

Emmanuel Prayer Needs

Emmanuel Fall Launch (Worship, Grow and Serve) .

Pray for those coming back to church over the next few weeks.

For our Back to Church Sunday & Community BBQ on Sept 15th.

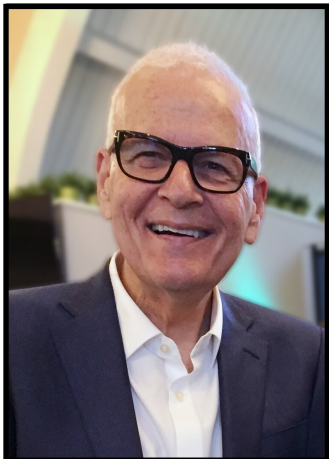
For the Launch of our Small Groups & Ministry Groups

(Celebrate Recovery, Alpha Course, She Works His Way, AWANA, Surge & Fusion) on Sept 22nd!

For those struggling with health & other concerns.

Emmanuel Baptist Church Mission Statement:

“Relying on the enabling presence and power of God, our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, to teach, baptize and disciple unto maturity in Christ.”



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- Bill Hull (*The Complete Book of Discipleship*)



Sunday, September 8, 2024

Worship - Hebrews 10:19-26

Grow - Ephesians 4:11-16

Serve

Worship. Grow. Serve.

(Ephesians 4:11-16)

2 Corinthians 3:18. And we all...are being _____ into his _____ with ever-increasing glory...

Romans 8:29. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be _____ to the image of his Son...

The church is the _____ of Christ.

Apostle: Special _____ of Jesus.

Prophet: One who _____ for God.

Evangelist: Bringer of good _____.

Shepherd: Minister/Pastor or God's people.

Teacher: Instructor in God's word.

Mature—Teleios. Perfect, genuine, complete, adult, finished.

Growth is only possible _____ and in

and _____ Christ.

We _____ each other (1 Corinthians 12:12-27).

God _____ the growth in us (Colossians 2:19).

Notes:

Personal Study & Small Group Questions

1. **Read Ephesians 4:11-16.** What stands out to you in this passage. Do you have any observations? Questions? Concerns?

2. Consider the maturity level of your walk with Jesus. If you had to place yourself on a scale like the one below, where would you be? Infant ____ child ____ adolescent ____ adult ____ fully mature.

3. Why do you think it is that so many Christians stay in the infancy of their faith for so long?

4. **Read 2 Corinthians 3:18, Romans 8:29, Philippians 1:6.** What is the promise of God found in these verses?

5. If God is going to make more like Jesus, and it is His work, what is your/my part in it?

If you have a role to play in your own spiritual growth, do you also have a role to play in the spiritual growth of those around you? What might that role be?

6. **Read (part of) 1 Corinthians 12:12-27.** Have you ever felt like you didn't need others in your walk with Jesus? Have you ever thought it might be easier to walk the Christian life just you and Jesus?

7. Bill Hull said, "In community, others hold us accountable for our heart's intent, they test our words and sentiments, they rescue us from a life of waste and self-indulgence." What do you think about this quote?

8. **Read Colossians 2:19.** What does this verse remind us about the source of our growth as Christians?