



November 23, 2025

On the Horizon

Operation Christmas Child – Shoeboxes are due this Sunday!

Wednesday Night Bible Study – We will resume on December 3.

Hanging of the Greens – We will decorate the sanctuary, on Sunday, November 30, after the morning worship service.

Ladies' Night Out – Join us for a Feliz Navidad party at Rosa's in Lake Worth, on Monday, December 1. Please bring a new, wrapped blanket (\$10-ish) for a gift exchange.

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, November 23

Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Pastor's Pondering

In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Paul admonishes us to give thanks in everything. This idea was used to humorous effect in Gregory Peck's *Captain Horatio Hornblower* when one of the officers anticipates a coming broadside by saying, "For what we're about to receive, may we all be truly thankful."

Cinematic bravado is one thing, but there are some things in life for which it is hard to be thankful. How can we be thankful in sorrow or illness? How can we be thankful in unemployment or conflicts with family members?

Paul was not telling us to be thankful for bad things, but to have a heart attitude that looks for good and that is thankful for what we have as opposed to what we lack. No matter what we face, if we focus on God and His love for us, the Holy Spirit will show us those things for which we can truly give thanks.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

Thanksgiving is upon us, and we will focus on giving thanks to God with inspiration from **Psalm 100**.

November Memory Verse

Proverbs 15:16

Better is a little with the fear of the LORD

Than great treasure and turmoil with it.

Physical Needs:

- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (MH)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Steven Wells' stage 4 prostate cancer is getting worse (LL)
- Kelly Spear's sister, Beth, has cancer (AC)
- Kelly Bickett has a blood clot in her leg (GL)
- Dottie Blake has AMD in her eyes (TC)
- David Hester is receiving chemo for stage 4 throat cancer (SB)
- Roger Giddens has stage 4 liver disease and needs a living donor (BS)
- Bob Shaw is receiving radiation treatment for prostate cancer (BS)
- Dan Moody-Musick is recovering from cataract surgery (LM)
- Beverly Tidwell has a PET scan on 11/24 (BT)
- Linda Jones is receiving chemo for stage 4 esophageal cancer (DC)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Those who are unemployed & looking for work
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Pat has poor mental health and alcoholism (TC)
- Hilda Lapointe's extended family (HL)
- Tiffany's mom is off her bipolar meds (GL)
- Julie & Juan have legal and familial issues (LL)
- John Bickett is taking care of his sister (GL)

Please send new prayers or updates to office@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us accurate with your updates!

World Events:

- An end to the war in Ukraine
- Peace and justice for Israel & neighbors
- Remaining hostages in Gaza

Ministry Requests:

- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)
- Jane Sutton is on Hospice (MM)
- Tom Cann is recovering after his hospital stay

In the Hospital:

- Matt Cornelius is recovering from a heart transplant (AC)

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

- Sharon Rollins passed away on 11/15

Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alex Grant - Army

Praises:

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Special Days:

- Bonnie Jones' Birthday is on 11/28
- Bob Shaw's Birthday is on 11/29

Special Note:

Thank you for your wonderful gift in celebration of our 16th Anniversary at EMBC. We are humbled and blessed. We are so thankful for you, for your love and kindness to us, and for the opportunity we have to serve with you.

Love, David & Amy

Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Giving Report for 11.9.2025

<u>Offering</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>World Missions Giving</u>	
General Offering Needs:	\$ 2,073.35	\$ 95,374.10	2025 Goal	\$6,000.00
General Offering Actual:	\$ 1,528.00	\$ 95,190.40	Nov. Goal	\$5,500.00
Designated Offering:	\$ 160.00	\$ 7,595.00	Last Week	\$ 160.00
Total Offering:	\$ 1,688.00	\$102,785.40	Year To Date	\$5,695.00