

Promises from the God who never gives up

COVENANT

Ralph Nygard, Lead Pastor
June 24, 2018

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

Next weekend our church will put on our Annual Freedom Celebration. In order for this to happen about 100 people had to make a commitment to practice, attend rehearsals, and give of their time in sharing in the presentation. As we prepare for Vacation Bible School next month, over 75 people will give of themselves to present a great ministry for our community and for the children in our church. Recently, several adults gave up a vacation week to go as leaders to Ecuador and XFuge Camp.

When we give ourselves to serve Christ, it may seem to the world as if we're throwing our life away. But the Lord tells us that it is only as *we lose our lives in Him that we find true life* (Matthew 10:39).

Jesus teaches us to measure our lives by losses rather than gains, by sacrifices rather than self-preservation, by time spent for others rather than time lavished upon ourselves, by love poured out rather than love poured in. It's an eternal principle of life: *God blesses those who give of their lives and resources* (2 Corinthians 9:6). If we give out the truth of God's word to others, He'll give us more to give away. If we give of our time, we'll have more time to give. If we set no limit on our love, we'll have more love for others than before. The Proverb writer tells us, ***"There is one who scatters, yet increases more"*** (**Proverbs 11:24**). It's one of the oldest paradoxes in the world, but it works. The British poet, William Wordsworth (1770-1850), also stated a great truth regarding our giving:

*We lose what on ourselves we spend;
We have as treasure without end
Whatever, Lord, to You we lend,
Who givest all.*

Whether we give of our time, talents, or money, the Bible teaches us that what we give will never be in vain when we make sacrifices for the spread of the Gospel and to give glory to Jesus Christ.

In His Service,

Pastor Ralph

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

Freedom Celebration Stage Set Up: Monday, June 25 @ 7 PM

Choir Risers and 2 Portable Stages will need to be put in place. Muscle is needed for the choir risers. Contact Pastor Tim if you are available to help.

Freedom Celebration 2018: June 30 @ 7 PM & July 1 @ 4 PM

The season for invitation to this special community event is here! Invite cards and posters are available for your use in this process. By far the most effective response from our community is through a personal invitation. This is an easy, non-threatening way to reach out beyond our church family and is a vital part of what this event is all about. Also be praying for those involved in the program and for those attending!

AMPED LIVE FULLY ALIVE! **vbs2018 - sign up today!**
JULY 23RD - 27TH **egfirst.org/vbs**
VBS team meeting - June 24th @ 3PM
in the Youth Zone

Youth Tubing Trip at Rainbow Springs: June 29th

We depart EGFirst at 6:30 AM. The cost is \$15. Sign up with Pastor Matt if you want to go.



Summer Fishing Camp:

July 9 - 13: Daily 9 AM - 3PM

Children ages 8 to 12 are invited to this week long fish camp. Each day we will be learning how to fish as well as putting it into practice. \$85 includes tackle. If you would like to sign up please email plamb@egfirst.org or call the office at (321) 254-2339.

OUR MISSION:

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

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!!

Sunday, June 24:

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
VBS Team Meeting: 3 PM (Youth Zone)
Freedom Orchestra and Choir Combined Rehearsal: 4 PM

Monday, June 25:

Open Basketball with Devotions: 7 PM (Worship Center)
Freedom Celebration Stage Set-Up: 7 PM

Tuesday, June 26:

Library Open: 9:30 AM
Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon
Freedom Orchestra and Choir Combined Rehearsal: 7 PM

Wednesday, June 27:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Rm)
Basic Computer Skills Class: 4:15 PM (Fellowship Hall)
Dinner Served: 5 PM
Library Open: 5:45 PM
Bible Study and Prayer: 6:15 PM (Worship Center)
Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM
 egKids: Messy Games Night
Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM
Freedom Orchestra and Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday, June 28:

Threads of Love: 9 AM (Fellowship Hall)
Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon

Friday, June 29:

Youth Tubing Trip: 6:30 AM Departure

Saturday, June 30:

Freedom Celebration: 7 PM (Worship Center)

Information Desk Volunteers Sought:

If interested please use the Connect Card to sign up and we will be in contact with you.

THANK YOU!

Canaveral Port Ministry is thankful for your continued support that allows them to continue supporting the seafarers. Recently, one of their evangelists had the opportunity to lead a first time visitor from India to the Lord! Please pray for the Lord to bear much fruit through us.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence:

In Memory of their fathers, Sam Ceravolo and Emil J. Kumer, by E.J. and JoAnn Kumer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

07/01: Betty Smith, Charles Atkinson, Erin Shung

07/06: Reba Golon, Johnnie Browning, Don Jordan, Mary Miller, Myliah Harpold, Aliyah Peyton Lang

07/07: Jean Reed



FaithPath and Birthdays! Hey kids, youth, and parents! Come visit the HomePointe center to receive a birthday gift (for the kids and youth) and a Faith Path kit (for parents). We are located in the front lobby of the church. Faith Path kits are also available on the church website @ www.egfirst.org

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian Love and Sympathy to Melissa and Mark Harpold and family in the death of Melissa's father, Samuel Wayne Winstead Sr.

Facts and Figures June 17, 2018

Weekend Worship Attendance

Weekly Budget Needed 18,301.31

Budget Offering 15,472.73

Designated 3,858.80

CTB Debt Retirement 155.00

Total Offering 19,486.53

To Date Figures

Budget Goal 439,231.44

Received 494,116.29

CTB Gift 2,538,309.16

CTB Year 9,517.66

Wednesday Night Dinner June 20, 2018

Suggested Donation

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

Spaghetti and Meat Balls,
Garlic Bread, Side Salad,
Vegetable Blend,
Ice Cream Cup

Entree Salad:

Seafood Salad

No Reservations Needed

Deacons on Call June 24 - June 30

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

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

***"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."
Genesis 1:1***

Message Today: Covenant: The Path to a Blessed Life
Exodus 20: 1-17
Pastor Ralph Nygard

9:15 am Worship with Orchestra and Choir

Choral Praise: "Set Down, Servant"

Fellowship Song: "In the Presence of the Lord"

Message in Song: Deborah James and Debbie Harden

Worship Songs Today:

O Worship the King

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

He is Jehovah

Everlasting God

You Are My Hiding Place

Take My Life and Let it Be

O God Our Help in Ages Past

10:30 AM Worship with Praise Band

Worship Songs Today:

Unstoppable God

This I Believe

Holy Ground

Do it Again

Your Love Changes Everything

The Lion and the Lamb

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



The Volunteer of the Week is Linda Thompson. She has been actively serving our church for many years. One of the most prominent ways she has served is her leadership role in our church library, a position she has gracefully served, week in and week out for years. She is also a signer for checks, counter for the tithes and offerings, and an active member of the BYKOTA class. We are so thankful for all that she has invested into our church family!

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