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LIVING IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

Romans 8: 1-17

Ralph Nygard, Lead Pastor
August 26, 2018

FROM THE PASTOR

Luke 14:16-24 (NIV) Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.' "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.' "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' I tell you, not one of those men who were invited will get a taste of my banquet."

Have you ever allowed a circumstance or a situation to become your excuse for not doing something that you needed to do? Every year when we move our clocks forward most churches experience a drastic reduction in attendance. Isn't it amazing that a period of 60 minutes can upset the schedules of literally scores of people. For many people the loss of an hour is just the excuse they need not worship the Lord on Sunday. When we look for an excuse, we usually can easily find one.

You may have heard about a golfer named Jim who was twenty minutes late at the first tee one Sunday morning, and the other three members of the regular four-some were almost ready to tee off without him. "I agreed with my wife," explained Jim, "that this Sunday I'd toss a coin to see whether I played golf or went to church. Heads, I played golf. Tails, I went to church. And you know what guys? I had to toss that coin forty-three times before it came up heads."

In the passage above Jesus dealt harshly with those who refused to attend His banquet. Those who were invited gave excuses for not coming that the Master could see right through. After all, who would buy a field before seeing it, and purchase oxen before trying them out? Of course just being married seemed acceptable, yet the invitation to the banquet was given well in advance. The owner of the house then invited the outcasts of society to share in his banquet feast. This passage addresses the refusal of Israel to accept Jesus as Messiah, so our Lord opened His Kingdom for all people to be part, regardless of religious background and race.

What kind of excuses are you making for not following the invitation and commands of the Lord? Are you making excuses for your lack of spiritual growth, time with God in prayer, and for your lack of sharing the Gospel with those you have contact with? Are you making excuses for your lack of patience and negative attitude? Remember the Lord knows your heart.

In Christ's 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.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

SWO 2019 Summer Camp Registration and Deposits:

All youth registrations and \$50 deposits are due (online) **TODAY**. Don't forget!! This is for **current 7th - 12th graders** only.

NAME THAT TUNE!

Saturday, September 8 at 5 PM

Widows, you do not want to miss this Annual Banquet. The theme this year will be: Name that Tune! The menu will consist of: pot roast, carrots, mashed potatoes, and peach cobbler. Please sign up using your Connect Card.

Lifeskills Workshop: Beginning September 11 (5-7PM):

These workshops will bring a spark to your true potential using a Christ-centered approach as we venture through communication skills, budgeting, resumes, and much more! To sign up please contact Dr. Rose Schmitt at 693-7741 or rose@roseschmitt.com. Childcare provided upon request and pre-registration is required. #Letyourlightshine

Visiting Mayberry: Moral Dilemmas and Life Lessons:

This Women's Bible Study will focus on the fictional town of Mayberry, NC and the characters who help illustrate Biblical values. This study will meet weekly starting Tuesday, September 11 at 9:15 AM in room 201. Please sign up using the Connect Card.

Discovering Church Membership: September 16 (4-7:15 PM)

This course is offered so people can learn about the history, core values, and beliefs of this church. It also helps people to understand how our church is structured and how we cooperate with other churches to bring the Gospel Message to the world. As the early church was committed and "members of one another" this course will give those who attend an opportunity to join the membership of EGfirst Baptist. Dinner will be provided. Sign up using the Connect Card and please indicate if child care is needed.

Daddy Daughter Dance: September 21 (7-9PM) \$15 per family.

This year's theme is "Love You to the Moon and Back". For tickets please contact Meagan Lang at 508-9439 or purchase from church office.

OUR MISSION:

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

UPCOMING AT EG FIRST!!

Sunday, August 26:

Prayer First: 8:30 AM Conference Room
Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM and 10:00 - 10:30 AM
Revolution Bible Study (Youth): 9:15 AM
Library Open: 9:30 AM
Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon

Wednesday, August 29:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Room)
Dinner Served: 5 PM (Worship Center)
Library Open: 5:45 - 6:15 PM
Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM
Adult Bible Study, Prayer Meeting, egKids, & Youth
Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM (Worship Center)
Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday, August 30:

Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon



What if you were following a plan for your money that you KNEW worked? With Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. If interested, please sign up for this 9 week class using your Connect Card. Class starts on Thursday, Sept 20 at 7 PM and costs \$99. Don't let the cost hold you back. This will be time and money well spent.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence:

In Honor of the BYKOTA Class by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kotowski

To the Children's Ministry:

In Memory of Jeanie Beahan by Jeanie Wood

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 09/02: Phyllis Fitzgerald, Dan O'Brien
- 09/03: Linda Counts, Eljert Roland-Troili
- 09/04: Rich Elsdon
- 09/05: Beverley Edens, Jay Gould
- 09/06: Dot Rochester
- 09/07: Wanda Salas
- 09/08: Maria Romo, Vickie Earle, Gina D'Angiolillo,
Noah Ruckman

BAPTISMS AUGUST 19, 2018

Michela Lynn Dawn Morris

Facts and Figures August 19, 2018

Wednesday Night Dinner August 29, 2018

Suggested Donation
\$5 Adult...\$3 Child...\$15 family
 Spaghetti and Meatballs, Pasta,
 Vegetable Blend, Side Salad,
 Garlic Bread
Entree Salad:
 Italian Salad
No Reservations Needed

Deacons on Call Aug 26 - Sept 1

- Ray Kotowski 693-0942
- Ed Davis 266-3966
- Bob Eisenhauer 634-2811
- Roger Wiseman 626-7322

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Weekend Worship Attendance
502

<u>Weekly Budget Needed</u>	18,301.31
Budget Offering	14,335.90
Designated	2,370.69
CTB Debt Retirement	135.00
Total Offering	16,841.59

To Date Figures

Budget Goal	603,943.23
Received	646,835.40
CTB Gift	2,550,847.16
CTB Year	22,055.66

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual act of worship.”
Romans 12:1

WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS

9:15 am Worship with Orchestra and Choir

Choral Praise: “We Shall All Be Changed”

Fellowship Song: “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Message in Song: Tim Harden

Worship Songs Today:

Come, Thou Almighty King

God Our Father We Adore Thee

Greater is He

Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

Spirit of the Living God

I Need Thee Every Hour

Just a Closer Walk

10:30 AM Worship with Praise Band

Worship Songs Today:

Fill This Place

Glorious Day

Peace Be Still

Reckless Love

Fill This Place

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Our Volunteer of the Week is Maudie Davis. She has been serving faithfully in the library for years. We are so thankful for her devotion! From stocking books to reading to our children, she has always been there to help out in any way possible. Please let her know how thankful you are for what she does here and if you would like to join her please let her know or contact us at the church office or Facebook.

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