



## CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for November 23, 2025

### Fall Library Book Sale | Today, 8am-12:30pm, Courtyard

A wide variety of Christian books and materials will be available at the Emmanuel Faith Library's fall book sale. Visit the church Courtyard after each morning service today between the Worship Center and the Children's Center. All sale proceeds will be used to purchase new materials for our on-campus library. Most items for sale will cost only \$1.00 each.

### Snowball Bash Gift Collection | Needed back by Sunday, November 30

The Snowball Bash — our annual Christmas party for foster and adoptive families — will take place again on Saturday, December 6, from 5-8pm at Emmanuel Faith. We're collecting gifts now for children aged from 2-12 valued at \$25 and "wrapped" in a gift bag. Please return all donated gifts by Sunday, November 30, to the Snowball Bash tables in the Courtyard. Volunteers are also needed and you can sign up online at [efcc.org/snowball](http://efcc.org/snowball).

### Junior High Christmas Gift Boxes | Pick up boxes today!

*Please return all wrapped and filled boxes by 4:30pm on Thurs., Dec. 11!*

Share Jesus' love with others this Christmas via our annual Junior High Christmas gift boxes drive. Every year our church generously fills boxes with gifts and treats to be delivered to children through Mt. Horeb Baptist Church in Mexico. This is a great opportunity for us to share the gospel with the kids and their families. Pick up your boxes and instruction sheets this Sunday in the Courtyard or at the church's Main Office during the week.

### Simply December Devotions Booklet Available | For December 1-25

Are you looking for a great way to focus on the real meaning of Christmas this year? Pick up a copy of this 25-day devotional to help prepare your heart for the season. The readings and additional tools will help you be attentive to God's Word as you prepare to celebrate Christ's birth. This devo is perfect for families, individuals, or as gifts. Pick up your copy for a suggested donation of \$5 in the Worship Center lobby. All proceeds will go toward the Beyond Fund.

### December Prayer Night | Wednesday, December 3, 6:30pm, Chapel

Join us in the Chapel on the first Wednesday night of December to experience the power that comes when we come together in prayer. Gather with your church family as we pray for each other, our church, the local community, our nation, and the world. We hope to see you there.

### New REST Journals Are Here: A Way to Make More Time for Jesus

Our latest *REST Journals* have arrived! If you're in need of a new journal, or haven't picked up one before now, they're available again at church. This 90-page journal is a simple tool you can utilize for your daily time in the Scriptures. It includes a guide for weekly prayer and a framework for living on mission with the Lord. *REST Journals* will be available at church this Sunday for a suggested donation of \$8.

*See more announcements, the Christmas events flyer, sermon notes, and more on the following pages in this worship guide, or via our App, or visit [www.efcc.org](http://www.efcc.org).*

## Announcements Continued ...

### Join the Crew That Makes Our Church Shine

Contact: Randy Carter, [rcarter@efcc.org](mailto:rcarter@efcc.org) or (760) 781-2147

For decades, dedicated volunteers at EFCC have quietly blessed our church family by caring for our campus. Today, that faithful team has become just a handful — and it's time to rebuild it. If you're looking for a simple, meaningful way to serve, we'd love to have you join our refreshed cleaning crew.

You don't need special skills or lots of time — just a willing heart. We're expanding beyond Tuesday mornings and creating flexible opportunities for anyone who wants to help, no matter your schedule or limitations. Contact Randy via the contact info above to join the team.

### Year-to-Date Giving Update (April through October 2025)

*Thank you for your ongoing generosity to our church! We're so grateful for your faithful giving. See the latest financial report below through October 2025 of our current fiscal year. Any financial gifts can be given in person at church, online at [efcc.org/give](http://efcc.org/give) or via our App. You may give to our two main funds, the General Fund or the Outreach Fund, and/or also to our Beyond Fund (building projects). Our Beyond loan balance is at \$6,985,469.88 as of November 18, 2025.*

Church Fund	Actual Given	Budgeted	Difference (+/-)
General	\$3,375,526	\$2,980,000	+\$395,526
Outreach	\$394,854	\$420,000	-\$25,146

### EFCC Care & Counseling Ministry | [efcc.org/help](http://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'd love to come alongside you. We can help with counseling, mentoring, or spiritual direction. To take a next step, scan the QR code above, visit our webpage via the link above, email us at [care@efcc.org](mailto:care@efcc.org) or call (760) 781-2108. Here's one of the many support arms we offer ...

### RESOLVE: Mending the Soul | Virtual resources and classes available

The RESOLVE Ministry Fellowship exists to provide biblical resources for ongoing relational wisdom, compassionate conflict resolution, and mediation while uniting to serve God as peacemakers throughout our local region. If you're living in an unsafe relationship, and need confidential care and guidance, please reach out to us at [care@efcc.org](mailto:care@efcc.org).

See more information on back ...



November 23, 2025  
**TUNE MY HEART: Generosity**  
**Free-flowing Generosity**  
2 Corinthians 9:1-15  
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

Generosity flows from \_\_\_\_\_,

not \_\_\_\_\_.

- Freely \_\_\_\_\_ what you \_\_\_\_\_.  
(v. 7)
- Trust that what \_\_\_\_\_ becomes what \_\_\_\_\_.  
(vv. 6-10)
- Understand that God gives \_\_\_\_\_ to give \_\_\_\_\_.  
(v. 11)
- Rejoice that your \_\_\_\_\_ fuels \_\_\_\_\_.  
(vv. 12-14)

Our \_\_\_\_\_ from God's free,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

(See the daily prayer prompts for this series and the 21-Day Generosity Experiment on the back side of this sheet.)

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

## Tune My Heart Sermon Series: Special Prayer Focus (part 3)

During the *Tune My Heart* sermon series, we've been calling everyone to prayer. Each day this week, please take some time to pray and ask Jesus to tune your heart to what he has for you. And consider taking part in our recent 21-day generosity experiment (see note below the prayer prompts).

### MONDAY: Prayer of Gratitude — “Tune my heart to grace.”

*Father, open my eyes to the grace You've poured into my life. Before I think about giving anything away, help me remember everything You've given me — forgiveness, hope, breath, provision, relationships, and Yourself. Tune my heart to gratitude so that generosity flows naturally from joy, not pressure.*

### TUESDAY: Prayer of Formation — “Shape me into a giver.”

*Lord, generosity is not just a financial act; it's a journey of formation. Shape my character so that giving becomes who I am, not just something I do. Form me into someone who reflects Your self-giving love in small and big ways every day.*

### WEDNESDAY: Prayer for Freedom — “Break the power of scarcity in me.”

*God, release me from fear, scarcity thinking, and the belief that I never have enough. Lead me into the freedom of Your abundance — the freedom the Macedonians found. Help me trust that I can give because You will supply what I need and more.*

### THURSDAY: Prayer of Practice — “Grow me through disciplined giving.”

*Lord, help me build a rule of life that includes faithful tithing, spontaneous generosity, and relational hospitality. Use these practices to retrain my desires, loosen my grip on possessions, and cultivate a cheerful heart.*

### FRIDAY: Prayer of Participation — “Use my giving for Your mission.”

*Father, take what I offer — my resources, time, and hospitality — and multiply it for Your kingdom. Let my generosity bring glory to You, bless others, and demonstrate the gospel in real and tangible ways. Make me part of the story You're writing at Emmanuel Faith through joyful generosity.*

## 21-Day Generosity Experiment

- (1) Pray for a heart of generosity.
- (2) Start giving something.
- (3) Set aside a small amount to bless someone spontaneously.

## NEW TO EFCC? Start Here!

### We'd Love to Get to Know You! | [efcc.org/connection](http://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](http://efcc.org/connect).



## CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

### Children | [efcc.org/kids](http://efcc.org/kids)

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

### Wednesdays | Children's Center

Kindergarten to 6th Grade | 6:30-8pm (September to May)

### Junior High & High School

[efcc.org/jh](http://efcc.org/jh) | [efcc.org/hsm](http://efcc.org/hsm)  
Sundays | 10:45am | Youth Center

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

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

Tuesdays (ages 18-25) | 7pm | Youth Center, Young Adults Rm. (2nd Flr.)

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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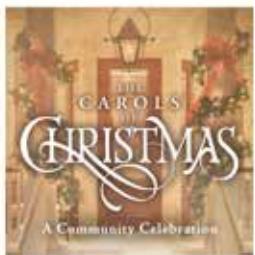
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# CHRISTMAS

*at Emmanuel Faith*

DISCOVER WONDER  EXPERIENCE PEACE

**Come gather with us and let the hope of Christmas lift your spirit.**



## Concerts

**Choirs, carols, bells, and the voices of children — join us as we celebrate the sounds of Christmas!**

Saturday | December 13 | 2 & 5pm\*

Sunday | December 14 | 2 & 5pm

Pick up invitations on Sundays and invite your friends and neighbors. No tickets needed.

\*There will be a special program for kids ages infant–6th grade at the Saturday, 5pm concert. Includes cookie decorating!

## Advent and Christmas Eve

**Rediscover wonder and peace as you experience The Journey of Christmas**

### Christmas Eve Services

Wednesday | December 24 | 1\*, 3\*, & 5pm

\*Childcare for infant–5 years available at the 1 and 3pm services.

Scan to learn more



or visit  
[efcc.org/christmas](http://efcc.org/christmas)

# Together we can share the hope of Christmas

## Invite

**To Christmas Concerts** — pick up some concert invitations outside the Worship Center.

**To Christmas Eve** — Carry some of our business card-sized invitations to hand out to those you know and meet.

## Serve

**Snowball Bash** — Sign up to help us throw the coolest party of the year for Adoptive and Foster kids and their families.

**Christmas Concerts and Christmas Eve** — Be a part of the teams that welcome and serve our guests this season.

## Give

**Junior High Gift Boxes** — pick up boxes in the courtyard on Sundays to fill, wrap, and bring back to church.

**Snowball Bash** — Buy a gift or gift card and bring it to our tables on Sunday mornings. We even have a list to help!



Learn all the ways you can make an impact this season at [efcc.org/christmas](http://efcc.org/christmas)

# EFCC Family News Update

*Sharing our family passings and prayer needs*

November 23, 2025

## Pray for Our Church Family

### Home With the Lord

*Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates*

**Dr. Robert (Bob) Peacock** — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, December 5th, at 2pm in the Chapel.



**Jean Casperson** — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, December 20, at 1pm in the Chapel.

**Ron Borders** — A memorial service will be held for him on Saturday, January 10, at 1pm in the Chapel.

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**In the Hospital or Outpatient Care** (*at Present or Pending\**)  
Bob McQuead and Bob Moberly.

### Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Joyce Blankenship, Shirley Elmore, Pam Irwin, Carmen M., Barry Miller, Lilian Mohler, Linda Nolan, Vanessa O., Barbara Pillsbury, Ron Sutliff, and Kara Torrez.

### In Hospice Care

Pamela Thacker and Barbara Tucker.

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

Tim Daugherty, Bob Davidson II, Bruce Gephart, Wally Goff, Erica Howard, Pam Irwin, Madison Jones\*, Will McLennan, Thelma Monigold, Eligio Moreno, Sylvia Rankin, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Jen Smith, Patrick Stoker, Pamela Thacker, Barbara Tucker, Silvia Vargas, Mike Walker, Nancy Wilson, and Gary Williamson.