ed. Center, Rm. 21, 6:30-8pm Michael McGinnis, [hhleader@gmail.com](mailto:hhleader@gmail.com)  
*Changes That Heal* is a five-week video series by Henry Cloud that offers sound guidance that helps those who are stuck get the most out of life, heal wounds from the past, and build lasting and loving relationships.

**Anxiety Small Group for Kids** | Sundays, September 17 to October 8  
9-10:15am, Children's Center, Toddler Room 9D

Do you have a child in grades 1st to 2nd who struggles with anxiety? On Sunday morning, September 17, we'll be starting a small group for children and their parents that will provide guidance to work through emotions, learn how to handle fears and give both children and parents tools to help with anxiety.

For more information on the rest of our classes or support groups, scan the QR code above, or visit our website at [efcc.org/help](https://efcc.org/help).

See more on back ...



## September 10, 2023 LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS *Chain Reaction*

John 8:31-36  
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_

that \_\_\_\_\_.

① Become \_\_\_\_\_

② Experience \_\_\_\_\_

③ Enjoy \_\_\_\_\_

Chains only \_\_\_\_\_

when they're \_\_\_\_\_.

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

Helpful links: [efcc.org/sermons](https://efcc.org/sermons) | [efcc.org/devos](https://efcc.org/devos) | [efcc.org/podcasts](https://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](mailto: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](https://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](mailto:prayer@efcc.org).



### Give to EFCC | [efcc.org/give](https://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](https://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](https://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.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED ...

### New EFCC Apparel Is Here: More T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, & Hats!

Contact: Cheri Wright, [cwright@efcc.org](mailto:cwright@efcc.org)

Visit the Holy Grounds Café after our morning services!

Have you checked out our awesome Emmanuel Faith apparel? We just got some brand new, fresh designs and colors in! Come visit the Café today and browse through the offerings we have there. Check out the new and fun designs, in addition to the items we already have in stock. Please let us know if you need an item in a particular size that may not be currently available.

## CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

### FaithKids | [efcc.org/kids](https://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/jh](https://efcc.org/jh) | [efcc.org/hsm](https://efcc.org/hsm)

**Sundays** | 10:45am (Youth Center)

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

### Young Adults | [efcc.org/ya](https://efcc.org/ya)

**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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639 E. 17th Ave., Escondido, CA 92025  
Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm (full & part day)



## Mission Trip Celebration Night

Thursday, September 14, 6:30pm, Downstairs Chapel



We're celebrating an amazing summer of ministry across four continents. Forty-five team members from Emmanuel Faith served on mission trips and experienced God's global work. Come and hear their stories this Thursday, September 14th at our Mission Trip Celebration Night.

Please RSVP by scanning the QR code or visiting: <https://tinyurl.com/tripnight>





## **DUTCH BROS** Local Coffee Shop Gives Back to Love Esco!

Grab your favorite coffee drink and help a great cause Friday, Sep. 15! The new Escondido Dutch Bros will donate \$1 from every drink sold to Love Esco. Get your coffee fix at Dutch Bros, 2365 E. Valley Pkwy.

Give to the Outreach Fund to grow EFCC's impact across the street and around the world.

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## Caring for the Spaces and Places We Love

For over a year, Love Esco has partnered with the City of Escondido to help maintain areas of Kit Carson Park. Recently city officials, the Escondido Police Department and representatives from the school district approached us about a neglected corner of the park that had become known for crime and drug-use. They asked for help clearing debris and removing dead trees that had created dark corners where illegal activities could transpire. With school just starting and families frequenting the park, Love Esco was eager to lend our time and resources to literally help bring light to a dark place.



Love Esco volunteers and landscaping professionals came out to the park on one of the hottest days of the year to remove palm trees and clear overgrown brush. As the trees fell, a volunteer arborist discovered an ash tree. After a quick phone call, the San Diego Zoo Safari Park crew arrived to collect the branches. Apparently ash is a favorite treat for elephants!

After a full morning of hard work, over 15 palm trees were felled and much of the brush cut into smaller pieces. Thanks to the amazing volunteers, this once forgotten spot of land is on its way to becoming a place we can all use and enjoy!

Help us finish the job! Join the Love Esco team at 9am, September 23, to continue clearing this part of Kit Carson Park.

Register online at [www.loveesco.org/projects](http://www.loveesco.org/projects)



# 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*

**Dr. Willie Nielsen (95)** — A charter church member, who served many years in children's ministries, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, August 25.

**Lee Pirlet** — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, September 8, at 1:30pm in the Chapel.



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

Marlene Angel and Bruce Gephart.

### Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Doris Bajema, Mary Hoyt, Betty Jensen, Jonathon Lanz, Kathy Moratto, and George & Irene Ward.

### In Hospice Care

Pam Munson and Jerold Schreiber.

### Fighting Cancer *(\*denotes a child or youth)*

Bruce Bechard, Elizabeth Birch, Ginny Bowman, Teri Chalfant, Ruby Chan\*, Jody Dietel, Denise Dominguez, Kim Elliott, Bev Feiker, Wally Goff, Terry Haynes, Cynthia Hoppas, Kalani Jones, Madison Jones\*, Dave Keller, Joseph Kelsch, Barbara Neely, Terry Ogden, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Dick Rogers, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Dan Sandland, Connie Schacher, Ed Schacher, David Sebastian, Richard Sloan, Jen Smith, Patrick Stoker, Isla Strobl\*, Pamela Thacker, Donna Vuckovich, Mike Walker, and Keith Zander.