# first things first



#3 Share Jesus

**FEBRUARY 26, 2017** 

# **WELCOME!**

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.

When it comes to the subject of evangelism, most Christians feel pretty inadequate. Most believe that they aren't gifted to share the Gospel, while others believe they don't have enough biblical knowledge. At the same time, many people are fearful that if they tried to share with someone how to become a Christ-follower, that they would mess up in their presentation, or they would be made fun of for being too religious.

The story is told of a man who was crossing the Atlantic by ship. He became terribly seasick and was confined to his cabin. One night he heard the cry "Man overboard!" But he felt that there was nothing he could do to help. Then he said to himself, "I can at least put my lantern in the porthole." He struggled to his feet and hung the light so it would shine out into the darkness.

The next day he learned that the person who was rescued said, "I was going down in the dark night for the last time when someone put a light in a porthole. As it shone on my hand, a sailor in a lifeboat grabbed it and pulled me in."

Everyone holding forth his own light, or using his one talent — no matter how small — will help accomplish God's purpose on this earth, and will thus glorify the Savior. No matter how feeble you may feel when you attempt to share Jesus with someone, God will bless the seed you are planting and use it to open the heart of the listener. It isn't because of our human efforts that God touches the hearts of mankind, it is because we are doing what we can to share God's love and His light with others. Remember what the Apostle Paul said, 1 Corinthians 3:6- (KJV) I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

D.T. Niles said, "Evangelism is one beggar telling another where to find bread." May you remember that sharing your story of how Jesus entered your life is truly a blessing of obedience.

In Christ's service.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

### Sign Up Now for the Adult Fellowship Day Trip

Sign up on your Connect Card, call the church office, 321-254-2339, or contact Pastor Tim to sign up. No advance payment needed.

(1) - Florida Strawberry Festival in Plant City: Thursday, March 2 (Senior Adult Day).

## <u>Discovering Church Membership Seminar . Sign Up Today!</u> Sunday. March 19 from 4-7:00 PM

This Course is offered every 3 months so that 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 on your Connect Card. Childcare is available on request.

## It's Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser Time!

## Sunday, March 12, \$3/roll

Yes, that's right, the youth will be having a cinnamon roll fundraiser to begin to raise funds for their Ecuador Mission Trip and M-Fuge summer mission camp. Bring your appetite on March 12 because the building will be drenched with the aroma of fresh baked cinnamon rolls. Rolls will be sold in 3 locations around the church.

### **Family Impact Mission Project**

## Saturday, March 4 @ 2:00 PM

Join us on Saturday as we head down to the Seafarers Ministry to help clean the center and minister to those who have worked the Walk 4 Bibles Event. We will leave the church at 2:00 PM. Please bring \$\$ for supper on the way home. All ages welcome. Sign up on your Connect Card. Contact Patrick Lamb (plamb@egfirst.org) or Matt Jackson (mjackson@egfirst.org) for more info.

## **Walk for Bibles**

## Saturday, March 4, 8:00 AM - Noon

Space Coast Seafarers Ministry is putting together a Walk for Bible's to raise \$37,000 to be able to purchase Bibles and Jesus films for their Ministry throughout the year. The event will be held at First Baptist Church of Cape Canaveral, 8711 N. Atlantic Ave, Cape Canaveral. Sign Up on Your Connect Card if you would like to participate as a walker. Contact Patrick Lamb for extra information at plamb@egfirst.org.

## THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!

Sunday: February 26

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

Revolution Worship: 6:00 PM

Monday: February 27

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

Tuesday: February 28

YAH Band: 9:15 AM

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

Library Open: 9:30 AM

Wednesday: March 1

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: March 2

Adult Fellowship Trip (Plant City): 8:00 AM

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

03/05 - Dave Davis, Debra Bennett

03/06 - Ron Stapleton, Bella Joyner

03/08 - Ed Strimel

03/09 - Timothy O'Malley

03/10 - Judy Caldwell

You can now give through texting! It's easy and 100% Secure!
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 by Helen Brown.

## Sympathy & Love:

Diane and Terry Bush in the death of her father, John Robert Black.

#### Save the Date:

#### Spring Banquet

March 31 at 6:30 PM

Tickets go on sale next week. More info to come!

# Facts and Figures February 19, 2017

### **Worship Attendance**

Annie Armstrong

Traditional: 257
Contemporary: 193
Energize 36
Total: 486

Weekly Budget Need	18,191.27
Budget Offering	18,497.00
Designated	6,836.50
CTB Debt Retirement	230.00
Lottie Moon	20.00
Total Offering	25,583.50
Budget Goal to Date	145,530.16
Received to Date	154,405.52
CTB Gifts to Date	2,237,954.45
CTB Year to Date	2,832.00

190.00

Wednesday Night Dinner March 1 ● 5-6:00 PM

**Suggested Donation:** 

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

Roast Pork Loin, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable Blend, Dinner Roll and Apple Crisp

Entrée Salad: Chipotle Chix Salad

No Reservations Needed Come and invite a friend!

Deacons on Call • Feb 26 - Mar 4

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

## **Weekly Memory Verse**

**2 Timothy 3:16-17** All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

## 9:15 AM Sunday Traditional Worship

Welcome

Choral Praise: We Will Rejoice

Sharing in Fellowship: Surely the Presence

**Message in Song:** Jamie Johnson **Worship Through Singing:** 

**Onward Christian Soldiers** 

We Have Heard the Joyful Sound

Bless That Wonderful Name

I Love to Tell the Story

People Need the Lord

**Message**: First Things First: Share Jesus

Mark Harpold, Associate Pastor

Song of Commitment: Let Others See Jesus in You

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Benediction: Shine, Jesus, Shine

## 10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary Worship

Welcome

Featured Songs Today:

Good Good Father

Sweetly Broken

He Is Jesus

Jesus Paid It All

Alive in You

Tithes & Offerings

Message: First Things First: Share Jesus

Mark Harpold, Associate Pastor

Invitation: To The Table

Our Mission: Love God, Love People, Share Jesus, Reach the World

Our Vision: Reaching Our Community by Connecting People to the Family of God.

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