

### The Word leads to Light & Life

The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple

- Psalm 119:130

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life

- John 6:63

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:105-112

## 1 - The Word Leads to Light & Life

Your word is a <u>lamp</u> for my feet, a <u>light</u> on my path.

- Psalm 119:105

Accept, Lord, the willing praise of my mouth, and teach me your laws.

- Psalm 119:108

Your statutes are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

- Psalm 119:111

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

- John 8:12



# 2 - Why is this Good News? Because Life is Hard

I have <u>suffered</u> much;

preserve my life, Lord, according to your word

- Psalm 119:107
- Matt quote on John 16 while battling MS

Though I constantly take my life in my hands,

I will not forget your law.

- Psalm 119:109
- Brannon quote on Deuteronomy 1 and loss of grandmother

# 3 - Where Do We Go From Here? We Stay Committed to the Word of God

I have taken an oath and confirmed it,

that <u>I will follow</u> your righteous laws.

- Psalm 119:106

### My heart is set on keeping your decrees

to the very end

- Psalm 119:112

Man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord

- Deuteronomy 8:3b



# DEEPLY CONNECTING TO People

Because Emmanuel Church desires to be a caring community, we have pastors, coordinators, elders, deacons, staff and volunteers ministering with each worship service. Please share your prayer and care needs with us through: ERC app or website; with our Pastor of Care Mike Kim (mike.kim@erc.la, 562-272-4996) or our Care Coordinator (prayer@erc.la, 562-272-4998), or with any of the elders and deacons of your service. 9am: Craig Dykema, Randy Williams, David Dekker, Roy Sarracino; Centerpoint (10:15am): Ken Chavarria, Dave Hogan, Brandon Williams, Larry VanderMolen; 10:30am: Johnny Gras, Rick Jones, Oscar Dorantes, Doug Chism; 12 Noon: Richard Spurling, Ivan Velazquez, Alfonso Alcaraz, Francisco Romero; and 6pm: Doug Palmer, Joaquin Valdez, Dan Latham, Guillermo Villagran.

# PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE & THEIR FAMILIES IN DAILY PRAYER...

#### 9:00AM SERVICE:

HOLLY GEBERT: Pneumonitis/overall health RICHARD GRIFFIN: Issues with blood flow and circulation to legs & feet

KATHY MATHEWS: Severe foot infection and kidney failure/diabetes

ELORA MONTGOMERY: Pancreatic cancer

#### **CENTERPOINT:**

GREG ENGLE: Inclusion Body Myositis SHEILA IANTORNO: Lupus, Breast Cancer BRISA NINO: Upcoming reversal colon surgery

#### 10:30AM SERVICE:

LOIS BORTON: Breast Cancer Treatment TROY KUBINSKI: Muscular Dystrophy

VANCE RICHARDS: Complete healing from stroke LILLIAN & WESLEY MICHAELS: Overall Health

GAY WALKER: Lung cancer

LAMMERT ZWAAĞSTRA: Multiple Myeloma

#### **NOON SERVICE:**

TANYA COLLIS: severe pain 24 hrs/day CHARRON GAYDEN: Mental Health JADEN MALDONADO: (child) Congenital cytomegalovirus TANYA MCKOWN: Lupus, Health issues

EMMA ROMERO (age 12): Seizures

#### **6PM SERVICE:**

#### **SPANISH SERVICES:**

BERTHA MARTINES: Stroke/ complete healing FRANCES HOLTON: Full recovery of knees

#### PLEASE REMEMBER WITH CARDS & PRAYER...

HELENE DRESSER, Inland Christian Home, Ontario CHRISTINE TWERDUN, Palm Crest Grand, Long Beach DARWIN WAGNER, Fiddler Cottage, Long Beach

## ARTESIA CHRISTIAN HOME

Eunice Baker
Dolores Bell / Memory Care
Brenda Camarena / Memory Care
Ardis Davis
Eva Foster / Memory Care
Nellie DeHaas
Hermina DeZeeuw
Jack Ostermann
Grama Liz Rittermal
Jeannie Snapper
Jerry Vos / Memory Care
Marjorie Yonce



WOMEN'S WALK: Our women's bible study group called Woman's Walk will be studying the book of James this fall. Our workbook is titled James: Faith in Action. We will meet online on Wednesday mornings from 10-11:30 am or Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 pm beginning September 16 & 17. A 10-15 minute teaching will be posted every Monday on our YouTube Channel, ERC Women's Ministries. The book can be purchased at the church on Wednesday, September 2ndfrom 9-10 am or Thursday, September 10th from 7-8 pm. Just plan to drive through the Activity Center parking lot and we will have the books ready for you to purchase for just \$10 each. You can pay by check (made out to ERC), cash, credit or debit card. You can also purchase the book online. We will have some books available at the church office Monday – Friday from 9-4 pm, cash or check only please. Please contact Jody.Gras@erc.la or 562-272-4969.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT POSTPONED:** Our Women's Retreat scheduled for October 2020 has been postponed to October 8-10, 2021. While we are disappointed that we cannot meet this fall, we look forward to what God has planned for us at the retreat next year. We will provide information on how to sign up in early 2021, but now is a good time to put it on your calendar.

# DEEPLY CONNECTING TO MISSION

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFERINGS FOR AUGUST 2020:

8/2 Leadership Development Fund Seminary Student/Intern Program, MFCA, Northwestern & Valley Christian

> 8/16 Vision Fund

# **WEEKLY OFFERING:**

as of 8/16/2020\*

Last Week's Offering: \$ 28,979.73 Revised Weekly Budget: \$ 50,000.00

YTD Actual Offerings: \$1,842,188.52 YTD Annual Adjusted Budget: \$1,623,512.48

# **CURRENT CHURCH PLANTS**



Pat & Julie Dirkse | Arnoldo & Viviana Escobar City Church of Compton | Compton - est. 2009



**Larry & Carol Barber** Church of Grace Garden Grove - est. 2011



Samuel & Irma Alvarado Iglesia La Nueva Familia South Los Angeles - est. 2012



Navin & Pabitra Bhandari US Nepalese Christian Church Paramount - est. 2012



**Javier & Jenni Alcaraz** La Roca Panorama City, CA - 2013



**Cristobal & Virginia Caro** Iglesia Cristiana Evangelica Elohim El Coyote Sinaloa, Mexico - 2007



Rudy & Edna Rubio
Reformed Church of Los Angeles
Lynwood - 2018



Jonathan & Charrise Mathew Compton - 2018

# CHURCH PLANTS SUPPORTED BY ERC



Brian & Laura Warth Chapel of Change Paramount - est. 2012



Jon & Janna Ziegler Goldline Church North East Los Angeles est. 2015



Tommy & Fatimah
Forester
Epiphany Fellowship
South Los Angeles - est. 2016

## NEW PLANTS OF OUR CLASSIS CHURCH REVITALIZATION



Chris Marquez
Reformed Church Of Los Angeles
Wilmington - 2020



Larry & Yolanda Dove Park Hills Los Angeles - est. 2012