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# Temperatures Rising

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## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday  
8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

*Sunday School*  
9:00 a.m.

*Worship Service*  
10:15 a.m.

## WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

*Dinner*  
6:00 p.m.

*Adult Bible Studies*  
7:00 p.m.

*Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)*  
7:00 p.m.

*Children's Classes (K-5th Grade)*  
7:00 p.m.

*Child care is provided  
during all services.*

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## Contributions June 23, 2019

### General Fund

Week 4 Budget ..... \$41,688.00  
Week 4 Totals ..... \$34,482.67

### Faith Promise

Week 17 Budget ..... \$56,773.71  
Week 17 Giving ..... \$52,935.00

## ECC Statistics

### Sunday, June 2, 2108

<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>ADD</u>
159	212	119	

### Sunday, June 9, 2019

<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>ADD</u>
150	216	VBS	

### Sunday, June 16, 2019

<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>ADD</u>
149	234	100	

### Sunday, June 23, 2019

<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>ADD</u>
152	230	104	

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## DEADLINES

If you would like to submit articles, events or activities for consideration for the next issue of *The Echoes* the deadline is **Friday, July 12.**

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

Please email all submissions to [angela-ecc@att.net](mailto:angela-ecc@att.net) with any coordinating artwork or graphics.



**B**oy is it hot! As the temperature rises and the weather gets hotter, everyone is trying to stay cool. Many of us try to think cool thoughts or run in the sprinklers or maybe even stand in front of the freezer with your head inside! This month all of our articles and topics relate back to the temperature and how we feel. Are you hot? Are you cold? Are you warm? It seems like each of us is different when it comes to our physical body temperatures. Let's pray our faith remains hot and never cools down! Enjoy this month's *Echoes*, and we hope to see you at ECC real soon.

# Campfires in the Summertime

by Pete Ramsey, Senior Minister



Summer is the time of year when my mind is flooded with memories of years gone by. Vacations, pool parties, beach trips, youth conferences, mission trips and more. So many events, so many great memories of fellowship in the faith, expansion of the Kingdom and spiritual growth. One of my fondest memories, though, has to be the many weeks spent at church camp, in particular, at North Florida Christian Camp. What great memories of lifelong friendships being formed, my faith in Christ being fed and lots of other memorable adventures and stories, too many to mention here.

One aspect of summer church camp I always enjoyed was the nightly campfire time. It was always a great way to end the day, take some time to reflect on what you had heard, seen, read or experienced in regards to your faith and get ready for a good night of sleep (or late night shenanigans – but you didn't hear that from me!). Sometimes, because of the intense heat of Florida where it seemed like it was still 90 degrees outside even at 10 o'clock at night, we would move the campfire into the "Dottie Shaw" building – the main multi-purpose building at camp – and have a "modern" campfire. It usually consisted of everyone's flashlight in the middle of the room all standing up and lighting up the ceiling. Or better yet, a video of a campfire displayed up on the screen. Those were some great alternatives, but nothing quite matches the feeling of a real campfire at camp.



At campfire there was always a time of singing followed by someone sharing a short devotional thought – usually someone's testimony of how they came to know Christ or some other life experience that related to the theme for that day or week. Sometimes we would have S'mores or even just roast some marshmallows around the campfire afterwards (just what every middle school boy needs – chocolate and sugar right before bedtime! Why don't you pass out some Mountain Dew while you're at it!).

The thing with roasting marshmallows on a large campfire is distance. It gets tricky when you're trying to stand a few feet away with a "reformed" coat hanger and roast a marshmallow over an open flame with an estimated temperature that must be at least 2000 degrees!! I remember some of us finding scraps of plywood from the burn pile to use as "fires shields" to protect us from the heat and then leaning just around

the corner far enough to get our marshmallow toasted just right. Ahhh, good times – risking the literal flesh on your hands and the hairs on your arm just for the warm, gooey goodness of a roasted marshmallow.

As wonderful as the marshmallow sounds, I now think back to just how ridiculous it was to roast marshmallows that way! Who in their right mind would get so close to a burning fire that even their "fire shield" began to get too warm to even lean against? Who in their right mind would risk injury or harm due to burning and exposure to extreme heat all for a small little thing like a marshmallow?

There is a great truth to be learned from this insane method of marshmallow roasting and it comes from 1 Thessalonians 5:22 (CEV) – **"and don't have anything to do with evil."** Some translations use the word "abstain," while others make reference to the "appearance of evil," but all Greek translation arguments aside, I think there is one valid truth we can all take from this – avoid evil! The logic is simple – if you don't want to get burned, then don't get close to the fire! In this case, if you don't want to fall into sin or give in to temptation, then stay away!

As Christians, we are called to be holy (1 Peter 1:14-16), we are called to bring glory to God in all we do (Colossians 3:17), and we are called to live honorable lives in the sight of all men (Romans 12:17). We are also commanded to avoid any type of activity or practices that might even bring others to sin or engage in evil (2 Corinthians 6:3). The Bible makes it clear – there is no benefit to "toeing the line." There is no reward for getting as close to the fire as possible without getting burned. There is no reward for figuring out exactly what "too far" means when it comes to sin.

What if we were to live our lives in such a way as to simply "avoid evil?" The list of areas of our lives that would be impacted by this would be quite lengthy – entertainment choices, driving habits, eating and drinking habits, language choices, internet choices, purity choices, faith priority choices and more! What if we quit trying to get as close to the fire as possible and simply tried to get as close to the Lord as possible? What if we stopped asking "How far can I go without

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# Get On A Hot Streak

by Josh Colvin, Student Minister

**G**rowing up, I played every sport I could. I started with baseball when I was four and played all the way up to my sophomore year of high school. I played basketball a little in elementary school, but didn't really start playing competitively until the start of high school and played until I graduated. I played one year of soccer in high school, but quickly realized all that running was definitely not for me, so I stopped. I never played organized football, but would play pick-up games whenever I had the chance. Then after graduation, I continued to play slow pitch softball and pick-up games of football, basketball, etc. I loved and still love playing sports. They are definitely a passion of mine. If I wasn't a Student Minister, then I would be a coach.

**Every player, no matter how good or how bad they are, no matter if they are the worst or the best, would go through hot and cold streaks.**

I was never the best at any sport, but I also wasn't the worst. I was, what people like to call, a "Streaky Player." When I was in the zone, I was on. I saw the baseball a bit differently. I saw the basketball hoop differently. I would go on hot streaks where I couldn't miss. But on the flip side of that, when I did miss, I missed a lot, and it would take me forever to get the touch back again. Every player, no matter how good or how bad they are, no matter if they are the worst or the best, would go through hot and cold streaks. When you're on, and making, hitting, catching, throwing everything the way it should be, you feel like you can't miss. However, when you're off, errors, turnovers, inerrant passes, missed shots, strikeouts, and dropped passes, make you feel like a failure and you can't figure out what changed to make you

so bad. Ken Griffey Jr., who is a Baseball Hall of Famer, had cold streaks when he played. LeBron James, who is arguably one of the best basketball players in the world, has had cold streaks. Everyone goes through these types of streaks. Jerry Rice, who is one of the all-time best wide receivers ever to play football, has had cold streaks. No matter who you are or how good you are, everyone will eventually go through a cold streak. But it's how you give an answer to that cold streak that makes all the difference. Anyone of these athletes previously mentioned could have just thrown their hands up in the air and given up, but they didn't. They most likely practiced harder and kept going until they got off of the cold streak and back on a hot streak, back to their normal athletic capabilities.

The exact same thing happens with us in our everyday life. Everything is going right. You are on top of the world. Nothing can come in and destroy the good you are feeling right now. But then...something does happen. You feel like the world is closing in around you. Nothing you do is ever good enough. You feel like you can't do anything right. Tiny, minute things that would usually just pass by, now set you off.

**We can take any situation, any cold streak, and use it as a learning tool.**

As you are reading this, you could be going through a cold streak right now, not knowing when or if you are going to get back on a hot streak. When things are going right, it's easy to live life. It's easy to say you are a true follower of Christ because things are so good. But just like with athletes, what you do during the cold streak determines the type of character you possess. Most of us would feel like throwing our hands up and giving up, saying it's not worth it. It shouldn't be this way though. My advice is to lean into it and try to discern what

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# Hot and Cold



by Karissa Hardin, *Worship Ministry Director*

Have you ever played the game Hot and Cold? I'm sure it has many names, but the premise of the game is to seek a hidden object. Player one hides the object and must guide player two to the location of the object by only saying temperature-related words ("warmer," "colder," and "hot"). The relationship between player one and player two is crucial to the success of the game, and here's why: When I played with my brother and sisters, we would "misinform" each other to make the game last longer and to have some fun. For example, one could have hidden everyone's favorite Beanie Baby under the Lincoln Logs in the toy box. But we'd make each other look in the basement, under the bed, in hard-to-get places, and even the underwear drawer!

The pinnacle of Hot and Cold is the thrill of the chase, and the load-bearing pillar which holds up the game is the relationship between the seeker and the guide. Without the anticipation and joy involved in finally solving the puzzle, people would lose interest in the game. In addition, if communication between player one and player two is compromised, the game fails.

Sometimes our spiritual lives reflect this analogy. Just like in the game Hot and Cold, we look and look for God to show Himself in our lives. We plead with Him to reveal Himself to us afresh, in the hopes that the things troubling us will magically disappear now that He has "come back" into our lives. We all have moments where, instead of allowing God to guide us to Him, we allow the enemy to convince us God is nowhere to be found. Worse still, many of us are tempted to believe God does not care what happens to us, and our communication with Him is severed. If you are – or have ever – fallen into this spiritual battle, I want to encourage you with these truths:

First, God is *everywhere*. He will protect you, comfort you, and guide you to Him. Psalm 139 confirms this for us in verses 7-12: "*Where can I go from your spirit? Where can I flee from*

*your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, 'Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,' even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you."* God is never far from us!

Second, the enemy is going to fight to keep you from God. He's going to be the voice leading you to all the wrong places, when all you want is to find God in your life. I think sometimes we forget that drawing us away from God is Satan's ultimate goal. Instead of looking where God is not, look for where God is. If you are determined to leave God out of the equation, the enemy will take advantage and blind you to what God is doing in your life. Seek God first! Actively look for the ways you see God moving in your life,

and trust in everything else, He knows what He's doing. Jesus reminds us of this truth in the book of Matthew, "*So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own"* (Matthew 6:31-34).

When things go wrong, we have trouble believing God holds us in His hand. Do you allow Him to be the voice guiding you back to Him every day? Do you go to Him in prayer and petition? Do you praise Him in both the good and the bad? Do you seek to do His will, even if it's not what you expected, or even wanted? Do you recognize His voice, and follow it? If so, you're getting warmer.





# Friendship Ain't Easy

by **Serena Maerkl, Children's Director**

**A**s a parent, I have a lot of things I can choose to worry about concerning my kids depending on the day. It can be just about anything, from their grades at school, their health, their safety, or even their faith. No matter what their problems are, we usually just want to swoop in and fix things for them because if given a choice we'd never want them to suffer. Eventually though, something will pop up we seemingly have no control over. One of those issues every child will face is the dreaded relationship drama. One minute you're asking about their day and the next your car has turned into an episode of Dr. Phil. "Susie" didn't want to be their friend anymore and someone new had moved into your child's seat in the cafeteria. All of a sudden, you want to pull out the class contact list and give a seven year old a piece of your mind. Hopefully maturity prevails and you calm yourself down, but what do you say to your child that is hurting? How can you adequately guide them through the hot and cold periods which can occur in their relationships?

Friendships are important. It's where children learn to build up their independence and form attachments to people. We were not created to be alone. As a card-carrying member of the introvert club, that's hard for me to reconcile sometimes, and equally hard for me to model healthy friendships for my three children. In Genesis we're taught that God didn't want Adam to be alone, *"The Lord God said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him'"* (Genesis 2:18). But even in the Garden, things weren't perfect because we learn later, Eve used her influence over Adam to encourage him to eat the only fruit God had told them not to touch. We didn't read about any arguments which may have occurred after that, but I could take a guess that the trip out of the garden wasn't a peaceful one. How do you think they got past that?

When helping your children handle these situations and conflicts, you first need to **Accept the negative**. This is not a concept our current generation of parents accepts. In fact most do the exact opposite. They try to take away any and all negatives from their child's life. No pain, no gain, is not

a statement in their vocabulary. It's okay (and even perfectly healthy) for your child to have pain in their life. Don't try to minimize their feelings, but encourage them to work through them in a healthy way. Let them yell if they need to, hug them if they need a good cry, and pray with them afterwards.

Once they've gotten those feelings out in the open, do your best to support them through **Active listening**. This is a hard one because you know we have a lot of advice to hand out or some story about our own childhood friendships, but active listening means mostly keeping your own mouth shut. Make eye contact, smile, focus on them (and not your mental to do list), and keep your own emotional responses to a minimum. The number one thing is not to interrupt. When you do ask questions, ask how the event made them feel or ask them if they want your advice or just your support. When you're listening to their problems, try to **Analyze objectively**. As much as we want our kids to be perfect, they're really not. Don't immediately leap to the conclusion that your child has no blame in the conflict. Take your "mama and papa bear" emotions out of it. By helping them to see where they may have messed up as well, we're teaching them how to accept responsibility for their actions. This is important in our faith life as well. If we can't admit to fault, we can never grow into the person God wants us to be.

The most important thing to remember is that our children need us to be their **Ally and Allow them to win their own battles**. We need to learn when to step back. Yes, there will be those days where we need to step in and fight with them, but they will learn more from the experience when we come alongside them and not in front of them. Sometimes this means helping them realize a friendship which has gone cold needs to end. Other times it might mean showing them how to stoke the fires of a healthy friendship that is Christ centered and will benefit them in ways an unhealthy relationship can't. As parents we are their safety net, not their tow rope. Be there for them when they need you, but try to put your own protective feelings behind their personal growth.

# Refined for His Glory!

**Brittany Kellar, Community & Connections Director**



It seems like every other commercial during the Christmas season is advertising a diamond or new gold necklace for the special one you love. I'm sure you have heard the sayings "A diamond is a girl's best friend" or "Every kiss begins with Kay" or the infamous, "He went to Jared."

Diamonds and other jewels have such a long history of being highly sought after and prestigious. The Egyptians were known in Exodus 12 for wearing beautiful jewels, gold and silver, and the Egyptians gladly gave the Israelites whatever they asked for. (On a side note: could you imagine going to your enemy's house and asking them for all their gold and silver, and they give it to you freely?)

After a brief study in gem formation, I've discovered there are several things needed in order to turn bare minerals such as carbon into beautiful gems. First, you need the right **ingredients**, followed by extreme **temperature**, (often between 2000-3000 degrees Fahrenheit), enough **pressure, time** and **space**.

It is interesting to think something so beautiful like a diamond or other precious jewel is formed from such extreme situations. This truth is often the same with us. Truthfully, all we need is the right ingredient – a willing and obedient heart. God will handle the rest of the process.

In the book of Isaiah, we can see these factors as the author was being refined and made into whom God needed him to be. In chapter 6, Isaiah had a prophetic dream in which he saw God seated on His throne surrounded by angels, singing and praising God. Isaiah felt unworthy and

unclean. As the encounter continued, one of the angels took a HOT coal from the fire and touched Isaiah's lips and made him clean – refining him for Kingdom work as a prophet to the people.

Certainly, being under extreme heat and pressure can be an uncomfortable process, to say the least. However, we can rest assured when we bring our ingredients to the Master Gemologist, He will not apply more heat, more pressure, more time and space than we need. He has been in the business of refining people for Kingdom work from the start of time, and He's good at it!



*Truthfully, all we need is the right ingredient – a willing and obedient heart. God will handle the rest of the process.*

Just like people stop and admire a sparkling new diamond or beautiful gold necklace, God wants to make us shine among the darkness. His desire is for us to reflect His beauty to the world. The only way He can do this is by refining us. We need to trust the process.

How is God refining you today? How are you reflecting God's beauty to the world?

*"I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels." Isaiah 61:10*



Want to find out more about Englewood Christian Church? Do you want to know more about what we believe and practice as a New Testament Church? Want to know more about membership and partnership with us in our pursuit to "Honor ONE God, Grow ONE Faith and Serve ONE World?" Do you want to find out how to begin a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ while being a part of an amazing, loving faith community?

All these questions and more will be answered at our new monthly CONNECT class. This class is geared for visitors, new members and anyone with questions about our church, our faith and our practices – but anyone is welcome to attend. It will meet once a month on the second Sunday of each month in room 106. Please contact the church office via email or phone, or sign up on the connection card any Sunday you are here and we'll add you to the list. Please register ahead of time so preparations can be made for everyone who plans to attend. For July, we'll be meeting on **Sunday, July 14 at 9:00am in room 106. Breakfast provided!**



During the month of July, we will continue in our Summer Playlist series as we journey through the book of Psalms with some classic summer tunes to help us. Throughout this series, we will be reminded of the faithfulness and loyalty of our God. Join us each week as we spend some time in the Psalms and remember the songs He has put in our hearts.

- July 7 "Stand By Me" Psalm 51
- July 14 "Only Wanna Be with You" Psalm 27
- July 21 "Happy" Psalm 66
- July 28 "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" Psalm 113

# ECC LEADERSHIP TEAM

On Sunday, June 23, Englewood Christian Church held its annual congregational meeting. At the meeting information was shared regarding the budget and upcoming potential remodel ideas for the Fellowship Hall. A brief summary of all the exciting events and stats on our growth were shared as well. During the meeting, the annual budget was unanimously approved and by ballot both elders – Henry Pratt and Charles Moseley – were reaffirmed along with new Deacons Robert Lee and Keith Vincent. Please be in prayer for our leaders as we seek to glorify God through the Kingdomwork being done here at Englewood Christian Church.



**Back Row (L to R): Jonathan Maerkl (D), Henry Pratt (E), Charles Moseley (E)**  
**Front Row: Robert Lee (D), Chris Kellar (D), Gene Worth (D), Mike Butler (D), Keith Vincent (D)**  
**Not Pictured: Mo Bacon (E), Josh Findley (D)**

**Note: Mike Butler and Josh Findley are stepping off the board at this time. We thank them for their service and commitment to the vision and values of Englewood Christian Church. Keith Vincent and Robert Lee will be joining the leadership team for a two year term.**

**(D) – Deacon (E) – Elder**

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## ***“Campfires in the Summertime” by Pete Ramsey, Senior Minister***

sinning,” and started asking, “How close can I be with the Lord?”

Does the Bible forbid us to see certain movies? No. Does God’s Word forbid the consumption of alcohol? No. Does the Lord tell us exactly what words are “unwholesome?” No. Does Jesus talk specifically about what type of diet we should eat? No. This is all part of the freedom we have in Christ, but in that freedom, we must strive to freely move towards Christ and away from evil, instead of the other way around. Let’s make every effort to honor Christ in all we do by avoiding evil and staying away from the fire. And when it comes to roasting marshmallows – might I suggest using a smaller fire? Or how about a microwave? Or even a stovetop?

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## ***“Get On A Hot Streak” by Josh Colvin, Student Minister***

God is trying to teach us through it. We can take any situation, any cold streak, and use it as a learning tool.

Paul says in 2 Corinthians 4:17, *“For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.”* The temporary cold streak we go through would be a great way for us to practice patience and perseverance. Our cold streak could last days, weeks, months, or even years, but always remember, it is only temporary. Nothing lasts forever, except our life if we are in covenant with Jesus Christ. Our eternal glory far outweighs the momentary troubles we are ever going to experience. Keep pushing through the cold streak. The start of the hot streak is only a little ways away.

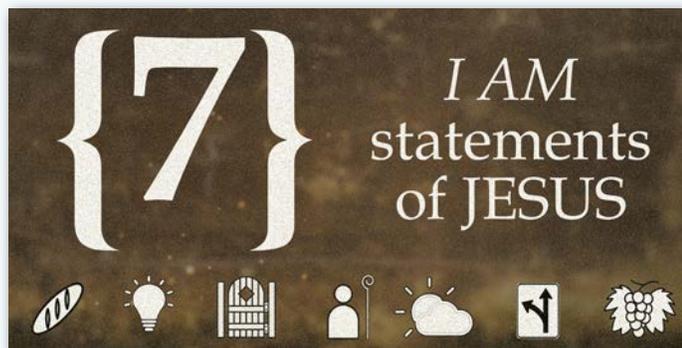
ECC @ A Glance

# worship

## ON WEDNESDAY

THIS SUMMER AT 7:00 PM IN THE WORSHIP CENTER

In an effort to effectively fulfill the vision of ECC and to offer unique opportunities for fellowship, growth and discipleship, there will be some temporary changes to our midweek adult programming. From now until Wednesday, August 14, our Wednesday night adult Bible studies will combine for a special "Worship on Wednesday" service in our Worship Center. This service will resemble, but not replicate, our Sunday morning worship services by including a time of worship through



music, through giving, through communion and through teaching. This will allow us to offer a second worship opportunity here at Englewood each week and allow those who might serve in some capacity during our Sunday morning worship services (children's ministry, safety team, etc.) to engage in corporate worship together with the body of Christ. This also lets us provide a way for all of our members, visitors and guests to have an opportunity to worship one hour a week, study one hour a week and serve one hour a week. We hope you will join us as we attempt new methods and try new ideas to engage our faith community together. During our time together, we'll go through a study entitled, "The Seven 'I Am' Statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John." Hope to see you there!

# MISSION SPOTLIGHT

## Central Brazil Mission

Guest Writer: Marlo Moseley

Marlo Moseley grew up at Englewood Christian Church. Some of you might remember her as Marlo Peters, daughter of Pete & Kathleen Peters. Marlo and her husband Ben (son of Charles and Harriett) are members at Creekside Christian Church and actively involved in mission work, especially the work being done by CBM.



**Central Brazil Mission** is celebrating 50 years of service in July! **Earl and Ruth Haubner** are our missionaries in Brazil. Their church planting efforts led them from Goiania, north to Manaus. They realized that to have an effective work in the Amazon a boat was needed. After much prayer and the Lord's intervention, a boat

was purchased. The first trip was in March of 2000. This part of Central Brazil Mission is known as Project Amazonas. It is a working medical and dental boat that serves approximately 90 villages along the Amazon River. The vision of Project Amazonas is "Christ, Life, Health;" Christ always comes first and one on one discipleship is key. They work to create disciples, to make better disciples and to make more disciples. CBM is working to put a Brazilian young lady through medical school to work full time on the boat as the doctor. There is also a full time Brazilian dentist. Along with the American doctors, dentists and volunteers, the boat is able to take trips February-October. There are 13, 10 day trips this year! Volunteers from the American Churches are able to each bring 2, 50lb bags full of medicine. This stocks the boat with the medicine needed for each trip. Approximately 40-50,000 vitamins are used each trip!



We are so excited about the money raised to fill the bags for our upcoming trip in October! The kids worked so hard to make sure the boys and girls in Brazil will have what they need! We will be traveling with a team from Mayo Hospital this October. They will be performing small surgeries at two of the local hospitals while the boat will be serving the needs of the local villages.

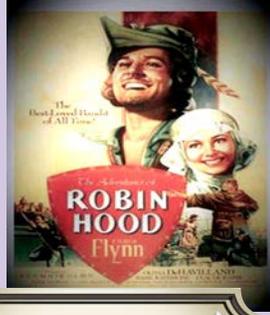
Ben and I will be leading a trip July 21-31, 2020. The cost of the trip is \$2,200. If you are interested in attending or have any questions about the trip or mission, please feel free to contact me at (904) 449-2093 or [atlgate@comcast.net](mailto:atlgate@comcast.net).

We want to say a huge thank you to our Englewood family! Your support means so much to Ben and I and to our brothers and sisters in Christ with CBM!

# prime timers

**Dinner and a Classic Movie**  
**Friday, July 5 • 5:30pm**

- Fellowship Hall
- Meat & Drinks Provided
- Bring a side item to share
- We'll be watching the 1938 Classic *Robin Hood*



**Cow Appreciation Lunch**  
**Tuesday, July 9**

- Chick-fil-A in the Avenues Mall
- We'll leave from the church at 10:30am or you can meet us there
- Be sure to dress like a cow to receive a free entrée!
- Contact **Beverly Arnold** if you don't already have cow attire

## WORSHIP MINISTRY

*Worship Teams Meeting and  
Volunteer Appreciation Lunch*

**Sunday, August 18**

**11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**

If you are currently involved or are interested in joining any of our Worship Teams (Audio/Visual, Worship Band, Adult Worship Choir, and Vocal Explosion/JWK/Wee Praise Leaders), please join us for lunch following our regular Sunday Service. We will fellowship together and celebrate our volunteers over a meal. Following lunch, there will be a time of meeting, training, and prayer for our volunteer positions in this ministry. If you are interested in serving, we'd like to encourage you to come as well to learn how you can best serve ECC's Worship Ministry. All current members and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**Adult Worship Choir start date**

**Sunday, September 8**

**11:30 a.m.**

# ESCAPE ROOM

**MS/HS STUDENTS**

**MONDAY, JULY 29**

**11:30AM**

**\$20**

**DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO ESCAPE??**

# Kids Sweet Summer paJAMa

Friday, July 19 • 6:00-8:30pm • Warehouse

We're celebrating our summer with an epic party! All of our K-5th graders are invited to join us on Friday, July 19 from 6:00-8:30pm in the Warehouse. Silly pajamas and slippers are highly encouraged. There will be games, a craft and a waffle bar. It's a giant slumber party minus the sleep! **Sign up by July 14** to reserve your spot. The cost for all the fun is just \$3.00.



## ECC T-Shirt Sunday Sunday, July 7



T-Shirt Sunday was a HUGE hit last year! Let's do it again! **Don your favorite Church Shirt on Sunday, July 7.** Maybe it's your "I Love my Church" shirt or a VBS shirt from the 80's! Whatever it is, wear your t-shirt to worship and let's have some fun!

**move**

**DATE: July 15 - 21, 2019**

**LOCATION: Lee University**

Students:		Adult Leaders:
Madison Hammock	Margaret Lee	Josh Colvin
Kevin Sanderford	Solyss Garcia	Julie Colvin
Erica Roberts	Nick Mims	Chris Mead
Aynslee Hopkins	Cammy Keel	Linda Solomon
Nathan Hammock	Andrea Lagos	
Faith Fisher	Lucas Pound	

Please be in prayer for everyone attending this phenomenal conference.

**TO BE CONTINUED ...**

## Ladies' Morning In



### Mother-Daughter Breakfast and Tea Saturday, July 13 - 9:00am

Come join us for a yummy breakfast and a time of encouragement with your sisters. Don't have a daughter or not able to attend with your mom? No problem - all ladies are invited to attend this event.

- Cost is \$3 per person
- Be sure to sign up by July 11th in the foyer or via email at [brittany-ecc@att.net](mailto:brittany-ecc@att.net).

# July Calendar

## SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

Sunday School // 9:00 am  
 Morning Worship // 10:15 am  
 Children's programming during services

## WEDNESDAY SERVICE TIMES

Dinner // 6:00 pm  
 Programming for all ages, birth-adult // 7:00 pm  
 Child care is provided during all services.

# JULY 2019

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Date	Time	Event
1	7:00p	Boy Scout Troop 159
1	7:00p	Grief Share
2		CWF Circle Meetings
3		Wednesday Services
4		Independence Day – Office Closed
5	5:30p	Prime Timers – Dinner & a Classic Movie
7		Sunday Services
7-10		Elementary Camp
8	7:00p	Boy Scout Troop 159
8	7:00p	Grief Share
9	10:00a	Hugs Ministry
9	10:30a	Prime Timers – Cow Appreciation Day
10		Wednesday Services
13	9:00a	Mother-Daughter Breakfast & Tea
14	9:00a	Connect Class
14		Sunday Services
15-21		CIY Move

Date	Time	Event
15	7:00p	Boy Scout Troop 159
15	7:00p	Grief Share
16	10:00a	Hugs Ministry
17		Wednesday Services
19	6:00p	Kids – Sweet Summer pajAMa
21		Sunday Services
21	4:00p	CWF Board Meeting
22	7:00p	Boy Scout Troop 159
22	7:00p	Grief Share
23	1:00p	Hugs
24		Wednesday Services/CIY Recap
27	9:00a	CWF Boot Camp
28		Sunday Services
29	11:30a	HS/MS – Lunch & Escape Room
29	7:00p	Boy Scout Troop 159
29	7:00p	Grief Share
31		Wednesday Services



**Open  
 Registration  
 for TLC**

TLC is registering two and three year olds and VPK students for the upcoming school year. For more details or questions, contact TLC directly at 904-737-5669 or email [TLC-Director@comcast.net](mailto:TLC-Director@comcast.net)

**TLC  
 Summer  
 Camp...**



# Disney Lip Sync Battle - June 14



Everyone who synced this year did an amazing job. The bar was raised and December cannot get here soon enough.



The judges spoke and declared Julie Colvin, Sarah Kraczkowski, and Chris Mead the winners in this year's Disney Lip sync Battle.



Brittany Kellar, Julie Topping, and Heather Ramsey tied for 2nd place because of a great lip sync to Mulan's "I Wanna be Like Other Girls"

# Yard Sale - June 8



George Kemp, Jr. was ready to sell some merchandise to help raise funds for students to attend CIY Move and Middle School Camp.



Kelly Hale had a lot to sell at this year's Yard Sale.

# Ladies Night Out - June 22



It was a great evening of laughs and fun!



DD and her team delivering cookies to the fire station.

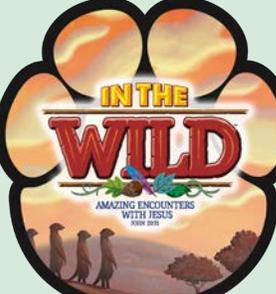
# Bible Bowl Nationals June 17-19



Congratulations to the Bible Bowl team for placing in the Top 17 out of 53 teams.



Margaret, Teresa, and Spencer get ready to buzz in as a question is being asked.



# IN THE WILD VBS ~ June 2-6

AMAZING ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS  
2019

## Vacation Bible School 2019 Recap

- 40 ECC kids
- 35 kids from the neighborhood
- \$1,633.19 raised for Central Brazil Mission

*Thanks to all the volunteers who made VBS a wild success!*



*DD Jewell took the role of an explorer very seriously, mustache and monocle.*



*Silly Little VBS Animals*



*Robin Hopkins leads the singing*



*Students engaged in the lesson*



*Game Time!*



*Maddie Jones helps lead worship each night*



*The kids enjoyed coloring a craft, about Jesus walking on the water, under laser and blacklights.*



*Pete asking missionary, Ben Moseley, about what services and support the Central Brazil Mission provides the people of the Amazon.*



*Norma Ponder worshipping during the opening program.*



*Happy and energetic Preschoolers enjoyed all of the fun.*



*Our teen helpers, like Bekah Ramsey, were great in the nursery!*



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As we continue to move through the Psalms on Sunday mornings, be sure to tune into the latest podcast to hear from others in our faith community on their favorite psalm and why.

If you are interested in joining in a podcast, please reach out to **Brittany Kellar**, [Brittany-ecc@att.net](mailto:Brittany-ecc@att.net) with your thoughts and ideas.



THE ECHOES JULY 2019

***It's time to update your contact information***



In an effort to maintain up to date records, during the first two weeks of July we are gathering updated contact information on all our members and visitors.

There are three simple ways to get your information to us:

1. Go online to [www.eccjax.com](http://www.eccjax.com) and click the "Update Contact Information" link on the home page. Fill out the form and submit one form per adult. You can put all of your children on one form.
2. Scan the QR code, which will take you to the website where you can follow the instructions above.
3. Fill out the insert from your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during worship.



**We appreciate your help in accomplishing this important task!**

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