

Fall ~ 2024



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Growing together as we grow in Christ.



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Small group

Small groups are our home based continuous groups that incorporate aspects of Sunday school, bible study, fellowship and discipleship with a focus on relationship. A healthy productive Small Group allows other Christians into our lives at an intimate level. These groups are intentionally small for transparency, confidentiality and accountability.

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Bible Studies focus on a specific themes, character traits or books of the bible. For example: a bible study may cover the Old Testament or a book from the Old Testament. Likewise, a bible study may cover a topic: Godly Marriage or series of Topics: Behold Your God. Last, Bible Studies may cover themes such as Heroes of the Bible or God Honoring women. Bible studies may be ongoing, one time offerings held at church or elsewhere.



Bible study

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Sunday School is a comprehensive way of learning from one another and to receive encouragement to live by God's Word. These small and large groups usually gather at the church for learning, application, fellowship, discipleship and bible study. These groups are co-ed and intergenerational unless designed to meet the needs of specific age groups.



Sunday school

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Fellowship

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Discipleship groups are action oriented preparatory studies and classes often with an expected outcome. Want to learn how to share your faith? Take the three circles training. Newlyweds? Join the young marrieds.



Discipleship

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Introduction

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Vision

Pastor Jeff House



Thank you for your interest in Life Groups at Emmanuel. We believe that the regular teaching of God's Word is crucial to the spiritual health and wellbeing of our church. I hope that you will prayerfully consider joining one of Emmanuel's Life Groups.

The goals for our Life Groups are to be:

Loving in our Language:

1 Corinthians 13:8,13 *"Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away."* *"So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love."* Paul refers to many spiritual gifts but he goes out of his way to show that a "loving spirit" is the greatest of all gifts. Here at Emmanuel we desire to show the love of Christ in each of our Life Groups.

Intentional in our Instruction:

2 Timothy 2:2 *"And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also."* It is a true saying that "you teach what you have been taught". Each of our leaders spend time studying God's Word to impart Biblical principles in the hearts and minds of those in their class, so that you may then take the things you have learned and teach others also.

F aithful in our Foundation:

2 Timothy 3:16 *“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness”*. Even though there are many great recourses and books written to aid a believer in his/her walk with God. The Bible is and always will be our foundational teaching tool.

E vangelical in our Efforts:

1 John 5:13 *“These things I have written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that you have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God”*. We desire to teach the Bible in such a way that it brings people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and encourages believes to grow in their relationship with God.



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Life Groups and Childcare

At Emmanuel we love children and have many great programs designed specifically for them. On Sunday mornings we have Kids Worship at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM. If you sign up for a Life Group which meets during these times, you can use these programs without signing up.

There are four other times which Emmanuel provides childcare (Birth - 5th grade) for Life Groups which meet on the church campus **with the exception of Session 3 on Thursday morning which is for Birth thru Preschool (Age 5).*

- Session 1 is Tuesday night 6:30 to 8:00 PM
- Session 2 is Wednesday night 6:30 to 8:00 PM
- *Session 3 is Thursday morning 9:30 to 11:30 AM
- Session 4 is Thursday night 6:30 to 8:00 PM

In order to use any of these sessions, you must email Karla Aguirre, kaguirre@myemmanuel.net by the deadline, Sunday, August 31, 2024. Please see page #19 for detailed instructions for what to include in your email to Karla when registering your child for life group childcare.

For the safety of your children, we maintain a certain ratio of workers to children & we staff these sessions based on the number of children signed up. If you fail to sign up for childcare, you may be turned away.

Some Life Groups which meet at other times and places handle childcare in a variety of ways. Some leave it up to the individual parents to arrange for childcare, some pool together and hire a babysitter, and some swap babysitting services with parents who attend a group on another night. When you sign up for a Life Group, the group leader will contact you and will discuss how that group handles childcare. For any other questions regarding childcare, please contact the church office at 652-3161.

SUNDAY

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LG #001

Maranatha Class

Book of Genesis, the book of beginnings

Continues:

The Maranatha Life Group also talks about current events, Jewish history and Jewish Holy Days, and the group has a big emphasis on missions. They have a great group (30's to 90's) of folks who are excited to learn more about the scriptures and invite others to join them!



Led by: Ed Smith
Sunday
9:30 AM
Shiloh Room
Childcare available

LG #002

Senior Adult Life Group

Continues:

Join Durward and Dave as they alternate teach this Sunday life group. Durward Sobek is leading a study on the historical books, Nehemiah, and Esther.



Dave Todd is leading a study of 2 Timothy.

This is a mixed group with open discussion, shared prayer & fellowship.

Led by: Durward Sobek & Dave Todd
Sunday
9:30 AM
Big Horn Room
Childcare available

LG #003

Deaf Class

Continues:

Join us as we study the books of Acts I & II and then attend the 11:00 AM service which is interpreted for us.



Led by: Bob Champion
Co leaders: Andy & Patty Minchew
Sunday
9:30 AM
Yellowstone Room
Childcare available

LG #004

Continues:



Theology and Doctrines

Description: Trinity, Sanctification, Predestination, Inspiration, Eternal Security. How did we get the Bible? How do we know if we are studying the right books? How do we know that Christianity is true? These are words we have heard, and questions we have, but many of us feel the study and understanding of these topics is something reserved for the scholarly elite. This is not true. Our class is designed for both new and more experienced believers. This is an interactive class where we study God's word and pray for one another. Please join us as we study these topics and discover why the understanding of these topics is important for our everyday lives.

Led by: Jonathan Elenbaas
Sunday
9:30 AM
Beartooth Room
Childcare available

LG #005

Beginning:
September 8



Being a Woman of God

Being a woman. Not nearly as difficult as our culture is making it. But being a godly woman comfortable in my own skin takes courage, vision and an understanding of who God created us to be. In this 11-week study we will look at women of the Bible, the cultural differences, and modern feminism as we glean essential, timeless truths for all women. Each session will encourage and equip you to be the woman God has created you to be.

Led by : Cari Roush
Sunday
9:30 AM
Room 205
Childcare available
Women Only



LG #006

Continues:



Grupo de Vida - Fundamentos en Cristo

Discipulado Bíblico para quienes desean aprender, crecer y poner en práctica la Palabra de Dios en sus vidas. Para jóvenes y adultos totalmente en español.

Led by: Pastor Obed Aguirre
Sunday
Domingos 9:30am - 10:30am
Conference Room
Tenemos cuidado de niños a través del ministerio NextGen.

LG #007

Continues:



Mixed Adult Bible Study Class

This is a mixed adult Life Group with open discussion and shared prayer time.

Led by: Greg Banford
Sunday
11:00 AM
Room 205
Childcare available

LG #008

Begin:
September 8



Amongst Wolves

Amongst wolves is a life group fellowship that will tackle the life issues of today from a biblical perspective. Our purpose is to successfully proclaim truth without fear through balancing whatever wise shrewdness is required to avoid conflict and danger without losing a dove-like innocence.

Matthew 10:16 "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves."

Led by: Pastor Tra Williams
Sunday
11:00 AM
Big Horn Room
Childcare available

LG #009

Begins:
September 15



Young Adults

Jesus In the Book of John

A practical study through the book of John For Young Adults in their 20's.

Led by: Pastor Keith Flanagan
Sunday
11:00 AM
Room 216
Childcare available

MONDAY

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LG #010
Begins:
September 9

Movers To The Word - Aerobics, Strength, Flexibility & Core Workouts

This is a faith-based exercise Life Group. Besides focusing on the outside of our bodies for our overall health, we focus on the inside of our Spiritual health by spending time in prayer during each class.



Led by: Ginny Lanes
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
11:50 AM
Big Sky Room
No Childcare available
Women Only



LG #011

DivorceCare

Begins:



DivorceCare is a safe place where caring people come alongside you as you find healing from the pain of separation or divorce. At this 13-week, video-based support group program, you'll find helpful counsel to manage the emotional turmoil and practical tools for decision-making.

Please note - there needs to be at least 3-4 people that sign up to hold this group in September.

Led by: Sharon Nolte & Dean & Connie Barga

Tuesday

6:30 PM

Yellowstone Room

Email Karla @ kagirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 1 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

LG #012

Knowing Your Bible

Begins:

September 10



Join Pastor Jeff and his life group this fall as they continue the study of the Bible picking up with the Pastoral Epistles in the New Testament. Have you ever wished you were more familiar with the Bible? Maybe there are certain books you know a lot about but others you know very little, or nothing, about. God has given us His Word so we can know more about Him and His work in the world. Join us as we fellowship, study and familiarize ourselves with the book God has written to us.

Led by: Pastor Jeff House

Tuesday

6:30 PM

Shiloh Room

Email Karla @ kagirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 1 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

LG #013

Begins:
September 11



Pastor Paul Uncharted

Join Pastor Paul this fall on Wednesdays as he begins a new study, titled, *"The Invisible War."*
Each class will be recorded and posted online the following week.

Led by: Pastor Paul Jones
Wednesday
10:30 AM
Activity Center
No childcare available



LG #014

Continues:



Nueva Esperanza Grupo De Vida

¿Necesitas Nueva Esperanza?
Ven a aprender de Jesús.

EL te dará Nueva Esperanza

¡Hay Guardería!

También hay programa para adolescentes

Ven, toma un cafecito y juntos descubrimos La Esperanza.

Miércoles Grupo de Vida - Estudio Bíblico

6:30pm

Salón Shiloh

Inscríbese en la sesión de cuidado 2 de niños antes del Domingo 25 de Agosto.

LG #015

Begins:
September 18



Navigate a Life Interrupted by Priscilla Shirer

Interruptions. They're aggravating. Sometimes infuriating. But how we handle interruptions actually tell us more about ourselves. What do we do when God interrupts our lives? Many times, like Jonah, we run! Priscilla redefines interruption and show that interruptions is actually God's invitation to do something beyond our wildest dreams. When Jonah was willing to allow God to interrupt his life, the result was revival in an entire city.

Please purchase workbook in advance so you can bring it with you to the first night of class.

Led by: Sara Reintsma
Wednesday
6:30 PM
Room 205

Email Karla @ kaguirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 2 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

Women Only



LG #016

Begins:

September 4



Courageous Men

The focus of this group is to put our Christian faith into action through developing authentic brotherhood relationships, leading others to faith through discipleship, and providing services to those in need within our community. Selected spiritual topics for study will be provided for each group meeting, spurring scriptural analysis and discussion by members. If you have a desire to put your Christian faith into action, then this challenging men's group is for you! Our foundational scripture is found in James 2:14-18. **"I will show you my faith by what I do."**

Led by : Ryan Pust & Chuck Eisele

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

6:00 PM

Room #208

No childcare available

Men Only

LG #017

Begins:
September 5



Being a Woman of God

Being a woman. Not nearly as difficult as our culture is making it. But being a godly woman comfortable in my own skin takes courage, vision and an understanding of who God created us to be. In this 11-week study we will look at women of the Bible, the cultural differences, and modern feminism as we glean essential, timeless truths for all women. Each session will encourage and equip you to be the woman God has created you to be.



Led by: Cari Roush

Thursday

9:30 AM

Shiloh Room

Email Karla @ kaguirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 3 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

Women Only

LG #019

Begins:
September 5

Threshold of Hope

If you've experienced childhood sexual trauma and abuse, and have often wondered if it's affected areas of your life, this group is for you. I know with certainty that there is hope for the darkest of stories because the Light of the World has come. His name is Jesus, and he brings light to dead places, forgives sins, and heals the broken and wounded.



Led by: Heidi Williams & Carrie Reichert

Thursday

6:30 PM

Conference Room

Email Karla @ kaguirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 4 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

LG #020

Begins:
September 5



Ragged: Spiritual Disciplines for the Spiritually Exhausted

By: Gretchen Ronnevik

Gretchen Ronnevik aims to reclaim spiritual disciplines as good gifts given by our good Father instead of heavy burdens of performance carried by the Christian. The good news is that spiritual disciplines have less to do with what we bring before God and more about who Christ is for us, not only as the author but also as the perfecter of our faith.

The book can be purchased on Amazon. It is not necessary to purchase/read the book to participate in this study, but will help you anticipate in discussion.

Led by : Christina Laird

Every other Thursday beginning on Thursday

6:30 PM

Yellowstone Room

Email Karla @ kaguirre@myemmanuel.net to sign up for childcare session 4 by Sunday, August 25. See page 19 for instructions.

Women Only



LG #021

Begins:
September 5



Young Families Fellowship

Once a month, we gather together to be encouraged in practical biblical tools for healthy family relationships. Come, build friendships with fellow young families while growing in our faith in Christ. Scripture, God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, humanity, salvation, the church, and the end times. Know God more deeply as you examine these foundational truths.

Led by: Daryl and Candi Haidle

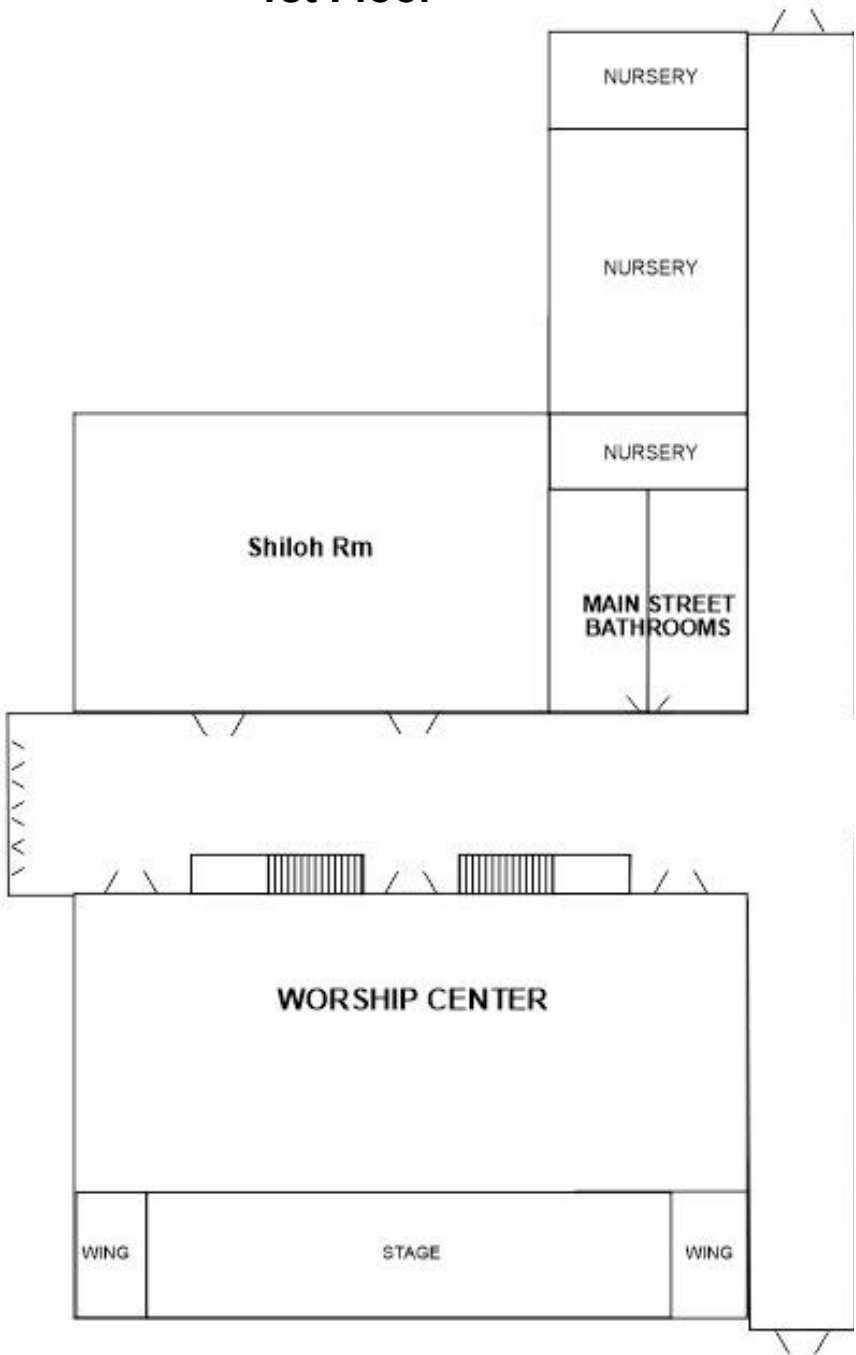
1st Thursday of each month

6:30 PM

Shiloh Room

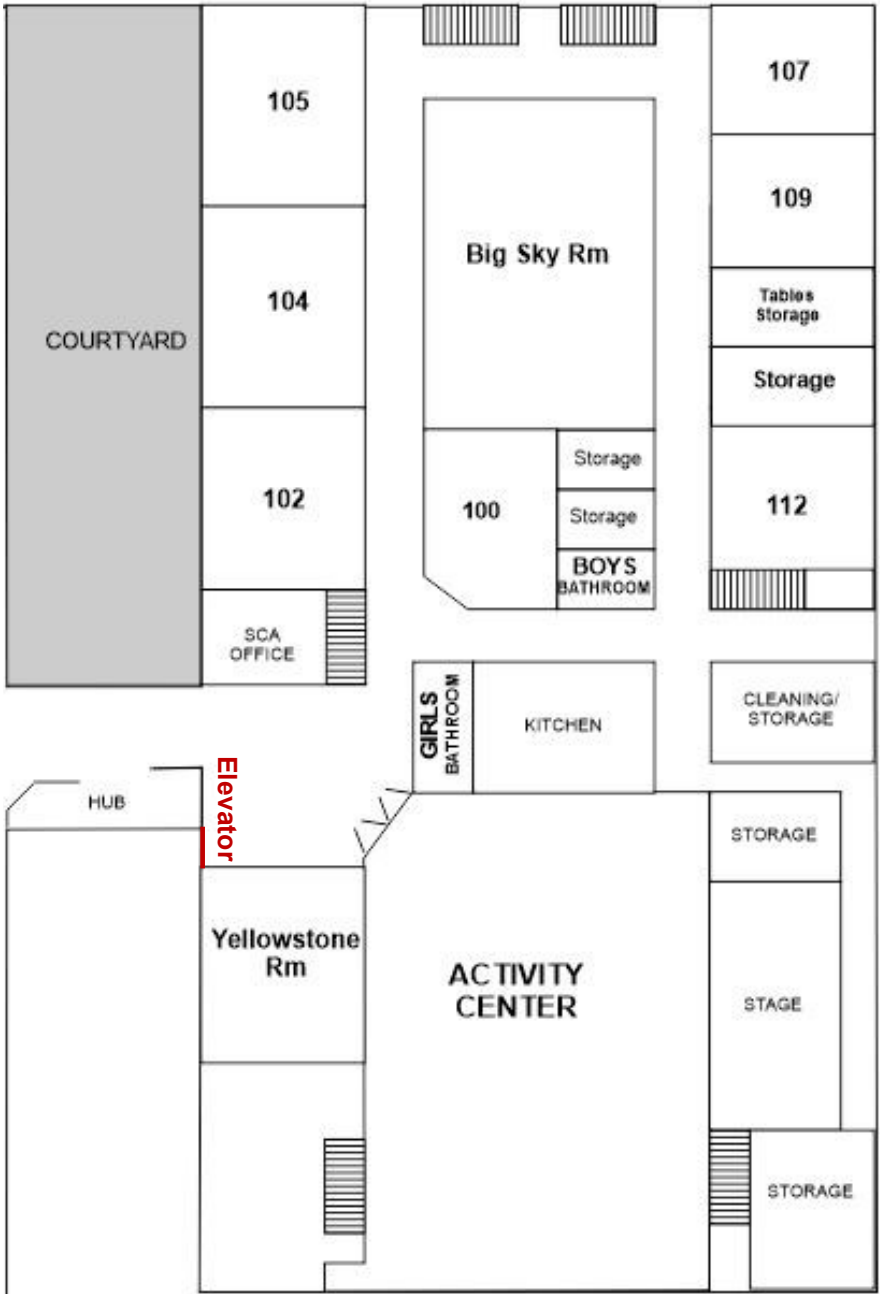
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1st Floor

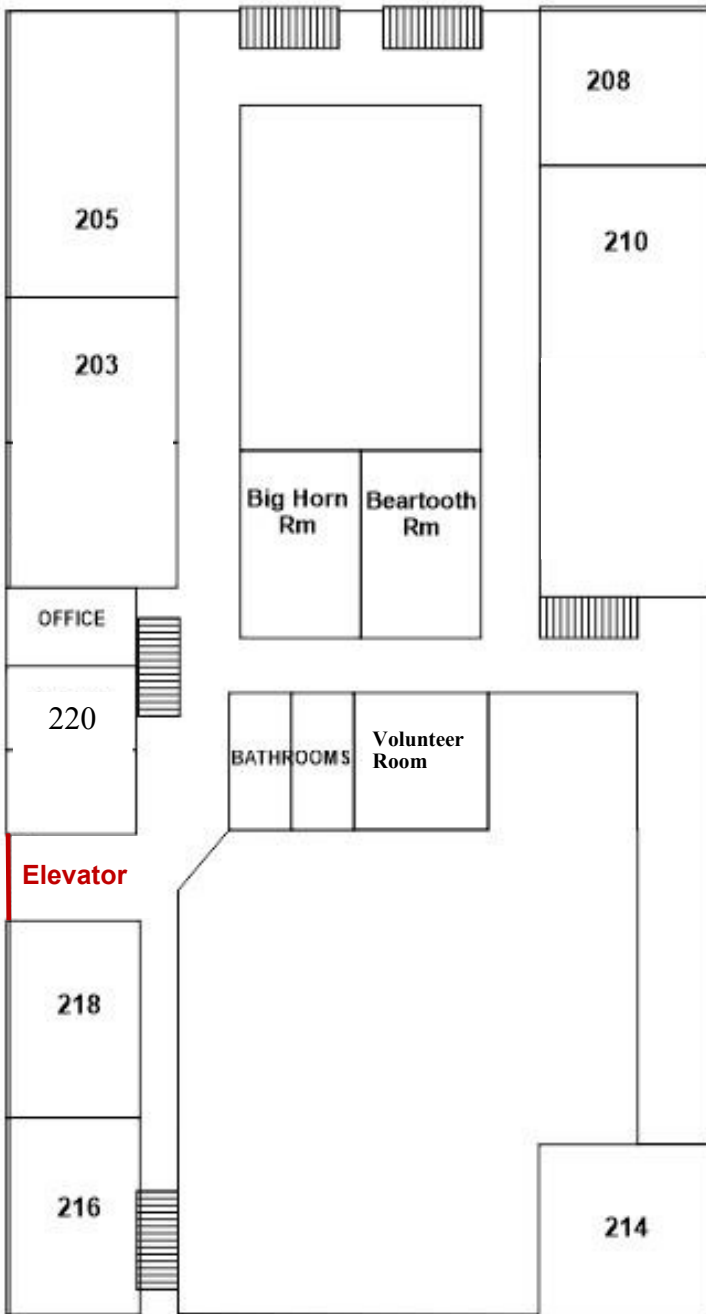


1st Floor

Education Wing



2nd Floor



Signing up for a life group is easy.
Sign up on the Church Center App under groups.
Scan this QR code to register with your
phone, sign up on the kiosks at the
Welcome Center or go to our website
and register online at myemmanuel.net.



*Please note if you are already attending a group,
you will not have to sign up again, but if you have a child
in childcare, you will need to register them for
for childcare, each semester.*

To register for childcare, email Karla Aguirre
at kaguirre@myemmanuel.net by the
deadline Sunday, December 24.

Please include the following information:

- ⇒ Parent Full Name
- ⇒ Parent Phone
- ⇒ Which Childcare Session (s)
- ⇒ Full Name of each child
- ⇒ Age/Grade of each child
- ⇒ Gender of each child

For any questions, please call Ginny in the office
@ 406.652.3161.



Dr. Paul Jones
Lead Pastor

When we talk about the greatest helps or hindrances to the Christian life, we inevitably end up talking about fellowship versus isolation. You were never created to do life alone. It has so many detrimental aspects. Now in modern America, you have to be intentional about getting with other like-minded Christ Followers. At Emmanuel, Life Groups are that intentional element designed for your spiritual health and wellbeing.

We provide many different kinds of Life Groups that study many different biblical concepts at various times during the week, so that there will be one or two that seem to fit you and your schedule. Even though you can pick a different Life Group each semester, we would like you to consider staying with one and really get to know the people in that group. It's when you move past the superficial and get to the REAL that your Life Group will take on a different meaning.

Last, if you're still not convinced, consider the methodology of Jesus. He took three and a half years and poured Himself into 12 guys. The result was a changed world. Pour yourself into a Life Group and watch what God does!