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BE THE LIGHT



IBC Mission Statement: Engaging our community and the world with the Gospel, ministering to the broken, and developing followers of Jesus!



Ryan Buck
Senior Pastor

Next Week:

Sunday:

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

Tuesday:

- Celebrate Recovery

Wednesday:

- 5:30 p.m. FamNight

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution
- 10:00 a.m. Ladies Devotional/
Fellowship
- 5:15 p.m. Fall Festival

Hello church family. It's hard to believe that the holiday season is already upon us. The older I get the more I realize how finite my life on the earth is. We're only promised so many of these seasons and we don't know the number, therefore let us cherish them. We are but a week away from our Fall Festival, which is next Thursday evening. We will have FAM night as usual, and then we will give a day to our community as we host the Regan Elementary Fall Festival. Thank you all for your commitment. Immanuel has long been a place of refuge for all who come into her, and Immanuel has always been a church who embraces the opportunity to offer that refuge to the community. I look forward to the gospel conversations we will get to have this coming week and I hope you will as well. We will be inviting folks to come worship with us and to come join the mission to share God's grace.

As I'm writing this letter, I'm about to go and teach the teenagers tonight about the grace of God. As I've been studying the topic in depth, I've been fascinated about what the Hebrew word for grace means. It basically means to invite someone into a place of refuge and protection to a place of active and abundant life. When God opened the door to us through His son, He has invited everyone into Himself where there is refuge and protection and life. I think that's why Jesus said that He came to give life, and life in abundance. The church and our homes should mimic that grace as we create a place of refuge and life. What an awesome picture.

There are many who come to Immanuel that have chaos and disorder around them all the time. I hope that as we serve the Lord and share His word, we can also model and teach what grace filled homes are like. If you need help with this in your own personal life, please reach out to me or someone you look up to in the church. If any of us have something to offer, it's because we have been given this grace by someone else and we want to share it with you. See you soon church family.

See you Sunday, Pastor Ryan



Ministry Opportunities



A QUICK LOOK AT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

Student Fun Night **THIS WEDNESDAY** 5:30-7:30pm, all students 6-12th grade are invited for an evening of food, games and **SMASHING PUMPKINS!**

Food Bank **THIS THURSDAY** 10:00am, starting October 30th we will begin distributing food twice a month. Please arrive at 9:40am to help setup if you can.

Fall Festival **THIS THURSDAY** 5:15-7:00pm, right here at IBC on our west lot and playground. All volunteers please arrive by 4:30pm so the food and games are ready to go by 5:00pm. And now, we need our master bakers to bring lots of **CUPCAKES AND COOKIES** for our cake walk. And more **CANDY** will still help!

Business Meeting **NEXT SUNDAY** (time change Sunday) right after church in the Worship Center. There are new budgets available **TODAY** at Ministry Points.

Fall High School Retreat Saturday-Sunday November 8th and 9th, we'll be heading to Lake Brownwood for a weekend of food, fun and fellowship. The cost is \$25. Invite your friends and signup **TODAY!**

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party Sunday November 9th, right after church we'll be filling up our Christmas Child boxes and packing them up for shipment. Plan now to come help with this important ministry.

Thanksgiving Meal & Lord's Supper Sunday November 16th, we'll have our annual Thanksgiving celebration starting at 10:30am with worship, food, testimonies and the Lord's Supper around our tables in the gymnasium.

Capital Campaign We are raising funds to renovate our 2nd floor restrooms. Please designate your gifts for "Restroom Fund". We'll update the total raised in the Budget section across the page.



We need Cupcakes for Fall Festival—Cupcake walk. Would you be willing to bake/buy some Cupcakes for fall festival? If you can please drop off the Cupcakes on Wednesday or Bring them Thursday Morning to the church office. If you prefer to make cookies that will be fine too. Please bag the cookies 3 to a baggie.

Thanks for making this years

Fall Festival—SWEET!



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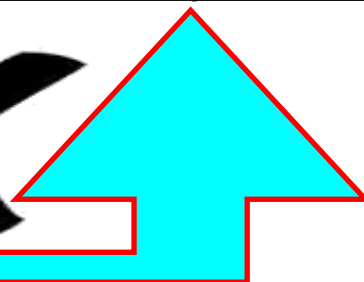
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Building Campaign - We are entering into a building campaign raise money to remodel the upstairs bathrooms. Use the QR Code to give.



It is so good to be apart of a church that loves to serve the community and God at the same time! Please know that we are making an impact for the cause of Christ! - **THAT'S JUST AWESOME!** The Food Bank has asked to come twice a month! They see the need to do more! Our next Distribution will be [October 30th, 9:40 a.m.](#)





Ministry Opportunities



Baptism

Are you waiting to be Baptized? If you need to be baptized sign-up at the ministry points, call the church office, or talk with one of our staff members. Come join the fun and help us celebrate what God is doing in the life of our church.

**IBC GOLF
MONDAYS
5PM**

Quicksand Golf Course

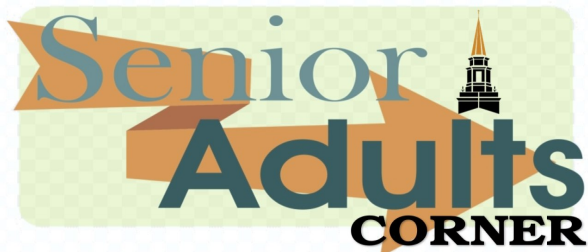
Join us on Mondays for a round of GOLF!

This is a ministry that we use to reach other men and women in our community! Do you know someone who likes to play golf? Come join us for a great time and fellowship! Call the church office for more details and who to contact.



*Celebrate Recovery
Immanuel Baptist*

Celebrate Recovery meets every week on Tuesday Nights! This is a Recovery ministry for the whole family. Targeting anyone/everyone with a habit, hurt, or hang-up. We have a meal each week, an amazing time of worship, followed by small groups. Come join us and check it out! It could change your life!



Ladies' Devotional/fellowship—on Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m. at IBC

October 29th—FamNight—come join us as we dive into 1 Peter!

October 30th—Food Bank Distribution

October 30th—Fall Festival 5:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

November 2—Time Change! Fall Backwards!



Ministry Opportunities



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Fall Festival will be **October 30th**! This year we will be hosting Reagan Elementary on our church campus. We need volunteers and **CANDY CANDY**! Please visit the Ministry Point Booths to sign-up to help run a game, serve in the kitchen, work a booth and so much more. Such a great way to reach our community! HOW WILL YOU GET INVOLVED AND HELP REACH OUR COMMUNITY??? - Sign-up TODAY!

WE NEED CUP CAKES AND COOKIES FOR THE CUP CAKE WALK BOOTH!



HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT—November 8-9, 2025 \$25.00

Calling all 9th—12th graders to come join us on our Fall Retreat! We will be going to Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment in Brownwood, Texas. Scan the QR Code to Register! See Cody or Mike for more details. Deadline is November 2nd.



DON'T FORGET TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCK!

November 2nd, is Time Change!

See You At Church!

Do you love to make a joyful noise?

Calling all Senior Adults/Adults to join us for Melody Makers. Just a group of *awesome folks* that love to sing and share their talents with those in assisted living facilities! Call the office to learn more—but only if you consider yourself awesome! - just kidding we will take anyone!

Come serve with us! **Next meeting will be November 5th, Baycrest Senior Liv.—10:00 a.m.**





DONE



PRAYER REQUESTS

Critical or Sick

1. Carrie Aldridge
2. Patty Dune – hospice
3. Debra Escobar - cancer
4. Julie Ann Evans—cancer
5. Sammy Farmer
6. Sandra Franke, cancer
7. Shea Gartman – Cancer Treatments
8. Keith Harrison – health
9. Doris Heard – health
10. Jo Hoover - hospice
11. Joe Hyde – heart problems
12. Raymond Love - cancer
13. Jessie Magness – heart troubles
14. Cheryl Marsh - cancer
15. Samantha Marsh – Lung Cancer
16. Lisa Martinez – multiple health issues/needs kidney
17. Donn Martinez – wound healing
18. Neely McCarty - cancer
19. Shawna McClellan – Uncle - cancer
20. PM Miller – back pain
21. Shirley Morgan – health and salvation
22. Mike Moynihan—health
23. Darlene Norwood
24. Kaleigh Ochinang – B-Cell Lymphoma 2 yrs.old
25. Angie Pullen – health
26. Johnny Reid – ALS
27. Roy Don Scott—heart

Our Home Care Members

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| • Bobbie Economidis | • Jessie Magness | • Judy Todd |
| • Cora Felts | • Hulene Magness, | • Home Care Team |
| • Charlene Hitt | • Estha Moore | |
| • Raye Honeycutt | • Mary Rauch | |
| • Bobbie Love | • Lvon Reid | |
| | • Roger Roenfeldt | |

Ongoing Concerns

1. Rickey Andrews
2. Cody
3. Carolyn Brown
4. Wanda Dews
5. Chris Huber
6. Robert Johnson
7. Ron Lang
8. Leona Mahtushquah
9. Carlos Martinez, Sr. health/work
10. Cynthia Martinez
11. Suzanne McCray
12. Vickie Meacham – house burned down
13. Chris Nelson
14. Carol Risser
15. Fred Risser
16. Mike Smith
17. Billy and Connie Stevens
18. Shannon Tissue
19. Carol Wearden's dad - has cancer

Church members serving in the Military

- ◇ Jacob May – Army
- ◇ Anthony Martinez—Army National Guard
- ◇ Vincent Martinez—Army National Guard

OTHER

- ◇ Pray for your Church Pastor
- ◇ Pray for your Church Staff
- ◇ Pray for your Church
- ◇ Pray for our teachers, Reagan Elementary and Lake View High School
- ◇ Christians in Action – Financial Assistance in 2025

Condolences

Congratulations

Surgical & Procedures/ Recovery

Cora Felts—Recovery

Ask God to give you an opportunity to witness for HIM! – SHARE YOUR STORY! Invite others to church!

The Lost

Anthony Mike Jim Col-
by John Nate Ernest

Pray for Fall Festival and the community to come.

Our Community and the Hope Ministry

- Lost souls
- That IBC will share the gospel!
- IBC Staff
- CR Leadership
- CR Ministry
- FBC Mertzon,
- IBC Safety Team
- Ministry Teams
- School Teachers
- Reagan Elementary
- Lakeview High School
- Pregnancy Help Center

Our Nation and Leaders

- Our Nation
- State
- City Government
- School Boards
- Fire Dept.
- Border Patrol
- Law Enforcement
- TGCJ
- Pres. Trump and his Administration
- Church members serving in the military

IBC MISSIOIN EFFORTS

The Richardson Family
The Spannagel Family
Concho Valley Biblical Counseling Center
Concho Valley Fellowship of Christian Athletes
The Gideons
Rush Street Ministry
Baptist Student Ministries
Bishop Street Recovery Ranch
Fresh Start Ministries

Pregnancy Help Center
Through God Comes Justice
Reagan Elementary School
Lake View High School
Kings Builders
IBC Shoebox Ministry
Lottie Moon
Annie Armstrong
Mission Dignity



Get Connected!



LOOK AHEAD

October 25—Concealed Carry Class
 October 28—Celebrate Recovery
 October 29—FamNight
 October 30—Food Bank Distribution—10:00 a.m.
 October 30—Ladies' Devotional/Fellowship
 October 30—Fall Festival
 November 2—Business Meeting
 November 2—Time Change
 November 2—Begin Collecting for Turkey Boxes
 November 4—Celebrate Recovery/J.A.M.
 November 5—FamNight
 November 6—Ladies' Devotional/Fellowship
 November 8-9—High School Fall Retreat
 November 9—Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party after the morning worship service.
 November 11—Celebrate Recovery
 November 12—FamNight
 November 13—Ladies' Devotional/Fellowship
 November 16—Thanksgiving Meal as a church family
 November 16—Lord's Supper
 November 18—Celebrate Recovery

Sunday School Life Groups

Sundays begin @ 9:30AM. The following is a list of classes with group descriptions. Maps are posted in the hallways.

Love, Senior Adult Ladies, Rm. W103
Glorious Friends, Senior Adult Ladies, Rm. W104
Hope, Senior Adults, Rm. W105
Ladies Disciples, Single Adult Ladies, Rm. E102
Gifted, Adults, The Square (Upstairs)
BASIC, Adults, Rm. E201
THE NEW CLASS, Adults, Rm. GYM
Faith Family Friends, Adults, Rm. E202
R&R, Adults, Rm. E204
Disciples, Adults with Young Kids, Rm. E104
Middle/High School students, Student Center

WEEKLY REPORT

October 19, 2025

Homecare Enrollment	13
Life group Attendance	278
Worship Attendance	348
Monthly Budget requirements As of 10.19.2025	\$89,885 \$47,379
Annual Budget requirements As of 10.19.2025	\$1,078,627 \$763,042
Restroom Fund As of 10.19.2025	\$14,660

SERVING THIS WEEK

October 26, 2025

CHECK-IN SERVICES

Charlotte Waters

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Lana Thompson

Briana Crooks

Amber Locke

Cathy Highsmith



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SUNDAY MORNING Sunday school at 9:30am, Worship Services at 11:00am

HOPE NIGHT CELEBRATE RECOVERY 7-9pm, meal at 6pm

IBC FAMNIGHT—Wednesday's—Meal 5:30 p.m. Bible Studies 6:00 –7:30 p.m.

Guest



Our APP



Give



Scan the QR CODES and learn more about IBC and how you can get connected, find out about our APP, and give.

Connect With Us!

Facebook Live 11:00 a.m. SUNDAYS

Office Hours: Mon-Thur. 9-5
closed for lunch



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Regina Steakley — Nursery Lead

Anna Fellers and Joe Garcia — Custodial Staff