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October 23, 2016

WELCOME!

Welcome! Please fill out your Connect Card and place it in the offering basket. Don't forget to 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.

Dear Church family,

Last week, I shared with you the last part of first section of the Church Membership Covenant that had to do with Protecting the Unity of the Church. The second of the four areas of commitment have to do with Sharing the Responsibility of the Church.

2. I Will Share the Responsibility of my Church

...By praying for its growth

"To the church...we always thank God for you and pray for you constantly."

1 Thess. 1:2

The numerical growth of a church comes by the power of the Holy Spirit working through the body of Christ. A growing church believes that it is God's will that people are reached for the Kingdom of God and that the underlying foundation of a church's growth comes through prayer and fasting. Growth is not achieved alone through worship services, programs and ministries.

...By inviting the unchurched to attend

"Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come in, so that My House will be full." Luke 14:23 (LB) Over the last 10 years many churches have adopted the attractional method of growth. If we have the nicest buildings, dynamic preaching, the exciting music, and the best worship atmosphere, the church will grow. This is not the biblical model. It is your responsibility as a member to be inviting people in your family, your neighborhood, your workplace, and in your circle of friendships to attend church with you. There must be a urgency of every member to be part of seeing the church grow and reach people for Christ. We don't want growth simply for the reason of getting bigger. Numerical growth represents people who have come to faith in Christ.

...By warmly welcoming those who visit

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7 While it is easy to stay connected in our circle of friends at church, every member should be concerned about welcoming and looking to help new people who walk through our doors to feel like they are invited and wanted guests. This is not just the responsibility of the designated greeters. It is the responsibility and joy of every member present. Never point people to a location in the church. Always walk with them.

Until next week,

Pastor Ralph

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trunk or Treat- Help us get 50 cars Signed Up!

Sunday, October 30th, 6-8PM, West Parking Lot

We are only 2 weeks away! All you have to do is park your car, set up lawn chairs and hand out candy! To RSVP for a spot for Trunk or Treat, call the church office at 254-2339, Sign Up on your Connect Card or email Matt Jackson at mjackson@egfirst.org.



Sign Up For Your Favorite Adult Fellowship Day Trip!

Sign Up on Your Connect Card.

1. **St Augustine**, Thursday, Nov 17 - 8 am departure - Cost: \$24 plus lunch
2. **Gaylord Palms Ice Display**, Thursday, Dec 15 - 10 am departure - Cost: \$27 plus lunch

Discovering Church Membership Seminar

Sunday, November 13, 4 - 7 PM in Room 200. Sign up at the Info Desk or on your Connect Card. Childcare is available on request.

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 provided.**

Grab Your Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Today!

National Collection Week is November 14-21!

Operation Christmas Child brochures and boxes are available at the preschool and main church entrance.



Youth D-NOW Weekend Registration Now Open!

Thursday, Nov 18 to Sunday, Nov 20

Registration is now open for camp in a weekend! Go to www.egfirst.org or pick up a payment envelope in the Youth Zone and turn in to register. Rise Worship will be leading us in song and Raleigh Sadler of the North American Mission Board and Let My People Go, Inc will be our guest speaker. The dates are November 18-20. The weekend costs \$70 for all food, lodging and transportation. (\$35 due at registration). Invite your friends!



Congratulations

Meagan and Brandon Lang in the birth of their son, Levi Mitchell Lang. Also congratulations to proud sisters, Mya and Aliyah; Proud Aunt and Uncle Jeremy and Krissy Frontz; Proud grandmothers, Dawn O'Donnell and Terri Gonzalez; and Proud great-grandmother, Cheryl Frotz.

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST!

Sunday: October 23

Prayer First: 8:30 AM (Conference Room)
Library Open: 8:45 AM - 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
C2C Evangelism Class: 3:00 PM
Revolution Worship and Life Groups: 6:00 PM

Monday: October 24

FIT for Life Strength & Flexibility Life Group 10:00 AM
Foster Care Information Meeting with Lisa Smith: 7:00 PM

Tuesday: October 25

Women Warriors of God Life Group: 9:15 AM
Ironmen's Life Group: 9:15 AM
Library Open: 9:30 AM - Noon

Wednesday: October 26

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM
Dinner Served: 5:00 PM
Library Open: 5:45 PM - 6:15 PM
Adult Life Groups: 6:15 PM
Bible Study and Prayer: 6:15 PM
Children's Programs: 6:15 PM
Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM
Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday: October 27

Threads of Love: 9:00 AM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

10/31 - Suzanne Fleming, Marc Kish, Wanda Wells

11/01 - Donald Leddin

11/02 - Patricia Hathaway

11/03 - Virginia Campbell, Paul Fleming, Cynthia Price,
Hannah O'Malley

11/05 - Valerie Stewart, Candace Gilbert, Lisa Van Dam

Memorials and Honorariums

Food Pantry

In Memory of Sally Laurance by Betty Darnell.

Music Ministry

In Memory of Mitch Cantrell by Molly Sica.

In Memory of Mitchell Cantrell by Wanda Mauldin.

Benevolence

In Memory of Mitch Cantrell by John Morgan.

In Honor of Pastor Ralph and David Nygard by Glenda O'Coin.

In Honor of our Pastors by BYKOTA class.

Thank You

First Friends would like to thank all the wonderful men who worked so hard to clear the fallen trees from the playground after Hurricane Matthew. What a blessing it is to know we are surrounded by these men who have such servant hearts! Our beautiful trees will be terribly missed, but we can rest assured that our squirrel friends will help us in replanting!

Jenny Rider and Dee Helbig, First Friends Co-Directors

We Thank Pastor Ralph and EGFBC for all that you and our church family have done for us. Everything is greatly appreciated.

The Prices

Facts and Figures

October 16, 2016

Worship Attendance

9:15 AM	235
10:30 AM	246
Total:	481
Sunday Bible Study:	338
Sunday School Guests:	8
Life Groups:	118

Weekly Budget Need 18,866.88

Budget Offering 20,363.25

Designated 6,871.40

CTB Debt Retirement 970.00

State Missions 65.00

Total Offering 28,269.65

Budget Goal to Date 792,408.96

Received to Date 757,493.72

CTB Gifts to Date 2,230,562.45

CTB Year to Date 15,132.00

State Missions to Date 2,777.00

Wednesday Night Dinner

Oct 26 • 5-6:00 PM

Suggested Donation:

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

Lasagna, Caesar Salad, Garlic
Toast, Brownie

Entrée Salad: Chicken Caesar
Salad

No Reservations Needed

Come and invite a friend!

Deacons on Call • Oct 23 - Oct 29

Martin Lamb, 541-7310

Jim McCalla, 431-4470

Richard Hayes, 243-3939

Weekly Memory Verse

Romans 12:5 So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

9:15 AM Sunday Traditional Worship

Welcome

Prayer

Choral Praise: Jesus is the Friend Who's Always There

Sharing in Fellowship: Bind Us Together, Lord

Musical Praise: Be Still - Debbie Harden

Worship Through Singing:

'Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus
I Know Whom I Have Believed
Standing on the Promises
Thy Word
Blessed Assurance

Message: It Doesn't Matter What You Believe,
As Long As You Are Sincere (God Never Said That)
Matt Jackson, Pastor of Students and Families

Song of Commitment: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Benediction: Have Faith in God

10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary Worship

Welcome

Featured Songs Today:

Build Your Kingdom Here
Sing and Shout
Alive In You
This I Believe

Tithes & Offerings

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Invitation: One Thing

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

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