

Better Together

UNLEASHING THE CHURCH TO PURSUE GOD'S BEST... TOGETHER



Emmanuel Faith Community Church
Sunday, January 12, 2025

CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for January 12, 2025

Newcomer Lunch | Today, 12:15pm, Café

If you're new to Emmanuel Faith, join us for lunch today. You'll hear from some of our pastors, elders and staff. Learn more about our church and find ways for you and your family to get connected.

January 21 Days of Prayer | Wednesdays, January 15 & 22

6:30pm, Chapel | [Learn more at efcc.org/events](https://efcc.org/events)

We're dedicating the month of January to prayer as we prepare to encourage and uplift one another in this new year. Pick up our 21-day prayer guide to help you pray each day for your own heart, each other, and our community. Join us in the Chapel on the next two Wednesday nights to experience the power that comes when we come together in prayer.

Financial Peace University | Sundays, January 19 – March 23, 10:45am-Noon

If you're struggling to know how to live within your means, pay off debt, and plan for the future, attend Financial Peace University. You'll learn godly money management principles that will set your life up for success. Register online at efcc.org/classes (class cost varies depending on options chosen).

Winter GriefShare Support Group | Tuesdays, January 21 – April 8

6:30-8:30pm, Chapel downstairs | [Register online at efcc.org/help](https://efcc.org/help)

This support group is a welcoming place for people grieving the death of a loved one. Come be encouraged by others who understand the difficult emotions of grief. In this 12-week program, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief in all of its unpredictability. The class cost is \$25 per person.

Grandparenting Matters Seminar | Wednesdays, January 22 – February 26

6-7:30pm, Education Center, Room 2 (1st floor)

This six-week class will help you learn what the Bible says about your influence as a grandparent, and how to discover ways to strengthen your relationships with your adult children. The seminar costs \$10 per person and you can sign up online at efcc.org/events.

The Grace Course | Wednesdays, January 22 – March 19

6:30-8pm, Education Center, Room 21 (2nd floor)

Do you want to keep growing as a Christian, and bear more and more fruit that will last forever? By God's grace — and only by His grace — you can! The objective of *The Grace Course* is to help you experience God's grace in such a deep way (in your heart as well as your head) that you'll serve Him out of love rather than out of fear, guilt, duty, or any other reason. The class cost is \$20 per person and you can register online at efcc.org/classes.

Winter Apologetics Class | Thursdays, January 23 – February 27, 7-8pm

Ed. Center, Room 24 | [Contact: Gary Zacharias, gary.zacharias@gmail.com](mailto:gary.zacharias@gmail.com)

Today, Christianity is being challenged on many fronts. Our next Apologetics class will address many of these challenges. For six weeks, Steve Bruecker and Gary Zacharias will cover all new material. Come and join us!

Announcements continue on the next pages or see more online at efcc.org.

Announcements Continued ...

Next Quarterly Meeting | Sunday, January 26, 8am, Café

Don't miss our next Quarterly Meeting where you'll hear how your generous financial gifts have been used, and learn about upcoming opportunities. We'll start early in the morning, but coffee and donuts will be served. You'll be dismissed in time to attend the 9am service.

Men's Super Bowl Discipleship Breakfast | Saturday, February 8 8-10am, Family Center (Gym)

Guys, join us Saturday, February 8, for fellowship and spiritual growth. We'll enjoy breakfast and hear from former NFL players as we discuss "Becoming a Champion for Christ." The cost is \$10 per person or \$25 per family (for 3 or more). Sign up online at efcc.org/events.

EFCC Care & Counseling Ministry | efcc.org/help

Support Groups & Other Classes

Have a Need? We're Here to Help!

Life can be hard at times, but you don't have to go through it alone. Whatever your need, the Emmanuel Faith Care & Counseling ministry is here to help, guide, encourage, and point you toward the love of Jesus. We'd love to come alongside you. We can help with counseling, mentoring, or spiritual direction. To take a next step, just scan the QR code, visit our webpage via the link above, or email to care@efcc.org or call (760) 781-2108. Please consider these upcoming opportunities ...

Lay Counseling and Leadership Course | Tuesdays, Jan. 21 – Mar. 25 6:30-9pm at EFCC | Cost: \$85 | Register online at efcc.org/events

We live in a broken world where we long for hope, healing and wholeness. Part 1 of this course, "Discover: Who God Created You to Be," will help you experience beneath-the-surface emotional and spiritual transformation to guide you in your journey of discovering who God has made you to be. Understanding your true self and living out of that fullness will lead you toward a greater ability to help others.

All, especially current ministry leaders, are encouraged to attend Part 1, which is required to also attend Part 2: "Equip: Tools for the Journey," Sept. - Dec. 2025; and Part 3: "Call: Providing Hope for the Hurting," Jan. - Apr., 2026. Part 1 may be taken without continuing further training.

Trauma Reboot | Tuesdays, January 21 – April 15 7-8:30pm, Ed. Center, Room 4 (1st floor) | Sign up at efcc.org/help

This 12-week, faith-based, peer-led course empowers everyday people to overcome trauma and embrace a brighter future. Through practical teaching and a supportive community, Trauma Reboot can help you break free from the pain of your past and find renewed purpose and strength. The cost to attend is \$25 and you can sign up online at efcc.org/help.



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BETTER TOGETHER
"Better Together"
Genesis 1-3
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

God's call for men and women is to _____

not to _____.

Together we:

• Carry his _____.

• Embrace his _____.

• Live in _____.

Sin creates _____ instead of _____

and struggles for _____ instead of _____.

The goal for the church is to _____

not to _____.

Need more room to add notes? See the back side of this sermon outline.
Helpful links: efcc.org/sermons | efcc.org/devos | efcc.org/podcasts

Additional sermon notes ...

Take Your Next Step!

Thank you for attending Emmanuel Faith today! If we can help you in any way, contact us at welcome@efcc.org. To connect more, or to go deeper here, see some ways to take a next step below ...

Need Prayer? | efcc.org/prayer

We'd love to pray for you! Visit our prayer form online, scan the QR code at right, or email prayer@efcc.org.



Give to EFCC | efcc.org/give

Your generosity changes lives! To give to EFCC, visit our Giving page, access our App, scan the QR code, or use an offering envelope at church.



Find a Group | efcc.org/groups

Learn about God's heart for you, build lasting relationships, and walk alongside others in every season of life. Scan the QR code or visit our groups page online.



Join a Team | efcc.org/teams

Helping others through volunteering gives us a greater sense of meaning and brings great joy both to us and those we help. Join a team and come serve at EFCC.



NEW TO EFCC? Start Here!

We'd Love to Get to Know You! | efcc.org/connection

Take a moment to tell us more about yourself. Scan the QR code at right, or fill out a Connection Card in the chair back. You also can visit our Welcome area in the Worship Center lobby, or go online to visit our website at efcc.org/connect.



CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

- FaithKids | efcc.org/kids**
Sundays | Children's Center
Infants to 6th Grade | 9 and 10:45am
- Wednesdays | Children's Center**
Kindergarten to 6th Grade | 6:30-8pm (September to May)
- Junior High & High School**
efcc.org/jh | efcc.org/hsm
Sundays | 10:45am | Youth Center
Wednesdays | 6:30-8pm (Sept. to May, and summer camps/events)
- Young Adults | efcc.org/ya**
Tuesdays (ages 18-25) | 7pm | Chapel
Week Night Small Groups | 7-9pm (off campus)

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

- CLASSIC |** Sundays, 9am, Worship Center
- MODERN |** Sundays, 9am, Chapel (video venue)
- MODERN |** Sundays, 10:45am, Worship Center, & 5pm, Chapel
- EN ESPAÑOL |** Sundays, 10:45am, Chapel



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www.emmanuelfaithpreschool.org
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639 E. 17th Ave., Escondido, CA 92025
Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm (full & part day)

LOVE ESCO DAY



Kick Off Party

Saturday, February 1 // 8-10 AM

 CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR THE ARTS, ESCONDIDO

Free food, prizes, giveaways, entertainment, and special guest appearances!

 [LOVEESCO.ORG/DAY](https://loveesco.org/day)



Make a difference!
Sign up for a service project today!



LOVE ESCO DAY PROJECTS Saturday, February 1

All Ages Welcome | Register: serve.loveesco.org

KICKOFF PROJECTS: 8AM AT CENTER FOR THE ARTS

- ♥ Be A Kickoff Party Volunteer
- ♥ Donate Blood With The SD Blood Bank
- ♥ Donate Men's Clothing To Ashley's Hope
- ♥ Donate Hygiene Kit items to Daydream (for Interfaith Community Services)
- ♥ Sign Posters For Escondido FD, Escondido PD
- ♥ Sign Cards for Teachers & Staff at local schools

PROJECTS STARTING AT 10:30AM

- ♥ Downtown Escondido Clean Up (340 N Escondido Blvd)
- ♥ Garden Grape Day Park (321 N Broadway)
- ♥ Escondido Creek Bike Trail Clean Up (501 North Rose Street)
- ♥ Dixon Lake Clean Up (1700 North La Honda Drive)
- ♥ Build Rock Springs Elementary Garden (1155 Deodar Rd)
- ♥ Build Escondido Community Child Development Center Garden (819 W 9th Ave)
- ♥ Help Clean Escondido Santa Fe Train Depot Exterior (321 N Broadway)
- ♥ Encourage Children At Play As One Sports Clinic (1868 E Valley Pkwy) - starts at 1pm

**40+ SERVICE PROJECTS AVAILABLE
THROUGHOUT FEBRUARY-MARCH**

Scan to register or visit serve.loveesco.org
For more info contact: info@loveesco.org



EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

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Pray for Our Church Family

Home With the Lord

Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates

Bob Walker — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, January 10, at 3pm in the Chapel.

Beatriz Jaime — A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, January 11, at 2pm in the Chapel.

Al Colton — A memorial service will be held for him on Saturday, January 18, at 1pm in the Chapel.



In the Hospital or Outpatient Care *(at Present or Pending*)*

Bill Cornthwaite and Jack Wood.

Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Phyllis Burdick, Rosemary Curry, Pat Colton, Suz McDowell, and Lil Mohler.

In Hospice Care

Pam Munson, Jerold Schreiber, and Irene Ward.

Fighting Cancer *(*denotes a child or youth)*

Ginny Bowman, Ruby Chan*, Rob Davidson, Denise Dominguez, Bruce Gephart, Wally Goff, Terry Haynes, Madison Jones*, Will McLennan, Barbara Neely, Terry Ogden, Sylvia Rankin, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Connie Schacher, Ed Schacher, Richard Sloan, Jen Smith, Patrick Stoker, Pamela Thacker, Donna Vuckovich, Mike Walker, and Keith Zander.