



The Disciple's Path
More Than Just a Follower
Mark 8:31-38

Ralph Nygard, Lead Pastor
September 16, 2018

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

This afternoon I will have the opportunity to conduct another Discovering Church Membership Seminar. I am always happy to teach this class which enables people to make a decision about becoming a part of the Eau Gallie First Baptist family. I love the opportunity to share about the mission and vision of our church as well as the doctrines that undergirds our faith in the Word of God.

Many churches today don't offer such a class because they do not believe that Church membership is biblical or important. The life of a disciple is a life of commitment. Since the Church is the Bride of Christ and is made up of the Body of Christ, expressing a desire to connect with a local church family is *biblical and necessary*. Membership is necessary for accountability and for the purpose of truly becoming members of one another. The New Testament speaks of the relationship that the early believers had with one another. There are actually 59 "one anothers" that speak of the special bond that we should have with other believers in the church body. "**Love One Another**", "**Be devoted to one another**", "**Live in harmony**", "**Instruct One Another**", and "**Serve One Another**" are just a few that I will mention.

Just like a family is made up of fathers, mothers, sons, daughters, grandmothers and the like, a Church family is knitted together through a blood relationship with one another through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Just as a team has a roster, an organization has designated members, our church asks for people to commit to the local church body. While, for many membership is taken lightly and the covenant is often broken, the decision of membership is an important step to growing in a commitment to Jesus Christ.

Pray for those who are taking this important step today, and if you are not committed to this local church body, I ask that you pray about what God would lead you to do. There is still time to come. I hope to see you at 4pm.

In Christ,

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

Discovering Church Membership: Today 4 PM (400DE)

It is not too late to attend today! This course is offered so people can learn about the history, core values, and beliefs of this church. This course will give those who attend an opportunity to join the membership of EGfirst Baptist. Dinner will be provided.

Financial Peace University: This Thursday in the Youth Zone

What if you were following a plan for your money that you KNEW worked? This is a 9 week class. Sign Up today on your connect card OR go to FPU.com/1069879. The cost is \$99. Don't let the cost hold you back. You can come to the first session free to check it out.

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

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

Operation Christmas Child Volunteer Information/Training: September 25 (6:30 PM) Conference Room

This is for those wanting more information about volunteering during the National Collection Week November 11-19.

Leadership Meeting: September 30 (5 PM)

If you serve in any ministry this is for you! There will be an general session and then breakout sessions for various ministries.

SaveAround Fundraiser Coupon Books

The youth are selling these to raise funds for youth camps and mission trips. Books are \$25 with hundreds of dollars worth of savings. See a youth or front desk attendee to support our youth.

Cinnamon Roll Sunday

Coming Sunday, September 30. Rolls are \$3. Reserve rolls as individuals and classes now. We will have extras (first come/first served).

OUR MISSION:

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

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST

Sunday, September 16:

Prayer First: 8:30 AM Conference Room
Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM and 10:00 - 10:30 AM
Sticky Faith (Youth and Parents): 9:15 AM
Discovering Church Membership: 4 PM (400D and E)

Tuesday, September 18:

Women Warriors Bible Study (Visiting Mayberry): 9:15 AM
Ironmen Bible Study (The Jesus Paul Knew): 9:15 AM
Library Open: 9:30 AM
Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon

Wednesday, September 19:

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, September 20:

Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10AM - Noon
Financial Peace University: 7 PM (Youth Zone)

Friday, September 21:

Domino Fellowship: 6 PM (Youth Zone)
Daddy Daughter Dance: 7 PM (Worship Center)

STUDENT MINISTRY

Don't forget to be selling your SaveAround Fundraiser Coupon Books!

Sunday, September 30: Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser AM and
Payment #2 for \$50 for SWO Summer Camp is due.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can also give through texting or online! It's easy and Secure!
To give online go to: www.egfirst.org/giving or to give by texting:
simply text your gift and designation to 321-234-1284. (Example: type
\$100 - General Church Fund or \$50 Ecuador Missions). You will
receive a confirmation when it goes through! It's that easy! First time
users will need to fill out a short form on their smart phone. An easy to
use app is available on the playstore of the App Store - easytithe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

09/23: Gretchen Phelps, Jason Ruckman, David Steward Miller
09/24: Sawyer Conley
09/25: Betty Warner, Mary Perry
09/26: Gordon Wallace
09/27: Raymond Kotowski
09/28: Dene Beaty
09/29: Emma Brown

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

IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence

In Memory of Geri Jordan by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fannin
In Honor of Wanda Salas by the Basic Class
In Memory of Dorlamae "Rusty" (Turck) Tumblin by Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Turck.
In Memory of Judith Wiseman by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wiseman.

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Donna Flora and family in the passing of her father, James Lloyd Flora.

Facts and Figures September 9, 2018

Weekend Worship Attendance
440

Weekly Budget Needed 18,301.31

Budget Offering	18,691.64
Designated	2,411.65
CTB Debt Retirement	268.00
State Mission Offering	485.00

Total Offering 21,856.29

To Date Figures

Budget Goal	658,847.16
Received	697,726.62
CTB Gift	2,551,520.16
CTB Year	22,728.66
State Mission Offering	1,322.00

Wednesday Night Dinner September 19, 2018

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

Roast Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes, Italian Green Beans, Roll, Fruit Cup

Entree Salad
Steak Salad

No Reservations Needed

Deacons on Call Sept 16 - 22

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

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: ‘Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent.’ ”
Acts 18:9

WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS

9:15 am Worship with Orchestra and Choir

Choral Praise: “All Creatures of Our God and King”

Fellowship Song: “Bind Us Together, Lord”

Message in Song: “Til the Storm Passes By” Master’s Men Quartet

Worship Songs Today:

Take My Life and Let it Be
Onward, Christian Soldiers
My Life is in You, Lord
Step by Step

O How He Loves You and Me
Wherever He Leads I’ll Go
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

10:30 AM Worship with Praise Band

Love Come Down
Fierce
Lead Me to the Cross

Lord You Have My Heart
Your Grace Amazes Me

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Our Volunteer of the Week is Tom Phillips. He has been faithfully playing in our Worship Orchestra for many years. He plays an important part in enhancing our worship experience each Sunday. During the week he also assists in maintaining our campus. Please let Tom know how much you appreciate all that he does.

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