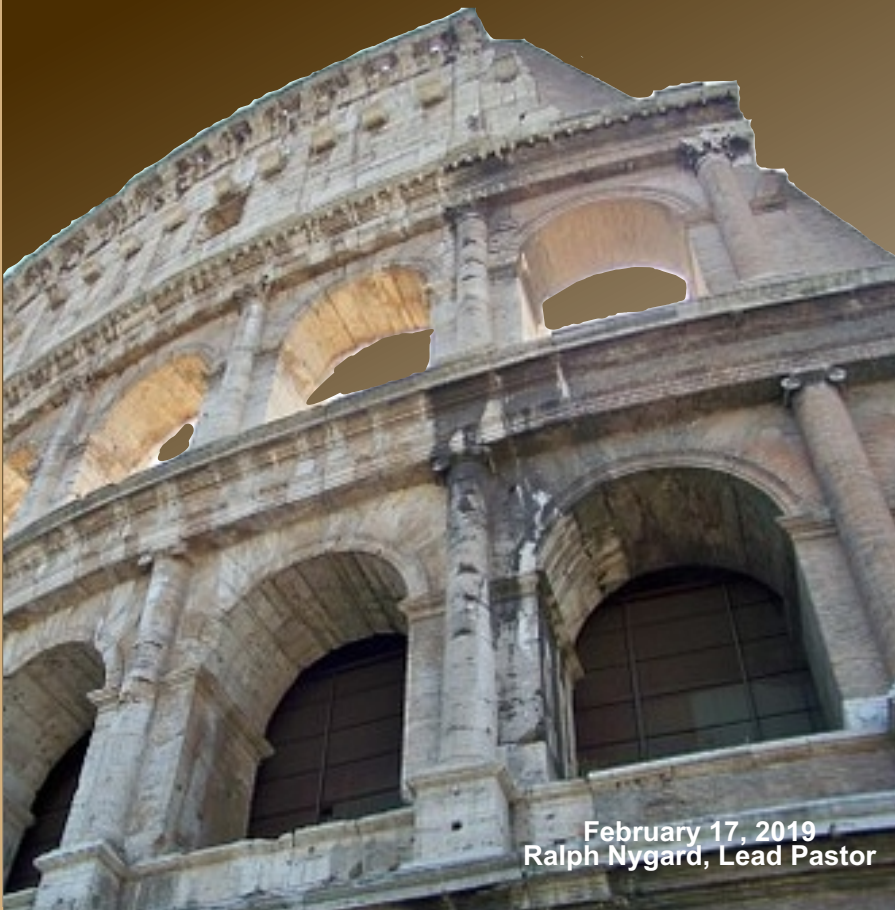


# ROMANS

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Something So Right  
Romans 1:16-17



February 17, 2019  
Ralph Nygard, Lead Pastor

# FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

There's no such thing as instant spiritual growth; it's a gradual process of development. The Bible says, ***“So let us stop going over the basic teachings about Christ again and again. Let us go on instead and become mature in our understanding”*** Hebrews 6:1 (NLT). Spiritual growth is a journey, and that takes time. Sure, we want to speed up the process, but we can't. It's a lifetime journey where God teaches us one lesson at a time to develop our character so we become more like Jesus.

At the core of this journey are disciplines that help us grow spiritually. These disciplines—or habits—aren't new; they've been around for thousands of years. We are the sum of our habits. Here's the truth: You can listen to the greatest sermons in the world, but you won't grow deeper spiritually until you start developing these four specific habits that are essential to every growing Christian. These aren't the only habits that help you grow spiritually, but they are the most important. You won't see any surprises on this list. They're tried-and-true disciplines that have helped Christians grow for generations:

**Read the Bible daily.** Jesus said in John 8:31-32, *“You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free”* (NLT). Since the Bible is the best and most reliable source for truth, it is imperative to get into God's Word on a daily basis in order to discover the truths for living. You simply can't grow spiritually apart from the Bible.

**Pray daily.** Disciples spend time with Jesus. God's Word tells us in John 15:7-8, *“If you remain in me and my words remain in you, then you will ask for anything you wish, and you shall have it . . . and in this way you become my disciples”* (GNT). We become disciples by bearing fruit. We bear fruit by remaining in Jesus—and having his words remain in us. We listen to God through his Word, and we talk to God through prayer. To grow spiritually, we need both habits in our lives.

**Tithe weekly.** Tithing reminds us that everything we own belongs to God. He doesn't just own that first 10 percent. He owns it all. If God isn't Lord of our possessions, he isn't Lord of us. Too many people that claim to be Christians are possessed by their possessions. Learning to tithe helps you to put God first in your lives.

**Fellowship weekly.** We all need other believers in our lives to help us grow. Significant relationships don't develop when people just attend Sunday worship. People need opportunities to talk and engage with others. It is so important to get involved in a small group or a Sunday Bible fellowship class in order to build healthy relationships that will help you grow.

There are no shortcuts to spiritual growth. When God wants to make a mushroom, He takes six hours. When God wants to grow an oak tree He takes 60 years. If you want to grow strong in your faith, like an Oak Tree, you will start developing these four habits.

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.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### **Strawberry Festival Adult Fellowship Trip**

This trip scheduled for Thursday, February 28, is currently full unless you can provide your own transportation or want to sign up on a waiting list. If you are signed up and need to cancel, please notify Pastor Tim. Departure time is 8 AM and the admission is \$10.

### **First Friends Preschool**

In house registration is February 25 - March 1, followed by Open House and Registration for everyone else from 9:30 - 11:30 AM March 4 - 8.

### **Cinnamon Roll Fundrasier**

Coming Sunday, February 24, don't miss out on your opportunity to enjoy a great tasting cinnamon roll. Proceeds benefit Youth Camp and Missions Trips.

### **Youth Camp (SWO) and Ecuador Update**

Remember payment #6 for \$50 is due on Feb 28 (for a total of \$300 so far) for SWO and payment #3 is due on Feb 28 (for a total of \$100 so far) for the Ecuador trip.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2-10-19

Alyssa Baker  
Thomas Baker  
Norman Caddell  
Patricia Caddell  
Iva Walton

John Gray  
Ruth Gray  
George McMillan  
Rae Miles

## BAPTISM 2-10-19

Amir Razmjou

**OUR MISSION:**

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

# THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST

## Sunday, February 17:

Pastor's Prayer Team: 8:30 AM (104) Open to All  
Prayer First: 8:30 AM (Conference Room)  
Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM and 10:00 - 10:30 AM  
Youth United Discipleship: 9:15 AM

## Tuesday, February 19:

Women Warriors Bible Study: 9:15 AM (400A)  
"The Book of Proverbs"  
Ironmen Bible Study: 9:15 AM (301)  
"Seven Letters to the Seven Churches"  
Library: 9:30 AM - Noon  
Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)  
Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10 AM - Noon

## Wednesday, February 20:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Room)  
Dinner Served: 5 PM (Worship Center)  
Library Open: 5:45 PM - 6:15 PM  
Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM  
\* Adult Bible Study  
\* Prayer Meeting  
\* EGKids (Room 304)  
\* Youth (Youth Zone)  
\* Hooking on Hump Day [Crocheting]: (Room 104)  
\* Seekers of the Word (Conference Room)  
Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM  
Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

## Thursday, February 21:

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

## Friday, February 22:

Seeker's Class Potluck Dinner: 5:30 PM (400A)



**WinShape  
Camps**

1st-9th Grade

**\$214**

Registration opens March 3

Signup at [camps.winshape.org/register-now/](https://camps.winshape.org/register-now/)

- Viera, FL -

*calvary chapel*

**June 17-21**



**Winter Banquet:  
Friday March 1 @ 6:30 PM**

Tickets are on sale now! Comedian, Rik Roberts will be entertaining us for the evening. You will want to reserve your spot early as tables are going fast! Tickets are also available online at [egfirst.org/giving](https://egfirst.org/giving), in the lobby on Sundays, or at the Church Office.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

02/24: Frank Agati

02/25: Bobbie Cantrell, Dolores Ingraham, Karen Meister

02/26: Lily Emken, Jean Waters, Jennifer Vawter


02/27: Dawn Kellam, Leah Liebold

02/28: Betty Faulkner, Page Phelps, Leif Dahl

# THANKS

This note of appreciation comes from one of the seafarers who benefits from your gifts to the Cape Canaveral Port Ministry: "I just want to say my very sincerely appreciating your true goodness and kindness to all seafarers around the world. I just want to say a very big thanks to all of you out there. Thanks, Uoel 'Enchantment of the Seas'"

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING

To give by app choose EasyTithe 

To give online go to: [www.egfirst.org/giving](http://www.egfirst.org/giving)

To give by texting: text your gift and designation to 321-234-1284

Example: type \$100 - General Church Fund or \$50 Ecuador Missions. You will receive a confirmation! First time users will need to fill out a short form on their smart phone.

Or give by placing the gift in the offering plate.

## Facts and Figures February 10, 2019

**Weekend Worship Attendance**  
474

Weekly Budget Needed 18,629.15

Budget Offering	15,624.00
Designated	2,357.20
CTB Debt Retirement	195.00

**Total Offering** 18,176.20

To Date Figures

Budget Goal	111,774.90
Received	125,611.10
CTB Year	2,392.00

## Fellowship Supper Wednesday, February 20

**Suggested Donation**  
\$5 Adult...\$3 Child...\$15 Family

Fried Chicken Sandwich,  
Potato Wedges,  
Carrot Raisin Salad,  
Apple Crisp

Cobb Salad

**No Reservations Needed**

**Deacons on Call**  
Feb 17 - Feb 23

Martin Lamb	541-7310
Jim Gilbert	501-1926
Richard Hayes	243-3939

# WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile.” Romans 1:16 (NLT)

# WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS

## 9:15 AM Worship with Orchestra and Choir

**Orchestra Praise:** “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

**Choral Praise Song:** “Lord, I Need You”

**Fellowship Song:** “I Love You with the Love of the Lord”

**Message in Song:** Chuck Sink

### **Worship Songs Today:**

To God be the Glory

At Calvary

This is the Day

He Touched Me

Shine on Us

Just As I AM

Heaven Came Down

*Blank Sermon Notes available on tables near entrances.*

## 10:30 AM Worship with Praise Band

Who You Say I AM

Overwhelmed

This I Believe

Broken Vessels

I Surrender

Do What You Want To

# GUEST WIFI PASSWORD

For your convenience, our guest password is: 87654321  
While you are enjoying WIFI, check out the church website at: [egfirst.org](http://egfirst.org) You will find digital copies of the bulletin, calendar of events, and you will also be able to listen to or watch past sermons.

# MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



The Ministry Spotlight of the week are those who serve in our Children’s Ministry. They sacrifice their time and efforts in order to disciple children and provide discipleship opportunities to the children’s parents. Therefore we are extremely thankful for all of those who serve there.

**Michaela Morris** is just one of the many workers in our Children’s Ministry and she works with the younger children. Beyond that she also helps in our tech booth on Sunday mornings. We are so thankful for the time and effort she puts into aiding the Christ centered ministry here at EG First.

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