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Emmanuel Faith Community Church Sunday, October 29, 2023

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CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for October 29, 2023

Solar Power Hook-up Project Has Begun

Crews have begun working to upgrade our electrical capacity for solar and for future expansion by hooking up our Parking Lot C solar structure. That means that we'll be without power in some of our buildings, while others will be running via generator power. We're working hard to accommodate all the classes and groups that meet here. Sunday services, most Wednesday night programs, and our Preschool classes will take place as usual.

If you have any questions about a class or group you're involved with, contact your class leader and/or subscribe to our email newsletter at <u>efcc.org/news</u> (if you don't already receive it) for updates. We're looking forward to saving on electric bills so we can better use your donated funds to share the Gospel.

Newcomer Lunch: You're Invited! | Today, 12:15-1:30pm, Holy Grounds Café If you're new to Emmanuel Faith, consider attending today's Newcomer Lunch. You'll enjoy a meal in our on-campus Café with some of the church elders, pastors and staff. Also, you'll learn more about our church and the many ways you can connect here. We hope to see you there! You can register on our website at <u>efcc.org/events</u>.

EFCC Quarterly Meeting | Today, 3pm, Chapel downstairs Please plan to attend today's church Quarterly Meeting. You'll get to connect with other church members, hear important ministry updates, get a current financial update, and learn more about our church's ministries.

Thanksgiving Cift Card Drive | From October 29 to November 12 Thanksgiving is coming soon and it's a great time to celebrate all that God has done for us. However, many families in our church family could use a little help to make this season special. We're collecting donations toward gift cards so these families can purchase the foods they need. You can donate between now and November 19, or join our team to deliver cards between November 12 and 18. To donate or sign up to deliver, please visit <u>efcc.org/events</u>.

Surviving the Holidays Grief Workshop | Saturday, November 4 9-11:30am, Chapel downstairs

This Grief Share workshop will help you navigate the journey of healing from loss during the holiday season. This session will be led by Pastors Scott Smith and Dave Korinek. There will be a \$10 registration fee per person. Please register online by Thursday, November 2, at <u>efcc.org/events</u>.

Next EFCC Library Book Sale | Sunday, Nov. 5, 8:30am-12:15pm, Courtyard Please support our EFCC Library and fill your home library with a gently used book. We'll be selling a variety of Christian books and materials at our next all-church book sale. Visit the church Courtyard on Sunday, November 5, after each morning service between the Worship Center and the Children's Center. All funds will go toward new materials in our on-campus library.

CAIN in Concert | Friday, November 10, 7pm, Worship Center CAIN is coming in concert to EFCC! This will be a great night of fun and uplighting music for the whole family. Be sure to buy your tickets today at <u>efcc.org/events</u>. Doors open at 6pm. (Announcements continue on next page.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED ...

Worship Night | Wed., Nov. 8, 6:30pm, Worship Center (+ dinner at 5:15pm) Jesus invites us to receive and participate in a life of communion, both with Him and with each other. Don't miss a special Worship Night that focuses on experiencing and engaging in this very practice. We'll start with a free dinner in the Courtyard at 5:15pm, then go to the Worship Center where we'll lift our voices together, hear stories of lives transformed by community, and then take communion together. To join us for dinner, please RSVP at <u>efcc.org/wn</u> so we can plan accordingly. *And yes, we'll still hold our regular, once-a-month Prayer Night on Wednesday, November 1, in the Chapel.*

Next Baptisms | Info. Meeting, Sunday, November 12, after each service Baptisms in Services, Sunday, November 19

Our next opportunity to celebrate baptisms is coming soon. To be baptized, please attend one of our informational meetings on Sunday, November 12, following each of our Worship Services in the Garden Room, which is located on the south side of the Worship Center near the main office front desk. For more information and to sign up, visit <u>efcc.org/events</u>.

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 <u>efcc.org/connect</u>.



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.



NEW: Infertility Support Group

Do you long to have a child but struggle with infertility? Do you have questions about how to approach IVF from a Christian perspective? You are not alone. If you would like to be connected to other couples who have experienced similar challenges, please contact Care & Counseling at *care@efcc.org*. We would love to come alongside you on your journey.



October 29, 2023 LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS *Purified of Impurities* John 12:1-11 Ryan Lunde Young Adults Pastor

Pure devotion is not based on	,
but on	
What is purification? 🗲 Sacrificing	
for	
What is impurity?	
When does purification happen? →	
Why is purification important? →	
How can I be purified? ➔	
The only way we can truly	
is for us to totally	sacrifice for us

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

Announcements continue on the next page, see our App, or visit efcc.org/events.

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 | <u>efcc.org/groups</u>

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.



SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING - COMING SOON!

Veterans Day BBQ | Saturday, November 11, Noon, Holy Grounds Cafe Don't miss our annual Veterans Day BBQ lunch and guest speaker. Navy Chaplain Jaisen Fuson will speak on *Standing in the Gap: How Veterans Can Leverage Their Experience to Impact Culture and Community for Christ.* This event is sponsored by EFCC's Military/ Veterans/DOD support group. Family members and guests are welcome! Cost is \$10 per person (\$15 with a guest). Pre-registration is requested at <u>efcc.org/events</u>, or contact EFCC's Military/Veterans/DOD support group president, Patrick Thomas, for more info via email at *talk2PT@aol.com*.

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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www.emmanuelfaithpreschool.org (760) 781-2260 | preschool@efcc.org 639 E. 17th Ave., Escondido, CA 92025 Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm (full & part day)



The Druze are ethnically Arab but have their own very unique religion and culture that dates back to the 9th century. They are village and mountain dwellers, attached only to their individual plots of land and property. They follow a lifestyle of intentional isolation from the wider society. They believe that at death, one's soul is reincarnated into another life. Conversion, both to and from their faith is forbidden.

EFCC is partnering with Lebanese churches to plant the first church communities among the Druze.

Druze (from Syria)



How to Pray

Pray for the highly insular Druze society to open up to the Gospel message. Pray for strength and courage for the first Druze believers as they stand firm in their faith and witness in their community. Pray for continued favor for the Lebanese pastors discipling and training the Druze believers.



Family Strong Respite Night | Saturday, November 4 3:30 - 7:30pm

Did you know that once a quarter the Children's Center at Emmanuel Faith hosts a pizza and movie night for local foster and adoptive children? They come from all over San Diego county for a few hours of fun and games with caring adults in a safe space. Their caregivers get a night to run errands or catch a breath from the demands of the often difficult world of foster care.





Clary Lewis is a repeat volunteer who loves coming to these Respite Nights. "I wish people knew how easy it is to volunteer here. Just come. Love on kids, get to know other people at church, and bless foster families by allowing them to have a night out. Its such a great thing."

Clary and her husband Kevin were new to EFCC when they first served at a Respite Night. From there, the Lewis' got plugged in to serving at FaithKids on Sunday mornings and found their people at Emmanuel Faith.

"These families and these kids are in really hard spaces. Volunteering at Respite Night is a tangible way of serving them. What a wonderful way to be the hands and feet of Jesus!"

Join the next Respite Night on November 4th! Scan the QR code to register or email us: <u>familystrong@efcc.org</u>



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

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EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

October 29, 2023

Pray for Our Church Family

Home With the Lord

Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates

David Bischke — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, October 27, at 2pm in the Chapel.



Kurt Ackerman — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, November 3, at 10am in the Chapel. For more information visit: www.mykeeper.com/profile/kurtackermann.

Coach Chick Embrey — A memorial service will be held for him on Saturday, December 2, at 2pm in the Worship Center.

Susie Clark, mother of Jay Welch and Jerald Welch, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, October 20. Memorial services will be announced at a later date.

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

Dave Creamer Sr., Shelly Knoebel, Diana Norlund, Dr. Bob Peacock, and Carolyn Schooler.

Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Steve Arce, Dolores Hayes, Dewayne Hudson, and George 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, Sylvia Rankin, 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.