

CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for September 17, 2023

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

If you're married, when was the last time you truly made an investment toward the health of your marriage? If you're thinking it's been a while, and you'd like to discover some great tools for keeping the spark alive, then be sure to join us on Monday, September 25, for this fun and interactive workshop. Please register by Sunday, September 24, at 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.

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. Please RSVP soon at efcc.org/events.

Join the Events Team | Visit efcc.org/teams to sign up!

Do you have the ability to coordinate volunteers, have an eye for what looks good, want to pass out food or cook, or have the ability to set up tables/chairs/EZ-ups? If so, we'd love to have you join our Events Team! EFCC hosts a number of "all-church events" each year, and we need volunteers to make these events be exceptional. We're building out our team for the upcoming year and looking for those who love and are skilled at events. Visit our Join a Teams page online, scroll to the Events Team and click the button to sign up, or email Amanda Coox at acoox@efcc.org.

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 by Wednesday, September 27, if you want to join.

Emmanuel Faith Community Church
Sunday, September 17, 2023

Announcements continue on the next pages, see our App, 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. You also can visit our Welcome area in the Worship Center lobby, or go online to visit our website at 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

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. Please consider our ongoing, Christ-centered recovery ministry, Set Free.



Set Free: Christ-centered Recovery Ministry

Weekly on Fridays, 6:30pm, Education Center, Room 23/24 (upstairs)
Contact: Adaly Tapia, care@efcc.org, (760) 781-2108

We all have things that we turn to that can become harmful to us, and many of those can become addictions. Set Free offers hope and healing for those who find themselves stuck in addictions, behaviors and choices that result in pain, conflict, unhappiness, and broken relationships. Come find the help and hope you need on the path to wholeness. Our current groups include: Men's Anger, Men's Chemical Dependency, Women's Chemical Dependency, Men's Sexual Addiction, Women's Codependency, and Women's Codependency (with Sexual Woundedness). Contact us to learn more.

Check Out Our Event Highlights Page

Visit efcc.org/events

To view upcoming events at Emmanuel Faith, visit our Events page to see highlighted events of interest to all ages. In addition, our website Calendar page (visit efcc.org/allevnts) is frequently updated and lists various events for all ages and stages.



See more on back ...



September 17, 2023
LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS
The Lies We Live
John 8:37-59
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

Your _____ determines
your _____.

Your _____ is either
from _____.

1 Assess your _____.

2 Discern your _____.

3 Gauge your _____.

The _____ is our _____.

Pastor Ryan will be leading a trip to Israel in the summer of 2024.
Please visit www.efcc.org/Israel for more information.

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED ...

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

Contact: Cheri Wright, 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

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 | efcc.org/hsm

Sundays | 10:45am (Youth Center)

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

Young Adults | 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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EFCC Open Wi-Fi Password: John3:16



www.emmanuelfaithpreschool.org

(760) 781-2260 | preschool@efcc.org

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



Outreach Community: India Night

Monday, September 25, 6:30pm, Holy Grounds Cafe



Hear from our global partners and learn about Northern India -- "the graveyard for missions." Despite this reputation, the Indian church is growing and communities are experiencing life-changing transformation -- as disciples make disciples.



What would our city look like if we did the same? Join the Outreach Community to connect with others as we learn about God's mission in the world.

Scan the QR code to register or email Anna Nielsen: anielsen@efcc.org



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

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 www.efcc.org/outreach

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 outreach@efcc.org

Pray for North Africa

North Africa has been left reeling after experiencing two major catastrophes this past week. A rare, powerful earthquake struck Morocco late last Friday night, killing more than 2,800 people and damaging buildings from villages in the Atlas Mountains to the historic city of Marrakesh. Then on Monday, Eastern Libya experienced once-in-a-lifetime floods as torrential rain caused two dams to burst. The death toll is still unknown as 10,000 people are unaccounted for.



We have strategically focused on North Africa by supporting global workers, sending teams, and training indigenous disciple-makers. Emmanuel Faith supports two missionary families in the region, and a short-term team spent part of last summer in Casablanca. In Libya, we have helped train men and women who have seen the Gospel transform their communities. The events of this past week have been harrowing to watch from a world away.



As the reality of the devastation continues to unfold, let us remember the people of Morocco and Libya and the God who desires to bring hope and peace to each person impacted by these events.

Here are some ways to pray:

- For displaced families, those unaccounted for, the injured, and those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
- For the rescue and relief workers.
- For the church to be bold in a Christ-centered response, and for opportunities to bring healing physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

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Pray for Our Church Family

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.