



# HONEST TO GOD

**Emmanuel Faith**  
Community Church  
October 25, 2026

## CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for October 25, 2026

### Fall Quarterly Meeting | Today, 3pm, Chapel downstairs

You're invited to our the fall Quarterly Meeting today. 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.

### Church Library Book Sale | Sunday, November 1, 8am – 12:30pm, Courtyard

The upcoming church Library's all-church book sale will offer a wide variety of Christian books and materials. Visit the main church Courtyard after each morning service on Sunday, November 1. All book sale proceeds will go toward new materials in our on-campus library. Most items for sale will cost only \$1.00 each.

### 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](https://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](https://efcc.org/events).

### 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](https://efcc.org/biblical-citizens) on the church website. You'll find voting basics, valuable voter guides and more. Also, are you registered to vote? To register or check your registration, go to [sdvote.com](https://sdvote.com). If you have questions, please contact us at [penny.harrington@cox.net](mailto:penny.harrington@cox.net).

### 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](https://efcc.org/events) (the \$10 cost includes a class booklet), or contact Scott Smith at [ssmith@efcc.org](mailto:ssmith@efcc.org) for more information.

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

## Announcements Continued ...

### Next Baptism Class With Lunch (Sun., Nov. 8) & Baptisms (Sun., Nov. 22)

*Class & Lunch: Sunday, November 8, 12:15-1:15pm, Cafe*

Our next opportunity to celebrate baptisms during our worship services will be held on Sunday, November 22. Everyone being baptized is required to attend our Baptism Class + Lunch on Sunday, November 8, following the 10:45am service. We'll provide lunch, talk about what baptism means, and help you prepare for your baptism. Sign up online at [efcc.org/events](https://efcc.org/events).

### Next All-Church Work Day | Saturday, November 14, 7:30am – 12:30pm

The holidays bring many new faces to EFCC. Join us to work together to prepare our beautiful campus for guests this holiday season. With projects for all ages and skill levels, there's a place for everyone to pitch in and have fun along the way. Bring your favorite shovels, pruners, hoes, rakes, and gloves, or just come as we'll have plenty of tools available. Please RSVP online at [efcc.org/events](https://efcc.org/events) or contact Ron Preston at [rpreston@efcc.org](mailto:rpreston@efcc.org).

### Emmanuel Faith Giving Update (Year to Date, April to September 2026)

See the latest church financial report below. Any monetary gifts can be given in person at church, online at [efcc.org/give](https://efcc.org/give) or via our EFCC App. You may give to the General Fund or Outreach Fund, and/or to our Beyond Fund\* (building projects). Thank you for supporting Emmanuel Faith with your gifts!

| Church Fund | Actual Given | Budgeted    | Difference (+/-) |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|
| General     | \$2,478,040  | \$2,560,000 | -\$81,960        |
| Outreach    | \$352,454    | \$367,500   | -\$15,046        |

\*Our Beyond Fund loan balance is at \$6,533,075 as of October 15, 2026.

### EFCC Care & Counseling Ministry | [efcc.org/help](https://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. Consider this upcoming new workshop ...



#### Overcoming Anxiety Workshop | Saturday, November 14

*8:30am – 12:30pm, Education Center, Room 21/22 (upstairs)*

When worry and uncertainty take over, it can be hard to enjoy the life right in front of you. But anxiety doesn't have to have the final say. Come discover how to separate facts from fears, focus on what you can control, and find peace with what you can't. Learn practical ways to manage anxiety, let go of unnecessary worry, and experience more freedom, peace, and joy in everyday life. Register online at [efcc.org/events](https://efcc.org/events).



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### HONEST TO GOD

"Why Do You Call Me 'Lord, Lord,'  
And Not Do What I Tell You?"

Luke 6:39-49

Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

When Jesus is truly our Lord, our \_\_\_\_\_

what our \_\_\_\_\_.

• \_\_\_\_\_ at yourself \_\_\_\_\_.

• \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.

• \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus' teaching \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.

The life that \_\_\_\_\_ learns to

obey Jesus as Lord \_\_\_\_\_.

Need more room to add notes? See the back side of this sermon outline.

Helpful links: [efcc.org/sermons](https://efcc.org/sermons) | [efcc.org/devos](https://efcc.org/devos) | [efcc.org/podcasts](https://efcc.org/podcasts)

### Additional sermon notes ...

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### 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](mailto: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](https://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](mailto:prayer@efcc.org).



#### Give to EFCC | [efcc.org/give](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://efcc.org/connect).



### CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Children | [efcc.org/kids](https://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](https://efcc.org/jh) | [efcc.org/hsm](https://efcc.org/hsm)

Sundays | 10:45am | Youth Center

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

#### Young Adults | [efcc.org/ya](https://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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## Together, We Can Build the Future

Years ago, the Emmanuel Faith family stepped out in faith to build a Children's Center where generations of kids could come to know and follow Jesus. Through the generosity of our church family, that vision became a reality.

Today, we have an opportunity to take another step of faith. By paying off our remaining Beyond Fund loan, we can free up resources to invest in ministry, reach more people, and make room for all God has ahead!

### CURRENT FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT



**\$6.5M @ 3%**

\$4.8M Children's Center balance  
\$1.7M Worship Center renovation



**Refinancing in  
November 2027**

Projected new rate:  
**6%-7%**



### THREE PATHS FORWARD:

**1**

#### Refinance

Refinance the remaining balance in Nov 2027 at prevailing market rates.

**2**

#### Pay Down

Aggressively reduce principal to minimize future monthly obligations.

**3**

#### Pay Off

Fully eliminate the debt to unlock full funding for ongoing and future ministry.



### OUR FIRST STEP: PRAY TOGETHER

As we look toward the future, we invite you to prayerfully consider how God might lead you to be part of this next chapter.

*"Lord, how would You have me participate in securing our church's future?"*



READY TO TAKE A STEP?

**Give, Learn More, or Get Updates**

Scan the QR code or visit [efcc.org/beyond](https://efcc.org/beyond)

# EFCC Family News Update

*Sharing our family passings and prayer needs*

October 25, 2026

## Pray for Our Church Family

### Home With the Lord

*Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates*

**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).

**Karen Hoerster** — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, November 14, at 2pm in the Chapel.

**Bob Moberly** — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, November 20, at 11am in the Chapel.

**Carlos Velez** — Passed away recently. Please pray for his family at this time.

**Wolfgang Kranzle** — Passed away recently. Please pray for his family.

**Sara Phelps** — Passed away recently. Please be praying for her family.

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### 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.

# EFCC Family News Update

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## 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.