

Insight

— IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH —

April 2015

DYNAMIC WORSHIP • RELEVANT SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY • INTENTIONAL OUTREACH

I Love My Church: 20/20 Vision

Praise God for your faithfulness to His work at Immanuel! We are excited to be partaking in the next chapter of God's plan for IBC called "I Love My Church: 20/20 Vision". The "I Love My Church" mantra has been ringing throughout IBC for the past two months! Everywhere you turn we see those great-looking "I Love My Church" t-shirts! The Chest of Joash has been a symbol of the commitments of people like YOU getting involved to propel IBC into the next stage of growth. We are excited to report the commitments that have been given to date. The current commitment dollar amount pledged is \$714,307. WOW! Praise God for those faithful persons who have pledged! But wait, it's not too late if you have not been able to make your commitment. There are commitment cards in the foyer and in the pew racks. Just drop the card into the Chest of Joash, offertory plate or turn into the church office. All commitments are confidential. Thank you for your faithfulness! God be praised!

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) Fast Facts:

Reason we give: To support the efforts of the North American Mission Board (NAMB) Send North America strategy, as missionaries and church planters push back lostness in the United States and Canada.

- ❖ Amount of AAEO used to support missionaries and their work: 100%
- ❖ Amount of NAMB budget that comes from AAEO: 49%
- ❖ Amount of NAMB budget from Cooperative Program: 38%
- ❖ Year offering started: Women's Missionary Union started it in 1895
- ❖ Amount given in 1895: \$5,000 +
- ❖ Amount given to AAEO in 2013: Year-end figures totaled \$57 million
- ❖ Year offering named for Annie Armstrong: 1934
- ❖ The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Goal for 2015: \$60 million

Immanuel is the largest giver to the AAEO in the Florida Baptist Association this past year. We received a Certificate from NAMB recognizing that accomplishment. This year our Church Goal is: \$12,000. Please be in prayer as we give to advance the Gospel to people in America that do not know Jesus!

The Pastor's Heart

Now is the time! Every church member should be a faithful servant. There is nothing more important than serving and loving others in Jesus' Name. God bless you in your generous financial stewardship to His church.

Where would you like to serve? What is your heart's desire? Please complete the Service Interest Form so the Nominating Committee will know! God has a ministry and place for you.

Would you consider being an active participant in our Bible Study on Sunday mornings? Your life will become greatly enriched. We have wonderful Bible teachers and leaders in our two Sunday Schools.

We are blessed! See the report in this edition of the Insight of commitments already made by so many to "I Love My Church: 20/20 Vision". You can still be a part. Join with others as we move forward in God's mission for us at Immanuel.

We could never adequately express our gratitude for your loving support and prayers for Colton, our three and one-half year old grandson. His hearing loss is a tragedy and great concern. Medical reports do not tell us what we want to hear. God is in control and we trust Him with everything. Your ministry to Barry and Dusti is precious. Thank you.

It is a privilege to serve as your Pastor.

Sincerely,

— Bro. Rich Kincl



Join us this Sunday for Easter
services at 9:15, 10:45 and 11:59 am.
We'd love to see you here!

JUDO FOR JESUS



JUDO FOR JESUS IS AN OUTREACH MINISTRY WHOSE MISSION IS TO REACH OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH THE MARTIAL ART OF JUDO. THOUGH WE TRAIN IN SELF-DEFENSE, PURSUE PHYSICAL FITNESS, AND PARTICIPATE IN COMPETITION; OUR PRIMARY GOAL IS TO LEAD OTHERS TO A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST.

DESIGNED FOR JUNIORS (17 AND UNDER) AND SENIORS (17+). WE WILL BE MEETING TUESDAY AND THURSDAY IN THE YOUTH AREA. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT DANNY JAMES (850) 321-9350 OR EMAIL AT JUDOFORJESUS@HOTMAIL.COM

Senior Adult Ministry

We had a wonderful senior adult luncheon in March, our speaker Beth Burns challenged us to run the race well. "Finish strong" are words that can apply to just about any aspect of life. How many times have we watched a race as runners jumped out in front only to fade toward the end of the race? As I've casually followed NASCAR one of the things I've noticed is that very rarely does the driver who starts first in the pole position ever win the race. In life as I watch people, it's interesting to see those who are finishing strong, those who get better as the years roll on. They

are more Christ like at the end-of-life than when they started their Christian walk. How are you running your race? I want to challenge you to run the race well, finish strong!

I want to shout out a BIG thank you to several groups of people.....

THANK YOU to

- 1) Those that helped prepare for the senior adult luncheon in March.
- 2) All who participated in our evangelism conference in February.

- 3) Those faithful SAINTS that come out and visit on Tuesdays or other days of the week.

Make sure you start saving now for our BIG trip to Branson September 21-26. This is one trip you do not want to miss! We will have a limited number of spots available so reserve yours today! For the first 30 people IBC will pay \$100.00. Your Total Price will be: \$795.00. Non-Refundable Deposit of \$159.00 by April 5.

* Cancellation Insurance is available upon request for \$92.00.

Contact Rod Smith for more information.

———Rod Smith

Stewardship

As we look at the *7 Habits of a Highly Effective Steward* by Barnabas Foundation, we turn to the Habit of Being a Faithful Example.

"These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." (Deut. 6: 6,7)

If we are to be good models for our children, we as parents must have God's Word reflected in our own lives. Secondly, we need to be alert to the countless opportunities given us to teach our children a godly perspective on life, abilities, and possessions.

Modeling good stewardship is the best teaching tool. Parents who tithe, save, live on a budget, minimize debt and give of their abilities and time to help others set an excellent example for their children.

As Randy Alcorn has said, "When it comes to handling possessions in light of eternity,

Music and Administration

This is a great season to be involved in the Music Ministry here at IBC. We are currently focusing all of our energy on our Easter services and are excited to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ with our church family on April 5. On Easter Sunday, our choir will perform several anthems in our 10:45 service, in addition to exuberant congregational singing and a wonderful message from our Pastor. Our 9:15 and 11:59 Easter contemporary services, will feature video, effect lighting, and our Elevate Band leading in passionate and authentic worship of our risen Savior. At these services, we will also receive the same

incredible sermon from our Pastor. Join us on Easter as we celebrate our risen King! Are you a singer, instrumentalist, or techie? If you answered "yes" or "maybe" to those questions, then we have a place of service for you within our Music and Media ministries. For more information on the various ways you can get involved in our Music and Media Ministries, call the church office at (850) 878-1021, email Grant Keith, Minister of Music and Administration, at grant@immanuelonline.com, or visit us online at <http://www.myibclife.com/worship/>.

———Grant Keith

the most important point is this: sometimes our children will fail to listen to us; rarely will they fail to imitate us."

Speaking of examples... "I Love My Church: 20/20 Vision" commitments are still coming in. The current commitments received are already over \$714,000 and it is not too late to make your commitment! Praise God for your faithfulness to His church at Immanuel. Please prayerfully join us in the next chapter God has for IBC.

———Luke Whitmore

March Praises

NEW MEMBERS

Profession of Faith & Baptism

Jack Bellflower
Scott Chaires
Jeremy Chang
Tripp Whitaker-Hussey
Isaac Leckinger
Taylah Tolliver

By Letter

Rashad Barnett
Adrienne Bellflower
Khaliah McMichael
Ethel Noel

By Statement

Tara Alford
Kellie Anderson
Annette Cone
Ann Davis
Michelle Grisham
Bernie Henderson
Christian McGowan
Michael Wallace
Amy Williams

Called to Vocational Ministry

Ismael Coto
Rachel Dawkins
Jessie Smith

Discipleship

Discipleship takes on many forms when you are growing in Jesus. Worship, Bible study, fellowship, evangelism and prayer are just some areas where EVERY Christian can grow as they follow Jesus.

Did you know... that Wednesday Night is our Family Night at the Church? It has something for everyone in your family! Children have their own special worship, Bible studies and fellowship time called "Route 66" located in the Children's wing. Youth have their worship hour called "Epicenter" in the Lower Level Youth Area. Adults have a "blended" worship and intercessory prayer time in the Sanctuary at 6:15. What a great way to get a "pick me up" during a hard week of everyday life! God has a special hour just for you and your family each week... Family Night at IBC!

———Luke Whitmore

College

Our Spring Semester if almost over, our Seniors are graduating...where did the time go? We have been blessed this year with new students and to see the spiritual growth of our current students! God is at work in the College Ministry at IBC.

We are excited about our annual Easter Sunday Lunch that will bring many new students to church at IBC for the first time. We are praying these students will encounter Jesus and the love of His believers as they worship on Easter with us! We will be transitioning into our summer schedule the first week of May. We also will be having our Builder's For Christ Trip in July.

Please be in prayer for these last few weeks of the semester for our students to reach out to their classmates, it might be the last time they will ever see them. Be in prayer for Easter and the celebration of the Resurrected Messiah! He is the reason for our hope and glory!

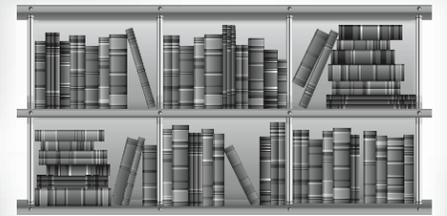
———Luke Whitmore



SAVE THE DATE: IBC Annual Women's Retreat, February 12 - 13, 2016 Norman Park GA.

Exciting things are happening in the IBC Women's Ministry. Be on the lookout for info concerning our quarterly event. Also, we are planning another Bible study. There was a great turn out for the Craft Connection. Join us for the next Craft Connection. We are looking for ladies wanting to get plugged into the women's ministry. Call Roxane Whiddon at 850-251-6191 for more information..

———Roxane Whiddon



LIBRARY

Spring is a season of growth. Visit the church library (located in front of the main entrance to the sanctuary) for help in your path of spiritual growth. Watch for free books in April.

Outreach

God is doing amazing things through the outreach ministry. We still need you! Whether to help your small group leaders with outreach for your class, or some other type of outreach, we need you! Intentional outreach conducted by our small group bible studies is a huge part of the vision for our outreach ministry.

We also need you to join us for outreach Monday evenings at 6:30 and 7:00 in room C28. We join for a time of commissioning prayer and then we go just as we are commanded in the scriptures. God has done some amazing things recently through these visits. We have an opportunity for you even if you don't know what to do. Just come, we have experienced people who can go with you.

Also, we have a new outreach resource. Big thanks goes to Brother Ed Hubert for drafting an outreach resource manual. In this manual, you can find just about everything that you may need to know when conducting an outreach visit. Copies of this manual are being produced and are available at send-off on Monday evenings, and will soon be available in our library.

———Andy Dawson

Men's Power Forum
Every Tuesday Morning
6:45 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

ONLINE GIVING MADE EASY!

Online giving is a popular option at IBC because it is easy and convenient. To access online giving, go to: www.immanuelonline.com.

Online giving is secure and tax deductible, using any bank card.

"Each one must give as he has decided in his own heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Florida Baptist Disaster Relief

Have you thought about joining our IBC Disaster Relief Team? The 2015 Training season is now under way. If you have never been to a training and are considering attending here is what you can expect. Registration Fee will be \$35. First Time Volunteers will participate in the New Volunteer Class, information will be shared to help answer questions that new volunteers typically have. The class lasts all morning. After lunch, first time volunteers will be able to attend one Ministry Area Class to get specialized training.

You can cross train in other Ministry Areas by attending another regional training event. *Price includes: lunch, training materials, ID badge, t-shirt, hat and pin. These items will be mailed to you after your background check clearance is complete. Cost for background checks is an additional \$15.

2015 Training Locations:

April 18 - Region 4 - Cornerstone BC, Inverness
 May 2 - Region 6 - FBC, Avon Park
 May 16 - Region 7 - FBC Cutler Ridge, Miami
 May 30 - Region 1 - FBC, Lynn Haven
 June 13 - Region 2 - FBC, Perry

For more information regarding training or to sign up for your background check please go to this web site <http://www.flbaptistdisaster.org/training/>

For questions about IBC's involvement with DR you may contact Rod Smith, Region 2 Feeding Coordinator, Barry Kincl, Region 2 ERT Coordinator, or Dustin Evans, Region 2 Logistics Coordinator.

Preschoolers & Children Ministry

Happy Easter! I am so grateful for Jesus! Easter is a fantastic opportunity to invite friends and family to church who need to hear the gospel message. It is my prayer that each believer in Christ would pause and reflect on God's goodness to us and to make a commitment to serve Him. Remember to mark your calendars for the events below.

*April 4 Easter Family Fun Day at IBC from 10:00-12:30. Please join us for food, fun, games, and egg hunts for age's birth through 5th grade.

*May 10 Parent/Child Dedication. Please contact Pat Stanford at (850)878-1021 to let us know that you plan to participate.

*June 8-12 VBS 2015 Journey Off the Map. Enlistment has begun for volunteers, teachers, and assistants. If you are interested in volunteering please go to myibclife.com/vbs, click on registration here, then on volunteer registration and complete form. You can also contact Jamie Pafford at jamie@immanuelonline.com. Forms are also available at the welcome centers. We need your help to make this year's VBS a success!

It is also time to register for VBS as a participant! VBS is for rising Kindergartners to completed 5th grade. VBS is June 8-12 from 9:00-12 noon.

Youth Ministry

DNOW

This years DNOW was on the great exchange as described in:

"But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved." - Eph 2:4-5

We watched lives changed, and watched our church family grow closer as we worshipped together. Go to our YouTube channel to see the video testimonies: <https://www.youtube.com/user/412studentlife>.

Loaves and Fishes Fundraiser

Sunday May 3, 2015 from 5pm-7pm, we will be having a fish fry fundraiser. The

We will also be offering a VBS After Care Camp from 12:00-5:30 daily which includes lunch, snacks, and special activities. The cost for the After Care Camp is \$100.00 per child and can be paid on the first morning of VBS. Sign up for VBS at myibclife.com/vbs, click on registration here, then on Participant Registration and complete form.

VBS T-shirt envelopes will be available beginning April 1st. The cost is \$10.00. The deadline to pre-order a shirt is May 25.

*Centri-Kid Camp is July 20-24 for completed grades 3rd-5th. It's not too late to sign up. Contact Jamie for more info.

Blessings,

— — — Jamie Pafford



men of our church are donating all the fixin's for a fundraiser for our students for FUGE this year. Plates are \$5 each, and you can eat in, or take it to go! What a great service to our students. We are blessed to have a church that cares so deeply for this student ministry.

Centrifuge and Mission Fuge:

This summer, our middle school students are going to CentriFUGE camp, and our high school students are going to Mission FUGE camp. For information and to signup, go to the website, www.myibclife.com/youth.

— — — Andy Dawson

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Weekly Schedule

Sundays

9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 9:15 a.m. Small Group Bible Study
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship
 10:45 a.m. Small Group Bible Study
 11:59 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 11:59 a.m. Childcare for Preschoolers

Mondays

6:30 p.m. Church-wide Outreach
 7:00 p.m. Church-wide Outreach

Tuesdays

6:45 a.m. Men's Power Forum
 9:00 a.m. Staff meeting
 10:00 a.m. SAINTS Outreach

Wednesdays/ Family Night

5:45 p.m. Adult Teachers Meeting
 6:00 p.m. "Route 66" RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends
 6:15 p.m. Adult Worship
 6:15 p.m. Epicenter - Youth Worship
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
 8:30 p.m. Elevate Band Rehearsal

Thursdays

7:45 p.m. Unveiled - College Worship

Date	Event Title	Time
29-5	Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Offering	
1	Budget Committee	7:30 p.m.
2	Library Committee	5:30 p.m.
2	Covenant Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
4	Easter Family Fun Day	10:00 a.m.
5	Easter Sunday	
5	Accounting Committee	8:30 a.m.
5	College Easter Lunch	1:30 p.m.
6	Sr. Adult Committee	10:00 a.m.
8	Personnel Committee	7:30 p.m.
9	ReJOYce Choir	10:00 a.m.
9	Nighttime Women's Ministry Mission Group	6:00 p.m.
10	Craft Connection	10:00 a.m.
10	Orange SS Class Sponsored Mom's Group	10:30 a.m.
12	Deacon's Meeting	8:30 a.m.
12	Nominating Committee	4:00 p.m.
14	Mary & Martha Missions Group	10:00 a.m.
15	Wednesday Night Worship/Business Meeting	6:15 p.m.
15	Budget Committee Meeting	7:30 p.m.
16	JOY Lunch	11:00 a.m.
19	VBS General Training Session	5:00 p.m.
20-22	JOY Conference	
23	ReJOYce Choir	10:00 a.m.
24	Orange SS Class Sponsored Mom's Group	10:30
26	New Member Fellowship	12:00 p.m.
26	Elevate Choir	4:00 p.m.
29	Nominating Committee	7:30 p.m.

MUSIC MINISTRY AT IBC

Elevate Choir 9:15 & 11:59 Worship

Rehearses Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir 10:45 Worship

Rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Orchestra 10:45 Worship

Rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

ReJOYce Choir Ages 50+

Rehearses 2nd and 4th Thursday at 4:00 p.m.



2015 IBC Theme
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Thank You, Immanuel

Thank you notes have been received from:

Johnnie Brown
Judy & Ken Massey

Kelly & Jimmy Mac Donald
Bob, Sandy, Jake & Jordan Stewart

Our church family joins Dr. and Mrs. Kincl in extending sympathy to:

Judy Massey & Family in the loss of her mother, Mildred Hart

We offer congratulations to:

Cameron & Jamie Snipes in the birth of their daughter, Macie Claire
Snipes. Proud grandparents are Dyke and Karen Smipes

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