

**Upcoming Events**

- Nov 21 Diaper Shower for Melissa Koch
- Nov 23 Mid-week Service
- Nov 24-26 Church Office closes at 12N on Wed.
- Dec 4 Joy SS Class Christmas Party
- Dec 4 Youth SNAC—Christmas Party 6-8pm
- Dec 5 E-SUNDAY
- Dec 8 Christmas Dinner
- Dec 11 Missions Banquet 6pm
- Dec 12 Global Missions Offering
- Dec 12 IBC Christmas Program
- Dec 15 Business Meeting
- Dec 17 Women's Cookie Exchange 7-9pm
- Dec 18 Jesus' Birthday Party
- Dec 18 Couples I SS Class Party 5pm

**Nursery Schedule**

- Sunday, November 21st**  
 SS: Kay Morton & Phyllis Rutledge  
 AM Babies: Diane Trent & Lorena Watson  
 AM Toddlers: Mary West & Lynn Rushing  
 PM: Dawn Gore & Emma Haraway
- Tuesday, November 23rd**  
 Dennis & Gayle Wofford
- Sunday, November 28th**  
 SS: Sharon Kratzer & Sherry Ferrell  
 AM Babies: Melody Kelly & Tammie Daniel  
 Toddlers: Grace & Carl Jackson  
 PM: Ila Skelton & Joan Conley
- Wednesday, December 1st**

**Greeters & Ushers**

- Sunday, November 21st**  
 AM: Greeters: Steve Trent Bill Van Dyke  
 Ushers: Adult Men II  
 Parking Lot: Keith Holt
- PM: Greeters: Mark Walgenbach Steve Pyles  
 Ushers: Michael Hale Greg Hurtt  
 Parking Lot: Carl Harrell
- Sunday, November 28th**  
 AM: Greeters:  
 Ushers: Adult Men II  
 Parking Lot:
- PM: Greeters:  
 Ushers:  
 Parking Lot:

**Church Staff**

- Pastor*  
 Dr. Stan May (901) 848-4118
- Associate Pastor*  
 Nathan Washburn (901) 831-6290
- Education Minister*  
 Paul Betts (901) 246-5278
- Children's Minister*  
 Tammie Daniel (901) 237-3204
- Secretary*  
 Cathy Walgenbach (901) 359-2948

To our Family,  
 Words can't begin to express just how much we enjoyed seeing everyone and worshiping together once again! Thank you so much for asking John to come speak - It was his honor and our blessing. Thank you also for your gift to us. We appreciate it greatly. We look forward to the next time that we can be together again!

Love,  
 The Goldwater's

**CHRISTMAS BOXES**

Please begin bringing non-perishable food items for this year's Christmas boxes. The deadline to turn in food will be December 15th. You may place your food items on the metal table in the kitchen. Thank you!



Diaper Shower  
 For  
 Melissa Koch  
 Sunday, Nov. 21st  
 12:30 pm @  
 McAlisters Deli



The church is selling our old ice machine. Anyone interested, please see Nathan Washburn.

# The Encourager

A Newsletter of Immanuel Baptist Church

November 17, 2010



*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,  
 What a busy time! I'm so thankful to be finished with commitments to speak. I spoke yesterday at Edgewood Baptist Church in Columbus, GA, at the request of my fellow former Zimbabwe missionary Dr. Steve Beaty. We had a wonderful time together, and God seemed to move among the congregation. Please be in prayer for them. I also preached the kickoff to Kirby Woods Baptist Church's Global Impact Conference on Wednesday, November 10. I'm so excited to be in my own church Sunday and preaching in my own pulpit. I know that you haven't lacked; thank you, Paul, Nathan, and Brock, for filling the pulpit. While we've not had anyone join publicly these last few Sundays, it is a joy to welcome Mrs. Mardell Marberry back to our flock.

While every Sunday is Missions Sunday at Immanuel, it's that time of year where we emphasize our **Annual Global Missions Offering**. As you know, we divide this offering 90/10 between the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. We'll be setting our goal this Sunday night; please pray and ask God what goal He would have us set, and what He would have you give. The real test of a worshipping church is her passion for the nations, because that is the passion of the One whom she worships!

Our **Annual Missions Banquet** is coming up December 11 at 6:00 pm. We're expecting a great day since Janna Smith will be speaking. Every Sunday School class should be selecting a country for a report and food from that country. On Sunday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, we'll be receiving our Global Missions Offering as well. Why do we focus on missions? Because God is on mission and we exist to exalt His Son Jesus 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. Be sure to do your part for His glory.

For the Nations,  
 Bro. Stan

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**Global Missions**

**Dates to remember...**

- November 21st - We will set our 2010 Global Missions Offering Goal**
- December 11th - Annual Missions Banquet 6pm**
- December 12th - We will receive our 2010 Global Missions Offering**

# YOUTH

**Dates to Remember**

- Dec. 4—Christmas Party
- Dec. 11—Missions Banquet
- Jan. 21-23—Winter Retreat

**Youth Winter Retreat**

**2011**

January 21—23  
 \$60 per person  
 (\$50 per person for families)  
 Deadline to sign up: January 1

TAMMIE DANIEL

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REVIEW WEEK



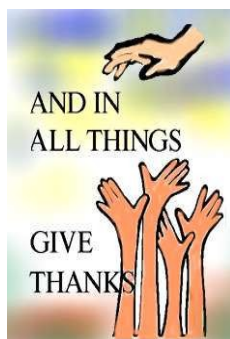
Sunday School

- WHAT:** REVIEW WEEK IN SS
- WHO:** ALL 1ST - 6TH GRADERS
- WHEN:** THIS SUNDAY
- HOW:** SS COMPETITION  
SPECIAL PRIZES GIVEN



Share God's Word

## THANKSGIVING SEASON



- WHAT:** Giving Thanks
- WHO:** EVERYone
- WHEN:** EVERYday
- HOW:** Being thankful for ALL that God has given us
- COST:** Absolutely Free



# Children

**Dates to Remember:**

- November 21  
SS REVIEW WEEK
- December 5  
E-SUNDAY
- December 11  
MISSIONS BANQUET
- December 12  
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
- December 18  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS PARTY
- December 22:  
CHRISTMAS CAROLING

### SS Memory Verses

**November 14 ~ WEEK 5**

MATTHEW 2:11  
 On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.

**November 7 ~ REVIEW**

- GENESIS 12:3
- MATTHEW 1:21
- MATTHEW 1:23
- MATTHEW 2:11
- LUKE 1:17

### It's That Time of Year Again

Paul Betts

Well, the holiday season is upon us once again. While Michelle and I were out walking Dallas one night before the end of October, we passed a house that had been decorated for Halloween. I commented to Michelle how people are now putting up lights on their houses in addition to other decorations so much that it seems you can't distinguish one holiday from another. However, upon closer inspection, we realized that these people had already decorated their house for Christmas—in October! I think people are in too big a hurry to move from one event to the next instead of enjoying the day they have been given now.

(My holidays officially kicked off on Saturday, November 13. I had my first Thanksgiving meal of the season at my cousin's house with my mom's side of the family. We had a great time of eating turkey and a spread of various other delicious delicacies.)

Brock Sund's message on Sunday night was right on when he talked about us not being content with what we have right now. Every year new gadgets and toys are introduced to entice us to buy the latest and best product that will make our lives complete and satisfied. If that's the case, then why come out with new products the next year. Companies love to prey on our dissatisfaction with our lives. May we, as people of Christ, be satisfied in Him alone. May He be the One to give joy, meaning, and purpose to our lives instead of the latest iPhone, Droid, Wii, relationship, job, or in my case, a new Generation 4 Glock 19 pistol. Only when our satisfaction and joy come in and through the Lord Jesus will we be able to truly enjoy all other people and things in our lives. He came to give us an abundant life not to fill our life with abundant things.

I do not have all I want, but I do have all I need. The Lord has provided all I need; even though Michelle and I have one less car and less than half the income we had last year, He is good and has given us all things that we need. I am thankful for His provisions, grace, goodness, faithfulness, forgiveness, and love. Be thankful this season for what you have and don't fret over what you want and can't have.

**R.E.A.P.**

Nov. 21  
A-Team

Nov. 28  
P-Team

Meet at 3:45

### "Thank You" seems so insufficient

Immanuel Church Family,

With the thanksgiving spirit already so dense in the air you can almost cut it with a knife (sort of like you would a perfectly cooked succulent turkey), we have so much to be thankful for regarding you all.

We were so surprised when you blessed us two weeks ago with the gift cards for Pastors Appreciation Day. We really felt appreciated and your encouragement was very tangible—thank you. We love serving here and being recognized like that was very affirming.

We also wanted to thank you for your wonderful gifts at the baby shower last week. All of you gave far too much, and we are humbled at your outpouring of love and support as you share in this adoption with us. Thank you for helping us prepare for this exciting life change.

We also have been stunned at many of you who have given through the church toward our adoption. For several months we've been praying for God to meet the financial needs of the adoption, and God has used you in a major way to help us meet all of them! He is so faithful to always provide for us, and it's great when He does it through people—especially His body. Thank you; we love you so much.

*Nathan and Jennifer Washburn*

Two Weeks in Review					
	10/24	10/31		10/24	10/31
Offerings:				\$ 5,040.20	\$ 8,377.00
Sunday School:	134	128	Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,181.00	\$ 8,181.00
Morning Worship:	221	181	Offering to Date:	\$ 338,776.21	(thru 10/31)
Evening Worship	—	—	Needs to Date:	\$ 359,964.00	(thru 10/31)

