

#### CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for April 7, 2024

Newcomer Lunch | Today, 12:15pm, Café

You're invited to today's Newcomer Lunch! Meet some of our pastors, elders and staff, and learn how to get connected at our church. See you there!

EFCC's Interest-free College Loan Program | Application window now open! Please apply between Sunday, April 7, to Wednesday, May 15

The Robert B. Foss Memorial Fund provides a limited number of interest-free loans to qualifying college students who attend California schools and are EFCC members. Student applicants will be considered based on church involvement, school and community activities, and GPA. The application period for the 2024-2025 school year for new or re-applying applicants begins Sunday, April 7, and ends Wednesday, May 15. Contact our High School or Young Adults ministries, or apply online at <a href="mailto:efc.org/foss-fund">efc.org/foss-fund</a>.

**Alpha** | Weekly on Wednesdays, going on now, 6:30pm, Café If you're looking for a place to discuss faith, purpose, and belonging, please consider attending Alpha. Alpha offers a place that's all about listening and learning together while sharing life experiences and the meaningful moments in our story. We start weekly at 6:30pm, but you can come early at 6pm and join us for dinner. Sign up at <a href="efc.org/alpha">efcc.org/alpha</a>.

**Boundaries Class** | Wednesdays, April 10 to May 15, 6:30-8pm *Ed. Center, Room 24* | *Contact: Michael McGinnis, hhleader@gmail.com* Don't miss *Good Boundaries, and Good-byes*, a six-week video series by Lysa Terkeurst, that will guide you on your journey toward creating and maintaining healthy boundaries. You'll be encouraged to *"let your yes be yes and your no be no"* (Matthew 5:37). This class for adults is free to attend.

#### Men's Camping Trip to Ocotillo Wells | April 12-14

Join EFCC's Men's Ministries for a Camp Out from April 12-14 at Ocotillo Wells. Enjoy some desert fun with other guys plus some time with the Lord. Sons and grandsons are welcome. Cost varies (\$50 for adults; \$25 for ages 10-14; kids under 10 are free; all meals are provided; cost includes a t-shirt). Register online at <a href="efc.org/events">efcc.org/events</a>.

**Grandparenting Matters Seminar** | Mondays, April 15 to May 20 *Mondays, 6-7:30pm, Chapel downstairs* | *Contact: care@efcc.org* Grandparents, come learn what the Bible says about your influential role in the lives of your grandchildren. You'll also discover ways to strengthen your relationships with your adult children. The cost to attend is \$10 per person. Please register online at efcc.org/events by Sunday, April 14.

**Estate Planning Workshops** | Wed., April 17, 6:30pm, and Sat., April 20, 10am Don't miss these informative estate planning meetings with attorney John Yphantides. Get some practical tools to equip you to take the next step toward planning your future. Topics include estate planning, Medi-Cal benefits planning, trust administration, probate, and more. Meetings will be held in the EFCC Chapel and no RSVP is needed.

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**Love Your Neighbor Conference** | Saturday, April 20, 9am-1pm *At Emmanuel Faith* 

Learn how you can make an impact right in your own neighborhood at the Love Your Neighbor Conference. You'll hear inspiring stories and get practical ideas on some great ways to make a difference right where you live, work and play. Visit <u>efcc.org/events</u> to learn more and sign up. A suggested donation of \$15 includes lunch, snacks and materials.

#### **Emmanuel Faith Church Library Happenings**

Open Sundays, 8am–12:30pm, and weekdays, Mon.-Fri., 8:30am–5pm Or visit us online to search for books at <u>efcc.org/library</u>

Come visit our church library. It's located on the front side of the Family Center (Gym) — just look for the signs. The library is open on Sunday mornings, and each weekday when the church office is open (including Fridays). Mark your calendars for our next all-church book sale on Sunday, April 21, from 7:30am to 1pm in the Courtyard.

#### Faith Kids Is Growing and Needs Your Help!

We're so grateful for the great things God is doing at Emmanuel Faith! One of those great things includes more new attendees, including lots of families with young kids. As a result, many FaithKids classrooms are bursting at the seams! Can you help work with our Sunday FaithKids team at either 9 or 10:45am? Many opportunities are available from holding babies, to being small group leaders, teaching, and more. We have needs on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm, too. Learn more or sign up to serve online at <a href="mailto:efcc.org/kids">efcc.org/kids</a> or email us at <a href="mailto:kids@efcc.org">kids@efcc.org</a>.

#### 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, the Emmanuel Faith Care & Counseling ministry is here to help, guide, encourage, and point you toward the love of Jesus. We would love to come alongside you. We can help with counseling, mentoring, or spiritual direction. Scan the OR code or visit our webpage via the link. Please consider

**Chronic Illness/Caregivers Support Group** | Tuesday, April 9 7pm, Education Center, Room 20

Contact: Lynne Bechard, RNinpoway@cox.net

attending this ongoing support group ...

"Who Am I Now?" Calling all Caregivers! Join Pastor Josh Rose as he explores why those caring for others with health challenges take on the sole identity as a Caregiver and lose themselves in the process. Step out of guilt and be encouraged by God's love as you embrace your true identity in Christ.



# April 7, 2024 BACK TO LIFE "Back From Fear" John 20:19-23 Rvan Paulson, Lead Pastor

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Need more room to add notes? See the back side of this sermon outline. Helpful links: efcc.org/sermons | efcc.org/devos | efcc.org/podcasts

#### Take Your Next Step!

Thank you for attending Emmanuel Faith today! If we can help you in any way, contact us at welcome@efcc.org. To connect more, or to go deeper here, see some ways to take a next step below...

#### **Need Prayer?** | efcc.org/prayer

We'd love to pray for you! Visit our prayer form online, scan the QR code at right, or email prayer@efcc.org.



#### Give to EFCC | efcc.org/give

Your generosity changes lives! To give to EFCC, visit our Giving page, access our App, scan the QR code, or use an offering envelope at church.

#### Find a Group | efcc.org/groups

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

#### Join a Team | efcc.org/teams

Helping others through volunteering gives us a greater sense of meaning and brings great joy both to us and those we help. Join a team and come serve at EFCC.

#### **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 <a href="mailto:efc.org/connect">efc.org/connect</a>.



#### 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**

<u>efcc.org/jh | efcc.org/hsm</u> **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, Children's Center (Warehouse)

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



#### www.efcc.ora

(760) 745-2541 | welcome@efcc.org 639 E. 17th Ave., Escondido, CA 92025 EFCC Open Wi-Fi Password: John3:16



#### www.emmanuelfaithpreschool.org

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

#### Emmanuel Faith Youth On Mission in Baja California

For most students, Spring Break represents a time of relaxation. But for over 80 youth from Emmanuel Faith, the Easter holiday provided the opportunity to serve in Baja California, Mexico.



High School Ministry sent students to Tijuana, Mexico, to build homes for selected families in need. This year the group also built a church for a congregation in one of Tijuana's under-resourced neighborhoods. Students completed all of the projects — framing walls, roofing, adding drywall, and running electrical in just four days. God used these students to provide safe homes for three families and a place to gather and worship.

On the other side of Baja, Emmanuel

Faith Young Adults spent the week serving alongside a local church in San Felipe. They held a Vacation Bible School for neighborhood children. The team provided games and crafts for the VBS while the local church members taught Bible lessons, cooked meals, and led worship. What a picture of God's family, coming together to serve!





Ryan Lunde writes: Luis Antonio was a handful every one of the days of VBS. Because he got into trouble more frequently he required more attention. As a result, we got used to holding him and giving him one-onone attention. The more we reinforced the message of love that the Gospel brings, the more Luis settled, focused, and became less violent. "Jesus te ama, Luis. Y yo también. Te amo, Luis." The change that happened in Luis' heart in a few days is a testament to how each orphaned human heart reacts to the Father's scandalous adoption. The Gospel comes to all but it also comes to one!

Thank you to all who prayed and gave so that Emmanuel Faith teams could be the hands and feet of Jesus this Spring Break. If you're interested in learning how God can use you across the street and around the world, check out upcoming mission trips at www.efcc.org/missiontrips.



#### **Upcoming Opportunities with Community Outreach**

Love Your Neighbor Conference: April 20, 9am - 1pm www.theneighborconference.com

How do we follow Jesus and love our neighbors where we live, work and play? We each have unique talents, abilities, and passions that God invites us to use in his redemptive work here in Escondido and around the world. This one-day conference will provide thought-provoking teaching and practical tools and discussion to help you process and make a plan to love your community to life. Reserve your seat today — lunch is included!

#### **Caring For Our Neighbors**

For more information, email: larjona@efcc.org

Help those in need by distributing groceries or providing a warm meal. Each month, Emmanuel Faith members serve alongside Escondido neighbors to feed the hungry. Check out these upcoming opportunities to serve.

Haven House Dinners with Interfaith 4:30 pm, Thursday, April 18

Scan to Serve at Haven House



Prepare and serve dinner to Interfaith clients. Can't join us this time? We serve dinner every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Feeding San Diego Food Pantry 9 am, Saturday, April 20

Scan to Serve at Feeding SD



Assist with food distribution at Neighborhood Healthcare. By participating in this food pantry, we help ensure our neighbors receive the resources they need to be feed their families. All ages welcome.

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

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### **Pray for Our Church Family**

#### Home With the Lord

*Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates Karen Nelson* — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, April 20 at 3pm in the Chapel.



**Daniel Sandland** — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, May 3rd, at 10am in the Chapel.

In the Hospital or Outpatient (at Present or Pending\*) Bill Cornthwaite, Ginger Higgins, Maxine Kaemmerling, Merna Pirlet, and Randy Pyle.

#### Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Rick Ankrom, Marina Chow, Sharon Culbertson, Marcel de Neve, Dolores Hayes, Jared Hill, Sandra Johnson, Bonnie Lowe, Melvie Maigaard, Elaine Marshburn, Cyndi Martinez, Will McLennan, Jack Milks, Thelma Monigold, Robin O'Conner, Ron Preston, and Holly Richerd.

#### In Hospice Care

Elizabeth Fredenburg, Pam Munson, Jerold Schreiber, Julie Timm, and Irene Ward.

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

Bruce Bechard, Elizabeth Birch, Ginny Bowman, Ruby Chan\*, Jody Dietel, Denise Dominguez, Bruce Gephart Wally Goff, Terry Haynes, Cynthia Hoppas, Kalani Jones, Madison Jones\*, Joseph Kelsch, Bill McAllister, Will McLennan, Barbara Neely, Terry Ogden, Sylvia Rankin, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Dick Rogers, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Connie Schacher, Ed Schacher, David Sebastian, Richard Sloan, Jen Smith, Patrick Stoker, Isla Strobl\*, Pamela Thacker, Donna Vuckovich, Mike Walker, and Keith Zander.