

The Edge of Gratitude

Developing A Prayer Lifestyle

November 19, 2017

Luke 17:11-19



*O Give thanks
to the LORD!*

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church family,

Psalms 118:21-27 NIV "I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. O LORD, save us; O LORD, grant us success. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you. The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine upon us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

The foundation for happiness is a proper relationship with the Lord. But to fully experience that happiness, we must build on that foundation in practical ways. I found this list of "Ten Rules for Happier Living" in an issue of Pulpit Helps.

- 1. Give something away (no strings attached).***
- 2. Do a kindness (and forget it).***
- 3. Spend time with the aged (experience is priceless).***
- 4. Look intently into the face of a baby (and marvel).***
- 5. Laugh often (it is life's lubricant).***
- 6. Give thanks (a thousand times a day is not enough).***
- 7. Pray (or you will lose the way).***
- 8. Work (with vim and vigor).***
- 9. Plan, as though you will live forever (you will).***
- 10. Live as though you will die tomorrow (because you will die on some tomorrow).***

These are excellent ideas for happy and thankful living. Try them. They work!

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear Lord,

I come to You with a smile on my face and joy in my heart because I know that my future is secure because of a relationship with Jesus Christ. May my life reflect the mind of Christ as I go about my daily tasks. Help me to keep a positive attitude when perils and storms confront me. Allow me to be a witness to others about the joy that comes from staying close to You. Help me to pray more and be thankful for the small things that I take for granted. Let me make each day count as I remember that I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength. In Jesus' name, Amen

Happy Thanksgiving,

PASTOR RALPH

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

Welcome Guests!

- Adults: info packets available in the Lobby
- Children: "Energize Worship": Grades 1-6 dismissed from 10:30 am worship
- Babies - Preschool: age graded childcare available in Preschool area.
- Cry Room available at N.E. corner of Worship Center
- Need a Bible? Free at the Infomation Desk

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calling all Youth: The Annual Turkey Bowl: Nov 26 @ 3:30 PM

The games will begin at 3:30 PM with a movie in the field afterwards! Popcorn and Pizza provided. Invite your family to come with you for a fun filled afternoon.

Turkey Drive: Today and Tomorrow

The Benevolence and Brevard Families on Mission Teams will be providing Thanksgiving Meals to those who would otherwise not have one. If you would like to be part of this outreach please drop off at the church potatoes, sweet potatoes, yams, canned vegetables, stuffing, or cranberry sauce anytime today or before 10AM tomorrow. If you are donating turkeys, rolls, or desserts please drop them off on the 20th before 10 AM.

Singing Christmas Tree Adult Fellowship Day Trip: Dec 9

Come join us as we go to First Baptist Orlando to see the Singing Christmas Tree on Dec 9. We will depart at Noon. Lunch and Program at 2:30 PM. Ticket Prices: \$8.50, \$11.50, \$15.50, and \$20.50. Tickets will be ordered as payment is received. Place payment in an envelope and indicate the names of those purchasing tickets and the level of the tickets purchased. Then you may either place the envelope in the offering, take it to the church office, or give it directly to Pastor Tim.

THANK YOU!

The Bereavement Ministry would like to say thank you to Bobbie Cantrell, June Fowler, Maudie Davis, Suzanne Flemming, Cindy Lou Downs, JoAnn Kumer, Shirley Cheatwood, and Doug Horde for providing the food for the family of Earl French after the service on Saturday. The meal was appreciated and a blessing to the family.

Pastor Tim and Debbie Harden would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, calls, and verbal expressions of concern during the recent loss of Debbie's dad.

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!!

Sunday, November 19:

Prayer First: 8:30 AM - Room 104 and Conference Room

Library Open: 8:45 - 9:15 AM

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Revolution United Bible Study: 9:15 AM

Revolution United Mall Madness: Noon

OCC Packing Cartons: 12:30 PM

Monday, November 20:

OCC National Collection Week: 8:30 AM

Tuesday, November 21:

Women Warriors Bible Study: 9:15 - 11:15 AM

Ironman Life Group: 9:15 - 11:15 AM

Library Open: 9:30 AM

Wednesday, November 22 - Saturday, November 25

Church Office closed

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11/27: James Jones

11/30: Kent Bolton, Kelly Loyd

11/28: Don Woodworth, Paul Ouimette

12/01: Grayson Fichter

11/29: Maddi Jinright, Joshua Hayden

12/02: Mary Jane Dearmin

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to:

Bud and Charlotte White in the death of Buddy's sister, Mary Johnson.

Jane Smythe in the death of her 14 month old Great Granddaughter,

Cora.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Azadeh Aftahi

Mike McEver

Timothy Hoffman

Kathleen Vittitoe

Nellie McEver

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IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence:

In Honor of Joe Hunt by the Basic Class

In Memory of Earl French by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fannin, and Chaplain and Mrs. Joe Hunt

In Memory of Paul Freeburger by Chaplain and Mrs. Joe Hunt, and the Phebean Class

In Memory of Phyllis Sharrer by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kotowski, and Thelma Pomeroy

To the General Budget:

In Memory of Earl French by Mr. and Mrs Warren Thomas

To Challenge to Build:

In Memory of Phyllis Sharrer by Mr. and Mrs. Leland Wells

To Lottie Moon:

In Memory of Pat and Jeff Stewart from Doug and Valerie Stewart

To the Music Ministry:

In Memory of Phyllis Sharrer by Chaplain and Mrs. Joe Hunt.

In Memory of Bonnie Smith by Chaplain and Mrs. Joe Hunt, and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Mantz

OUR MISSION:

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

Facts and Figures November 12, 2017

Weekend Worship Attendance 503

<u>Weekly Budget Needed</u>	18,191.27
Budget Offering	15,527.00
Designated	3,393.00
CTB Debt Retirement	330.00
Lottie Moon	1,130.00

Total Offering 20,380.00

To Date Figures

Budget Goal	836,798.42
Received	848,718.08
CTB Gifts	2,526,377.50
CTB Year	18,255.05
Lottie Moon	1,590.00
Children's Worship Cntr	1,654.01

No Wednesday Night Dinner November 22, 2017

There will be no Wednesday Night Dinner, please enjoy this time with your family.

Deacons on Call Nov 19- Nov 25

Ray Kotowski	693-0942
Ed Davis	266-3966
Roger Wiseman	626-7322

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 100:4-5 "Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations"

9:15 am Sunday Traditional Worship

Call to Worship:

Choral Praise: Shout to God with Thanksgiving

Fellowship Time: Surely the Presence of the Lord

Message in Song: Overcomer - Living Proof Ladies

Worship Songs Today:

Come Ye Thankful People Come
Count Your Blessings
Come into His Presence
Give Thanks

Thank You, Lord
Jesus Paid it All
The Bond of Love

10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary Worship

Worship Songs Today:

Fierce
Overwhelmed
Great Are You Lord

What a Beautiful Name
Good Good Father
Love Goes ON

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Patti Vowell is one of the pillars of our children's ministry volunteer team. She is part of our Energize team and leads a small group. She also is one of our preschool teachers on Wednesdays and Sundays. Beyond the children's ministry Patti also helps many of our widows shop and get their groceries and other daily items. She has been a huge help to many of us here at EGFfirst. If you see her this week, please thank her for the time

she has given so many of us.

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