



IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH

August 23, 2020

Announcements

Lawn Mowing:

IBC is mowing the garden area at the Senior Center. The mowing takes about 45 minutes and needs to be done once a week. A reliable push mower is located in the shed next to the garden. Please email or call Carl Schwarze if you can take the month of September. (carlschwarze@gmail.com or 734-323-3527)

Change of Plans:

We are suspending our giving campaign for Nate Eutsey's airfare. His plans have changed, and his home assignment has been pushed back to 2022. If you donated to the cost of his flight, and would like to change your donation to support a different fund, please contact Nancy Benjamin. Otherwise, we will hold onto all donations for him until he comes back in 2022.

Childrens' Bulletins: We have childrens' bulletins available to fill out during the worship service. There are two different sets: one for ages 3+ and one for 7+. They are located on by the hallway doors.

Timothy Scholarship:

IBC is supporting our Associate Pastor David McCune as he is starting to get his MDiv degree at Moody Seminary. Moody has a program in which they will pay for 1/3 of his tuition, while Dave pays 1/3, and we as his home church through the congregation pays Moody for the remaining 1/3. If you would like to help support the church support Dave, please mark your check/giving with "Timothy Scholarship." Thank you!

IBC Missions Update

Carl & Cindy Reed/WorldVenture/Indonesia



August 9, 2020: Our local church here is putting their Sunday service on the internet. They just started meeting together again in August, with social distancing precautions. However, people over 60 (I'm 68, Cindy is 78), are being asked not to attend yet. Doing all our teaching online is a new experience for both of us. I just finished teaching an on-line masters course on the book of Isaiah last week--5 days, 3-4 hours on line each day. Cindy is making a video for a seminar to teach the students who will be dealing with the new university students who will be attending the Immanuel Christian University here this next teacher. But since

everything has to be done on line, we can't have big groups meeting together because of COVID-19, everything is more complicated.

We are doing well here. The number of people positive for COVID-19 is increasing all the time, but Indonesia is still only testing a small number of people so we don't know how many cases there actually are. However, I just read an article about the outlook for the island of Java, where we live and work, and where over 110 million people live (about 1/2 the total population of Indonesia). They felt that we haven't come close to reaching a plateau in cases for COVID. So, we are being careful, washing hands, wearing masks when we go out, teaching on line, and doing what we can to minister in the midst of this situation.

Some specific prayer requests:

1. Continue to pray for the Indonesian government as they try and react well to the pandemic.
2. Pray for the people here who are having problems finding money to buy food because they have lost their jobs due to the pandemic.
3. Praise God for those who have given funds to us to help people who don't have enough money for food. We work with churches, the university and seminary, our local community leaders, and Islamic leaders to give out funds that we have. I just gave money to a man who runs an Islamic orphanage here, so he could buy 16

big bags of rice to help feed the kids there. I also gave him personally enough money to be able to eat today. He had been going around and contacting people to help with food for the kids, but he himself hadn't eaten yet today. He wouldn't use any of the money given for food for the kids to buy food for himself.

4. Pray for Cindy as she is working with the University to receive new students. Learning how to do everything on line is rather stressful.

5. Pray for me as I teach two online doctoral courses during the last 2 weeks of August. I will be having students from Medan, Jakarta, Yogyakarta, Central Java, and Denpasar, Bali taking the course. Pray that we all have good internet connections.

6. Pray for me, and the students, as we work to learn the best ways to teach and learn online.

God Bless, Carl and Cindy, Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Church Information

Summer Service Details:

Our summer schedule includes Sunday morning prayer time at 8:30 am in the west end of the main hall, worship service at 9:30 am, and evening service at 5:45 pm in the worship center.

Instructions on Giving:

There are three ways to remain faithful in giving back to the Lord.

- You can mail your check to Immanuel Bible Church (145 East Summit Street, Chelsea, MI 48118).
- You can put a check in an offering box located at the back of the worship center at Pierce Lake.
- Give online using the secure giving platform on our website at ibcchelsea.com.

Online Giving:

We have added a feature to our online giving when choosing "other" for a category. When you give to IBC online you are asked to designate your giving to a fund. These are:

- General Fund - everyday business of the church
- Building Fund - accruing for a new church building
- Barnabus Fund - for special situations administered by the elders
- Missions Fund - goes toward the entire missions budget
- Other - when this fund is selected, you will be asked to designate where the money should go (examples: a specific missionary, the youth group, love offering, etc.)

Instructions to view or listen to this week's message:

Go to the church website at ibcchelsea.com. You can join us in worship on Sunday mornings by clicking on the word SERMONS in the menu bar above, or on the "LiveStream" bubble on the home page.

Opportunities for Assistance:

IBC would like to take the opportunity to serve those in our church/community who may need assistance: Please contact one of the elders if you have any needs.

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