

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

It seems that every congregation struggles to achieve a 'happy medium' when it comes to the thermostat setting in the church worship center. Some people are perpetually cold, while others are simultaneously too hot. One will be shivering and wearing a heavy sweater and lap blanket, while another sitting nearby will be using their bulletin to fan themselves because they are feeling warm. When setting the thermostat we try to find the happy place for the majority of the people, resulting in worshippers that are "neither cold nor hot."

But despite our best efforts, everyone must realize that those whose sensitivities are at the extremes of the hot and cold spectrum will still wish for higher or lower settings on the thermostat. We pray that everyone will have an attitude of patience when it comes to their temperature preference.

On the other hand, the spiritual temperature chart is completely different. We absolutely do not want to find Christians in the inbetween, "lukewarm" range. Do you recall what the Lord said to the Laodiceans?: "I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish that you were one or the other! But since you are like lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth!" (Revelation 3:15-16 NLT)

Unfortunately, there are too many people who profess to be Christians that could be described as "lukewarm." These are the ones who want a measure of religion, but not too much. They want an association with God's people, but they also want to be accepted by their friends in the world. They know they should be faithful in attendance, but their secular activities demand a lot of their time. In short, they want it both ways. God's Word says it can't be done: "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Matthew 6:24).

Living in the world, but not of the world is a difficult challenge for every believer, especially because we know that we are saved by grace and not works. Because of the gift of grace we are tempted far too often to give into the pull of the world and not stand fast in our love for Jesus. Living for Jesus means that we are constantly evaluating our lives and our choices by the teachings of the Word of God and by the leadership of the Holy Spirit living within us. Let me challenge you to remain "Hot" in your love for Christ, His Word, and His body, the Church.

In His service.

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## **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 "Uprise" from the 10:30 Service.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Fall Church Picnic @ Wickham Park:

Sunday, October 20: 4 PM

Church to provide meat and drinks, please bring a side dish to share. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your relationship with your church family. Invite a friend!

#### **Ecuador Mission Trip Interest Meeting: Today**

Want to do an international mission trip? Join us for an informational meeting in the Youth Zone after service. Trip is for High School Age and above. Middle Schoolers may attend with a parent, and vaccinations are required.

#### **Adult Day Trips**

Catfish Place (St. Cloud): Thursday, October 10: 11 AM Loxahatchee Riverboat Cruise: Thursday, November 7: 9 AM Sign Up using the Connect Card.

#### Men's Wild Game Dinner is Cancelled

Due to low ticket sales it is necessary to cancel this event. If you made a ticket donation to the food pantry and would like a refund, please turn your ticket stub into the information desk. Watch for another men's event in the near future. Thanks!

**OCC Volunteer Interest Meeting: Next Sunday: Noon** Got questions? We have answers! Meet us in room 104.

## OCC Breakfast & Training Drop off Leaders & Volunteers Saturday, October 19: 9 AM (Rm 400 D & E)

Training for Brevard and Indian River County volunteers. For more information contact Lynne Phillips at 321.258.4918

## **Christmas Club Stamping:**

Saturday, October 26: 10 AM - 4PM (Rm 400 A)

To participated in this crafting opportunity and for more information please contact Ruth Kaufhold at 804-347-6484.

## BAPTISM September 29, 2019

James Jaszkowiak

OUR MISSION: LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE. SHARE JESUS. REACH THE WORLD

## THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST

#### Sunday, October 6:

Pastor's Prayer Team: 8:30 AM (Rm 104) Open to All

Prayer First: 8:30 AM (Conference Rm)

Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM & 10:00 - 10:30 AM Revolution Bible Study: 9:15 AM (Youth Zone)

Sunday School & Bible Fellowships: 9:15 & 10:30 AM

Traditional Worship: 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship: 10:30 AM
Ecuador Interest Meeting: After Service

#### Tuesday, October 8:

Ironmen Bible Study: 9:15 AM (Rm 301)

Woman Warriors Bible Study: 9:15 AM (Rm 104)

Library: 9:30 AM - Noon Boutique: 10 AM - Noon

Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10 AM - Noon

Phebean Class Meeting: 6 PM (Rm 400A)

#### Wednesday, October 9:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Room) Dinner Served: 5:00 PM (Worship Center)

Library Open: 5:45 - 6:15 PM

Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM Kidz Midweek (Uprise Room)

Youth (Youth Zone)

Hooking on Hump Day (Crocheting) (Rm 104) Seekers of the Word (Conference Room) Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting (400 D & E)

Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

#### Thursday, October 10:

Threads of Love: 9 AM (Rm 400) Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Rm 200)

Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10 AM - Noon Iglesia Bautista Eau Gallie: 7:30 PM (Rm 400 D & E)

### Friday, October 11:

BASIC Class Meeting:5:30 PM (Rm 400 A, B, & C)

## **THANK YOU**

Thank you for your generous gift of 12 clothing protectors. My thoughts and prayers are with you during the Hurricane Season. Yet you continue serving through the face of adversity, God Bless all of you and please be safe - Samuel Kosmick, Activity Director at the Alzheimer's Foundation

Thank you for leading your church to give faithfully to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering! Your congregation was one of the top fivers, and I am so grateful for your sacrificial generosity and shared determination that everything we do is all about the gospel. - Kevin Ezell, Pres. NAMB

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

10/13: Joyce D'Angiolillo, Beverly Watkins, Zaida Trespalacios

10/14: Glenda O'Coin

10/16: Lorin Ellis, Rosaria Mazzella, Melissa Harpold

10/18: Wanda Harrison, Diana Marks, Joshua Harshaw,

Katie Nimmo

10/19: Christine Bell, Emanuel Canjar, Charlotte Jean Matter,

Terry Brandli, Noah Jackson

## **MEMORIALS**

#### To Benevolence

In Memory of Dorothy Gill by Nancy Kendall In Memory of Doug Stewart by Ed and Nancy Fannin

#### **To Food Pantry**

In Memory of Jerry Dotson by Diane Dotson

In Memory of Clay Turck by Richard and Connie Korte

#### To the State Mission Offering

In Honor of our Deacons by Brenda White

## **SYMPATHY**

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Betty Jo Faulkner and family in the passing of her husband, Darrell Faulkner.

## RESOURCES FOR GROWTH

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## Facts and Figures September 29, 2019

Weekend Worship Attendance 384

Weekly Budget Needed 18,629.15
Budget Offering 16,918.50
Designated 4,437.16
CTB Debt Retirement 271.00
State Mission Offering 310.00
Disaster Relief 110.00

Total Offering 22,046.66

 To Date Figures

 Budget Goal
 726,536.85

 Received
 720,353.03

 CTB Year
 10,475.00

 State Mission Offering
 3,084.00

 Disaster Relief
 1,035.00

# Fellowship Supper Wednesday, Oct 9

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

> Tacos, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, and Churros

Taco Salad Entree Salad

No Reservations Needed

## Deacons on Call September 29 - Oct 4

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

## **WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE**

"Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence"

Ephesians 3:12 (NLT)

## **WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS**

Blank Sermon Notes available on tables near entrances.

#### 9:15 AM Worship with Orchestra and Choir

Choral Praise: "Anchored to the Rock"

Fellowship Song: "In the Presence of the Lord"

Message in Song: Chuck Sink

Worship Songs Today:

Onward Christian Soldiers | In My Life, Lord

Down at the Cross

Bless that Wonderful Name

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

We Are One in the Bond of Love

Here I Am to Worship

#### 10:30 AM Worship with Praise Band

Song of the Redeemed
Death Was Arrested
So Will I
Reckless Love
Peace Be Still
Rescuer

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