



# IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH

September 13, 2020

## Announcements

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### Gift Cards for the Brown Family:

If you would like to help the Brown family during Sam's recovery, gift cards (restaurant/food and gas gift cards) would be appreciated! Please give your gift cards to Ron Schlegelmilch or the church office.

### Fall Update:

For the month of September, we will continue our start time of 9:30 am for worship, and evening service at 5:45 pm. There will be no Sunday School for the month of September. Please pray for the leadership as we continue to discuss future plans for church ministries.

### Pastor Search Committee Update:

The pastor search committee announced recently that an individual would be invited to preach. However, circumstances arose that led to the committee's withdrawing that invitation. We will not have a business meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> as previously announced. Please continue to be in prayer as God leads us in this search process.

**Children's Bulletins:** We have children's 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 the desk by the hallway doors.

## IBC Missions Update

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### Sam & Kari Bruce/Darryl & Kyla Palmer's daughter/Ethnos360

September 8, 2020: As many of you know, we are waiting for Coronavirus related disruptions to cease in order for us to return to Asia. We don't know why we are still in the USA, but we are trying to make the most of it. We are patiently waiting for God's timing. As CS Lewis says "If God had granted all the silly prayers I've made in my life, where should I be now?" I think we can trust that he knows what we need.



In the meantime what we do on a daily basis looks a lot like hard work. We have whipped our fixer upper into shape, knocking out some walls, painting a lot, redoing the kitchen, and now we begin refinishing the basement. Last month we went to Virginia and worked a lot on Kari's parent's home. We also were able to spend time with dear family friends who we miss like crazy.

Since returning to Michigan we have begun some new things. The older kids are doing virtual school, Rowan is potty training, and Sam has been able to work some hours with a handy-man friend of his. Kari has been juggling the kids and wiping the floor far more than she wishes!

We are so thankful that our passion for the Asmat continues to burn steady. We receive occasional news from our partners in the village and are thankful that they are able to be plugging away at language study during this crazy time. They even sent us some voice recordings so we don't forget everything we've learned. As you think of it, please do pray for open doors with regards to our visas and permission to serve in Asia Pacific. It weighs heavy on our hearts every day and we can really only lay it at the Father's feet as it's completely out of our hands. We miss the Asmat people dearly and look forward to when we can land on the river and see their smiling faces!!

May He encourage you in whatever stress or trial is in your life right now as you trust Him for peace and contentment. Leaning on Him together, Sam, Kari, Greyson, Amelia and Rowan

## **Church Information**

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### **Service Details:**

Our September 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](http://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](http://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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