

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHRISTIAN

SERVE IT

Ralph Nygard, Lead Pastor

February 4, 2018

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

One of the special blessings that Christians have is that when we receive Christ, he gives us all special and unique spiritual gifts. The reason why we receive these gifts is that we can use them to help advance the Kingdom of God. What is really special is that every person is uniquely fit to carry out the ministry that God has for them to do. We are reminded in the book of *Ephesians 2:10 "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

Every person is given a new purpose and a new position when they come to know Christ personally. This is why the Bible is clear in its teaching that every Christian should find a place of service in and through the Church. Not every person is called to preach, teach, sing, or play an instrument, but every person is needed in the church so that the body of Christ can function effectively. Every week at EGFirst there are dozens of people using their spiritual gifts in serving the Lord. There are those who have the gift of helps, who do routine tasks such as stuffing bulletins, serving in the kitchen, making coffee, and setting up chairs. This list can go on and on with the many who serve is capacities like these. There are also those who have the gift of teaching, and teach Sunday School classes, Life Groups, and other Discipleship Courses. There are those who have the gift of hospitality, who serve as greeters, and ushers, and are leaders in their groups in inviting, and organizing times of fellowship for people.

I believe that some of the greatest blessings a Christian can receive are when they find a place of service and faithfully serve God by serving others. If you are not currently involved in a ministry, please take the time to pray about what God would have you to do. If you are not sure about your spiritual gift, go to our church website www.egfirst.org and take a few minutes to do an evaluation of your spiritual gifts. A few of the Bible passages that mention spiritual gifts are 1 Corinthians chapters 12-14; Romans chapter 12; Ephesians chapter 4; and 1 Peter chapter 4.

One of the best ways to discover your fit in ministry is to see a need and try to meet the need. Often, when we do something for the Lord, we will discover a special joy in our service for the Lord. If something doesn't fit, try something else, and see how God will help you discover your unique place in the church and in the Kingdom. It is my prayer that you will find your place of ministry and receive all the blessings that God has for you.

In His Service,



WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are so glad you made it today!
Grab an info packet in the lobby and a Bible from the information desk
There is a mother-baby suite in the NE corner of the Worship Center
Babies and Preschoolers can join us in the preschool area
1st-6th Graders, your groups meet at 9:15-10:15AM and you'll be
released to "Energize" from the 10:30 Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Discovering Church Membership Seminar:

Feb 11: 4-7:30 PM (Rm 200)

Want to know more about the EGFirst family? Then plan on attending this seminar. Let us know of your interest by signing up on the connect card. This is your quarterly opportunity to connect to the church family.

EGFirst Missions Team Interest Meeting: Today at 11:45 AM (Rm200)

If you are interested in either trip please plan on attending **today's** meeting. We will have more information about each of these trips. The South Florida Missions Trip will be May 3 - 6, and the Cuba Missions Trip will be Oct 6 - 12.

Adult Fellowship Trip

March 8 - Journeying to the Florida Strawberry Festival in Plant City (\$10 admission). Departure will be from the church at 8 am. Reserve your spot on today's Connect Card. No advance payment required.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon: Feb 6 at Noon

Special guest speaker, Denise Viscuso, from Love Inc. will be sharing what Love Inc. (a community resource that the church financially supports) is doing to assist those with needs in our community. Everyone is welcome and no reservations are needed. Simply bring a purchased or prepared side dish for the fried chicken and enjoy,

Fuge Youth Camp

We still have a few extra spots! Deposits are \$100 and the total cost is \$300. We are attending Fuge @ West Palm Beach from June 11 - 15. Sign up today!

Family Ice Cream Social and Game Night: Feb 11 @ 6 PM Join us for a fun filled evening. We bring the ice cream, you bring the toppings! This is a family friendly event for everyone. We will have childcare for babies and toddlers in our nursery upon request. Please RSVP to Matt Jackson by calling the church office at 254-2339 x 7 or by emailing him at: mjackson@egfirst.org.

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!!

Sunday, February 4:

Prayer First: 8:30 AM - Rm 104 and Conference Rm Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM and 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Revolution United Bible Study: 9:15 AM Missions Team Interest Meeting: 11:45 AM

Revolution Worship: 6 PM (doors open at 5 PM)

Tuesday, February 6:

Women Warriors Bible Study: 9:15 AM (Rm 201)

Ironman Lifegroup: 9:15 AM (Rm 202)

Library Open: 9:30 AM

Adult Fellowship Luncheon: Noon (Fellowship Hall)

Deacons Meeting: 7 PM

Wednesday, February 7:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Rm)

Dinner Served: 5 PM Library Open: 5:45 PM

Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday, February 8:

Threads of Love: 9 AM (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, February 9:

Basic Class Meeting: 5:30 PM (Rm 400 A, B, C)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

02/10: Ellen Ingersoll

02/11: Erlene Johnson, Carter Frontz

02/12: Jean Austin **02/13:** Lina Cosby **02/15:** Ed Harrell

02/17: Jimmie Harrell, Ralph Nygard

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy and Christian love to the families of Brandon and Meagan Lang, Jeremy and Krissy Frontz, and Cheryl Frontz at the death of Donna Finnegan Frontz, beloved step-mom and daughter-in-law.

THANK YOU

Ms. Melanie Boyle would like to thank Threads of Love for the beautiful green quilt her husband received for Christmas at the Consulate Rehab Center. While it has kept him warm, the colors were also uplifting. Thank you for making these with love; may God Bless each of you.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence

In Memory of Joe Beahan by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fannin, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kotowski, Thelma Pomeroy

To the Children's Ministry

In Memory of Joe Beahan by Brenda White

To the Food Pantry

In Memory of Joe Beahan by Nellie Crees

To the Music Ministry/Sound Equipment

In Memory of Joe Beahan by Bobbie Cantrell

FAITHPATH IS BEING LAUNCHED

Faith Path has been introduced to the HomePointe Center. We have a gift for you to help lead your child from Parent Child Dedication to purity lessons and launching them to adulthood. Come by the HomePointe Center located in the front lobby after the 2nd service and pick up a FaithPath Kit and a free gift on your child's birthday. All kits are available on the church website as well @ www.egfirst.org.



Facts and Figures January 28, 2018

Weekend Worship Attendance 523

Weekly Budget Needed 18,301.31

Budget Offering 18,012.33
Designated 4,045.50
CTB Debt Retirement 353.00
Lottie Moon 20.00

Total Offering 22,430.83

To Date Figures

 Budget Goal
 73,205.24

 Received
 90,644.44

 CTB Gift
 2,531,284.50

 CTB Year
 2,493.00

 Lottie Moon
 21,738.00

Wednesday Night Dinner February 7, 2018

Suggested Donation \$5 Adult...\$3 Child...\$15 family

Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Chocolate Chip Cake

Entree Salad:

Chef Salad

Deacons on Call Feb 4 - Feb 10

Craig Helpling 693-3040 Jim Offner 537-2147 Joe Mazzella (347)538-3030

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

- Numbers 30:2 (ESV) "If a man vows a vow to the Lord, or swears"
- an oath to bind himself by a pledge, he shall not break his word.
- He shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth."

9:15 am Sunday Traditional Worship

Choral Praise: Unfailing Love

Fellowship Time: Bind Us Together, Lord

Message in Song: Good-ly World, Goodly - Master's Men Quartet

Worship Songs Today:

Serve the Lord with Gladness

I am Resolved

Bless that Wonderful Name

Make Me a Servant

I Surrender All Living for Jesus

10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary Worship

Worship Songs Today:

The Lion and The Lamb

Fierce

Good Good Father

Spirit of the Living God God of Justice

My Heart is Yours

OUR MISSION:

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, SHARE JESUS, REACH THE WORLD

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



This week we would like to thank Robert (Bob) Bird for all of the years he has played a role here at Eau Gallie FBC. For many years, in both our current and former building, Bob heralded in parishioners by ringing the church bell every Sunday morning. For many years he would greet people and pass out bulletins. If you have the time please thank him for his long and faithful service to our church.

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