# Small things BIG

**JANUARY 22, 2017** 

# **WELCOME TO YOU GUESTS!**

Welcome! Please fill out your Connect Card and place it in the offering basket. If you are a guest, please pick up a Guest Packet in the front lobby or by the covered entrance. Free Bibles are also available at the Information Desk! If you have children, childcare is available today in our preschool area for children: birth - age 5. There is also a cry room available at the NE corner of the worship center.

#### The Power of Words

A group of frogs were traveling through the woods, and two of them fell into a deep pit. All the other frogs gathered around the pit. When they saw how deep the pit was, they told the unfortunate frogs they would never get out. The two frogs ignored the comments and tried to jump up out of the pit. The other frogs kept telling them to stop, that they were as good as dead.

Finally, one of the frogs took heed to what the other frogs were saying and simply gave up. He fell down and died. The other frog continued to jump as hard as he could. Once again, the crowd of frogs yelled at him to stop the pain and suffering and just die. He jumped even harder and finally made it out.

When he got out, the other frogs asked him, "Why did you continue jumping? Didn't you hear us?" The frog explained to them that he was deaf. He thought they were encouraging him the entire time!

This story teaches us two very powerful lessons: 1) There is power of life and death in the tongue (Proverbs 18:21). An encouraging word to someone who is down can lift them up and help them make it through the day. 2) A destructive word to someone who is discouraged can be what it takes to kill them (Proverbs 12:6). Be careful of what you say! Speak life to those who cross your path! I have found that an encouraging word can make the difference in my life and the lives of others. Encouraging words build up, while at the same time, negative words can kill a person's joy and cause them to want to give up in difficult times.

A true Christian will take the time to encourage other people. We desperately need this kind of individual in the church of our Lord today. We need more Christians like Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement" – Acts 4:36) to help build up and encourage others in the work of the Lord's church.

Let me urge you to seek always to be an encouragement to others! May our lips speak words of encouragement instead of harmful words. Who can you encourage today?

In Christ's love,
Paston Raiph

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

# **Women's Continental Brunch this Saturday**

# Saturday, January 28th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

The event will provide opportunities for the women in our church to meet other women. Each lady is asked to bring a dish for the brunch. We will be giving out forms for you to fill out info about yourself so that your "secret sister" knows what you like and can surprise you on a monthly basis with a "thinking about you" gift. It doesn't have to be expensive but something to let each sister know that you are thinking about her. Hope you will come and enjoy the fun and get more details. **There is a Sign up sheet at the Info Desk**. For more info contact Linda Hayes (321) 243-9015, (Irhsr@hotmail.com) or Stephanie Whitley (321) 872-4034, (stephsmall56@gmail.com).

# M-Fuge Youth Camp Registration Now Open!

#### June 17-24

This year M-Fuge will be held at Union College in Kentucky. The total cost of \$330 which includes camp, lodging, Six Flags over Georgia ticket, most food, t-shirt and memories for a lifetime! The first deposit of \$80 is due today, 1/22, to hold your spot. If you have any questions or would like to sponsor a student, contact Matt Jackson at mjackson@egfirst.org or 254-2339x15.

### **Dinner and Q & A with Ecuador Missionaries**

# Friday, February 3 at 7:00 PM

We just found out that our Ecuador missionary friends, Steve and Carol Thompson, will be with us on Friday evening, February 3 at 7:00 pm. We'd like to invite anyone to come on out and support the evening. There will be no fancy show. Our goal is to have a simple (very simple dinner), Q and A, and fellowship with them. Steve is a fantastic story-teller and we hope to hear about all the new things are going on in Ecuador. Even if you just want to stop by and visit, please RSVP to Matt Jackson at mjackson@egfirst.org or 321-254-2339, so we know what size room we need!

## **Baptisms 1/15/2017**

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#### Thank You

Thank You so much for your gift of love that you continue to provide for our clients through Threads of Love! We appreciate you and your heart to serve. God Bless You!

Ann Marie Gustk, Pregnancy Resources

# THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!

Sunday: January 22

Prayer First: 8:30 AM

Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM

10:00 - 10:30 AM

Youth Leaders Prayer Time: 9:00 AM

Revolution United: 9:15 AM

Sunday School for Children: 9:15 AM Adult Life Groups: 9:15 AM & 10:30 AM

Revolution Worship and Life Groups: 6:00 PM

Monday: January 23

FIT for Life Strength & Flexibility Class: 10:00 AM

Tuesday: January 24

Ironmen's Bible Study: 9:15 AM Women Warriors of God: 9:15 AM

Library Open: 9:30 AM

Wednesday: January 25

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM Dinner Served: 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Library Open: 5:45 PM

Bible Study & Prayer: 6:15 PM Children's Programs: 6:15 PM Revolution Disciple 6: 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:15 PM Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday: January 26

Threads of Love: 9:00 AM

Saturday: January 28

Women's Ministry Brunch: 9:00 AM

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

01/29 - James Emken, Amanda Cowart

01/30 - Elwin Smith

01/31 - Albert Robinson

02/01 - Brenda Harrison, Patrick Lamb

**02/03** - James Williams, Ron Rummel, Cindy Lou-Downs, Melissa Weber, Anne Hutchison, Katherine Jacob

**02/04** - Jo Riccardo, Maudie Davis, Richard Korte, Linda Hayes, Jamie Agati

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Text to 321-234-1284. Type in the amount you would like to give to EG First.

You will receive a text back with a link from Easy Tithe to fill out a short form. Just enter in your name and card information and you will automatically be signed up!

# **Memorials and Honorariums**

#### Benevolence

In Memory of Paul Fleming and Ranae Morgan by Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Nygard.

In Memory of Adrian Cutliff by the Phebean Class.

In Memory of Paul Fleming by Linda Thompson.

In Memory of Paul Fleming by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kotowski.

#### **Food Pantry and Gideon Bibles**

In Memory of Paul Fleming by the PIC Class.

# Facts and Figures January 15, 2017

# Worship Attendance Traditional: 328 Contemporary: 232 Energize 43 Total: 603 Sunday Bible Study: 374

Sunday School Guest

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Weekly Budget Need	18,191.27
Budget Offering	16,574.00
Designated	2,948.96
CTB Debt Retirement	290.00
Lottie Moon	90.00
Total Offering	19,902.96

Budget Goal to Date 54,573.81 Received to Date 60,173.72 CTB Gifts to Date 2.235,904.45

CTB Year to Date 782.00 Lottie Moon to Date 12.903.00 Wednesday Night Dinner January 25 ● 5-6:00 PM

Suggested Donation:

\$5/adult | \$3/child | \$15/family

Swedish Meatballs over Noodles, Vegetable Medley, and Cherry Poke Cake

Entrée Salad: Chipotle Chicken Salad

No Reservations Needed Come and invite a friend!

Deacons on Call • Jan 22 - Jan 28

Joe Mazzella, 914-3201 Jim Offner, 537-2147 Craig Helpling, 693-3040

# **Weekly Memory Verse**

**2 Timothy 2:15** Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of Truth.

# 9:15 AM Sunday Traditional Worship

Welcome

Choral Praise: We'll Sing and Shout

Sharing in Fellowship: Bind Us Together, Lord

Message in Song: Mary Miller Worship Through Singing:

Serve the Lord with Gladness Since Jesus Came into My Heart

Bless that Wonderful Name

Thy Word

I Give All to You

Message: Small Things, Big Difference - The Power of Words

Ralph Nygard, Pastor

Song of Commitment: All to Jesus

**Tithes & Offerings** 

Musical Benediction: Living for Jesus

# 10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary Worship

Welcome

Celebration of Baptism

Parent/Child Dedication

**Featured Songs Today:** 

Alive

How Marvelous

At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

Forever

Your Love Never Fails

Tithes & Offerings

Message: Small Things, Big Difference - The Power of Words

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**Invitation**: One Thing

Our Vision: Reaching our community by connecting people to the family of God.

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