

October Newsletter



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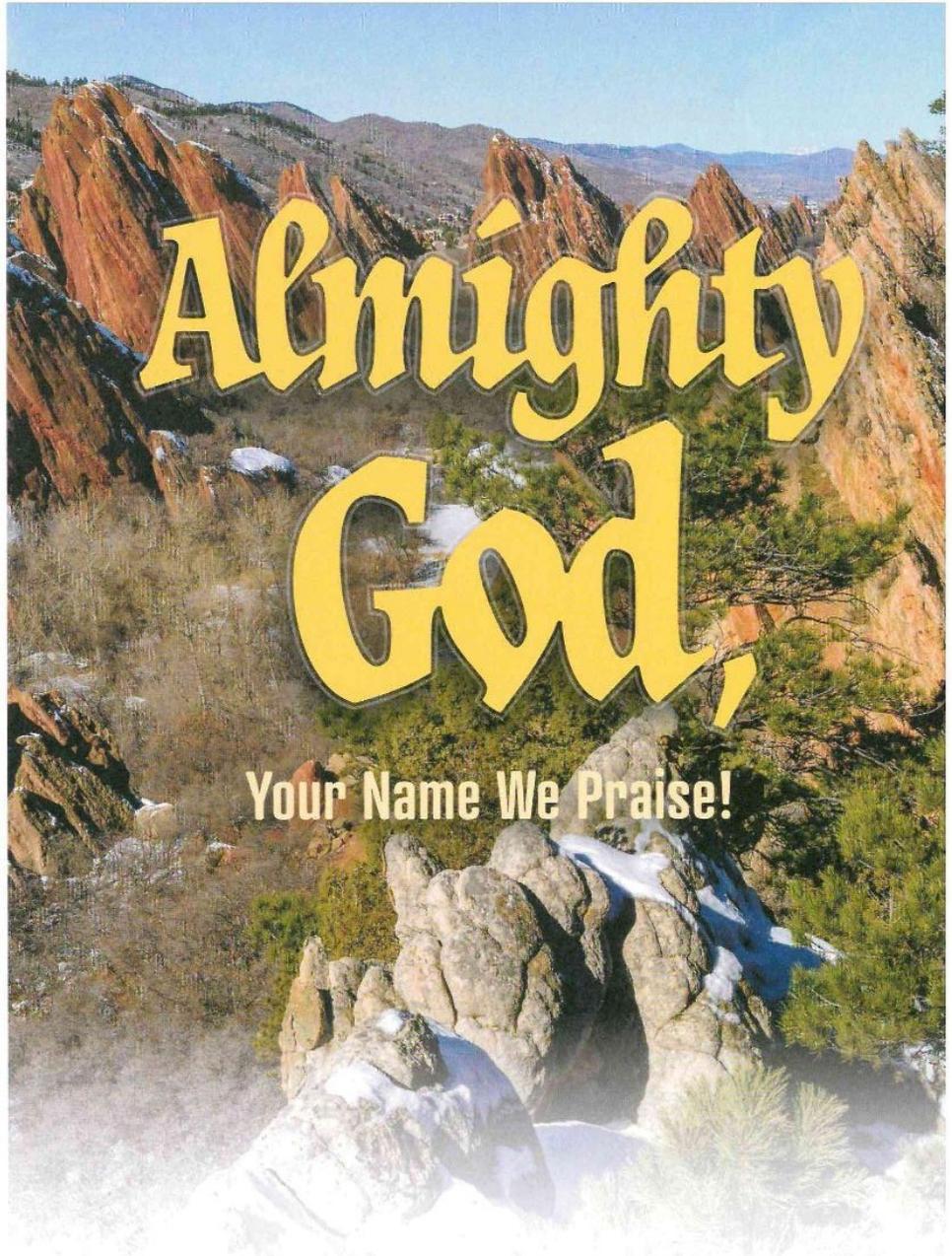
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Watch video recordings of messages on YouTube at "EBCSF"

THURSDAY: Nehemiah Prayer Group 9:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Love the Lord your God
with all your heart & with all your
soul & with all your strength
& with all your mind; & Love
your neighbor as yourself. LUKE 10:27

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WELCOME TO
EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	2	3
4 9:30 am Worship w/Communion	5	6	7	8 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	9	10
11 9:30 am Worship	12 6:30 pm Advisory Board -Columbus Day -Native American Day -Canadian Thanksgiving Day	13	14	15 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	16	17 NO C.O.G.S.
18 9:30 am Worship	19	20 7:00 pm Chapel @ Union Gospel	21	22 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	23 NO S.A.G.E.	24
25 9:30 am Worship	26 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	27	28	29 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	30	



OCTOBER REPORT

	ATTENDANCE	VIEWS	OFFERING*
8/30	30	41	\$1,785.00
9/6	42	19	\$4,505.00
9/13	41	11	\$ 989.00
9/20	33	8	\$3,597.00
9/27	NR	NR	NR

2020 Year to Date received: *\$89,002.16

2020 Budgeted Amount: *92,612.46

Amount Needed Per Sunday: \$2,437.00*

*These figures are for General Fund and Missions Only

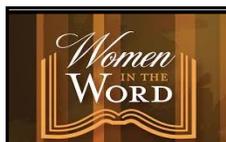
USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Dave Daggett & Skip Sherman



**Do you enjoy hearing organ music?
Come to church 10 minutes early on
Sundays and listen to Helen Peters
play before the Worship Service
begins at 9:30.**

ARE YOU INTERESTED??? Millie Kilborn has a Lowrey Organ **FOR SALE - MAKE AN OFFER.** She is willing to pay for having it moved from her place to yours. Please call Millie with any questions. (605)338-4652.



**Ladies the book of the month
for **OCTOBER** is **LEVITICUS.****

OCTOBER OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Phyllis VanWyk
- 2 Matthew Vis
- 6 Sandy Sherman
Connor James Nelson
- 7 Karen Waldner
Darin Carlson
Joanne Lindstrom
- 10 Riley Walker
- 14 Ezekiel James Kruse
- 16 Bill Nelson
- 18 Pat Kruse
Nancy Ellenbecker
- 19 Riley Brewer
Becky Thorstenson
- 31 Kari Graham (Hoover)

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Jay & Kristi Hoover
- 17 Jerry & Carol Bender



PRAYER CONCERNS

OUR HOME-BOUND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Cynthia Lundberg Dorothy Heck
Bob Kilborn Joy Ingalls

OUR LEADERS

Pastor Brett Best Board Members & Officers
Pastors Taku & Katie Longkumer and all Missionaries
Civil Government Military
Firefighters & EMTs Police

OUR REGION

Pastor Dwayne Williams
Executive Minister Randy Rasmussen
Associated American Baptist Churches

We are at our finest when
we take care of each other.

Katherine Center

Emmanuel Baptist Church

Order of Worship

September 27, 2020

Please mute your electronic devices.



**WORLD MISSION
OFFERING
SUNDAY**

**2020
IS OUR YEAR
OF VISION**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(To be repeated later on Call-Em-All if necessary)

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

*"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" #340

*"Doxology" #815

*Dedication Prayer

Interlude (Videotaping will start here.)

Congregational Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Special Ministry: Sharon Hoover

Spotlight on Service: World Mission Offering

Scripture Reading: Mathew 24:9-14

Message: "The World Must Know"

Hymn: "Just As I Am" #488

Benediction

*Please stand if you are able.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PASTOR	Rev. Brett Best
PIANIST	Dawn Thie
ORGANIST	Helen Peters
USHERS	Al Parliament & Jake Hawkins
VIDEO TECHNICIAN	James Best

Dear Friends of Emmanuel,

As you may know our church building reached the age of 50 years not too long ago. You may not know that the original furnace is still used to heat the sanctuary. While there is nothing to indicate at this time (other than its age) that the furnace will fail soon, we realize that fifty years is a long time for most any piece of equipment to function without some failure. Considering that, the Advisory Board voted some time ago to start an HVAC replacement fund. As of August 31, 2020, there is \$1,050 in that fund.

We have received one estimate to replace the heating and cooling system for the sanctuary and expect to get at least one more estimate. The first estimate was just under \$25,000. We don't have a set date to begin, but the board feels it is prudent to get serious about raising money now so it won't be such a large financial burden when the time comes. Please prayerfully consider a financial gift to prepare us for the time when it is needed.

There are many ways you can contribute: Simply designate a certain amount on your offering envelope, mail your gift to the church office, or give your gift to anyone on the Advisory Board. We have been blessed with a congregation that is generous when occasions demand attention. Thank you for your willingness to help.

Sincerely, Skip Sherman, trustee.

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offering

For the 2020 World Mission Offering, we are highlighting the Ministry Priorities of Discipleship, Theological Education, Peace and Justice, Education, Health and Well-ness, and Economic Development. While these represent only a fraction of IM's ministries, they provide a window into what God is doing worldwide through our 125 global servants, 900+ volunteers, home staff, and 250+ international partners.

We will be taking our annual World Mission Offering TODAY September 27. Please find an envelope for your offering inside this newsletter. If you receive your newsletter by email, you may pick up an envelope in the foyer.

C.O.G.S.

C.O.G.S. meeting are postponed until further notice.
-Al Parliament & Marlene Kriech-

S.A.G.E.

Due to the pandemic and so much being unknown we have decided that the S.A.G.E. group will not be meeting until we feel it is safe to get together as a group once again. -Betty Coffey-



Meet the Next Generation of IM Global Servants

Save the Date: Saturday October 17 & 24

Who are these future global servants?

Where will they be going?

What will they be doing?

During each 30-minute Live-stream you will hear from the 13 people preparing to go on the mission field. You can interact with them and ask questions using the YouTube chat feature.

Don't Forget to Sign Up!

Registration begins Sept. 21. on the IM Event's Page

International Ministries, also known as the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, works cross-culturally to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to proclaim, through both word and deed, God's reign of justice, peace and abundant life for all creation.

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus Hymn #340

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

PUBLIC DOMAIN

Just as I Am Hymn #488

1. Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!
2. Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot;
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
3. Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt;
Fightings within, and fears without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
4. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

PUBLIC DOMAIN

Message Notes

"The World Must Know"

World-wide missions are a prophecy, a command, and a promise kept.

1. Jesus predicted a world-wide witness as a sign of the "end times."
 - A. Matthew 24:14 = _____
 - B. Mark 13:10 = _____
 - C. Luke 24:45-47 = _____
2. Jesus commanded that the whole world must hear the Gospel.
 - A. Matthew 28:19 = _____
 - B. Mark 16:15 = _____
3. God promised to complete this work.
 - A. Acts 1:6-8 = _____
 - B. Revelation 14:6-7 = _____



Image by James Best, (C) 2020,

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/90621713/Sermon-Illustrations-2020>

→→WORLD MISSION OFFERING so far: \$160.←←

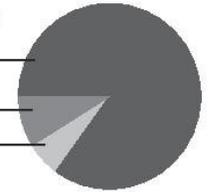
WHY GIVE TO THE WMO?

Answers to your most frequently asked questions about the World Mission Offering

HOW ARE MY GIFTS FOR THE WMO USED?

WMO gifts, like all gifts to the IM General Fund, are used 85% for mission program (global servant, partner and other ministry support), 10% for administrative support and 5% for development costs.

	MILLION	PERCENTAGE
A. Ministry of Global Servants and Partners	10.4	65%
B. Ministry Support and Education	3.2	20%
C. Administrative Support and Fees	1.6	10%
D. Development and Fundraising	0.9	5%
TOTAL	~16.1m	100%



WHAT ABOUT MY GIFTS TO GLOBAL SERVANTS?

All global servant personalized support is targeted for global servants (item A in the chart above). Each year, IM global servants seek to raise approximately \$10.4 million of the \$13.6 million needed for their ministry programs.

WHY DOES IM INVITE GIVING FOR GLOBAL SERVANTS, FOR THE IM GENERAL FUND, AND FOR THE WORLD MISSION OFFERING?

As the body of Christ, we are in partnership with those in the field, those in the home office, those in the local churches and individual donors. When each area contributes, no one group carries the full burden of expense. IM does not ask global servants to raise all of the funding that they need, but comes alongside them in financial support as well as in ministry.

WHAT ELSE DO MY WMO GIFTS DO?

Giving to the WMO is the best way to make sure that you give to everybody and everything at IM. Whenever personalized funding falls short, WMO gifts fill the gap, keeping global servants in the field and covering ministry expenses such as education, visas, and passports. WMO gifts also fill the gaps in funding other IM expenses (items B, C, and D in the chart above), supporting global servants with training and pastoral care, enabling IM to address crises as they arise, and much more.

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SEEING GOD WORK THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS

Before we relocated to Mexico, several friends, colleagues, and mentors suggested that, rather than rushing into “ministry work,” we should not underestimate the power of building relationships, especially in our first term of service.

In many conversations over meals, cooking tortillas, doing dishes, playing with the children, celebrating baptisms, a wedding, birthdays, the birth of a child, and mourning with them during the death of a baby, we’ve sought to do this. We learned basic Tsotsil and Tseltal phrases to show our appreciation and respect, and made the effort to travel and visit our ministry partners as a family even while we were helping our children adjust to life in Mexico.

When we first responded to God’s call to serve with our partners in Chiapas, little did we imagine the impact of investing in relationships. When Juan was diagnosed with a rare condition in May 2019, our Tsotsil and Tseltal sisters and brothers held us up in prayer and encouraged our family. It humbled us as, in the midst of their financial scarcity, they raised love offerings for his medical expenses. We’ve experienced the fruit of nurturing relationships; we trust the Lord will use these relationships to transform lives for his glory.

Denise & Juan Aragón | *IM Global Servants for Theological Education, Peace & Justice, Education*

Denise and Juan serve in partnership with the Council of Rural Indigenous Evangelicals of Mexico (CICEM) in Chiapas. They work in training, prevention, and education as they learn local needs and look for ways to empower community leaders emotionally and economically. Juan focuses on theological education and leadership training as he accompanies and disciples new church leaders. Denise seeks to empower women, especially victims of domestic abuse.

JOIN US IN PRAYING

- For God’s protection on the roads we travel.
- For people willing to serve in women’s and children’s ministry in our partner churches.
- For our family’s transition to US/PR assignment in 2021-22.

JOIN US BY GIVING to the World Mission Offering through your church or online at www.worldmissionoffering.org. Thank you!



Stewardship Report

Average Weekly Donations* through 9/20/20:	\$ 2,342.16
Average Weekly Donations Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 2,437.00**
+/- Difference:	- 94.84

(Last year at this time our weekly average difference was -101.18.)

* This figure includes only offerings for General Fund; it does not include offerings for Special Missions, Memorial Fund, Transfers, or Non-Budgeted expenses.

For Your Information

FYI: two reminders.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING: Our September QBM will be held this Sunday at 10:30 am. This meeting is for informational purposes only. One item of new business is the set of temporary accommodations to the coronavirus pandemic. Members will be contacted directly for their vote on the proposal. Please take time to read the proposal and pray about it.

If you cannot personally attend the meeting but have questions or comments you would like to be addressed at the meeting, contact the office.

WEEKLY BULLETIN MAILINGS TO CEASE: Starting with the Sunday, October 4th bulletin, we will return to the practice of having bulletins on hand for worshipers on Sunday mornings. We will discontinue the practice of mailing a weekly bulletin to all members. If you are continuing to self-quarantine or prefer to get your bulletin in the mail, you may contact the office to continue to receive the weekly bulletin. We will, of course, continue to send a monthly newsletter to everyone on our newsletter mailing list.

2020 has Been Tough on the *Status Quo*

In status quo is a Latin phrase that literally means “in the state in which.” Usually, a word is added at the end to identify the object: in status quo ante, for example, means “in the state it was before.”

In English, we’re borrowed the phrase and use it to mean “the way things are.” It is typically used to sum up the present political and social circumstances.

Here in October, 2020, the status quo has changed dramatically from January of this year. The current state of our country has changed so much and so quickly, it can be disorienting. I don’t need to go over the list in this article; we’re pummeled with this news 24-7. Does it seem to you the change is coming closer and closer to home? That’s the feeling I have and it’s not a change I appreciate.

Instead of rehashing the problems, I want to approach some solutions. The pre-coronavirus status quo is gone, whether permanently or temporarily, who can say? As we adjust, what can we do to cope and conquer?

FIRST, we can improve our attitude about change. Some of us choose to be passionate defenders of the status quo. We may go beyond complaining about the change and deny it has happened. We all need a realistic attitude that affirms this truth: NOT ALL CHANGE IS BAD.

For example, in Jesus Christ we are a NEW CREATION. 1 Corinthians 5:17 tells us:

THEREFORE, IF ANYONE IS IN CHRIST, HE IS A NEW CREATION; THE OLD HAS GONE, THE NEW HAS COME!

Every believer is - individually - a NEW CREATION just as in Revelation we’re promised a New Heavens and a New Earth. In both instances, a complete change is being described. The NEW CREATION is a very good thing, the best change possible!

SECOND, God is constantly changing things. He knows the future and is at work in all the details of all life to change the future and bring it into alignment with His will. Nothing that happens to us will happen outside His plan. Isaiah affirmed this truth in Isaiah 43:18-19:

FORGET THE FORMER THINGS; DO NOT DWELL ON THE PAST. SEE, I AM DOING A NEW THING! NOW IT SPRINGS UP; DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT? I AM MAKING A WAY IN THE DESERT AND STREAMS IN THE WASTELAND.

Whether we like it or not, we should appreciate God’s hand in all our circumstances, trusting that He is directing us to deeper spiritual maturity and our ultimate good. We will be just fine.

THIRD, make sure everything results in praise to God. As 1 Thessalonians 5:18 commands:

GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES, FOR THIS IS GOD’S WILL FOR YOU IN CHRIST JESUS.

Who knows? You might even grow to like change.

- pastor brett best

RESOURCE: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Status_quo

PROPOSED Agenda *for the* September 27, 2020, Quarterly Business Meeting

1. Check for a quorum. According to our constitution (Article XI, page 16), fifteen voting members must be present to conduct business. If a majority is not present, a new meeting date and time may be set and the meeting adjourned.
2. Hear from any guests present; then they may be excused. _____
3. Devotions and prayer.
4. Review proposed agenda; amend as necessary and approve.
5. CLERK'S REPORT: Minutes of the last business meeting.
6. FINANCIAL REPORTS may be approved individually or as a group:
 - a. Financial Secretary's Report.
 - b. Treasurer's Report.
 - c. Deacons Fund.
 - d. Memorial Fund.
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NOTE: due to the coronavirus pandemic, no votes will be taken; any Unfinished Business will be for report or discussion only.)
 - a. REPORT: The van project and constitution revision are tabled indefinitely.
 - b. REPORT: A fund to replace our HVAC system has been created; donations are encouraged. Specific information to follow.
8. NEW BUSINESS: (NOTE: due to the coronavirus pandemic, no votes will be taken; any New Business will be for report or discussion only.)
 - a. Items from guests: _____
 - b. DISCUSSION: A decision about the proposal for administrative accommodations to the coronavirus for 2021.
 - c. _____
9. DEACONS' REPORTS may be approved as a group:
 - a. Visitation (position vacated by Frank Feltis).
 - b. Worship, Music, Ordinance, Pulpit Supply.
 - c. Christian Education.
 - d. Fellowship.

e. Evangelism and Missions.

10. TRUSTEES' REPORTS may be approved as a group:

- a. Indoor Property.
- b. Finance & Personnel.
- c. Outdoor Property.

11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (if any) may be approved as a group:

- a. Nominating Committee.
- b. Audit Committee.
- c. Search Committee.

12. MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS (if any) may be approved as a group:

- a. Decoration.
- b. Outreach and Evangelism.
- c. Worship Technology.
- d. Constitution Review.

13. PASTOR'S REPORT.

14. ADJOURNMENT and the LORD'S PRAYER.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, December 11, 2020, at 10:30 am.