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NEWSLETTER
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A Summer of Renewal, Growth, and Unity

Church Family,

This season marks a unique moment in the life of our church. As we walk forward together, I am deeply grateful for God's continued faithfulness and for the opportunity we have to refocus our hearts on what matters most. My desire in the months ahead is simple: that we would grow stronger in our faith, clearer in our understanding of the gospel, and closer together as a church family.

This summer, we'll focus on four main areas:

1. Rooted in the Gospel – A Study of Ephesians

Together, we will spend the summer walking through the book of Ephesians in the Worship Service on Sunday. This powerful letter helps us understand who we are in Christ and what it means to live in light of the gospel. As we study, our aim is to deepen our doctrinal foundation and grow in a clear, life-changing understanding of God's grace.

2. Sharing Our Faith with Confidence

Alongside our study in Ephesians, we will be working through *Sharing Jesus Without Freaking Out* by Steve McKinion and co-author Scott Hildreth during Wednesday Morning and Evening Bible Study. This resource will help us move from simply understanding the gospel to actually sharing it naturally, faithfully, and without fear; with our neighbors, coworkers, and friends.

3. Growing in Prayer

We want to become a praying church, not just in name, but in practice. This summer, we will focus on strengthening our personal prayer lives by introducing helpful tools and rhythms that make prayer more consistent and meaningful. We will also be creating more intentional opportunities for prayer within our Sunday Morning Worship Service.

4. Pursuing Unity in Christ

As we journey through Ephesians, we will pay special attention to what Scripture teaches about unity in the body of Christ. We will also look beyond Ephesians to other passages that help us understand and live out biblical unity. Our goal is not just to talk about unity, but to experience it in a way that honors Christ and strengthens our witness.

Church family, I believe God is giving us a meaningful opportunity this summer; not just to stay busy, but to be spiritually renewed. Let's lean in together with open hearts, ready to learn, grow, pray, and walk in unity.

I'm grateful to walk this road with you.

With hope and expectation,

Glenn

YOUNG AT HEART

I recently read that spring is the most welcomed of all the seasons. The article mentioned people smile more in spring due to feelings of increased energy and hope. Spring offers the promise of renewed life, growth and warmth. Spring is a wonderful reminder of God's faithfulness in all things.

We welcome all of your spring smiles at our May Young at Heart meeting on Tuesday, May 5th at 11:00. We will enjoy a cookout with all the trimmings. Bring a friend! Also, bring your favorite dessert for everyone to enjoy. Please come and enjoy our special time together. We hope to see you soon!

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lamentations 3: 22-23

In His love,
Your Young at Heart Committee

MEN'S MINISTRY

The men will not meet during the month of May.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We will honor our graduates on Sunday, May 17th. If you have someone that will be graduating from high school or college, please reach out to Tina at the church office as soon as possible.

MUSIC

Sanctuary Choir practice will resume on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 pm starting May 17th.

PERSONNEL

The personnel team has been working extremely hard the last few weeks. God is so faithful and has been blessing us at every turn.

We have two new staff members joining us, with their first official Sunday being May 3rd.

First, we would like to introduce Tyler Douglas. Tyler along with his wife Lisa has accepted the call as youth pastor at IBC. They have two children with them, Faith 6 and Travis 5 months. They have one infant son, Ethan, who is in heaven. Tyler has been ministering to youth for over ten years and we are so happy God led him to Immanuel.

Melissa and her son Noah will be joining us at Immanuel. Melissa has been playing piano in the church since the age of twelve. We are very excited to have her use her talent for the Lord here at Immanuel as our pianist

We would like to invite you to join us on May 10th for a 'Meet and Greet' breakfast with Tyler and Melissa and their families. Breakfast will be served at 9am, we will not have Sunday School. Please join us as we welcome our new staff.

Amy Glover
Personnel Team Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| May 10 | Mother's Day |
| May 11 | Church Council (6:00pm) |
| May 25 | Memorial Day (Church Office Closed) |
| June 15-19 | Youth Camp |
| June 19-21 | Children's Camp |
| VBS | July 13-16 |

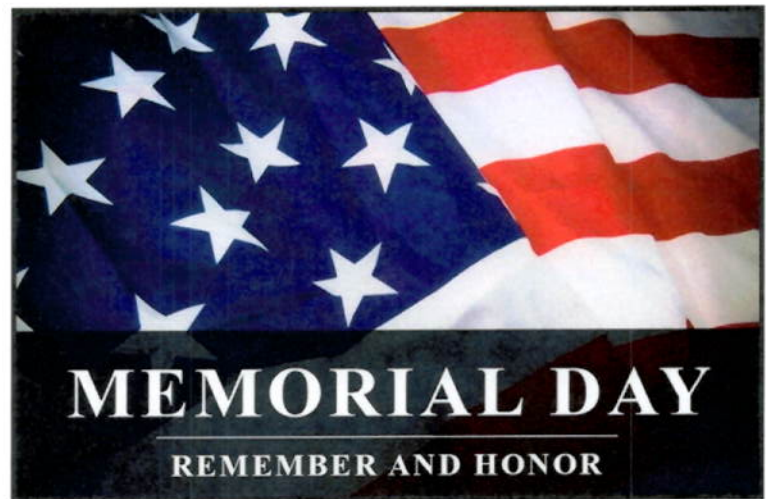


- 4 Linda Harris
- 5 Gunnar Deas
- 7 Ryan McGee
- 8 Vickie Griffin
- Grayson Peavy
- 9 Linda Blalock
- 11 Ronnie Hunter
- 13 Denny Bowers
- Joann Mungo
- 14 Olivia Ihm
- 15 Thomas Lever
- 17 Shana Dry
- 19 Cindy Rodgers
- Patrick Thomas
- 22 Adam Whetstone
- 23 Emily Hilton
- Reanna Reid
- Janice Steele
- 24 Adrian Deese
- 26 Brittany Cauthen
- 27 Lindsey Haile
- Lauren Wells
- 28 Shelly Grier
- 29 Wylie-Elizabeth Lever
- Lindsay McCorkle
- 30 Brice McCowan
- 31 Bryson Thomas



"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all'" Proverbs 31:28-29

Wishing all Mother's a very Happy Mother's Day!!



"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends". John 15:15

We remember, honor and thank all of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms.