

Many Harvest Party Volunteers Still Needed! | Sat., Oct. 24, 5:30-9:15pm



One of our biggest events of the year is next Saturday, and you're invited to join the fun! Whether you've served before or this is your first time, it's a great chance to make an impact in our community. **We still need about 190 volunteers!** Thanks to everyone who has signed up so far! You can also help by bringing in a bag or two of individually wrapped, unopened candies. **We also still need about 540 bags** to make it a sweet night for the kids. If you'd like to volunteer, bring in some candy donations (needed by this Wednesday, October 21), or give to the General Fund, visit efcc.org/hp for more information or scan the QR code above.

The Harvest Party Is Next Saturday! | October 24, 5:30-9pm

It's almost here! Games, cotton candy, carnival rides, and lots of fall fun await at our annual Harvest Party. Tickets are on sale again this Sunday in the Courtyard. Tickets are \$10 per child for 2-year-olds through 6th-graders. Tickets will also be available at the church office and Children's Center through Thursday, October 22, and at the event on Saturday, October 24. Parents can purchase food at the event, too, or meal tickets ahead of time, also for \$10 each. Scan the QR code or learn more at efcc.org/hp.

Fall Quarterly Meeting | Sunday, October 25, 3pm, Chapel downstairs

You're invited to our upcoming fall Quarterly Meeting. Come and hear how your generous financial gifts have been put to use, get ministry updates, and learn about upcoming opportunities at Emmanuel Faith. We look forward to seeing you there.

Blood Drive With the San Diego Blood Bank | Sunday, Nov. 1, 8am – 1pm

Are you ready to help save a life by giving blood? Don't miss this great opportunity to donate blood right here at church. The San Diego Blood Bank will be at Emmanuel Faith on Sunday, November 1, in Parking Lot B (near the Chapel). You can sign up online for a time slot to donate blood at efcc.org/blood-drive. All donors will receive a tie-dye Bill Walton T-shirt as a thank-you for their donation.

Newcomer Lunch | Sunday, November 1, 12:15pm, Cafe

If you're new to Emmanuel Faith, we'd love to meet you at our next Newcomer lunch on November 1. You'll enjoy lunch with some of the church's elders, pastors, and staff. You'll also have the opportunity to learn more about the church and ways you can connect. Please RSVP online at efcc.org/events.

See additional announcements, the Outreach update, sermon notes, and more on the following pages in this worship guide, or via our App, or visit www.efcc.org.

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Emmanuel Faith
Community Church
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Announcements Continued ...

Church Library Book Sale | Sunday, November 1, 8am – Noon, Courtyard
A wide variety of Christian books and materials will be available at the Church Library's upcoming book sale. Most items for sale will cost only \$1.00 each.

Be Prepared for the Upcoming General Election | Tuesday, November 3
Emmanuel Faith's Biblical Citizenship Committee has prepared a Voter Resource packet for the upcoming general election. To access this helpful resource, please visit efcc.org/biblical-citizens on the church website. You'll find voting basics, valuable voter guides and more. Are you registered to vote? To register or check your registration, go to sdvote.com. If you have questions, please contact us at penny.harrington@cox.net.

Emmanuel Faith Preschool Seeks a Full-time Assistant Director

Our Emmanuel Faith Preschool and Infant & Toddler Center seeks a full-time **Assistant Director**. This role partners with Preschool staff and parents, supports Preschool operations by filling in as site supervisor during operating hours when the Preschool Director is offsite, mentors and trains teaching staff, and supports the Preschool Director with operational tasks. Benefits are offered for this position. Learn more or apply online at efcc.org/jobs.

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'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 or call (760) 781-2108. Consider this upcoming grief support workshop ...

Surviving the Holidays: A GriefShare Support Workshop

Saturday, November 7, 9:30-11:30am, Cafe

Grief can hit extra hard around the holidays, but you don't have to deal with it alone. We'd love to surround you with comfort, support and practical tips for facing the holidays after loss. If you've lost a loved one recently or in the past, please join us for this two-hour GriefShare event. Sign up online at efcc.org/events (the \$10 cost includes a class booklet), or contact Scott Smith at care@efcc.org for more information.

For Moms Who Have Lost a Child

Additionally, moms, if you've lost a child, we're also here to support you on a Saturday each month through our Umbrella Ministry. You will find love, care, grace, and support. For more information, please contact Janice at jcrosenkranz@gmail.com.



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HONEST TO GOD
"Are You Going to Leave, Too?"
John 6:60-71
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

Jesus _____ us enough to call us to _____,
but values our _____ enough to let us _____.

People leave because Jesus:

- _____ their _____.
- _____ their _____.
- _____ their _____.

People stay because they:

- _____ that Jesus _____.
- _____ to trust Jesus' _____.
- _____ convinced of Jesus' _____.

Jesus chose us in _____ through the _____,
and we respond in _____ by _____.

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

Additional sermon notes ...

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 efcc.org/connect.



CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Children | efcc.org/kids

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

Wednesdays | Children's Center
Kindergarten to 6th Grade | 7-8:30pm (September to May)

Junior High & High School

efcc.org/jh | efcc.org/hsm

Sundays | 10:45am | Youth Center

Wednesdays | 7-8:30pm (Sept. to May, and summer camps/events)

Young Adults | efcc.org/ya

Tuesdays (ages 18-24) | 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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Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm (full & part day)

Global Team Spotlight: Caring for Our Global Family

Our Global Partner Care Team serves the missionaries and global partners who visit Emmanuel Faith, helping them feel welcomed, encouraged, and cared for while they're here. From meeting practical needs to building meaningful relationships, these simple acts of hospitality remind our global family that they're not alone in the work God has called them to do.



Here are some ways you can get involved:

Transportation: Pick up a visiting missionary from the airport or loan an extra vehicle during their stay.

Housing: Open your spare bedroom to host a missionary and build a personal connection with our global family.

Hospitality: Take a missionary or partner to lunch or coffee when they're in town, or contribute gift cards to help with meals and everyday needs.

Encouragement & Prayer: Remember birthdays and anniversaries, send a note of encouragement, and commit to praying regularly for our missionaries and partners.



You can make a difference through simple acts of care that help our global family feel at home, supported, and remembered.

Interested in getting involved? Whether you have a spare bedroom, an extra vehicle, or simply a heart to encourage and pray, we'd love to connect! Email outreach@efcc.org to learn more.

Using Sport to Transform a Nation

Meet Maivi J., a sports ministry leader in South Sudan

Maivi serves as a football coach and academy manager in Juba, South Sudan, investing in the lives of young athletes both on and off the field. Through coaching, discipleship, and partnership with local churches, he hopes to use sport to reach young people and develop the next generation of leaders across his nation.



Through your generosity, Emmanuel Faith helped sponsor Maivi for three months at the International Sports Leadership School in Stellenbosch, South Africa. There, he grew in servant leadership, gained clarity on challenges he faced in sports ministry, and experienced personal growth through sessions on fatherhood and inner healing.

Reflecting on his experience, Maivi shared:

"I will pass on all I learnt to young leaders. This can help transform my country."

Now, Maivi plans to bring what he learned back to South Sudan, equipping young leaders and expanding disciple-making through sport and local churches.

Thank you for helping equip leaders like Maivi to share the hope of Jesus and impact the next generation!

Giving to the Outreach Fund is one way we collectively share the Gospel here in Escondido and around the world. Thank you for your generous gifts!



EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

October 18, 2026

Pray for Our Church Family

Home With the Lord

Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates

Billie Lewis — A memorial service will be held for her on Monday, October 19, at 1pm in the Chapel.

Virginia Sanderson — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, November 7, at 2pm in the Chapel.

Lana Mullaney — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, November 14, at 10am in Education Center, Room 3 (1st floor).

Bob Moberly — Passed away recently. Please pray for his family at this time.

Karen Hoerster — Passed away recently. Please pray for her family at this time.



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

Kim Brett

Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

H.D. Brumfield, Ginny Colandrea, Lynette Fuson, Patrick Hetherington, Betty Jensen, Ida Murray, Christy Riley, and Don Smith.

In Hospice Care

Sally Eaton, Dale Jackson, Thelma Monigold, and Pamela Thacker.

Fighting Cancer

Don Chilson, Tim Daugherty, Bob Davidson II, Carl DeWoody, Sally Eaton, Bev Feiker, Bruce Gephart, Wally Goff, Leonard Haynes, Erica Howard, Pam Irwin, Jaqueline Lawhorn, Thelma Monigold, Eligio Moreno, Joyce Olson, Luanne Rishel, Shirley Roireau, Joseph Patrick Stoker, Marilyn Texton, Pamela Thacker, John Twombly, Nancy Wilson, Gary Williamson, and Cynthia Zabuska.