

# INSIGHT

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With God all things are possible Matthew 19:26

## Dynamic Worship

## Relevant Small Group Bible Study

## Intentional Outreach

### "20/20 Vision Leads the way!"

God bless you for your faithfulness to your "20/20 Vision" commitment. These are above-the-tithe financial gifts to our new building project.

To help pay for this facility is something in which we can all participate. Even a small amount is a great help. It will take all of us, doing something, to get our total church family involved in the most significant and special project in our church history.

Imagine! All of us together, in one place, for fellowship and special times of worship. This is a great need... and a dream we have had for a good number of years for our growing church family...and in a matter of months, we will experience it!

God is good to us. We praise Him.

### BUILDING UPDATE

As everyone can see, the building is rapidly taking shape. All the slabs have been poured except for the kitchen space and that is to make sure the kitchen equipment is properly placed. All the structural steel and bar joists will be in place on the fellowship hall before weeks end.

The concrete block walls for the second story on the educational building should be in place by the next week's end. This will allow the metal trusses to be installed for the roof on the educational building the following week.

Estimates are that the building shell will be complete in one month and that will allow for the work to begin on the inside. Visual progress will not be as apparent on the inside as it has been for the outside. Huge progress has been made and the dream of our new building is rapidly taking shape. We need to be much in prayer for all this and faithful in our support of our 20/20 vision. Thanks for allowing me to represent you in all this. Dill Glover

### The Pastor's Heart

Are you considering being baptized? You have been wanting to make your commitment to Jesus and be baptized. A special Baptism Class is scheduled for Wednesday, January 25 at 5:15 PM with baptisms to follow on January 29 and subsequent weeks. Please sign up for the Baptism Class at the Welcome Center, by calling the church office, or speaking to any ministerial staff member. Make your commitment to Jesus this month and profess your faith in any worship service.

We begin the new year appropriately....with a renewed emphasis on reaching more people for Jesus. Aren't you eternally indebted to those who reached out to you and lead you to Christ? Now, it is your turn to impact others spiritually.

Soul-Winning Commitment Day	January 8	
Soul-Winning Training	January 18	6:15 PM
Baptism Class	January 25	5:15 PM
Baptism Day	January 29	

Thank you for your expressions of love and support during the Christmas season. You are the finest people in the world. Our ministerial staff members are blessed to serve alongside you at Immanuel.

Please see updates elsewhere in this edition of the Insight regarding our Staff Search and also our music leadership. Bro. Clayton Ahlemeyer was offered a full-time position at FDLE and he has accepted. This will not allow him to lead our traditional worship on Sunday morning and the Sanctuary Choir any longer.

Kyle Luke, Panhandle Administrator of the Florida Baptist Children's Homes will begin with us Sunday, January 8. He will lead our traditional worship on Sunday morning, our worship on Wednesday evening, and direct our Sanctuary Choir. Many of you already know Bro. Kyle. He comes to us with considerable experience in choir directing and worship leadership.

Please pray with me about the decrease in gifts to Immanuel in recent months. Make sure you are doing your best in your giving to the Lord. He is worthy of our greatest gifts. Each of us is accountable to Him. God bless you for your faithfulness.

I would love to share with you the almost daily victories for the Lord in salvations, changed lives, renewed marriages, the great leadership of our ministerial staff members, the fast pace of the construction of our new building and parking areas, our mushrooming youth ministry, the awesome college students who attend Immanuel, the servant ministry of the most wonderful deacons anywhere, our fabulous senior adults....but I can not as I would leave so much (and many) out!

I am glad to be your Pastor.  
Bro. Rich Kincl

## December Praises

### GIFTS THROUGH DECEMBER

Weekly Budget Needs: \$35,692.30  
Average Weekly Gifts: \$30,695.69  
Budget Needs to Date: \$027,999.80  
Budget Receipts to Date: \$755,010.82

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Average Attendance: 613  
20/20 Vision Given to Date: \$309,145.63

### ***WELCOME NEW MEMBERS***

#### **Profession of Faith & Baptism**

Dillon Hazel  
Lewis Milliken  
Madison Milliken  
Nicki Milliken  
Sean Milliken  
Scott Rieker

#### **Letter**

Logan Ogle  
Tracey Rieker  
Amanda Sapp  
Greg Williams  
Susan Williams

#### **Statement**

Connie Thompson  
Stephanie Thompson

## ReJOYce Choir

Starts  
**Thursday, January 19**  
**10 - 10:45 AM**  
**Room 28**

Come sing with us and then stay for the Senior Adult Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall at 11 AM.

## I Never Thought I'd See the Day

Dr. David Jeremiah's new book that we've broken down into a 5-week Bible Study will begin:

**Sunday, January 8, 2012**  
2-4 PM  
In Room 28

## Music News



Kyle Luke will begin with us in January leading our 10:45 Sunday morning worship and directing our Sanctuary Choir.

Many of our congregation already know Bro. Kyle as he is the Panhandle Administrator of the Florida Baptist Children's Homes and has his office at the Tallahassee campus on Buck Lake Road. He and his family reside in Tallahassee and are members of North Florida Baptist Church.

Bro. Kyle has over 14 years of experience as a part-time Minister of Music in several churches in Alabama and Florida. He is a graduate of the Baptist College of Florida with a Church Music degree and has a Master's degree in Public Administration from The Florida State University.

Bro. Kyle has been married to Cara for 12 years and they have three boys: Garet (8), Grayson (4), and Gabriel (2). Welcome, Bro. Kyle Luke to Immanuel Baptist Church!

### **Soul Winning Commitment Day**

**Sunday, January 8, 2012**

During all three morning worship services, our Pastor will challenge us to become committed soul winners. Training to follow through on this commitment will be provided at our...

### **Soul Winning Training!**

**Wednesday, January 18th, 2012**

Wednesday Worship Hour, 6:15 PM in the Sanctuary

This is a great opportunity for you to learn a practical way to share your faith and get past anything that hinders you. Come learn how to be a personal soul winner using God's Word to share with someone.

## College Ministry

Luke Whitmore



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope this Insight article finds you rested after celebrating Christmas and excited about what 2012 has in store for you and your family.

This is going to be an awesome year in the College Department at IBC. We have our Spring Retreat in February, our Super Bowl Boston Butt Fund-raiser on February 4<sup>th</sup> and our Summer Mission Trip in June. It is going to be an AWESOME first part of the year!

Our students are really excited about their growth in Jesus this past year and have really taken ownership of the College group. We are going to see some great things from God this Semester! I'm extremely excited about what is going on at IBC! I cannot wait to see what God has in 2012!!!!

## Missions Moment

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." - Acts 1:8 ESV*

Acts 1:8 commands us to be faithful in sharing the Good News of Jesus everywhere we go. It also reminds us that we are not finished spreading the Gospel of Jesus until we reach the end of the earth... what a responsibility!

Immanuel Baptist Church is doing its part to reach the "end of the earth" for Jesus. This March 17-24, you and I have the opportunity to go "tell." We are going to Escuintla, Guatemala for our annual International Mission Trip.

We will be partnering with Mark and Debby Fricke. We will be working with a church, Horeb Baptist, in Esquintla. They have a new church plant and they would like our help in reaching this area for Jesus. The name of the local pastor is René Cifuentes. You have an opportunity to GO! Jesus commanded US to go! We have some spots left. If you are interested in being the hand of Jesus to a group of people who NEED Him, please call the office at 878-1021 or email Luke Whitmore at luke@immanuelonline.com for more information.

Dave Ramsey's  
**Financial Peace**  
UNIVERSITY

Classes meet for two hours each week for 13 weeks, during which, the average family pays off \$5300 in debt and saves \$2799!

**Classes begin on Sunday, January 8th**  
4:30 - 6:30PM

Each Membership kit is \$99 (one per couple is fine)  
Sign up at the Welcome Center

## Youth Ministry Robbie Jenkins

December was a busy month! We have had wonderful attendance for Bible Study on Sunday mornings and for Epicenter on Wednesdays. Our young people never cease to amaze me! They are incredible. The Tallahassee Christmas Pageant was wonderful. Madison Fitzpatrick, Kiley Thomas, and Ciara Gargan did an awesome job! Way to go girls! We have such talented young people.

We left on the morning of the 29<sup>th</sup> with an excited group going to Winter Xtreme in Gatlinburg, TN. There will be over 3000 young people at this conference worshipping and praising Jesus! The lineup of speakers and musicians is amazing. (Our young people are incredible. I am always proud to say that I am their youth minister). Please be praying for our students to make Jesus famous in 2012!

Thank you for all your wonderful cards and gifts during the Christmas season. We are so blessed and thankful to be a part of Immanuel Baptist Church.

### Emergency on the weekend?

Call 878-1021. It will be answered by our usual after-hours message. As soon as that message begins, press "5". You will immediately be transferred to a voice mail.

Please indicate the nature of the urgent matter and how you may be reached. This will be forwarded to the staff member on call, who will contact you as soon as possible.

**Lottie Moon Given to Date: \$17,755.53**

### J.O.Y. MINISTRY

Lori Fitzpatrick  
Minister of Senior Adults

First, I want to apologize to Jerry Maurey for misinterpreting and misspelling his last name in the December Insight article. A person's name is a very important part of their being.

Our *Old Fashioned Christmas Banquet* on December 15 was very special for the folks, numbering almost 150, who were able to attend. We enjoyed a fabulous meal capped off with hummingbird cake for dessert. Special guest speakers were SarahVi Kincl and Luke Whitmore. Thank you, SarahVi, for sharing your 2011 with us, a year that began with great personal pain and disappointment, and through your walk with the Lord, getting back to the P-E-A-C-E only He provides. We love you, and will continue to keep you in our prayers. Luke talked about Christmas traditions, urging us to re-gift the birth of Jesus in scripture and shared the story of a family's generosity toward a needy hockey team with new uniforms and gear, and continuing that giving spirit after the loss of the Dad. Luke, we love you, too! We enjoyed having you and Heather with us. Lastly, Redeemed blessed us with some great singing.

A BIG thank you to our Senior Adult Committee members, the dessert "makers," Tim Phillips for taking pictures, Max VelDink on sound, and Melda Jordan for crocheting and donating the gorgeous doilies for the centerpieces, ultimately being the door prizes.

Our Senior Adult fellowship is every third Thursday, most being in the Fellowship Hall (we'll have a new one soon) beginning at 11:00 AM. Senior Adult Outreach is on Tuesdays, 10:00 AM, in Room 28. Please join us, whether you're a "regular" or will be participating for the first time. It's a JOYful time for all.

Linda Buchanan



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### January Missions Project: "Lovin' On Babies"

January is "Sanctity of Life" month and we want to show our love and support for A Women's Pregnancy Center (AWPC). This is a local ministry whose employees and volunteers are on the front lines of saving babies and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ to women and men who find themselves in crisis pregnancy situations.

Last year 161 new Moms received a layette after their baby was born. The gift items range from Q-tips to baby baths and everything in between. Their "Moms & Babies Room" is stocked entirely through donations. They LOVE receiving home-made afghans, blankets, booties, etc. They also welcome gently used maternity clothes, baby clothes, furniture and items appropriate for babies up to six months.

Please stop by the Women's Ministry table (across from the nursery) and pick up a list of items they need. We will be collecting items through the entire month of January and drop-off boxes are located at the Women's Ministry table.

We thank you in advance for any item(s) you are able to donate. Together we, the women of Immanuel, can be a special blessing to this local ministry as we help them continue "Lovin' On Babies."

**Questions:** contact Faith Gridley @ 878-2759 (home) or faithgridley@comcast.net

**DON'T FORGET!!!** The time to sign up for the women's retreat "Butterfly Blessings" on February 17-18, 2012 is **NOW!!!** Info can be found in the foyer, on flyers located through-out the church and on the Women's Ministry table across from the nursery. If you have any questions, please contact Joann Spaulding at 212-4217 or Jenny McHargue at 322-7433.

## OUTREACH MINISTRY

Have you heard the popular song "If We are the Body" by Casting Crowns? The lyrics are strong but so true, the chorus follows, "But if we are the body, Why aren't His arms reaching? Why aren't His hands healing? Why aren't His words teaching? And if we are the body, Why aren't His feet going? Why is His love not showing them there is a way? There is a way". Do you realize just how blessed we are at Immanuel Baptist Church? We need to share those blessings with visitors, share with them Jesus' love and encourage them through our Monday night Outreach program. It is so exciting to hear the stories from those who go out, it is amazing how God will use us if we just make ourselves available.



Have you thought about making new year resolutions? Why not make a resolution to get involved in all that Immanuel has to offer for the children. It's a great time to find out how you can serve.

**Sunday School:** We have age-graded Sunday School Classes for your child at 9:15 AM and 10:45 AM. Join us as we learn from God's Word.

**Extended Teaching Care (ETC):** Please consider becoming involved in our Extended Teaching Care (ETC) program on Sunday mornings during the 10:45 hour. We need you to sign up today! You can fill out an ETC Volunteer Card located in the Sanctuary Foyer and place it in the offering plate. You choose where and how often you serve. If you have any questions, please see Sue Gee or Helen Kittrell.

**Wednesday Family Nights:** We offer Mission Friends (Birth-Kindergarten), RAs (1st-6th Grade Boys), and GAs (1st -6th Grade Girls) beginning at 6:00 PM. At 6:40 PM the children move into our children's choirs. Our Children's Choirs are also age graded. We encourage you to bring your children and become a part of these programs.

### Upcoming Events:

**Calling all completing 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders!!** Centri-Kid registration time is here! Centri-Kid is our summer camp for boys and girls **completing 3rd-6th grades. Parents and Children are encouraged to come** hear all about Centri-Kid at our **Centri-Kid Promo Party on Wednesday, January 25, 5:30 – 6:00 pm in Room 28.** At the party, we will have pizza, watch a promo video, and get important camp information. A **\$100 non-refundable deposit** will be due at the conclusion of the Promo Party if your child would like to attend.

## Staff Search Update

Our Search Team for Minister of Education and Administration continues to work diligently. They are spiritual, conscientious, and purposeful.

We are indebted to these: Brian Gee, Chairperson, Jean Cogburn, Christy Griffin, Ivey Sewell, Susanna Ramsey, and Michael McHargue.

There is certainly something much worse than a protracted length of time in bringing this person to Immanuel: bringing the wrong person!

The entire process is so different from hiring someone in your office. If you have served on a search team before, you know it is not done the way the world does it. God has already used this Search Team to bring us Bro. Robbie Jenkins!!! Please be diligent in praying for these and we look forward to our excitement when God's man for Immanuel arrives!

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## Our church family joins Dr. and Mrs. Kincl in extending sympathy to...



....Sallie Epting & Family in the loss of her mother, Ola Epting.  
...Fletcher Durrance & Family in the loss of his wife, Opal Durrance  
...Gail Tedder & Family in the loss of her cousins, Lee Spees Sr. & Lee Spees Jr.  
...the Family of Emily Fountain  
...Bobbie Rogers & Family in the loss of her sister, Joe Chaires  
...Stefan Oliveira & Family in the loss of his grandmother, Grace Olsen



**Start  
Smart**  
The Roots of a Great  
Marriage Start Here

All engaged couples welcome  
Sunday, January 22 2:00 - 6:00PM  
Call the church office to sign up  
878-1021

## THANKS

Thank you notes were received from the following individuals this month and are displayed on the bulletin board:

- ◆ Dennis & Melissa McClure
- ◆ Sallie Ann Epting
- ◆ Helen Thornton
- ◆ The Durrance Family
- ◆ Sam & Shirley Napier
- ◆ Renee, Mark & Shelby Prasek
- ◆ Jon C. Prothero
- ◆ The Kirklands

## Congratulations to...

... Floyd & Sandy Faglie & Family on the birth of their daughter, Bevin Emily Faglie



2011 saw more great participation in the Operation Christmas Child ministry at IBC: individuals, families, and groups prepared 219 shoe boxes this year! Each child's shoe box will include the Good News that Jesus is our Savior with the Message written in that child's native language. Thank you for supporting Operation Christmas Child, an international missions event!

## Immanuel Baptist Church Staff

Rich Kincl, D.Min., Ph.D.  
*Pastor*

Robbie Jenkins  
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