THIS YEAR

2017-2018

AT EMMANUEL

EXPECT THE IMPOSSIBLE by Peter Spragg

2017 was a terrific year at Emmanuel. We give thanks to God for all those who came to know Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, for the many who rededicated their lives to the Lord, and for all who were baptized, this year. In addition, there are numerous people who have seen God at work in their lives in many different ways.

Further to all that, we started a new work in Picton, where Dan Dayton led an amazing group of people in ministry. It was a tremendous experience for everyone involved. Although Sunday services at the Regent Theatre have since ended, we look forward to God directing us in 2018—anticipating Him to move in a mighty way. I am reminded of what Paul said about staying in Ephesus, because, "...a great door for effective work has opened to us" (1 Cor 16:9). The Picton team has done a survey of 20 or so community groups to find the best way to make a difference reaching people for Jesus.

We were blessed to have a group from Fairview Baptist Church in Lindsay come work with the Picton team to minister to children. We are excited to develop the ministry to children this year, and endeavor to bring the same group from Onside Athletics, that Fairview used, to do a series of sports day camps in the summer.

We have been thrilled to welcome so many from Hallowell House, and further embrace our ministry with the residents, there. If you are interested in getting involved with this ministry, please contact Shawn.

Having mentioned Shawn, we were blessed to have Shawn and Sarah Hippern, and their family, join us at Emmanuel in 2017. Shawn is doing great work in the area of discipleship and administration—two areas much in need of development.

In missions, we sent teams from Emmanuel to Wasauksing First Nation, Liberia and to Haiti, to minister to the people, there. We are also in the process of partnering with AIM in Swaziland to start a new Care Point that will feed and disciple 300+ children. We look forward to continuing to support ministries locally, and around the world.

This year, we anticipate making a difference in our community with the development of the LoveSong Seniors Housing and Community Hub project. Ken How and his team have done some amazing work on this project and we can see God at work in every step.

In addition to all this, I never cease to be amazed at the tireless, sacrificial work of so many people in this church, in so many areas of ministry—far too numerous to mention, here. The apostle Paul tells us, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up" (Gal 6:9). In 2018, I expect to see the bounty of many people coming to know Jesus Christ as a result of the work of the Holy Spirit through your ministries at Emmanuel.

It is God who saves people, and changes people's lives. We are called to faithfulness. In Matthew 19, the disciples asked Jesus, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Mat 19:26). So, as we remain faithful to the call of God on our lives, we can expect God to do what is impossible for us to do, but not impossible for Him. And so, let us expect the impossible!

As pastor of Emmanuel, I cannot tell you how blessed I feel to be a part of you, and the ministry of this church.

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Marriage Ministry.....Bill & Mary Ann Barrett
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Meals Ministry.....Kathleen Kirkham
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College Cards .....Ruth Mace
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Fusion ..... Dan Dayton, Diana Miles & Tania Craig
Surge .....Dan Dayton & Andrea Calvert
Real Life ... Dan Dayton, Scott & Andrea Chatterson, Shawn Hippern.
MOPS.....Sarah Armstrong
Audio / Video..... Geoff Norris & Trevor Crowe
Prayer.....Kim Snider, Jan How & Jean Aston
Kitchen.....Barbara Renwick
Nursery.....Robin Evenhardus
Library..... Gill Spragg, Priscilla Smith
Music.....Dan Dayton, Jan How
Outreach.....EBC Staff
Missions.....Ken How, Ken Conley
Leadership Development.....Bob Scrivens
Welcome Desk ..... Gill Spragg & Norman Markland
Seniors' Ministry.....TBD
Hospitality Ministry.....TBD
Bulletin ..... Norman Markland & Beverlee Busch
Social Media ..... Norman Markland & Courtney Szeto

ACTUAL & PROPOSED BUDGETS

Expenditure	Budget 2017	Actuals 2017	Budget 2018
Discipleship			
Children & Youth Programs	$30,142.00	$28,273.00	$32,752.00
Adult Christian Education	$14,618.00	$13,602.00	$14,830.00
TOTAL	**$44,760.00**	**$41,875.00**	**$47,582.00**
Ministry & Missions			
Local Mission Organizations	$16,620.00	$22,767.00	$21,120.00
Overseas Missions Organizations	$38,340.00	$48,627.00	$34,420.00
Benevolent Fund	$5,000.00	$2,700.00	$4,000.00
Emmanuel Outreach Projects	$5,000.00	$10,654.00	-
LoveSong Seniors Housing	-	$607.00	$5,000.00
TOTAL	**$64,960.00**	**$85,355.00**	**$64,540.00**
Prayer & Worship	$16,015.00	$17,765.00	$26,145.00
TOTAL	**$16,015.00**	**$17,765.00**	**$26,145.00**
Congregational Care			
Programs	$9,000.00	$6,142.00	$2,800.00
Counselling	$17,000.00	$13,199.00	$16,000.00
Family Care Ministries	$6,620.00	$30,359.00	$16,075.00
TOTAL	**$32,620.00**	**$49,700.00**	**$34,875.00**
Facilities			
Insurance	$5,000.00	$5,200.00	$5,150.00
Utilities (phone, internet, hydro, gas, water, alarm)	$28,737.00	$28,609.00	$29,599.00
Cleaning & Office Supplies	$29,040.00	$42,233.00	$29,815.00
Maintenance, Snow, Lawn, Gardens	$18,766.00	$11,938.00	$14,980.00
Kitchen Expense / Food	$6,200.00	$6,762.00	$6,385.00
Building Capital Improvements	$27,060.00	$13,436.00	$44,000.00
Picton	-	$11,800.00	-
TOTAL	**$114,803.00**	**$122,378.00**	**$132,029.00**
Administration			
Staff Salaries	$235,000.00	$249,008.00	$277,000.00
Staff Benefits	$23,360.00	$29,237.00	$34,080.00
Advertising,Promotion,Decorating	$26,500.00	$37,901.00	-
Staff Training & Expenses	$13,030.00	$7,746.00	$9,100.00
TOTAL	**$297,890.00**	**$323,892.00**	**$320,180.00**
Evangelism & Outreach			
Advertising & Promotion	-	-	$28,000.00

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Expenditure	Budget 2017	Actuals 2017	Budget 2018
Community Outreach	-	-	$10,000.00
Special Outreach Projects (Peter Spragg)	-	-	$20,000.00
TOTAL			**$58,000.00**
Special Request - Picton Outreach			**$2,400.00**
Grand Totals	**$571,048.00**	**$638,631.00**	**$685,751.00**
Weekly Request		$12,281.37	$13,187.52
Income			
HST		$13,877.00	
Canada Helps		$62,195.00	
Missions (Designated)		$39,121.00	
Trips		$8,605.00	
Mens & Womens Groups		$5,909.00	
General Fund Picton		$28,010.00	
General Fund Bloomfield		$581,016.00	
Total		**$738,733.00**	
Income averaged over 52 weeks - $ 14,206.40			
Net Income		**$100,102.00**	
Cash on hand after uncashed cheques		$64,783.00	
(Minaker Bursary Balance $15,646)			

EMMANUEL PICTON UPDATE by Daniel Dayton

In the spring of 2017, we took action in response to a burden God laid on our hearts about the town of Picton. It has been a number of years now that we, as a church, have sought to bring the hope of Jesus to the people, there. Following our Easter evangelistic outreach services at the Regent Theatre in Picton, we decided to continue holding Sunday morning services at the theatre. This was a huge undertaking and many people from our congregation gave of their time and energy to make it happen. Our hope was for people who were "unchurched" to feel comfortable walking into a neutral space, such as the theatre. Over the next seven months, we saw challenges arise and the people of God rose up to meet them. Ultimately, and due to a number of issues, we resolved to cease Sunday services at the theatre. This decision was not an easy one. However, we remain unwavering in our plans to bring the message of salvation to Picton. After conducting a thorough needs assessment of the community, our church is considering ways to resume coming alongside our Picton neighbours, instilling in them the message of hope, we have found in Christ.

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. **Phil 4:6**

WORSHIP MINISTRY by Daniel Dayton

The last year has been one of change for worship ministry at Emmanuel. Pastor Shawn Hippern and Lisa Peeling did a wonderful job, leading this ministry through a time of transition. We thank them for stepping into the gap, serving in this way, and look forward to the calendar year, ahead. We desire to see the growth of new leaders and worship team members, while relying on the experience and talent of those team members who have served in this ministry for many years. Emmanuel is blessed with a congregation that varies greatly in experiences and backgrounds. We also have a wonderful range in age groups and walks of life within our church. We want to take a servant-leadership role as we approach worship ministry for 2018, and let our song choices and musical-style, represent the totality of our congregation. Let's praise His Name together as a unified church!

Worship: Where God isn't moved by the quality of our voice but by the condition of our hearts. **- Chris Tomlin**

EMMANUEL KIDS

Looking back at 2017, I am so very grateful the Lord has blessed the Children's Ministry with faithful and dedicated leaders who are passionate followers of Christ. I can see the wonder in the eyes of children who visit Emmanuel for the first time—the gentle surprise and happiness they feel as they are welcomed, here. They know they are special and, even if they can't articulate it yet, they know the Spirit of God is at work at Emmanuel.

In 2017, we welcomed many children who had never been to church before. They came on Sundays and at Easter. They came mid-week, to VBS, and at Christmas. Children loved the soccer camp in Picton this summer, and literally begged their parents to come to church, afterwards.

As I think ahead to 2018, I know we will have many chances to invite kids to church. We'll have lots of events and programs and activities they can attend. But, as we begin to prepare for these things, the words of Romans 10:13-14, echo in my heart:

"For everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved'. But how can they call on him to be saved unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?"

We, who know Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, have the enormous privilege and great responsibility of sharing the gospel. Nowhere else but in the church, will children learn of God's immense love for them and desire for them to know and follow Him. If we do not tell them, how will they know?

My prayer for 2018 is that we remember our purpose and that we will continually look, not only for ways to bring children to church, but also for ways to keep them coming. I hope they attend our events and programs AND, that they will continue to come every week so that they will not only hear about Jesus, but they will believe in Him, too.

There are 54 leaders and 23 helpers in Children's Ministry who volunteer weekly or monthly at Emmanuel, and many others who volunteer at events. We are thankful for the constant support, encouragement, and prayers, for each one in Children's Ministry.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS by Daniel Dayton

FUSION
Faith • Life • United

Fusion is a program where students from grades 6-8 get the chance to blow off some steam with games and activities, make friendships that center around Jesus, and hear messages from the Bible that speak to what they are experiencing in daily life. Our theme has been "a coming together as one," for the last few years. The students who come to **Fusion** are different from one another—each has a unique home situation and upbringing, with distinct likes and dislikes. Our desire is to see those students united in their walk with Jesus. 2017 was a year of great growth for this ministry, and we look forward to what God has in store for 2018.

SURGE Gr.9-12
STUDENT MINISTRIES

High-school has many challenges. Students feel the pressure academically and socially. They also face the task of making decisions that will affect the rest of their lives. On top of this, students experience pressure to conform to patterns of this world. At **Surge**, students can take a break from all these things and focus on what really matters: their relationship with Jesus. We worship together, we study God's word together, and we let loose and have fun together! The annual Summer Camping Trip was a real highlight, this year. Students were challenged to go deeper, a few rededicated their lives to Jesus, and one even got baptized (one of four baptisms, last year). God is good! We are excited about how the group is growing and look forward to seeing these students strengthen their walk with Jesus in 2018.

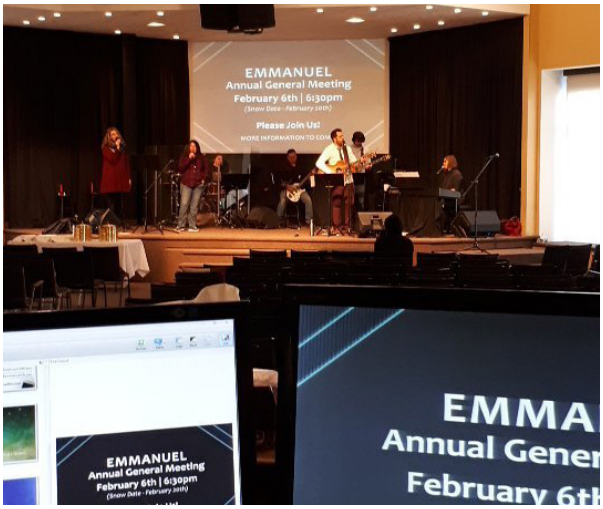
Real Life
Young Adults

Under the leadership of Scott and Andrea Chatterson, **Real Life** has become an active and healthy ministry. It is a challenge to unite an age group with such diversity. Many events were put on this year—from Pot Lucks to Sledding—and everything in-between. A definite highlight was the Scavenger Hunt, which pitted the Young Adults against the Young Marrieds. To go along with all the fun events, the Chattersons have been engaging in meaningful teaching on Thursday evenings. It has been a joy to see new faces come out and join the group. We ask for prayers for 2018 as Scott and Andrea will be heading to Ireland on long-term missions in the summer, and the group will under-go some changes. But we trust that God is good and that He will continue to move in this area.

DISCIPLESHIP, SMALL GROUPS by Shawn Hippern

It has been an incredible blessing to come on staff at Emmanuel, to work alongside some loving, passionate and gifted people, and to help give vision and direction to our Discipleship and Small Group Ministry, here. From April to June, it was great to work together with Rachel and our small group leaders on Wednesday nights, getting to know our current small group ministry. I also enjoyed meeting with our small group and Bible study leaders to begin to discover each of their gifts and perspectives on small groups and discipleship. I attended my first Foundations Course in May, led by Pastor Peter, which is a significant part of our Discipleship Ministry.

In June, we began to think through, pray, and then present a discipleship strategy. Its purpose, goals, key values and plan, is to make lifelong followers of Jesus Christ in all nations, who live obediently, grow in maturity, bear fruit, and are transformed into Christlikeness. Starting with our deacons (Ben Ens, Dawn Kerr), our Elder (Bob Scrivens) over discipleship, and our small group and Bible study leaders, we continue to pray, plan, and work towards this end. In September, we presented a Small Groups and Bible Study Facilitators Handbook. Our purpose, goals, key values and training resources seek to make disciples through this ministry, which kicked off our new season. Through a series of messages in October, we laid out the scriptural importance of the church's call to become and make disciples of all people. This also involves pursuing biblical community with one another and serving one another, in the body of Christ. Our vision is to see every believer at Emmanuel participate in a small group or Bible study, where they grow in spiritual maturity and Christlikeness, experience biblical community, are known and cared for by others in the group, serve and use their spiritual gifts, and are involved in outreach and multiplication. Our challenge for the year ahead, works towards fulfilling this vision of growth in our Small Groups and Bible Study Ministry.



Ultimately, we seek for more and more people to be involved, equipping and developing more leaders, multiplying more groups, and resulting in more overall discipleship. Thank you to all our leaders who give so much time, effort, love and passion into this ministry at Emmanuel, and pour into the lives of others, week to week.

CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE
BAPTISM/MEMBERSHIP

Emmanuel is affiliated with the Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches. At the November national conference our denomination passed a motion that requires that membership in a Fellowship Baptist church requires a person to have been baptized by immersion as a condition of membership. Currently, our constitution does not require this. Therefore, over the next year we will need to discuss this issue.

The elders and board of Emmanuel will meet and prepare a proposal for discussion at the next quarterly meeting, to be held on Wednesday May 16th, 6.30pm.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS
Wednesday May 16th, 6.30pm
Sunday August 19th, 6.30pm
Wednesday November 21st, 6.30pm

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ADMINISTRATION by Shawn Hippern

Another significant part of developing discipleship involves our church administration and integration plan for new believers and new attendees, moving from first time visits to becoming committed members of the congregation. Discipleship and integration overlap significantly. Discipleship involves having a relationship with someone and the process facilitates connecting people to the church through relationships. Churches that incorporate people well are also likely to create disciples. Effective administration incorporates people into the church, and the church makes believers. To this end, over the past year, we have been working on a more efficient integration and membership process, which makes our administration more effectual—especially as we grow as a church. Some areas include a new Web based database system to book events, facility use and ministry group information; a tracking system of significant church life events; a mass emailing system; a tool for making church directories; and much more. With more efficient administration tools, comes more effective ministry and discipleship making. We have also been improving our system for welcoming and integrating newcomers to Emmanuel through our greeters' ministry, connection cards, welcome desk ministry, follow up contacts and visits, newcomers' lunches, foundations courses, and small group ministry. We want to make the most of every opportunity the Lord gives us to reach people. We strive towards enabling every person at Emmanuel to become an integrated part of the body of Christ where they are, experiencing a strong sense of biblical community with us. Some ideas we are working on for the year ahead include implementing a hospitality ministry on Sundays, a grief share group, spiritual gifts training and administration, and increased ministry to young families—there is always more to do. It is wonderful to see God at work in the lives of everyone here at Emmanuel. We will continue to see God do more as we reach out to Prince Edward County and beyond—in the Name of Jesus!

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MISSIONS by Ken Conley

2017 was an active year of local and overseas missions work. We believe God is working and his kingdom is coming through each of the 22 missions supported by Emmanuel. As we look back over 2017, we recall the expanding ministry of the Bradfords as they went beyond protected walls to evangelize to the Fulani bush tribe; the Christmas shoebox collection; barrels of support to Trinidad; the summer day camp at Wasauksing Native reserve; the advancement of the training center building and connections made in Liberia; Stephen Spragg taking on a part time pastorate role to support a local church in Swaziland; the youth worship events; new skateboard park and outreach to Belarus with the Crowes; soccer day camp and computer lab at Haiti; new YFC staff person at PECI (Josh Elliott); and the Watoto children's choir.

Changes for 2018 to know and pray about include: new missionaries to Ireland (Chatterson family) who will be departing July 31, 2018; direction for the Haiti mission with Dave Lawrence having moved away; praise for Belleville Believes ministry going strong but no longer needing Emmanuel funding; a winter visit to Wasauksing; the start-up of an amazing new, large carepoint at Sinyamantulwa, Swaziland; and last but not least, the progress of the LoveSong Seniors Housing project.

Chatterson Family preparing for mission in Ireland

In 2017, Emmanuel supported a number of missions locally and globally, including:

- Sonrise Christian Academy
- Benevolent Fund
- Backpack Ministry
- Missions of Tears (Haiti)
- Watoto Children's Choir
- New Life Girls Home
- Daystar Native Outreach & Wasauksing VBS
- Pierre Bolduc (France)
- Gospel for Asia
- Samaritan's Purse
- Trinidad Relief
- Don & Tania Craig (YFC Liberia)
- Rick & Martha Bradford (SIM Nigeria)
- Bruce & Deb Crowe (Ukraine)
- Stephen & Charity Spragg (AIM Swaziland)

Swaziland Carepoint

Wasauksing First Nation VBS

Sonrise Christian Academy - Musical Performance