The Grand Life

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH'S SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

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Welcome!

Here is a look at what we have coming up. All luncheons will take place in the Atrium of IBC. While luncheons are provided at no cost to you, we do keep a donation basket if you feel led to contribute. To RSVP, please call the number listed above or email Jennis at horn@ibc.church.

Hope to see you soon!

Immanuel Christian Bookstore is open Tuesdays 11 AM - 4 PM, Wednesdays 11 AM - 7 PM, Thursdays 11 AM - 4 PM, and Sundays from 9 AM - 1 PM. You can reach them at 703-354-5219.

January 12th Luncheon - Nellis Group

The Nellis Group will be joining us to talk about all things real estate that are pertinent for senior adults. Bring your questions and come learn some things you may not have known and bring a friend! This is sure to be a very informational and helpful presentation.

Please RSVP by Monday, January 8th. We will meet in the Atrium at 11 AM.

February 16th Luncheon - Getting to Know You

Bring a friend and join us in some activities where we get to know one another! We will be playing some games like People Bingo, the M&M game, and other activities in an attempt to get to know each other better and some more interaction compared to our other luncheons. Please RSVP by Monday, February 12th. We will meet in the Atrium at 11 AM.

March 15th Luncheon - Burke Acoustic Musical Society

Join us for what will be another great musical performance by some of our pastors, staff, and deacons. Performances by BAMS are always a hit, sure to bring a laugh, and a great opportunity to introduce a friend to Grand Life! This is always our biggest luncheon, so please be sure to let me know if you plan to come!

Please RSVP by Monday, March 11th. We will meet in the Atrium at 11 AM.

Immanuel Events to Consider

Our Easter concerts will be taking place March 20th-23rd. Tickets will be available to purchase online and in person at our bookstore. Please be on a lookout for an email to let you know when tickets are available to purchase!

September 15th Luncheon - Introducing Pastor Bill Price by Gary Holmberg

On Friday, September 15th, a good-sized group of Grand Lifers gathered for the first luncheon of the fall season. Today we were privileged to have with us Bill Price, Immanuel's pastor of worship. The Kindergarten A class visited and sang "The B-I-B-L-E", "Be Ye Kind One to Another", and "God Created", an account of creation. Then they passed out beautiful flowers to each of the Grand Lifers.

Bill Price started by sitting at the piano and leading us in singing some hymns. We sang "To God Be the Glory", "This is My Father's World", and "There's Just Something About That Name". He followed this with a great devotional about memorials and remembrances. We often make photo albums to memorialize events in our lives, and people in the Bible made memorials as well. Sometimes ,they were stone monuments, such as the pile of stones that Joshua had the Israelites set up after crossing the Jordan on dry land. Names were another way to memorialize an event such as Joshua's name.

Bill focused on the names of Job's daughters. Early in his suffering, God took away Job's seven sons and three daughters. At the end of the suffering, He replaced all Job's material goods and gave him seven more sons and three more daughters. The names of the daughters have particular significance:

- The name he gave the first was Yemima (Jemimah), which means "the little dove." Job was probably harkening back to the doves that Noah sent from the Ark. It reminded him that God fulfills His promises and gives peace after tragedy.
- The name of the second was Keziah (Cassia), a beautiful flower with a lovely fragrance. Nicodemus used cassia to anoint the body of Jesus for His burial.
- The name of the third was Keren-happuch, literally mascara, a cosmetic. Job saw a thing of beauty when he looked back at his suffering, cf., Rom. 8:28.

After the devotional, we sang one more song, "Face to Face with Christ My Savior". Hannah's Catering prepared us a nice luncheon of sloppy joes, mac and cheese, a green salad, and chocolate chip cookies for dessert.





October 20th Luncheon - Director of Junior High Ministry by Jennis Horn

For our October luncheon, we had the pleasure of hearing from J.J. Engelbrecht and the summer missions trip he led to the Dominican Republic. With 40 teenagers in tow and several adult leaders as well, it was one of the largest missions trips Immanuel has sent out!

The trip started as smoothly as could be expected for a group of that size. The youth were broken up into teams months before leaving for the trip. While the teens were there, they spent time either helping with a service project or leading a VBS program.

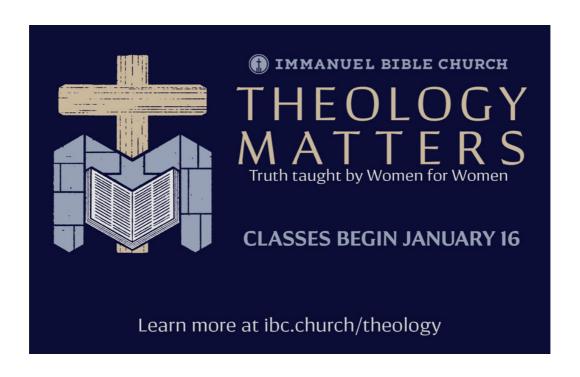
After a successful week of working hard to serve the less fortunate and bring about the Gospel through a local church, the travel home was not so smooth. Due to a strike among the airport employees, no planes were able to depart. Our team of youth and adult leaders had to wait for an additional 3 days before the conflict at the airport was resolved and they were allowed to fly back. However, the best United Airlines could do was route the team to New Jersey instead of Dulles. The team then rode a charter bus to return back to Immanuel Bible Church. To compensate for the inability to leave as departed, the youth and adult leaders were transported to 4 different all inclusive resorts, which despite the delay in returning home, was a happy relief for our team!



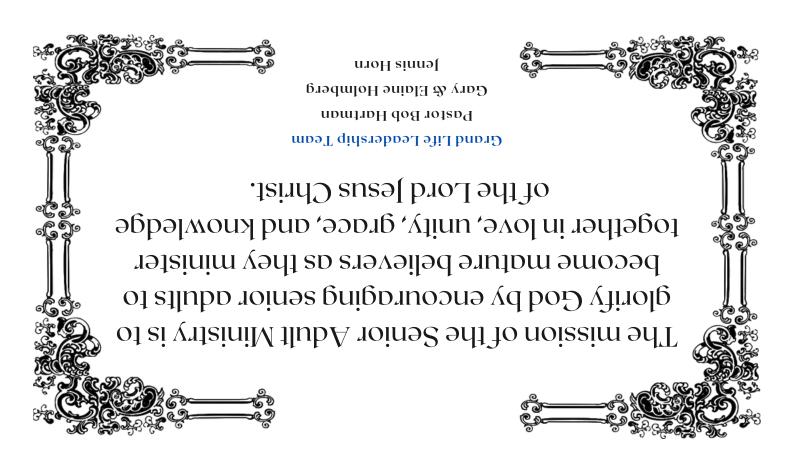
Upcoming Events at Immanuel







Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



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