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# The Spire



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#### Let's Make a Difference!

#### **Help Build for Habitat for Humanity**

This fall the Immanuel family will be joining other local churches in a Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build. Katie and her daughter Adalynn will become the proud new homeowners.

We often say "Habitat is a hand-up not a hand-out." Like other Habitat families, Katie will work sweat equity hours to help build her home as well as other Habitat homes. She will also take classes in family budget planning and homecare. She will make mort-



gage payments with no interest, which will then be used to help build other Habitat homes. This will be a positive life-changing experience for Katie and her daughter.

Donations have been collected over the past couple of years to support this project, but you can still donate to support the Habitat Build.

Building a Habitat home that helps a family is fun and rewarding. See Norm Beets to sign up for build days. Let's help make a difference in our community!

#### Support Food Resource Bank

The Immanuel Food Resources Bank growing project is . . . growing. This year it is 10 acres of soybean and the crop is growing more every day. But we still need your help. Gary and Cathie Gangwer donate the field for the crop, and invite us to help join in the costs of cultivating, planting, fertilizing and harvesting the crop. This is a great mission project to support.

Proceeds from the sale of the crop go to support a third world agricultural mission project that helps families become self-sufficient. Food Resource Bank is proud to say they are, "rooted in community & grounded in faith."

If you would like to learn more about this project please see the FRB display in the hall across from the office, or ask Gary & Cathie Gangwer or Sue & Clay Huenemann. You can also visit www.foodsresourcebank.org

There is also a great harvest picnic with great food and fellowship at Gary and Cathie's farm. If you would like to support this great mission project, donation forms are available or simply mark "FRB" under special offering on your offering envelop. Let's make a difference in our world!

These are two great mission projects—let's make a difference!

Blessings -- Pastor TJ





#### **School Supplies Donations**

Immanuel will be collecting school supplies for our Victory Lane kids this year. list of needed supplies is available in the gathering space. Please consider helping by bringing any donated supplies and dropping them in the box in the gathering space. If you would prefer you may also make a monetary contribution. Thanks for your help.

Kleenex Glue sticks Notebooks
Scissors Napkins Ruler

Copy paper Lysol wipes Ear phones

Black dry erase markers Plastic pencil box Hand sanitizer

2 pocket folders Backpack Composition book

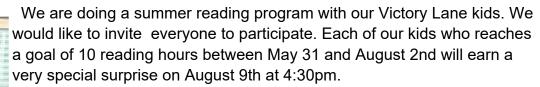
Crayons Yellow highlighter Red pens
Pink eraser Water paints #2 pencils
Gallon ziplock bags Notebook paper Index cards



#### **Blessing of the Back Pack**

We encourage all school aged youth to bring your back pack to church on Sunday August 6th. Pastor TJ will be blessing the back pack as well as the children during the children's sermon at both services.

#### **Rev Up for Reading**



We challenge everyone to read at least 10 hours by August 2nd.For each book you read you can fill out a paper and hang on our board. Red forms for kids and blue for adults. Let's show our kids how much everyone is reading this summer. There will also be a prize for the kid who reads the

most hours. Let's make it to the finish line. Make sure you are recording all the books you read.



### Family Canoe Trip August 13,2017

Will be our family canoe trip. We plan to leave from the church at 1:00pm and car pool to Turkey Run Stare Park where we will canoe on Sugar Creek followed by a picnic dinner before we return home. We plan to be back at the church about 8:00pm. Everyone welcome!



#### Youth Rummage Sale

The Immanuel youth will be having a rummage sale on August 19th. This is a great time to get rid of some of those unwanted items you have laying around. You can drop your items off at the church office anytime before August 19th. Help support our youth and get rid of your unwanted items at the same time.

#### **Youth Activities**

Aug.6 Blessing of the Back Packs Both Services

August 19 Rummage Sale

Sept. 17 Fall Field Day

Oct. 23 Pumpkin Carving

Nov. 11 Skating Party

Dec. 3 Make Advent Wreaths

Dec. 9 Make Christmas Cookies

Dec.10 Family Caroling Event

August 13 Family Canoe Trip

Sept.10 Rally Sunday

Oct. 22 Exploration Acres

Oct 29 Trunk or Treat

Nov. 18 Bonfire

Dec. 3 Christmas Craft Party

Dec. 10 Church Christmas Party

#### **Summer at Immanuel**





#### **Apostle Build**

Habitat for Humanity Apostle Build is coming this fall. Meet the Gunion family who is excited about being able to have a home of their own. Fall building dates are in September and October. Please see Norm Beets for building dates. Let's make this family's dream a reality.



## Our Thanks to Norm Beets for Leading a Mission Trip

Our thanks to Norm Beets for leading a conference mission trip to Kokomo to help a family in need. See Norm for more opportunities coming up soon.

#### **Thank You Host Families**



The E-Team would like to thank our 8 host families for opening up your homes to our friends from the WATOTO Choir. Your generosity was greatly appreciated, this would not have been possible with out your help. We hope that you found your experience to be a blessing. Thank you again--the E-Team

#### **Thank You**



The E-Team would like to Thank Kristyl Sloan, Dixie Frye and Carole Cassida for preparing the meals for the WATOTO Choir. Your dedication and service is greatly appreciated. It is a big job to provide 3 meals for 36 people and you ladies went above and beyond as always. Thank you again for all you do--the E-Team

#### **Sound Tech's Needed**

We are in need of sound tech operators for Sunday service and other special events at Immanuel. If you are interested please see Tom Lillpop. There will be a training session soon.

#### **Extension Homemakers**



Consider joining the Tippecanoe County Homemakers for the monthly meeting, which includes lunch and a speaker as well as great fellowship. The next meeting is at the home of Karen Sullivan (3565 S 9th St) on AUG 1 at noon with the theme of a Luau. Those attending are invited to bring a donation of school supplies for Miller School. Women of all ages are welcome!

#### **Sunday School Teachers Needed**

We are looking for Sunday School Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. If you would be willing to help out on a rotating basis please see Amy Russell.

#### **Neighborhood Dinners**



Neighborhood dinners will resume on August 9th. We are looking for people who would be willing to help cook, serve and clean up. If this is something you would like to participate in please see Amy Russell or Tari Seeger.

**Book Club**, will meet Aug 8th to discuss **Hillbilly Elegy** by J. D. Vance. A moving memoir of growing up poor and struggling with the demands of middle-class life. It offers an account of America's working class and the loss of their American dream.

Men's Brotherhood will meet August 15 at 11:45am Ladies Fellowship, Will meet on July 24th

**Hand Quilting Group,** meets Wednesday's from 10-2 on the stage in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch.

**Baby Quilters,** meet the 1st &3rd Monday's from 9:30-2:30 in the HOBO classroom to make quilts for local NI-CUs.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**, Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10-11:30am in the Parlor.

**Health Ministry,** Please call the office or Marilyn, 474-6487, for appointments. Home visits are also available upon request.

Christian Education: Every Sunday, 9:45 am.

**The Seekers Class,** led by Don & Janice Partlow, is beginning a one year study of the New Testament. We are using a resource called the ESV New Testament Devotional.

**The Hobo's Class**, led by Gary & Cathie Gangwer, to discuss the sermon and scripture lesson for that Sun-

day.

**Livin' Life 21-41 Class,** led by Clay & Sue Huenemann, where you can RECHARGE your spiritual batteries for the week ahead.

#### **Small Groups**

Women's Group, Do you feel like you're the only mom who serves store-bought birthday treats, dreads school plays, and misses the days of going to the bathroom by herself? Every mother has unique gifts and in Christ, the "unnatural" mom becomes the supernatural mom who is just right for her family. Join a 6-week small group for moms, beginning mid-August. We will be meeting for dinner and discussion of Hettie Brittz's book, unNatural Mom. Please let Ruth Smith (ruthmesmith1987@gmail.com) know if you'd like to join

(<u>ruthmcsmith1987@gmail.com</u>) know if you'd like to join so we can order a book for you!

**Young Adult/Student Group,** meets Thursdays at 7:30 pm at Vienna Cafe in West Lafayette. They are studying *Wild at Heart.* For questions, contact Brooke Flesher.

**Saturday Morning Group,** meets every other Saturday at the Panera on Wabash Landing at 9 am. They will begin studying "*To Live is Christ*" by Beth Moore. For questions, contact Annie (765)4047354 or <u>abuckles@lsc.k12.in.us</u>

**Adult Bible Study**, Led by Pastor TJ meets in the Library on Wednesday's at 6:30pm everyone Welcome

#### **New Sermon Series**

Nehemiah: The Joy of Rebuilding

JUL 9 A Dream and a Prayer (Neh.1.1-2.10)

JUL 16 Facing Realities of Rebuilding (Neh.2.11-3.32)

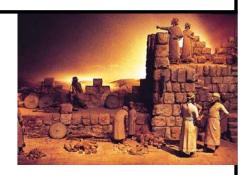
JUL 23 Challenges from Within and Without (Neh. 4.1-7.3)

JUL 30 The Joy of the Lord is Our Strength (Neh.7.4-8.31)

AUG 6 Standing True (Neh.9.1-10.39)

AUG 13 Celebrating God's Faithfulness (Neh 11.1-12.47)

AUG 20 A Community of Character (Neh 13.1-31)



#### **Future Special Offerings**

July 30—Trinity Mission

August 13—Apollo's Offering

August 27 Lafayette Transitional Housing

September 3 Mental Health

#### **Pastors Cookie Jar**

The Pastor's Cookie Jar is down to crumbs. Please consider helping to replenish it. funds are used for both church and community people for emergent needs.





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**Our 2017 Immanuel Growing Project is in** full swing....

#### But we still need your help!!

Donations can still be made to help with funding our soybean field to ensure a great crop to harvest this fall.

If you don't know about or you would like to learn more about this project

please see our display in the hall across from the office, or ask

**Gary & Cathie Gangwer or** 

Sue & Clay Huenemann Or visit www.foodsresourcebank.org

Donation forms are available if you would like to help.

Charles & Maggie Richardson	8/2	
Wally/Shirley Rogers	8/6	
Max/Darlene Smith	8/9	
Ellsworth/Nancy Christmas	8/10	
Clay/Sue Huenemann	8/12	
Dean/Jennifer Jones	8/16	
Steve/Sherry Reash	8/16	
Kurt/Lynn Strueh	8/16	
Terry/Karen Strueh	8/16	
Richard/Carolyn Christensen	8/18	
Jeff/Kristyl Sloan	8/18	
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Brad & Cyn Black	8/29	
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### **Immanuel United Church of Christ 2017 Growing Project** I would like to help

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1 Acre = \$200	1/2 Acre = \$100
1/4 Acre = \$50	1/8 Acre = \$25
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 9:45am Sunday School 10:45am Traditional Service	31 9:30am Baby Quilters 12:00pm Sum- mer Club to the Library	1 12:00pm Extension Homemakers	2 10:00am Quilters 12:00pm Summer Club 6:30pm Bible Study 8:00pm Band Rehearsal	3	4	5
6 8:30am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 10:45am Traditional Service Blessing of the Back Pack	7 9:30amBaby Quilters 6:00pm CET	8 12:00pm Extension Homemakers i 6:00pm Book Club 7:00pm Deacons, Elders & Trustees 8:00pm Consistory	9 10:00am Quilters 5:30pm Neighborhood Dinner 6:30pm Bible Study 8:00pm Band Rehearsal	5:00pm Parish Nurse Program 5:30pm Great Banquet	5:00pm Parish Nurse Program	12 8:30am Parish Nurse Program 10:00am Prayer Shawl
13 8:30am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 10:45am Traditional Service 1:00pm Canoe Trip	14 6:30pm Worship & music	15 11:45am Men's Brotherhood	16 10:00am Quilters 5:30pm Neighborhood Dinner 6:30pm Bible Study 8:00pm Band Rehearsal	17 6:30pm Great Banquet	18	19 8:00am Rum- mage Sale
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# Come join us and bring someone with you Every Sunday:

Contemporary Service 8:30 am Sunday School 9:45 am Traditional Service 10:45 am

#### Wednesdays:

Everyone is welcome to attend Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30p and Adult Bible Study at 6:30pm

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Donations for
2017



