



IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH

October 11, 2020

Announcements

Special Business Meeting:

We will have a special business meeting this morning, immediately following the worship service. All are invited to attend. The Church Board is considering putting the 145 E. Summit Street building up for sale. We feel it is also in IBC's best interest to discontinue having a parsonage. We will discuss the reasons for these decisions during the special business meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting, the membership will vote on the following two motions:

- **Summit Street:** The congregation authorizes the Church Board to (1) acquire a property evaluation (realtor estimate) of 145 East Summit Street, Chelsea, Michigan, and (2) authorizes the sale of this property at the best price and requires approval by the Church Board. The Chair of the Elder Board and Head Deacon have the authority to execute any associated documents for the sale. Funds received from this sale will go into the church building fund. This authorization expires twelve (12) months from approval by the congregation.
- **Parsonage:** The congregation authorizes the Church Board to evaluate alternative uses of the parsonage including the sale and/or disposal while maintaining the existing property. The Chair of the Elder Board and Head Deacon have the authority to execute any associated documents for the sale and / or disposal. This authorization expires twelve (12) months from approval by the congregation.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact any Board member. The IBC Board

Nursery:

We plan to re-open our nursery, with COVID guidelines in place, and be able to serve the needs of our families with younger children. Once we are able to staff our nursery (only the morning services) through January 2021, we will open. Nursery is available for children ages birth through two years old. We will be emailing out a SignUp Genius for you to volunteer. Please see Stephanie DeMaagd if you have any questions.

Halloween Outreach:

We will be serving our community by giving out treat bags and tracts during Chelsea's trick-or-treating time on October 31st. We are asking for donations of candy; the deadline is Sunday, October 25th. There will be a collection box at the back of the worship center.



IBC Missions Update

George Verghese/AMG



September 29, 2020: My recovery post-stroke has been good, and I am continuing my medication. Mom has been doing reasonably well for her age until few days ago when she began to get giddy. She felt it was vertigo and started medication for that, plus she has been on bed rest. Thankfully she is feeling much better. Please pray for continued recovery. We have been avoiding hospital visits due to high rates of COVID in the city, and the whole of India. We have been restricted to the indoors for several months now. Little Yana, my grand baby, has constantly lifted our spirits. She is nine months old and a delight.

During these months of lockdown and feeling disappointed by inactivity, the Lord put in my heart to start a children's ministry on Sundays via Zoom. This has taken off over the past three months, and a handful of young volunteers who love the Lord and children are helping me to reach out to the children. Churches have been online with sermons, but there was nothing going on for the children. I am thankful for the Lord's helping with this every Sunday for at least two hours. The weekdays are spent in preparation for this, including selecting themes for each week and preparing the lessons designed for Zoom.

In addition I have started separate Whatsapp groups for youth and senior citizens who feel more isolated with churches still being closed. Please pray that this way of outreach will keep touching lives of these dear children, youth and seniors by the Word of God. Zoom enables us to reach children across the nation. I am excited for this opportunity. Please pray for more effective volunteers and good resources to reach these children (ages 4-17). Please help me with resources to reach these age groups with Sunday school resources in soft copy. Also I need resources to use with teens, youth, and senior citizens. That would be a great help. The Lord has opened opportunities to counsel youth and young adults/couples with various challenges they face in marriage.

Please pray for my continued improvement in energy and health. Thank you for your faithful support and prayers.

Church Information

Service Details:

Our 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.

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:

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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