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# EMMANUEL

C H U R C H

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connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission

## Attention all Partners-in-Mission

Last week you should have received a packet with information regarding the nominees for Elders and Deacons, the 2021 financial reports and the 2022 proposed budget along with a ballot. We encourage you to complete those ballots and get them turned in to the church office ASAP. We need to receive them no later than Monday, December 27. If you did not receive your packet, please contact Ruth Zymkowitz at [ruth.zymkowitz@erc.la](mailto:ruth.zymkowitz@erc.la) or 562-272-4963. Thank you!



**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

DEC 23 - 7PM  
DEC 24 - 4, 5:30 & 7PM

ONLINE SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE 12/23 @ 10AM

If you'd like to donate a poinsettia for the Christmas Eve service in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form by scanning the ERC Hub QR code or going to [www.erc.la/cp](http://www.erc.la/cp)

Death, imprisonment, violence, isolation, oppression, and eviction from home are the day-to-day reality of many of our Christian brothers and sisters around the world. The persecution faced by Christians is global, spreading from the Middle East, through Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Due to the growing number of deaths and Christian refugees, many experts now consider this an act of genocide. While strong in their faith, our brothers and sisters have lost their homes, churches, livelihoods, and many have lost their lives. Will you prayerfully consider partnering with the Church as we seek to support our brothers and sisters overseas?  
[opendoorsuk.org](http://opendoorsuk.org) | [barnabasfund.org](http://barnabasfund.org) | [samaritanspurse.org](http://samaritanspurse.org) | [worldhelp.net](http://worldhelp.net)

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am  
(sanctuary) (activity center) (blue building)

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## 2nd Offerings

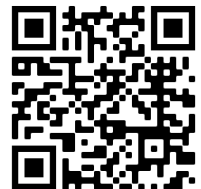
12/5 Church Planting | 11/19 Vision

### Weekly Offering

YTD Offering: \$2,846,051.61  
YTD Budget: \$2,160,000.00

Last Week's Offering: \$41,641.19  
2021 Weekly Budget: \$54,000.00

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## Title: Love

Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

### - Prophesied Love

MTW 1:1

^ record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham

### - Humble Love

1:3 - Tamar

1:5 - Rahab

1:5 - Ruth

1:6 - Uriah's wife

### - Saving Love

MTW 1:21

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the **name Jesus**, because he will **save** his people **from their sins**

### - "With Us" Love

MTW 1:23

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him **Immanuel**"--which means, "**God with us**"

### - Transforming Love

Matthew wrote this gospel. MTW 9:9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the **tax collector's** booth. "**Follow me**", he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

### - Responding to this Love

Mary - Luke 1:38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; let it be unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Joseph - MTW 1:24 When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.

## Reflection Questions

Christ is

Savior...Jesus

With us...Immanuel

Transformer...Matthew see Matthew's life

How will you celebrate/walk in this love today?

Mary/Joseph played their part.

Will you play your part this week? How?

