

Upcoming Events

- Nov 6 Youth SNAC Bonfire
- Nov 7 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov 7 Adoption Shower for Jennifer Washburn
- Nov 7 Lord's Supper—PM Service
- Nov 13 Ladies Mentoring Kick-off 10:30
- Nov 17 Thanksgiving Meal
- Nov 23 Mid-week Service
- Nov 24-26 Church Office closes at 12N on Wed.
- Dec 4 Joy SS Class Christmas Party
- Dec 5 E-SUNDAY
- Dec 5 Youth SNAC—Christmas Party
- Dec 8 Christmas Dinner
- Dec 11 Missions Banquet
- Dec 12 IBC Christmas Program

Nursery Schedule

- Sunday, November 7th**
 SS: Mark & Cathy Walgenbach
 AM Babies: Glenn & Jeanne Miller
 AM Toddlers: Raymond & Ashley Nelson
 PM: Becky Smith & Iva May
- Wednesday, November 10th**
 Wanda Farrar & Trista Pannell
- Sunday, November 14th**
 SS: Grace Lantz & Melanie Harris
 AM Babies: Greg & Heather Hurtt
 Toddlers: Joel & Heather Strahan
 PM: Nathan & Jennifer Washburn
- Wednesday, November 17th**
 Thanksgiving Dinner

Greeters & Ushers

- Sunday, November 7th**
 AM: Greeters: Bill Van Dyke Harold Allen
 Ushers: Adult Men II
 Parking Lot: Matt Rushing
- PM: Greeters: Mark Walgenbach John Groves
 Ushers: Jim Farrar Steve Pyles
 Parking Lot: Dave Wittrock
- Sunday, November 14th**
 AM: Greeters: Harold Allen Jason Koch
 Ushers: Adult Men II
 Parking Lot: David Haraway
- PM: Greeters: Greg Garrison David Willman
 Ushers: Bob Brown Glen Sprayberry
 Parking Lot: John Groves

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

The 2010 Men's Ministry Golf Tournament was fantastic this year! God blessed the guys with excellent weather and good attitudes. We had 5 teams of 4 men each and played scramble style at North Creek Golf Course in Southaven. We had an early morning shotgun start at 8:30, and all gathered in the North Creek Club Facility afterwards for Corky's BBQ, our devotion and prizes. Jason Koch brought a timely message about our privilege as Christians to fellowship with other believers and using our talents for God's glory within the body. The men's ministry would like to thank the following people for serving during the tournament:

Jason Koch—devotion	Dennis Wofford—photography
Nathan Washburn—prize administration	Paul Betts—food administration
Cathy Walgenbach—food service	Tonya Porter—food service
Michelle Betts—food service	Jennifer Washburn—food service
Jim Farrar—McAllister's sweet tea	

This year's winners include:
 Nathan Washburn—longest drive Nathan Washburn—closest to the pin
 1st place winners—Steve Lindsey, Steve Nolan, Nathan Washburn, Mark Walgenbach

The Encourager

A Newsletter of Immanuel Baptist Church

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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,

My heart is overflowing with gratitude to you for all you do for us! Thank you so much for honoring us for the privilege of serving at Immanuel these past 10 years. We are the ones who've truly enjoyed a blessing. We love you all and thank God for you. We're especially grateful to God who brought us here and continues to work in this body for His glory. Mercy drops are falling around us, but I believe God is about to open the floodgates for rivers of revival to flow. Please pray with us for these rivers.

I was thinking this morning about the tragedy of unforgiveness. Iva says that holding to bitterness and unforgiveness is like drinking poison to punish someone else. Unforgiveness has three deep roots: pride, unbelief, and ingratitude. Pride because we believe that we are morally or spiritually superior to those who have hurt us; unbelief because we refuse to believe God's verdict on our own depravity; and, ingratitude because we do not receive all that God sends—even troubles—from a grateful heart seeing that He has brought this person into our life for His glory and our good. Don't let unforgiveness poison you!

We'll be celebrating the Lord's Supper Sunday night and taking our Young at Heart to Olive Garden on Monday. Hope you'll plan on being part of these events in the life of Immanuel. Remember, we exist to exalt 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 (copied it from my plaque).

Love you all,
 Bro. Stan

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Lord's Supper
 Service
 Sunday Night

Immanuel's
 Thanksgiving
 Meal

Wednesday, Nov. 17th

The church will provide the turkey, dressing and drinks. Please bring 2 side dishes and a dessert.

YOUTH

Dates to Remember

Nov. 6—Bonfire
(Hopefully)
Dec. 5—Christmas Party

IBC Student Happenings

Bonfire

As of now, the Mississippi statewide burn ban is still in effect. However, we will continue to plan as if they (the MS Forestry Commission and the Governor's office) will lift the ban before Saturday night. With the rain we got Tuesday and Wednesday it is likely.

If it is not lifted by Saturday, I will post a cancellation notice on the church website as well as my Facebook page. If you are not friends with me on FB yet, become friends with me by Saturday!



If we go ahead and have it, we will meet at the church to leave by 5:00 p.m., and we will be back around 10:00. We prayed for the rain, and it came; now we'll pray that the burn ban is lifted!

Nathan Washburn



Burn Ban In Effect

Does God Care About Your Happiness?

Paul Betts

I recently read in a book that God is not concerned about our happiness. My initial reaction to this statement was to disagree. How could God not care about me being happy? However, after finishing the author's argument, I had to agree with him. In our American culture and Christianity, we have been taught that we should be happy—happy in our families, our jobs, our hobbies, etc. We desire those things and activities that will contribute the maximum happiness to our lives. The point the author was making is that God is more concerned about our obedience and surrender to Him than He is about us always experiencing happiness just for happiness sake. His glory and making His glory known is God's goal. If our happiness conflicts with His glory, then He is not interested in making us happy. Our happiness flows out of bringing Him glory. This is just one reason good people suffer. The purpose is to bring glory to God. This was illustrated to us on Sunday in Bro. Stan's sermon when he mentioned Joni Eareckson Tada's paralyzing diving accident when she was a teenager; God has used this devastating unhappy event in her life to bring Him glory and Joni much happiness in life.

While reading in Jeremiah, this truth came to life again. Nebuchadnezzar had attacked Judah, killed many, and taken many others captive. After a time, some of the escapees decided to head to Egypt for safety. In Egypt, they knew they would dwell in safety, be protected from war, be well-fed, and ultimately be happy. They asked Jeremiah to seek the Lord's direction so that they could obey what He said (even though in their hearts they had already made up their minds to go to Egypt, no matter what God said. Remember, all they cared about was their happiness—not God's glory). The LORD told them to stay in Judah and He would plant them, build them up, protect them from Babylon, and show His mercy to them. What a deal! All they had to do was stay put. Ultimately, they chose to go to Egypt where instead of being happy and protected from war, God said He would send war, pestilence, and famine on them in Egypt. Their disobedience and quest for their own happiness apart from God not only brought judgment on them, but also all of Egypt.

R.E.A.P.

Nov. 7
R-Team
Meet at 3:45

Ladies Mentoring Kickoff
Saturday, November 13th
@ 10:30 am



Daylight Savings Time ENDS This Sunday!



Children

Dates to Remember:

November 7: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
November 13: IMPACT VISIT
November 21: REVIEW WEEK
December 5: E-SUNDAY
December 11: MISSIONS BANQUET
December 18: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS PARTY

IMPACT FOOD PANTRY

WHEN: Saturday, 11/13
Meet @ church @ 7:30 a.m.
Back @ church @ 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: IMPACT Baptist Church (Frayser, TN)

WHO: ALL 1st - 6th Graders

WHAT: Service Project (Food Pantry)

COST: FREE (Lunch provided)

TAMMIE DANIEL



DISCIPLESHIP UNIVERSITY FOR KIDS



1ST - 3RD GRADE
TEACHER: SARAH JONES
BIBLE SKILLS, DRILLS, & THRILLS

4TH - 6TH GRADE
TEACHER: MISS TAMMIE
BIBLE TRIVIA



SS Memory Verses

October 31 ~ WEEK 3

MATTHEW 1:21
She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.

November 7 ~ WEEK 4

MATTHEW 1:23
The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel - which means "God with us."

Thank you so much for all your prayers for me during my heart cath and the placement of stints. As the prayers began to go up on my behalf, I felt God's peace surrounding me. This is truly a praying and caring church, and I love you.
Ila Skelton

Dear Immanuel Family,
Thanks for the cards, food, visits, and prayers. I could feel the Lord's blessings and strength through your prayers.
Love in Christ,
Evelyn Childers

To all the loving people of Immanuel:
I just wanted to thank everyone for all their love, cards, prayers, and support through my time of sorrow.
With Love, Eva Cook

Adoption Shower
For
Jennifer Washburn
Sunday @ 1:00
She is registered at Target.

Dear Immanuel Family,
Thanks so much for your visits, phone calls, cards, letters, and prayers. I really appreciate your help because God has really provided and my health is slowly but surely recovering. I still have a way to go and the doctors say it is just going to take time but I know who is healing me up. It is good to know that people are praying for me all the time!
Cordially, Clark Stevenson

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)