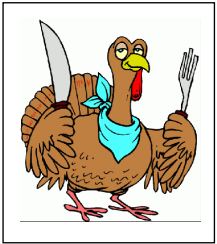


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Bulldog
Believers
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Dinner 4 Dawgs



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Pastor Connection

Dear Friends,

November is the month where we traditionally take a moment to give thanks to God for the bounty He has bestowed on us. I began to wonder what giving thanks to God actually meant. So, I did a Bible word search of the word “thanks”, and I discovered that it is seen 81 times in the Bible. In the majority of the occurrences, the person who is the recipient of our thanks is the Lord. But what if we don’t feel we have that much to be thankful for. The Apostle Paul writes in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18: “Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” (NIV). There is your answer. We are to give our thanks to the Lord in all circumstances, yes in all circumstances, because this is God’s will for us in Christ Jesus. Once again, notice that the passage says “in all circumstances.” Do you remember the last time you gave thanks to God for something? More than likely it was for something good that had happened to you, or because He had answered a prayer of yours. When we give thanks to the Lord, too often we do it because of a blessing we receive in our life.

As Christians, God is calling us to move beyond this kind of superficial thankfulness and move to the level of a mature Christian in the area of thankfulness. At the end of September, my sister Judy required major surgery. At first, out of concern for my sister, I focused totally on her and her family instead of thanking God for his provision of competent doctors, a clean hospital, and the ability to pay for it all. I found myself centered on the “what ifs.” What if something goes wrong, what if my sister didn’t pull through, what if the diagnosis was wrong, what if things were worse than we thought, what if, what if, what if.....Now, I didn’t have a problem thanking God when everything turned out as we had hoped. However, I should have been thanking God all along for His provision of such fine medical care, realizing that a vast number of people in the world don’t even have access to a doctor.

Friends, God is calling us to thank Him even when our situation is bleak or we don’t see a bright side of a predicament. Give thanks to God for the food on your table, even though it may not be steak and lobster. Give thanks to God for the clothes on your back, even though they may be out of style or worn out. Give thanks to God for your health, even though we may wish we were healthier. Give God thanks for your home, even though it may be in a state of disrepair. As a church, we should give thanks that God continues to present ministry opportunities which stretch our faith. Let us give God the thanks and the glory for what He is doing in our midst, even when the circumstances may be challenging. There is no doubt that God’s grace and mercy are at work here in His church and in our lives. So, let’s continue to pray together and be joyful always together, and give thanks to God, together.

Pastor Bruce

Connecting Families to Christ

Immanuel Connection



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Sunday Schedule

8:30 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. Connection Time
10:45 A.M. Contemporary Service

Sunday —Connection Zone—

Children & Youth Classes

Birth–35 Months..... Kidz Konnect Nursery
3 Years—Kindergarten..... Kidz Konnect Pre-School
1st – 6th Grade..... Kidz Konnect Room
7th—12th Grade..... Youth Connect Room

Adult Classes

Young Adult Class Adult Connect Room
Pathfinders Class Adult Connect Room
Friendship Class..... Fellowship Hall
Win-A-Person Class Fellowship Hall

November Giving

2018 Monthly Budget Amount	\$22,935.00
Amount Received	\$24,486.00
10% deducted for Missions	\$2,448.60
Total.....	\$22,037.40

Designated Giving: \$ 25.00
(Kidz Konnect, Heifer Project, Missions, Flowers, Memorials, Special Events, etc.)



Dear Immanuel Friends,
I wanted to express my appreciation for the many cards, gifts, and especially your prayers I received last month in honor of pastor's appreciation month. I hope you know that I thank God for our ministry together and I hold you up in my prayers daily.

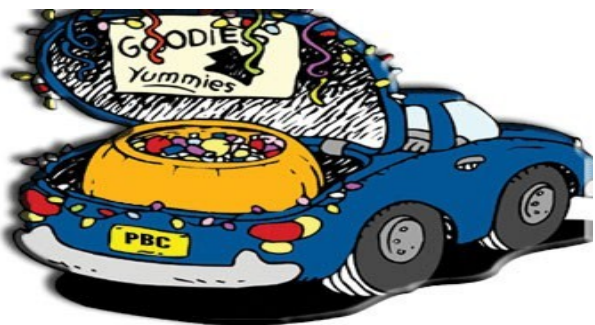
Pastor Bruce

Kids Konnect



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Gatlin Wita	7th
Aiden Line	19th
Calen Stewart	19th
Griffin Mericle	22nd



Thanks to all who came to participate in Trunk or Treat this year. Thanks to all who came with their cars to pass out candy, those who helped pass out our 600 hotdogs and those that donated items. Thanks to everyone who helped make our luminaries and prayed for those in our Elida Community. It was a great night being a part of our community.

Way to let your light shine, Elida Immanuel!

Bulldog Believers will meet Wednesday, November 28th 3:00—4:30 P.M.



Family Faith Idea



Since this is the season to be thankful, try this Family Faith Idea with your family.

Have your children cut out large paper raindrops. On each raindrop have your children write something they are thankful for. Hang them in a window in your house so on rainy days you can be reminded of how God has showered your family with blessings.

Read Ezekiel 34:26 together.



Believe it or not Christmas will be just around the corner. Mark your calendars now for Sunday, December 2nd to go Christmas Caroling. We hope all the children will join us.

This is a great way for the children to spread the love of Jesus this Christmas season and to help them to remember what Christmas is truly about. It is also such a blessing to see how the kids singing touches the hearts of those they sing to. Watch your bulletin the next few weeks for more details.



Compassion Connection

We send Our Love and Prayers to:

Deb Shaw at the passing of her sister.
Jeff Gast at the passing of his step-dad
The families of Imogene Glass at her passing.

Cards of Encouragement

Mrs. Mary Lyman
5077 Marciel St., Elida, OH 45807

Mr. Tom Miller
8960 Zion Church Rd., Elida, OH 45807

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Barnhouse
3838 N. Kemp Rd., Elida, OH 45807

Directory Update:

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3615 N. Grubb Rd. Delphos, OH 45833

Ray Sroufe
5541 Bay Blvd. #108 New Port Richey, FL 34668

Mrs. Cleo Kruse
265 Elida Rd. #1 Delphos, OH 45833



Thinking of You!

You are encouraged to write a letter of caring or
send a card to those on this list.

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Hospitalizations

When you are in the hospital or having surgery, please have someone (yourself, a friend or family member) call the church office @ 419-331-2366. If no one is available, leave a message. Messages are checked regularly Monday-Thursday during business hours. Over the weekend, in case of an emergency (life threatening illness or death) please call the parsonage @ 567-712-6765. (NOTE: this is a land line—will not accept text messages)


When you check in at the hospital and they ask you for “your religion”, please inform them you go to Elida Immanuel Church. (And even then, we sometimes do not get contacted by the hospital) *If you simply say that you are protestant or United Methodist, they do not contact the church. It is our job as a church to support you in times of sickness, and your communication is an important part of the equation. Thank you for your help.*

Active Connection

Dear Elida Immanuel,
Thank you so much for the beautiful throw and for the wonderful meal that was prepared for the families of Imogene Glass. Thank you for all your love and support during this time of loss.

The family of Imojean “Jean” Glass


DINNER 4 DAWGS

 During October, Dinner 4 Dawgs served girls tennis, cross country, the Elida Marching Band, and boys and girls soccer. During these meals, Elida Immanuel touch 126 hearts in the name of Jesus. It is humbling to see God’s Hand at work during these times of fellowship with the teams!

We will soon gear up to honor Elida students involved in winter activities. Watch your bulletin and connection card for a way you, too, can become involved.

God’s blessings are abundant, and He continues to bless this ministry. Thank you for your continued prayers and as always, please include all the students, faculty and staff in your talks with God.

Becky Bollinger,
Coordinator

 Elida Immanuel has reignited our Sunday evening Youth Fellowship. Brandy Hollstein has answered the Lord’s call to be the leader. All youth in grades 7 to 12, are invited to participate Sunday evenings 6:00—7:30 P.M. Please keep this ministry in your prayers as Brandy and the youth begin this new journey together.

Elida Immanuel Church Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, November 11th @ 5:30 P.M.



Turkey, Mashed Potatoes/gravy, rolls and drink will be provided. You are asked to bring a covered dish and a dessert/salad to share

****Don’t forget table service for your family***

Gloria Miller
Elida IUM Women’s President

OUR DAILY BREAD “Sock Drive” November 18 – December 23 OUR GOAL is 1,300+

Old man winter is just around the corner and Our Daily Bread “Sock Drive” is under way! We are looking to deliver 1300+ pairs of socks; **men, women and children** to Our Daily Bread! Won’t you be a part of this great ministry and help us reach this goal.

2017 “Sock Total” = 1,463 pairs
2016 “Sock Total” = 1,238 pairs
2015 “Sock Total” = 1,242 pairs
2014 “Sock Total” = 863 pairs
2013 “Sock Total” = 318 pairs



Communion Sunday



November
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HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL

2018 Giving: January – October \$501.00
Monthly Mission donation for November: PAPER PRODUCTS

Thank you for being faithful to this Mission Ministry through your “quarter” giving on Communion Sunday! Quarter poles are located at each Sanctuary door.

Please remember to bring at least 1 item per family to worship EACH month in support of the Allentown food Pantry. Your donations make a difference for families and individuals who visit the Allentown food Pantry.

Active Connection



Our next M & M Luncheon will be Thursday, November 15th @ Noon. The menu will be beef stew with biscuits, applesauce, apple-banana caramel nut dessert and drink.

Following our luncheon, “Lets All Go To The Movies” with Bob Cooper. He will be showing a “Laurel and Hardy” 1928-1929 movie!

You won’t want to miss this time of great food, fellowship and information. Invite a friend to join us!

Tom and Sally Murphy,
Coordinators

The Immanuel Library

The adult library is the room east of the “front double doors” of the church! Judy Long, Coordinator

The Kissing Bridge

By Tricia Goyer



On the day of her sister’s death, Rebecca Troyer took her first step away from the Amish. Rebecca had always strayed a little outside the fold — a job at an English bakery, long weekends with non-Amish friends — but nothing could have prepared her family for what she is about to do: Rebecca is abandoning the community to attend nursing school. She is headed to college, into “the world.”

When she stops in West Kootenai, at the home of a lapsed Amish friend from her youth, Rebecca finds a lot more in Montana than she had bargained for — namely a handsome working man named Caleb Hooley.

Caleb is at a crossroad of his own. A daredevil bachelor with high standards, he had decided he’ll never find an Amish women who can quench his thirst for adventure. Needless to say, the pretty Amish girl who had fled her community in secret catches his attention immediately.

As hearts are opened and secrets are revealed, Rebecca and Caleb find they have much more in common than just their Amish background. But can this runaway find love with a risk-taker who has lost faith in God? All it will take is on week in the wilderness to find out.



Declare His Glory Among The Nations

Psalms 96:3

Celebrating 25 years of sending gift-filled shoe-boxes to the ENDS OF THE EARTH 1993-2018

Our annual Christmas Child campaign is underway. Please pick up a box to fill with a stuffed animal or other fun toys, hygiene items and/or school supplies. Be sure to include your \$9.00 to cover shipping costs.

SHOE BOXES ARE DUE BACK Sunday, November 11th.

Cherie Moser,
Coordinator

Community Event

The holiday season is normally a time of joy, but when someone you love has died, it can be a time of loneliness and pain. If you are experiencing grief, your neighbors at Chiles-Laman Funeral & Cremation Services will host their 28th Annual Tree of Remembrance Service on Saturday, December 8, 2018. This community event is held at our Shawnee Chapel located at 1170 Shawnee Rd., in Lima.

Guests may start to arrive at 2:00 P.M. and the Remembrance Service will begin at 3:00 P.M., being led by area clergy. Light refreshments will be served following the service at 4:00 P.M.

There is no charge to attend, however, reservations are requested. To make a reservation, or for additional information, please call 419-228-5474.

If your loved one passed away this year, your family is welcome to receive one complimentary personalized crystal ornament. Additional ornaments for loved ones who have passed in any previous year will be available for \$25.00.. Please place your order by Friday, November 30th by calling 419-228-5474.



Mission Connection

Monday, November 12th, at 7:00 P.M. is the date for our first organizational meeting for the 2019 work mission trip to Henderson Settlement in eastern Kentucky. If you’ve been intrigued by the idea of a work mission trip and want to know more, please plan to attend! We’ll be going over this year’s list of work, which was only partially accomplished by the teams from many states who came to show Jesus’ love to the people of Appalachia. The work list for 2019 is being compiled by Henderson’s staff and will look a lot like the list for 2018, but with different families and organizations that need work done. I hope that we’ll set a first and second choice date for the week-long trip, probably in Summer 2019 to allow youth and families to attend. Laurel and I took our family on several work mission trips as theywere growing up. I believe that it gave them a much needed view of cultures in our own country where people live significantly differently from middle class families in Elida. Thankfulness for what we have and concern for people who don’t have as much, often comes through experiencing places like Frakes, Kentucky, where Henderson in located.

It’s been awhile since I listed the different organizations that Elida Immanuel supports through your missions program. Many of the organizations that we give to change from year to year. But here are the ministries that we monetarily support each month:

- Elida Middle School (help for students)
- Haitian pastor Zacharie Alfred
- Hope Leimbach (college campus ministry)
- Allentown food pantry
- Andrew’s House (a transitional home for women coming out of substance abuse)
- Teens for Christ
- EASY (Elida After School Youth program)

Dinner for Dawgs (Elida Immanuel’s dinner recognition of Elida High School groups/students)
WTGN 97.7 FM Christian radio
WTLW Channel 44 Christian television

In addition to this, your mission dollars also pay a portion of our support to UMC ministries funded by apportionments such an UMCOR (United Methodist Committee of Relief) and UM missionaries around the world. Finally, we put aside funds monthly to support Elida Immanuel mission trips such as the upcoming trip to Henderson Settlement (see above).

Of course, much of what the people of Elida Immanuel give is more than just money. I encourage you to pick up one or two Operation Christmas Child tubs available now at church, fill them, and return them by Sunday, November 11th. You can show Jesus’ love to kids near and far away.

Also, thank you for the time you spend with students in EASY, serving meals at Our Daily Bread, and/or cooking dinners for the Elida High School groups, and soooooooo much more.

Thanks also for the food and personal hygiene items you bring to support those in need through the Allentown food pantry. You ARE making a difference for Christ, both here and around the world!



Elida Immanuel Missions Committee
Ruth Ann Bowman, Mary Early, Jim Lawrence,
Jim Line, Cherie Moser, Joe Simmons, Kim Tumblin
& Pastor Bruce

Trunk Or Treat



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