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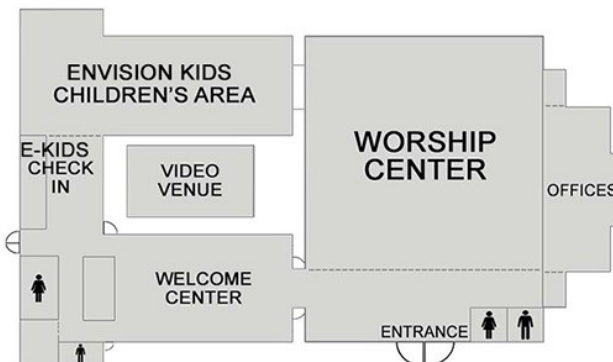
Make yourself at home and feel free to participate in as much or as little as you feel comfortable. Listening devices for the hearing impaired are available at the sound booth at the back of the Worship Center.

Got Kids?

Envision Kids at 10:45am is a safe and fun experience for children birth through grade 5. Students grade 6 through 12 will be challenged through Embark Student Ministry at 9:00 and 10:45am. Students meet in the House on the Hill, 3850 Old Town Road (across the gravel overflow parking lot north of the main building).

Connect Card

Please take a moment to complete the Connect Card found with your worship packet. Fill in as much information as you feel comfortable giving and drop the card in the basket as you exit.



Welcome!
We're glad you're here!

September 5, 2021

Our Mission:

Emmanuel exists to give you the best opportunity to become a fully-developing follower of Jesus.

Our Core Values:

- We Value Jesus
- We Value People
- We Value Generosity
- We Value Connection Groups
- We Value Growth
- We Value Service
- We Value Relevance
- We Value Unity & Diversity
- We Value Application of Scripture

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Real Hope Through Recovery and Relapse

Stumbling Blocks

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So stop judging each other. Instead, this is what you should decide: never put a stumbling block or obstacle in the way of your brother or sister. Romans 14:13 CEB

Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak. 1 Corinthians 8:9 NIV

- A stumbling block is anything that _____ my walk with Jesus and causes me to _____.

For what God has said applies to everyone—it will be changed! Not one person whose life is twisted by sin will ever recover. Ezekiel 7:13 NLT

Six Steps to Avoid Stumbling

1. _____ from harmful situations

Let's behave appropriately as people who live in the day, not in partying and getting drunk, not in sleeping around and obscene behavior, not in fighting and obsession. Instead, dress yourself with the Lord Jesus Christ, and don't plan to indulge your selfish desires. Romans 13:13–14 CEB

Run from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. 2 Timothy 2:22 NLT

2. _____ as quickly as possible

For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God. Titus 2:11–12 NLT

"Be killing sin or it will be killing you." John Owen

3. _____ on the One who brings superior satisfaction

Throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. Ephesians 4:22,24 NLT

4. _____ in the battle before me

Keep your eyes open, hold tight to your convictions, give it all you've got, be resolute, and love without stopping. 1 Corinthians 16:13–14 MSG

5. _____ focused on Jesus

Satisfy us in the morning with Your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Psalm 90:14 NIV

6. _____ in productive activities

"Lust grows fast in the garden of leisure."

Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. Romans 12:11 NLT

He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds. Titus 2:14 NLT

The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure.

1 Corinthians 10:13 NLT

Memory Verse

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Next Steps

- I will identify and avoid things in my life which most often cause me to stumble.
- I will volunteer at Emmanuel so I do not stumble.
- I will attend Celebrate Recovery on Friday to learn how to become strong in my battle.