

Upcoming Events

- Mar 16 Nominating Committee Meeting
- Mar 16 NO CHOIR
- Mar 17 Children's Service Project @ Palmer
- Mar 18 Men's Bowling Night—meet @ 6:45
- Mar 20 E-Sunday
- Mar 20 Choir rehearsal after pm service
- Mar 23 Wednesday Night Meal @ 5:45
- Mar 23 Special Prayer Service
- Mar 27 New DU term begins
- Mar 27 Choir rehearsal after pm service
- Apr 1&2 Shine Conference 4pm-4pm
- Apr 3 Choir rehearsal after pm service
- Apr 4 Young at Heart—Potluck
- Apr 9 Women's Prayer Breakfast

Greeters & Ushers

Sunday, March 20th

AM: Greeters: Bill Van Dyke Jason Koch
 Ushers: Adult Men II
 Parking Lot: George Crum

PM: Greeters: E-Sunday
 Ushers:
 Parking Lot:

Sunday, March 27th

AM: Greeters: Harold Allen Steve Trent
 Ushers: Adult Men II
 Parking Lot: Matt Rushing

PM: Greeters: Mark Walgenbach Greg Hurtt
 Ushers: Bob Brown David Willman
 Parking Lot: John Groves

Nursery Schedule

Sunday, March 20th

SS: Kay Morton & Phyllis Rutledge
AM Babies: Diane Trent & Melissa Koch
AM Toddlers: Joel & Heather Strahan
PM: E-Sunday

Wednesday, March 23rd

Dennis & Barbara Lee

Sunday, March 27th

SS: Melanie Harris & Trista Pannell
AM Babies: Grace & Carl Jackson
Toddlers: Brock & Olivia Sund
PM: John & Jennifer Groves

Wednesday, March 30th

Dennis & Gayle Wofford

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Dearest Immanuel Family,
 Thank you so much for that wonderful send off you gave me, and the many notes you put in the basket. The green stuff in some of the notes was very much appreciated too. I arrived in Costa Rica on the 15th after spending a few days in CA with Carey. He is doing well, having finished his chemo treatments.

Because Christ lives for the whole world,
 Nancy Cox

Nancy's address is:

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Nancy Cox
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Costa Rica

(Nancy's letter is in the church office if you would like to read it in it's entirety.)

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**YOUNG AT HEART
 APRIL 4TH**



**Wednesday Night Meal
 April 13th @ 5:45 pm**

**Blood Pressure Checks
 Every 2nd Sunday**

The Encourager

A Newsletter of Immanuel Baptist Church

March 16, 2011



Worship Times

Sunday

Sunday School
 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship
 10:45 a.m.

Visitation
 3:45 p.m.

**Discipleship
 University**
 5:00 p.m.

Evening Worship
 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Adult Prayer Service
Youth
Children
 6:30 p.m.

Dear Church Family,

In his first letter to the church in Corinth, Paul contrasts the wisdom of this world with the wisdom of God. He concludes our first chapter by pointing us to Jesus, "But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—that, as it is written, 'He who glories, let him glory in the Lord'" (1 Cor. 1:30-31). These verses hit home to me this morning as I thought on Jesus. God's wisdom is not some abstract information, nor is His righteousness merely a yardstick, nor is His sanctification merely morality, nor is His redemption merely a purchase; Jesus is God's wisdom, God's righteousness, God's sanctification, and God's redemption. Jesus is God's everything. That's why the Bible says, "He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life" (1 John 5:12). Jesus living in me expresses the Father's wisdom; Jesus in me is my righteousness; His life through me is my sanctification; and, His redemption is my hope and payment for sin. That's why we can sing with the hymnwriter, "Jesus paid it all; All to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow." Is Jesus your all today?

God is working in our body, producing life, love, and light (which is His true nature). As He works, He wants to use us to draw others to Himself. We'll do that by our verbal witness and our faithfulness to Him. We're going out this Sunday for **E-Sunday**. As we go, we fulfill His purpose for Immanuel—to exalt Christ as Lord by glorifying Him in worship, growing His children in grace, and going with the gospel to Olive Branch and the ends of the earth in the power of the Holy Spirit. My prayer is that you'll join us to spread His life, love, and light to a world that is dead, hurting, and dark. Will you go?

Going for His glory,
 Bro. Stan

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**E-Sunday
 March 20th**



Join us as we share the gospel with Olive Branch. Lunch and childcare provided for those who go out.

YOUTH

Summer Camp is Coming!

Nathan Washburn

I had the opportunity this week to sit down and chat with Nathan Washburn, the Associate Pastor here at Immanuel. I wanted to ask him about this year's Youth Summer Camp, so I fired a few questions his way, and here are his responses.

Nathan, what is the basic info about camp this year?

Camp will be at Shocco Springs Retreat Center in Talladega, Alabama, this year. It will be the week of June 20-24, sandwiched between VBS and Kids' Camp.

So, who will be leading this camp?

Vern Charette will be our speaker this year. We had him in 2009, and everyone really seemed to enjoy him. He is an excellent communicator of God's word, and he connects well with his hearers. As usual, Hillside Worship Band will be leading in musical worship.

What will you guys be studying at camp?

This year's theme is Sola Scriptura, which means "Scripture Alone." The basic idea is that we believe that Scripture alone is the infallible and inerrant authority for the Christian faith and that it contains all knowledge necessary for salvation and holiness.

If I really want to go, how can I reserve my spot?

Sign up at the church and pay a \$50 deposit to reserve your spot. Be sure to sign up AND pay your deposit by May 1 to reserve your spot for \$175. Otherwise, it will cost you \$200 to go. The absolute, complete deadline to register for camp is June 1.

Thanks for your time, Nathan. It sounds like you guys are going to have a great camp.

TAMMIE DANIEL

SHINE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE



WHEN: April 1 - 2
Drop-off @ 4:00 p.m. (04/01)
Pick-up @ 4:00 p.m. (04/02)
WHAT: Ev Training for 4th-6th Grade
WHERE: Ervin Brown Training Center
COST: \$25/student (DUE 03/20)

**** ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ****
**** REGISTRATION FORMS DUE THIS SUNDAY (03/20) ****

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2011
JUNE 13 - 17



Children

Dates to Remember:

- March 17 (Thursday): PALMER HOME VISIT
- March 27: DU BEGINS
- April 1-2: SHINE CONFERENCE
- April 23: RESURRECTION DAY PARTY
- June 13-17: VBS
- June 27-30: KIDS' CAMP

SS Memory Verses

March 13~ WEEK 1
 JUDGES 2:12
 And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; and they followed other gods from among the gods of the people who were all around them, and they bowed down to them; and they provoked the LORD to anger.

March 20 ~ WEEK 2
 JUDGES 7:15b
 Gideon returned to the camp of Israel, and said "Arise, for the LORD has delivered the camp of Midian into your hand."

Discipleship University

Paul Betts

On March 27, we kick off another term of Discipleship University. The classes that we are offering for this term are listed below. DU begins March 27 and ends on April 17. Choose a class, sign up for it in the foyer, and plan to attend beginning March 27.

I AM: the Claims of Christ

Taught by Brock Sund

A look at the great I AM statements of Christ and how they confirm the deity of Christ

Bringing God Home From Church—Lessons Learned

Taught by Dennis & Gayle Wofford

The Woffords take you through their journey as parents of how they taught the truths of Scripture in the home and applied its message to their daily lives.

One in a Million

Led by Vicki Pyles

The title, *One in a Million*, refers to the fact that out of approximately two million Israelites, only two—Joshua and Caleb—made it to the Promised Land. Priscilla uses the Israelites' journey from Egypt to Canaan to explain what intimacy with God requires of us. Part Bible study and part spiritual memoir, the book seamlessly interweaves Scripture and personal application.

R.E.A.P.

March 20
A-Team

March 27
P-Team

All teams meet at 3:45

LAST CHANCE!

Please check the kitchen for personal dishes. They will be kept for one more week and then Mrs. Shirley is going to give them away.

PLEASE NOTE!

There are quite a few utensils (large spoons, whisks, etc...) missing from the church kitchen. If you have borrowed or accidentally taken any home, please return them.



Dear Immanuel Family,
 Thank you for the prayers, cards, calls, food and memorials during the loss of my mother. The love you expressed will never be forgotten.
 Lloyd & Clytee Parker

Men's Bowling Night
March 18th
Please meet at Strike Zone at 6:45 pm

A memorial was given by the Joy Sunday School Class in memory of Paul Strait, Glynda Strait's husband.

E-SUNDAY
March 20th

Wednesday Night Meal
March 23rd @ 5:45 pm
Taco Salad, Dessert & Drink
Please sign up in the foyer.

Dear Church Family,
 Thank you so much for the prayers, cards & visits during my dad's hospital stay and then his homecoming. Also a Big thank you to the church for the Bibles in memory of daddy.
 The Robert Beasley family

Two Weeks in Review

	3/6	3/13		3/6	3/13
Offerings:	\$ 13,912.00	\$ 4,781.00			
Sunday School:	139	146	Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,175.00	\$ 8,175.00
Morning Worship:	177	165	Offering to Date:	\$ 86,682.36	(thru 3/13)
Evening Worship:	69	97	Needs to Date:	\$ 89,925.00	(thru 3/13)