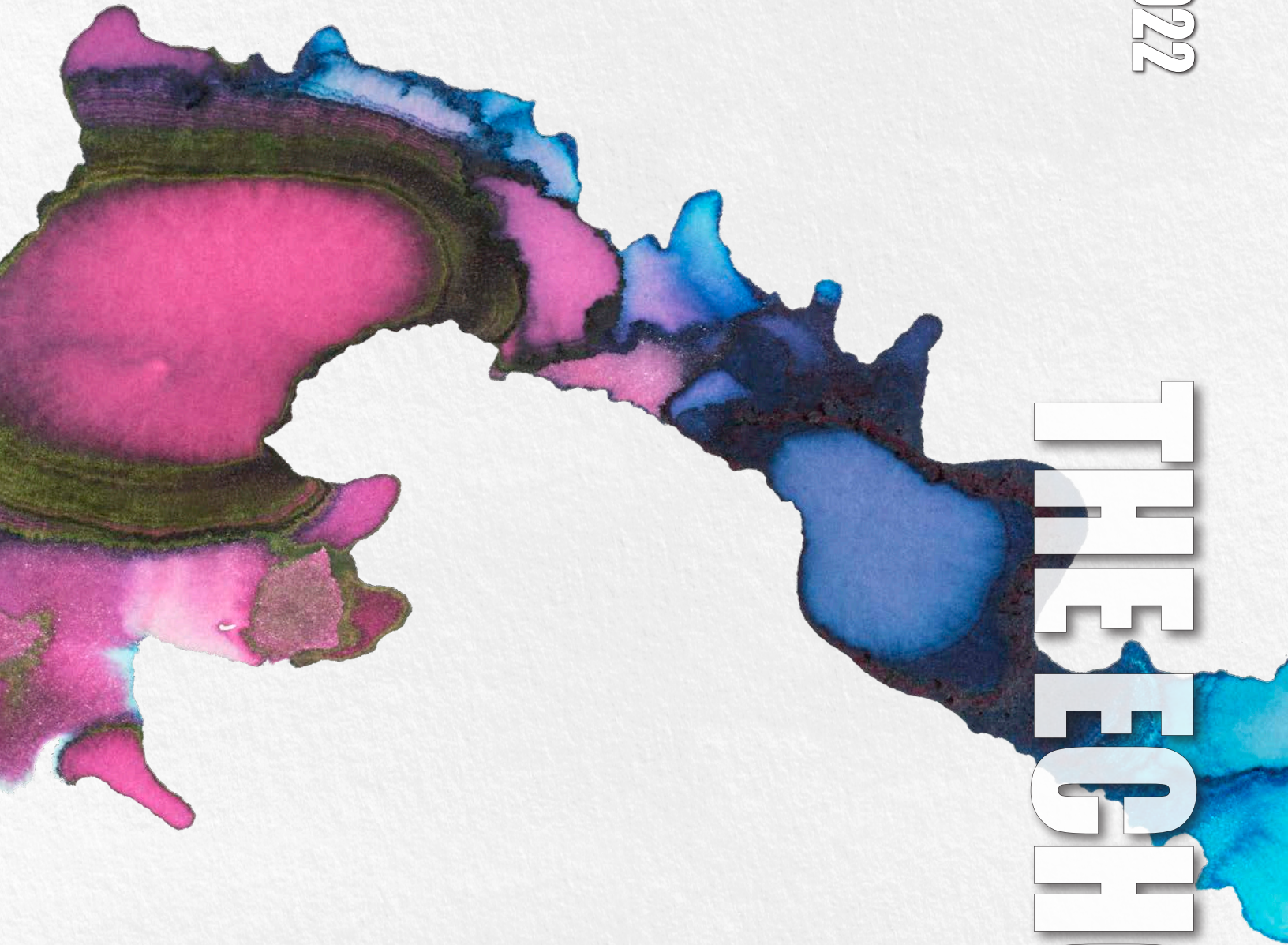


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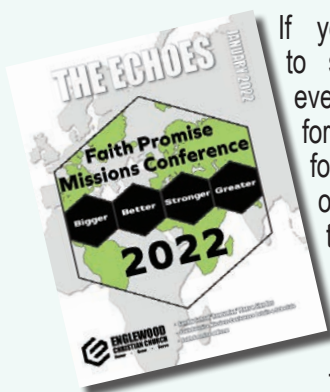


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- Faith Promise Missions Conference Update
- Adult Sunday School Elective Schedule
- *Immerse: Poets Reading Schedule*

Haiiku. Limerick. Sonnet. Free Verse. Laments. Ballads. Epics. All types of poetry. Many of them appearing in the Bible, most commonly in the collection of wisdom books located smack dab in the middle of your Bible. We hope you join us on our journey through *Immerse: Poets* (even Song of Solomon and Lamentations!), and may you be blessed by the reflective thoughts contained in the articles submitted this month.

DEADLINES



If you would like to submit articles, events or activities for consideration for the next issue of *The Echoes*, the deadline is **Friday, February 11.**

The deadline for submitting information for the weekly e-newsletter is each **Wednesday at 5:00 pm.**

Please email all submissions to angelah@eccjax.com with any coordinating artwork or graphics.



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday • 8:30am - 5:00pm

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School • 9:00am

Worship Service/Children's Programming
10:30am

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

6:00pm Dinner

6:30pm Prayer Gathering

7:00pm Programming for all ages

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Every Sunday
@ 10:30am



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January 23, 2022

General Fund

Week 34 Budget \$356,966.00

Week 34 Totals \$311,747.24

Faith Promise

Week 47 Budget \$202,400.80

Week 47 Giving \$205,643.00

ECC Statistics

Morning Worship	Sunday School	Wednesday Night
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Sunday, December 26

159	95	216
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Christmas Eve

Sunday, January 2

171	94	n/a
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Sunday, January 9

130	FB Live only/no SS	72
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Sunday, January 16

155	94	71
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Sunday, January 23

143	91	70
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Totals include estimated online attendance

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Pete Ramsey, Senior Minister

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Karissa Mead, Worship

Ministry Director

Serena Maerkl, Children's Director

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Mary Worth, Bookkeeper

Sherrie Boger, TLC Director

Weekly Choir Schedule

Adult Choir 11:30am in room 209.

Ages 14 and up are welcome to participate, and no audition is required.

Our youth and children's choirs meet as follows:

Wee Praise (pre-school age)

7:00pm in room 314

JWK (1st-5th grades)

6:00pm in room 301

Vocal Explosion

(middle & high school)

5:45pm in room 209

CALENDAR FEBRUARY 2022

GriefShare
Mondays at 6:30pm

Monday, January 30-
Tuesday, February 1
ECC Office Closed

Tuesday, February 1/
Saturday, February 5
CWF Circle Meetings

Friday, February 4-
Saturday, February 5
Middle School Retreat

Sunday, February 6
**Kickoff for New Adult
Sunday School Classes**

Tuesday, February 8
CWF Board Meeting

Friday, February 11
Prime Timers' Dinner

Sunday, February 13
Chili Cookoff

Tuesday, February 15
**CWF/Men's Ministry
Dinners**

Friday, February 18
**e-City Kids Friendship
Fiesta**

Saturday, February 19
Men's Breakfast

Friday, February 25
ESM Game Night

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Psalm 10

(WEEK 1 • DAY 3)

by Karissa Mead, Worship Ministry Director



If you've ever lost something, you know the two usual outcomes of the lost thing: you either go crazy trying to find it, or you don't even notice it's gone. Last week, I lost my church keys. Before you get on me, I knew they were either in my office, my car, or my home. Church keys are an important start to my day. They either make my morning easy-breezy, or quite the hassle when I've lost them and can't even open my office door to start my morning the right way. But eventually, if they're gone long enough, I get into the habit of using somebody else's keys to open my door, and forget they were even lost in the first place.

Have you ever felt as if you've lost God? No, not like forgetting where He even is, but like He's far away in a place you don't know or can even get to? Psalm 10 addresses those very situations.

When God feels far away, the wickedness of the world feels like too much to handle. We forget the "face" of God, His character, and His justice. We forget He's even there. And sometimes, when we feel God is far away, we begin to act like He's not even there. Perhaps David experienced this as he was writing this psalm. It's clear he feels as if God is hiding from him or keeping His distance. It's not clear why that is. However, there are a couple of things we can take away from David's responses to this one question: *"Why, Lord, do you stand far off?"*

The book of Psalms begins with the comparison between the righteous (blessed) and the wicked. So it's no surprise David continues that here. But this particular psalm focuses heavily on the characteristics of the wicked person. He's arrogant, schemes and seeks out the weak to destroy them, craves the company of the greedy, lies in wait to ambush the innocent, and preys on the helpless. In his mind there is no room for God, so his mouth is full of lies, evil is under his tongue, and he says three things in this psalm: *"No one will ever do me harm," "God will not call me to account,"* and *"God will never*



notice; He covers his face and never sees."

When such wickedness exists all around us, it's easy to question whether God is really acting. David pursues God in this moment and calls on God to act against it. He questions God, asking why the wicked succeed and remain unaccountable to their decisions. He prays to be remembered and seen by

God at a time when he feels God is paying him no attention. Sound familiar? How often do we ask God to intervene against those who have power, who should be accountable to their decisions, and who are too greedy to care about others?

In the midst of all this wickedness, David turns to truth. He turns to the character of God. He turns to the history of God which reveals His reliability and His trustworthiness: *"The LORD is King for ever and ever; the nations will perish from his land. You, LORD, hear the desire of the afflicted; you encourage them, and you listen to their cry, defending the fatherless and the oppressed, so that mere earthly mortals will never again strike terror"* (10:16-18).

Reading this psalm should challenge and change you. The challenge in it, though, is to figure out which person you are in this particular situation, and what God has to say about where you stand. Are you the oppressed? The victim? Then I think this psalm is reminding you of what God will do to come to your aid, that He truly does hear you, even if He seems far away. He will be your encouragement and your defense. He will never *not* be King – because He is King *"forever and ever."* A harder question to ask, though, is this: Are you the wicked? Do you see any part of yourself in the descriptions of the wicked man? The answer to this question is between you and the Lord, but I'd encourage you to pray over it and bring it to Him. And even in the midst of wickedness, be it in our own hearts or from another's, the truth remains, God sees us, He hears us, and even though it may seem like it, He's never ever far away.



Psalm 22

(WEEK 2 • DAY 6)

by Serena Maerkl, Children's Director

Most of the time, parenting to me, feels like I'm walking on a tightrope over the Grand Canyon. Sometimes I'm struggling between wanting to keep them as close as I can and fostering their independence. Other days I'm fighting between giving too many boundaries versus giving them the freedom to make their own choices/mistakes. The risk of falling if I lean too far to one side fills my head with worry. Will I fail my child? Will I ruin their future? The questions and doubts can seem endless at times. The older my children get, the bigger (and more life altering) these day-to-day decisions seem to be. The quote, "The days are long, but the years are short" feels monumentally important at this stage in my parenting journey. My children are no longer "little," and our struggles are less about what color sippy cup to use, and more about where they fit in. They're now at the point where their peers have a much greater influence on them than we do. Their friends' opinions seem to hold more weight, google becomes their first choice when they have questions, and they'd much rather lock themselves away in their rooms than spend another minute with their "crazy" family. All of these can be a challenge, but there's one which can be even more difficult to navigate as a Christian parent. One day you might find that your card-carrying member of the "I love Jesus!" fan club starts to struggle with their faith, and stops wanting to come to church. I'd be lying if I said I had all the answers. Some days, I feel like I have it figured out, and other days I just want to throw my hands up in defeat. But there's one thing I can always count on, and that's scripture. Using the words of David in Psalm 22, here are a few things to remember as you parent your teen through these hard years.

1. **Be willing to let go of your own pride.** Some of the most faithful and dedicated Christian parents, have children who "stray." In verse 1 David is crying out, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" At that time, he felt God wasn't hearing his prayers, and that he had been left hanging in his time of need. If David can feel this way, then it's not hard to think teens can feel this way as well. Their faith is in a transition period; instead of taking offense, take their hand instead. Show them they're not alone, and you'll love them through it.
2. **Seek to understand.** Mental health statistics for teens show diagnosis of anxiety and depression are higher than they've ever been. They're struggling with societal pressure, self-doubt, poor self-esteem, all while trying

to navigate the changing platform of peer relationships which now take place more often "in the cloud" – online through social media instead of face to face. Verse 6 puts feelings of worthlessness into words, "*But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people.*" Even the most secure and well-adjusted teen deals with insecurity at times.

3. **Be available.** It seems silly this has to be said, but if you're ever going to understand their struggle, they need to know they can come to you to talk at any time. You won't have a relationship with your child within the church if your relationship outside of it stinks. Make it a point to spend time with them! Verses 9-11 talk about how God knows us from the time we're in the womb, and acknowledges our need to be close to God. "*Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.*" Our relationship with our children should mirror our relationship to Christ. The world will test our children, but they need to know we won't leave them. It's much easier to trust God's unfailing love when our parents model that same relationship with their children.
4. **Share the glory of God with them.** Verse 22 says, "*I will declare your glory to my people; in the assembly I will praise you!*" Don't focus your energy on worry, but be willing to gift them the hope in Christ Jesus. Pour into them the confidence that God made every part of them, and their existence is proof of how amazing God is. The world will do what it can to tear them down, but be there to remind them there are more important things than earthly "perfection."

These days can be challenging, but there is hope. God will stand with us, even when we have our own days of feeling like a mere "worm." Don't let Satan use those doubts to separate us from God, or our own children. Spend your days parenting in a way which exalts God. Love your children through their doubts, cover them in prayer, and plan that huge celebration on the day they choose God, not because we dragged them with us, but because their heart did. Whether it takes a week, a month or ten years, "*future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!*" (v. 30-31)

Psalm 27

(WEEK 2 • DAY 7)



by Josh Colvin, Student Minister

If you could have one thing in this world, what would you want the most? This question is often asked during different types of beauty pageants. Most of the time, as far as I know, the contestants answer, “World peace.” I’ve always wondered if the contestants really wanted world peace, or if they only answered that way because they thought it would be a good answer to show a “pure” and “soft” heart. (To me, eventually the judges would have caught on.) Instead of them answering the question with a lie, how they should’ve answered is, “I want to win this competition, so I’m going to give you the best answer to help me win.” If I was one of those judges, I would’ve given the points to them for being brutally honest. I’m not really sure if beauty pageants are like this. I’ve never sat down and watched one. The closest thing I come to knowing what happens during a beauty pageant is seeing the movie, *Miss Congeniality* with Sandra Bullock.

Getting back to the original question, if you could have one thing in this world, what would you want the most? Could it be material things like a big house or enough money to never have to worry again? What about self-confidence, like to neither look nor feel fat or to be attractive as you age or to age gracefully, without wrinkles and without going bald? Maybe it’s to grow old without losing your mind or control of your body or to be remembered in a positive way after death. Whatever it is, there is that one thing you would want to have the most. No matter how young or old we may be, we all have that one thing.

One of the better answers to this question is from King David when he writes in Psalm 27:4-5 MSG, “*I’m asking God for one thing, only one thing: To live with him in his house, my whole life long. I’ll contemplate his beauty; I’ll study at his feet. That’s the only quiet, secure place in a noisy world, the perfect getaway, far from the buzz of traffic.*” In this psalm, King David described the one thing he desired. He wanted to be known as a man who lived with God his entire life. He wanted to contemplate the beauty of the God. He wanted to study at His feet. When I think about the fact I could have one thing, would I choose God? Would you choose, really choose, to be with God?

There is absolutely nothing wrong with wanting the things mentioned, but our one thing, or our one priority, should be to sit in the presence of God and savor the beauty. It’s pretty cool how *The Message* says it is like a getaway from the noise. What is your favorite place to get away from the noise and even the busyness of the world around you? What do you do when you get there? If we want to be known as people who choose to be with God our whole lives, then we must getaway with God in our daily life.



There are many different places we can get away, like the park, in the backyard, or even your bedroom. In fact, if you recall, Jesus tells us to get away to our closet to pray. I don’t know where that place is for you, but the bottom line is, we must choose a place to go get away with God. We must mark time out of our schedule and give our getaway a name, space, and place.

We can hope for good aging genes, enough money to never want again, a good name after we have passed, but the one thing we should strive for and not give up striving for is to be in the presence of God and in awe of His creation. I have two challenges for you:

1. **Make time in your day to get away and be in the presence of God.** It can be as little as ten minutes, but make the time to spend much needed time with Him.
2. **Find a place to be in His presence.** Wherever it may be, make sure it is just you and God. No one or nothing else. Just the two of you.



Psalm 37

(WEEK 2 • DAY 9)

by Angela Hastings, Office Manager

I know I tell you this every time, but I really love the psalms. It's not difficult for me to connect emotionally with the words penned by David and the other psalmists. It's a little strange because I don't typically like poetry. It's a hard pass on Shakespeare's sonnets and on the words of Longfellow and Frost. But psalms are another story.

Part of the reason could be because one of my favorite musical artists, Shane and Shane, sing many of the psalms. In fact, their first album, released in 2002, is called *Psalms*. Find it, or the rereleased *Psalms Live*, and give it a listen. The harmonies are beautiful and the guitar phenomenal (seriously, listen to the strumming on "Psalm 145," and your life might be changed).

However, in spite of writing at least twenty songs about psalms, they have not written one about Psalm 37. I bet you know at least one verse from Psalm 37 even if you didn't know that's where to find it: "*Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart*" (vs. 4 NIV). It's one that often finds its way onto signs on the wall, journal covers, coffee cups and Instagram posts. But there is more to Psalm 37 than that one token verse.

One of the things I found to be most interesting about the beginning of Psalm 37 was the fact that it seemed to read more like a proverb than a psalm. The first eight verses include fourteen imperatives!

Don't worry about the wicked.
Don't envy those who do wrong.
Trust in the Lord.
Do good.
Take delight in the Lord.
Commit everything you do to the Lord.
Trust him.
Be still in the presence of the Lord.
Wait patiently for him to act.
Don't worry about evil people who prosper.
Don't fret about their wicked schemes.
Stop being angry.
Turn from your rage.
Don't lose your temper.

Any one of those could write an article or preach a sermon! Pause for a moment. Which imperative do you need to hear in this season of your life?

For me, it's waiting patiently for God to act. Let's be real, none of us *really* enjoy waiting. We do it because we have to. But how are we at doing it *patiently*? That was actually a prayer request I shared with a friend recently! I am waiting for something, and I want to wait well – with patience and grace and kindness.

Waiting is difficult. When we know something is coming, we tend to want it sooner. And by sooner, I mean now. In our most recent COVID experience at ECC, I felt like I was sitting around waiting to see if I was going to get sick or test positive. I texted my mom the day I found out I had been exposed, "If I'm going to get covid, it will be this week." And I waited. Every tickle of my throat and every headache made me wonder, "Is this it?" (You know you do it, too.) But no, I never got sick or tested positive (it's seriously unbelievable). Even waiting for possible COVID was hard, and I found myself being impatient.

Verse 7, where we find the command to wait, is actually a compound sentence. "*Be still in the presence of the Lord, and wait patiently for him to act.*" We find our ability to wait patiently from being in God's presence. In His presence, we can pour out our hearts to Him (even about being impatient). In His presence, we can get to know Him. In His presence, He reminds us of all the times He has come through in the past. In His presence, we grow and develop the fruit of the Spirit, one of which is patience.

There's not a quick, easy answer to life's problems and things we have to wait for. Waiting is hard. It won't necessarily get any easier. But we can change *how* we wait. We can wait patiently, with grace and kindness.

Maybe waiting isn't your biggest concern right now. Maybe one of the other imperatives stands out the most to you as you read Psalm 37. It can be easy when we read through the Immerse books to do just that – read. Take some time to meditate. Ask what the Holy Spirit wants to say to you and how you can apply it. Let being in His word and in His presence change you!

Lamentations

(WEEK 3 • DAY 11-14)



by Pete Ramsey, Senior Minister

The date was June 2, 2010. The location was Comerica Park in Detroit, Michigan. The event? The “Imperfect game.” In Major League baseball, it takes twenty-seven outs (nine innings with three outs in each inning) to complete a game. If an opposing pitcher can get all twenty-seven outs consecutively – meaning no one gets a hit or even gets on base), it is called a perfect game. It’s perfect because the pitcher and defense were perfect.

On this particular night, Armando Galarraga, a journeyman pitcher barely holding on to his baseball career, was throwing some great stuff. He proceeded to get the first twenty-six batters of the opposing team out. It was now the ninth inning with two outs. One

more out for the win and more importantly, the perfect game. The batter, Jason Donald, hit a ground ball towards first base. The first basemen fielded the ball and

tossed it to Galarraga, who had hustled over to first to cover the base. He caught the throw and immediately threw his arms up in the air because they had gotten the twenty-seventh out and completed the perfect game! Or did he? At that same moment, Jim Joyce, first base umpire, flashed the safe sign awarding first base to the batter. The players for the Tigers were distraught and upset. The fans in the stadium began reigning down boos. The tv and radio commentators all were irate at the horribly incorrect call Joyce had made. Replays in the stadium and on TV clearly revealed the runner was actually out and the game should have been a “perfect game,” indeed. This was before the days of instant replay so the call, even though it was obviously wrong, was decided and done.

Immediately after the game, media began to press Galarraga for a comment against Joyce. They were hoping for some scalding words against the umpire for his costly mistake, but Galarraga would not oblige. It was upsetting to him and many of his teammates, but his only response was this, “Nobody’s perfect.” At that moment, he had a choice – he could complain,

argue and gripe about that bad call for the rest of his life and let it define him, or he could choose to move on from it and not get dragged down in the negativity of it all. He chose to reflect on it, then move past it and beyond it.

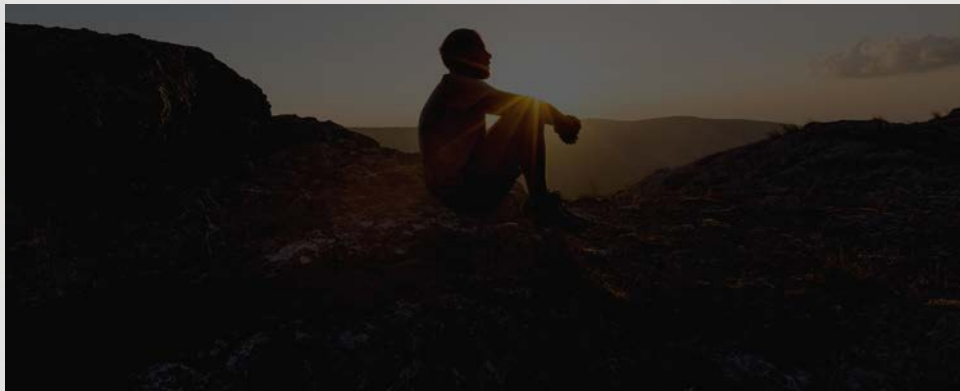
The book of Lamentations is a series of five different laments or mournful cries for the city of Jerusalem and region of Judah following the conquest and destruction of the city by Babylon. It contains words of bitterness, words of lament, words of anguish and pain. The poetry paints pictures of the scenes in Jerusalem during its demise, revisiting the tragedies and atrocities which occurred both during and after its conquest. So, what can we possibly learn from a short book full of laments, complaints

and agonizing remembrances of tragic events of an entire nation? What benefit is there in revisiting these emotional and physical scars and injuries?

My answer to that is short and

sweet. Trust. And Faith. Lamentations is an exhibition for every believer to trust God to hear their cries and exhibit the faith to know He is present with you while suffering through them. Even in the midst of these laments, there is the seedling of hope found in Lamentations 4:22 – “Your punishment will end, Daughter Zion; he will not prolong your exile.”

Just like Armando Galarraga, the pitcher who lost the perfect game, we, too, can choose to reflect on the tragedies of life, the moments of unfairness, the consequences suffered unduly on behalf of someone else’s mistake and everything else wrong with the world, but then quickly move on because we have an awareness that we are living in an imperfect world. Nobody’s perfect. You’re right, life isn’t fair! But God is good. God is faithful. God is present. And because of that, we can lament about tragedy, but not reside in its misery. May we all be aware of God’s presence in our life – in the good times and the bad – and reflect accordingly upon His grace, mercy, and deliverance.



MISSION SPOTLIGHT

RAPHA INTERNATIONAL

Rapha International began as a dream planted firmly in the heart, mind and soul of Stephanie Garman Freed by her father, Joe Garman, more than twenty years ago. It now functions as a high-quality ministry of exceptional integrity in both its practical work and financial stewardship. With active ministry projects in three foreign countries, they truly are an international Kingdom effort. Their purpose statement is "to end the trafficking and sexual exploitation of children – one child at a time – through aftercare for survivors, prevention for the vulnerable, and engagement for you." This is accomplished through full time resident programs, local neighborhood ministry prevention programs, in home care programs, crisis counseling, technical



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We support Rapha International through our regular Faith Promise support as well as special gifts on occasion as needed through our special project fund. Please continue to pray for Rapha as they work together with several international government agencies to help bring about an end to sexual exploitation and human trafficking all in an environment rooted deeply in the love, mercy, compassion and hope of Jesus Christ.



We recently posted a two-part podcast with **Dave Peters**, Chief People Officer with Rapha International (Podcast dates 1/6 & 1/13). Dave is also scheduled to be the guest speaker at the CWF quarterly meeting on Tuesday, February 15 (see page 10 For more details).



Faith Promise Conference Update

Sunday, January 23 was Kickoff Sunday for our Faith Promise Missions Conference. It was a great start to seeing how God will take our small steps of faith through our upcoming Faith Promise commitments and do something Bigger, Better, Stronger and Greater for the sake of the Kingdom. The ECC Leadership set the example and led the way with commitments totalling more than \$74,000! Be in prayer for all our ECC family as we consider what the Lord will lead us to committing for the 2022-2023 year.

ECC Mission Partners

Listed below are the names of all the Mission partners we support through our Faith Promise giving. We encourage you to visit their websites and learn more about the Kingdom impact our partners are making through the support provided through our Faith Promise commitments and gifts.

- Ability Ministry/Ryan Wolfe
- Mission Journey/Wesley Stepp
- Christian Family Services
- Mid-India Christian Mission/Vivek Lall
- Family Ministries of Florida - Cookson Hills
- Johnson University - Florida
- Medical Missions of India/Rees
- North Florida Christian Camp
- I.D.E.S./Jeff Greene
- FSU CCF/Kane Miller
- Latin America Ministries/Billy & Betty Loft
- UF CCH/Bob & Celeste Gailey
- Mid-South Hispanic Ministry/John Bliffen
- Appalachian International Ministry/Jessica Lup
- Good News Publications, International/Mike Schrage
- Lifeline - Honduras/Omoa Children's Home
- Rapha International/Dave Peters
- Literature and Teaching Materials
- Pioneer Bible Translators/Anthony & Elizabeth Smith
- Central Brazil Mission/Earl & Ruth Anne Haubner
- New International - Ireland/Chris & Elisabeth Arnold

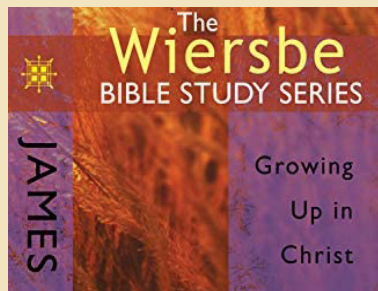
Adult Sunday School Electives



Our new Adult SS format begins on Sunday, February 6. Please make plans to join us in our new endeavor to study God's Word. Pre-registration is not necessary, but does help with determining class supplies and needs. Sign up at the registration table, with the link in the e-newsletter or using the QR code listed here.



Building on the American Heritage
Teacher: Tom Bush
Location: 106



James: Growing Up in Christ
Teacher: Keith Vincent
Location: Warehouse



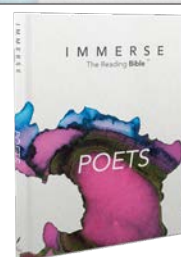
Striving Together: Teamwork in the Local Church
Teacher: Pete Ramsey
Location: 209



Philippians: Living the Cruciform Life
Teacher: Chris & Karissa Mead
Location: 208

I M M E R S E The Bible Reading Experience™

As a faith community, we are now in our fourth semester of the Immerse Bible Reading Program. We have completed all the history books of the Old Testament as well as the entire New Testament. Now we move into the wisdom and poetry books of the Old Testament in our *Immerse: Poets* anthology. Over the next sixteen weeks, we'll read all five books of wisdom, as well as the Lamentations of Jeremiah. Watch for details regarding LIFE/Immerse groups which meet to discuss the reading materials and ascertain applicable truths for our faith community.



IMMERSE: POETS

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MEN'S OUTING @ NFCC – Men of ECC, we will be taking a trip to **North Florida Christian Camp** on **Saturday, March 5th from 10:00am – 2:00pm** to shoot guns and do other manly things. The price for the trip is \$25 which includes lunch. If you have your own firearm and ammo, please feel free to bring it with you. See Josh for more details. Sign up online!

MEN'S BREAKFAST – The Men's Breakfast has been going strong for several months. Mark your calendar to attend every third Saturday of the month. This month it will be on **Saturday, February 19th at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall**, followed by prayer and a short devo. Invite a friend and sign up online!

MEN'S DINNER – On **Tuesday, February 15th**, we will have our quarterly men's dinner in The Warehouse. On the menu for that night is Keith Vincent's famous gumbo. The cost for the meal is \$10 per person. Danny Slater, from NFCC, will be our special guest speaker for the night. Please sign up online by February 11th, so Keith knows how much gumbo to make.



GAME NIGHT

All High School and Middle School students, mark your calendars for **Friday, February 25th**. We will be having a game night at the **Colvin house** starting at **6:00pm**. Bring your favorite card, board or video game to play. Pizza will be provided. Please bring a snack and/or drink to share, and please sign up online if you plan to attend.




CIY MOVE – July 11-16 at Lee University: BROADCAST

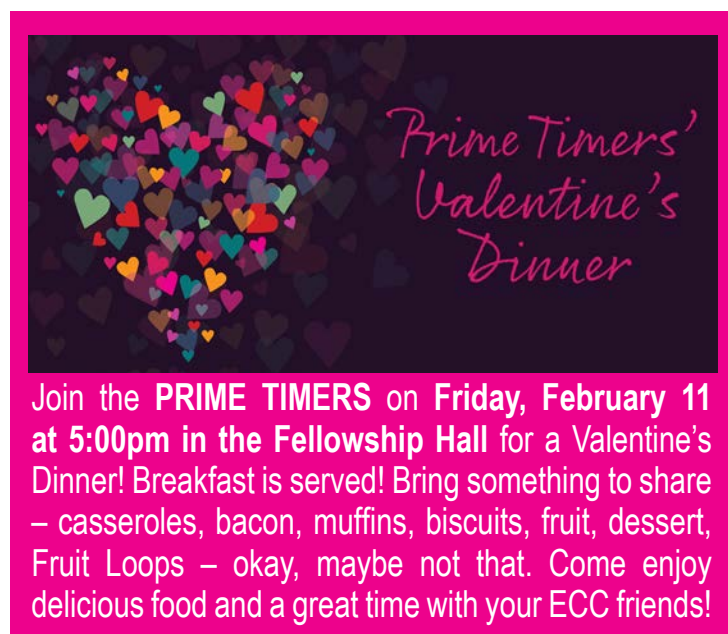
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We're going back to CIY MOVE! CIY MOVE is for current 8th-12th graders. The cost for this week-long trip is **ONLY \$400**, and everything the student will need for the trip is included in this price (food, lodging, transportation, white water rafting, and CIY shirt). A **\$65 deposit is due on Sunday, February 13th**. Please sign up online. For more details and/or questions see Josh.



FRIENDSHIP FIESTA!

K-5th Grade
Friday, February 18, 2022
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
FREE! ~ Pre-Registration Required



Prime Timers' Valentine's Dinner

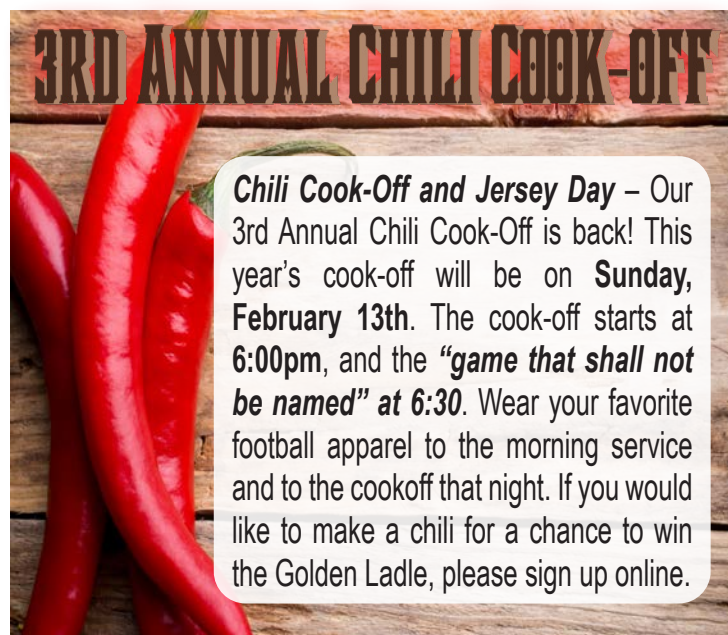
Join the **PRIME TIMERS** on Friday, February 11 at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall for a Valentine's Dinner! Breakfast is served! Bring something to share – casseroles, bacon, muffins, biscuits, fruit, dessert, Fruit Loops – okay, maybe not that. Come enjoy delicious food and a great time with your ECC friends!



Christian Women's Fellowship Soup Supper

Tuesday, February 15 – 7:00pm
Guest Speaker – David Peters from Rapha International

Bring a friend and come for a great night of fun, fellowship and food! Childcare will be available, but for planning purposes, registration is required by February 6th. Use the QR code or follow the link on the app or website!

3RD ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

Chili Cook-Off and Jersey Day – Our 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off is back! This year's cook-off will be on **Sunday, February 13th**. The cook-off starts at **6:00pm**, and the **"game that shall not be named"** at **6:30**. Wear your favorite football apparel to the morning service and to the cookoff that night. If you would like to make a chili for a chance to win the Golden Ladle, please sign up online.



It was an epic Mario Kart battle at Retro Game Night!



Coffee & Convo's with the Haubners



Jacksonville Icemen Hockey Night



2022 Faith Promise Kick-Off Weekend



Ryan Wolfe from Ability Ministries and Mike Schrage from GNPI helped us kickoff our 59th Faith Promise Missions Conference.



e-City Kids celebrate missions as well!



The International Luncheon was great fun!

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The Old Testament points us to Jesus Christ. The Psalms are especially full of passages which point the reader to Jesus and show up time and time again in the New Testament. These prophetic words of the Psalms speak to many aspects of Jesus' life, including His death and final exaltation. During the month of February, in parallel with our *Immerse: Poets* readings, we'll explore in depth the powerful messages of hope and deliverance about Christ seen through the Psalms.

Week 1 – Psalm 1: Righteousness

Week 2 – Psalm 23: Good Shepherd

Week 3 – Psalm 110: Priest & King

Week 4 – Psalm 118: Messiah

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