



Emmanuel

BAPTIST CHURCH

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March 2, 2021

EBC Family,

We talked yesterday about the command in Philippians 2:14 to "Do everything without grumbling or arguing." I wanted to clarify that this command doesn't forbid you from talking about challenges and disappointments in your life. Talking to God or telling a friend what is discouraging or troubling you isn't necessarily complaining. The difference lies in your motivation for talking about it. Are you sharing it to feel sorry for yourself and gain sympathy from others? That would be complaining. But if you are sharing it to ask God or a Christian friend for help accepting it, that isn't grumbling. That's turning a grumbling opportunity into a worship opportunity.

There were a couple of "extras" from this week's sermon that I didn't have time to address on Sunday, but wanted to share them with you here. In Philippians 2:15 it says "so that you may be blameless and pure". The word "blameless" here refers to someone whose outward actions line up with the inward reality of salvation. It does not imply a perfect life, but a life that by and large is free from accusations that would shame the name of Jesus. A blameless person in Scripture is one who lives above reproach (no observable sinful habits) and deals with their sin through God's provision of mercy - which in our case is confessing our sin and finding forgiveness in Jesus.

Secondly, in 2:17 the Apostle Paul says, "even if I am poured out as a drink offering on the sacrificial service of your faith". In the OT, a drink offering was wine poured out on top of an animal sacrifice. It was a secondary sacrifice to enhance the main sacrifice. Paul sees his own work of sharing the Good News with the Philippian church as supplementary to the service of their faith. He's grateful to have played a small part in helping them learn to present themselves "as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God." (Romans 12:1)

My prayer for you this week is that as you do everything without grumbling and arguing that you will be blameless; and that you will shine like stars in the world by holding out the word of life!

It's a joy to be part of the EBC Family,
Pastor Clint

the
GOSPEL-CENTERED
life

Sunday Nights at 6:00 pm
February 28 – May 2

Easter Eggs

In the foyer & atrium, we have sacks of Easter eggs to fill with candy. We have lots of eggs so please take 1 or 2 sacks home. Please tape the eggs together after you fill them. We need them returned by March 31st. Thank you so much!

WOMEN ON MISSION's name is what Emmanuel's women do! Striving to show God's love through serving others and supporting missions both locally and globally is what we are about!

Would you join us as we make plans for the upcoming months? We know things have been different this last year, but we are eagerly anticipating returning to more service projects and time of study and fellowship in the coming days.

Our plan time will be Thursday, March 11th at 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a salad luncheon provided.

If you have questions, please contact Karen Antwine, Cheryl Bell or Stacy Selsor. Look forward to seeing you there!!



**Set your clocks
ahead one hour
March 14**

Dessert Auction

Don't miss out on the *fun* and the *dessert*.
Sunday, March 7th



All Proceeds from Dessert Auction
will benefit EBC Kids and Preteen Camp

**Chili Luncheon
followed by a
Dessert Auction
Sunday March 7
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

**Emmanuel will provide the Chili & Fixings.
Dessert Auction funds scholarships for children's camp.**

Scrumptious Desserts are needed for the auction!

Sign up on the bulletin board to provide a dessert to be auctioned. For more information contact Jake at the Church Office at 772-3413

Coming Events

- 3/07 Church-Wide Chili Lunch & Dessert Auction
- 3/07 Building & Grounds Mtg at 5:00 pm
- 3/07 Deacon's Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 3/11 Women on Mission at 11:00 am
- 3/21 Sunday School Teachers' Luncheon
- 3/21 Committee Meetings @ 5:00 pm
- 3/21 Finance Committee Mtg @ 7:00 pm



**Baby Shower Basket
for
Bailey Hill and
William Barks
Basket is in the foyer.**

SUNDAY

- 9:30 am Grow Groups/Sunday School
- 10:45 am Family Worship
- 6:00 pm Sunday Nights
 - Rooted (Worship Center)
 - The Grove for Kids (Basement)

WEDNESDAY

- 5:00 pm Wednesday Meal
- 6:00 pm Wednesday Nights
 - Prayer Meeting (Worship Center)
 - Youth Midweek (Student Area)
 - EBC Kids (Basement)
- 8:00 pm CREW LifeStream

Last Week at a Glance Sunday, February 28, 2021

Budget Offering

Last Sunday.....	\$11,561.28
YTD Budget Needed.....	\$91,319.13
YTD Budget Received.....	\$79,914.04

This Month New Building

Receipts this month.....	\$8,800.00
Received this week	\$190.00

Attendance

Grow Group Attendance:
Worship Service: 141; Online Households: 17
Sunday Night: 34; Online Households: 11

Sunday Servants

Preschool Care

- 3/07 Debbie Wright, Rebecca Henderson
- 3/14 Dana Nickels, Cheryl Bell

Lead Usher

- 3/07 Bernard Boeckman
- 3/14 Robert Walker

Welcome Desk

- 3/07 Kelly Metscher, Courtney Freeborn
- 3/14 Janice & Bryan Sperle

Deacon of The Week

- 3/07 Bryan Sperle 330-0440

Our deacons are available to share in prayer concerns, problems and praises. Please let them know if they can be of help to you.

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