



The Transition to EBC

Summer is typically a time to relax, go on vacation, and enjoy great weather here in the Northwest. But this year the month of August is also full of anticipation for our move to Emmanuel Bible Church. The general timetable for our move is: **Renovation** during August (NOW!), **Moving offices and room set-up** in September, **Worship Services** in October.

The first thing you need to know is that we have a **Transition Team** in place, led by Jerry King, that is already well into the process of renovating our new space. And we need volunteers! "Many hands make light work." Come be a part of transforming this great facility for our use!



Here are the people you can contact to get involved:

- Galen Shorack** – repairs, doors, and floors (206) 306-0929 or email at gms@resources.com
- Michelle Huse** – wall prep and painting (206) 919-5119 or email at mhhuse@yahoo.com
- Renee Laigo** – food and childcare (206) 306-1021 or email at gabeandreneel@comcast.net
- Steven Reese** – procurement of special items (425) 657-1416 (work) or email at sreese@api.com
- Doug Woods** – general volunteerism (206) 364-3953 or email at dougonsabbatical@prodigy.net

The second thing to know is that you can give to an offering to help cover the costs of our transition. There are many one-time expenses associated with our move to a new facility. We'll be saving a lot of money by providing our own labor, but we will be paying for construction materials, paint, furnishings, white boards, etc. So would you please consider giving to this "transition offering" beyond your regular giving. To participate, simply write "Transition" on the memo line of your check and either send it to the office or put it in the offering box on Sunday. And if you have a connection for great deals, please let us know!

Lastly, here are a couple important dates for your calendar. On **Saturday, September 8th**, we could use your help **moving our offices** from the U-District to EBC. Give the office a call if you can help out! On Saturday, September 22nd, everyone involved in Sunday related ministries (Hospitality, Children's Church, Worship Team, etc.) will have the opportunity to be oriented to our new space. Our first worship service at EBC will be on October 7th, at 5:30 PM.

Let's Make a Difference...

Community Yard Sale

When: Saturday & Sunday, August 11-12
Where: Emmanuel Bible Church,
 503 N 50th Street
CC Contact: Lisa Higley (206) 949-9452
What's Needed: Donate items for sale and/or volunteer to staff tables in the EBC gym. Proceeds go to support families in need at BF Day Elementary School in Fremont.

Green Lake Paint Out

When: Saturday, August 18, 10:00 to 2:30
Where: Hearthstone Retirement Home,
 6720 E. Green Lake Way N.
CC Contact: Julie McAferty (206) 729-0800
What's Needed: Volunteers to paint out graffiti. All supplies are provided, as well as a free t-shirt, hat, and snacks. For more info, see www.paintout.org

Learn from Darwin – We Become What We Behold

- by Jon Bloom, Executive Director of Desiring God Ministries, reprinted with permission

Charles Darwin loved his scientific studies. They were his “chief enjoyment and sole employment throughout life.” As a young man he made a half-hearted attempt to become a clergyman, but gave it up because beetles and plants and rock formations held far more fascination for him than theology. At age 22, he embarked on his famous five-year voyage aboard “The Beagle” and his career as a naturalist was established. He spent the rest of his life intensely observing things, reducing them to their component parts and theorizing where they came from and why they behaved as they did.

However, as the years passed something very sad happened to him. He described it near the end of his life in his autobiography:

Up to the age of 30 or beyond it, poetry of many kinds....gave me great pleasure, and even as a schoolboy I took intense delight in Shakespeare.... Formerly pictures gave me considerable, and music very great, delight. But now for many years I cannot endure to read a line of poetry: I have tried to read Shakespeare, and found it so intolerably dull that it nauseated me. I have also almost lost any taste for pictures or music.... I retain some taste for fine scenery, but it does not cause me the exquisite delight which it formerly did.... My mind seems to have become a kind of machine for grinding general laws out of large collections of facts, but why this should have caused the atrophy of that part of the brain alone, on which the higher tastes depend, I cannot conceive.... The loss of these tastes is a loss of happiness, and may possibly be injurious to the intellect, and more probably to the moral character, by enfeebling the emotional part of our nature.

What a devastating loss. All that time in his laboratory abstracting theories from facts had conditioned his mind to analyze to such a degree that he could no longer enjoy beauty just for what it was. A symphony, a sunset, or a sonnet was not designed for Darwin to dissect but delight in. Too much dissection robbed him of delight.

We can learn something very valuable from Darwin here. We condition our minds to value whatever we watch and study and contemplate the most. John Piper has taught me to think of it like this: we become what we behold. What absorbs our interest, what we give our attention to most, shapes our thinking and trains our affections.

We must resist the seductive lie that someday in the future we will give up our workaholic habits or our sinful addiction or our trivial time-consuming pursuits and enjoy God and his creation and his purposes like we should. The truth is that if we spend too much time focusing on lesser things someday we will wake up to find that we have lost our ability to find great things delightful or even interesting.

We become what we behold. This is right from the Bible. Paul says in 2 Corinthians 3:18, “*We all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.*” This is the transformation that God intends for us: to grow, not decline, in our ability to enjoy glory. We are to fix our eyes on Jesus, the radiance of the glory of God (Hebrews 1:2), and in doing so he will reveal increasing degrees of glory to us, which will then shape our thinking and train our affections.

This summer take an audit of your affections. Over the last few years has there been an increase or a decrease in your love for God and your awe at his amazing gospel? Do you enjoy his creation, from cell to star, more? Or less? Does that familiar sin have greater or less power over you? What is captivating your interest? Look at what you have been spending your time beholding for the answers.

Let’s learn from Darwin and heed God’s life-giving exhortations: “Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind” (Romans 12:2) by “set[ting] your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth” (Colossians 3:2).

Go Mariners!

We have 42 tickets available for the Mariners game against the **Los Angeles Angels** on Monday, **August 27th** at 7:05 pm.

Tickets are \$10.00 (what a great deal!). This is a wonderful chance to hang out together, bring a friend, see a game, take in the sights of Safeco Field, down a brat, and cheer on our team. Call the office to reserve a spot.

Treasure in a Field: Pasco Mission Team to the Manna Project, 2007

By Lauren Heerschap

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field." Matthew 13:44

There is a beauty in seeing people work together as the body of Christ. This year I was delighted to serve as part of the short term mission team to Pasco. Our goal was to plant nine shade trees, run a VBS, pray and celebrate as we developed relationships with the children and the community around the Manna Project. The Manna Project is named Manna because manna means "What is it?" It is a constantly evolving ministry, uniquely fashioned by a team of people willing to live in the community that they minister in. It is a treasure found in a field that Pastor Lynn Jones bought and gave to God for His use.

At six in the morning the irrigation water was still on the grass, and it was soft and cool on my feet as I started to walk around the field, praying for God to intervene on this day, to use this field as holy ground. By eight o'clock, the crew was ready to dig holes for the trees. GR and Doug had sprayed orange paint in circles, and the youth group cut and rolled back the sod. Bill had a unique look of joy on his face as he ran the heavy equipment auger, drilling holes to start the digging. Shoveling followed as the heat started to rise above eighty degrees. At ten thirty there was a water break, and by noon the crew was exhausted, ready for lunch and rest.

In the morning the small children on the team, youth group and some of the parents were working in Lynn's house on preparation of craft projects for the VBS and team meal preparation for twenty five people. Some went shopping for supplies and equipment. At three thirty everyone started out to the field, loading folding tables, bags of books, boxes of craft materials, water toys and equipment in my van. A team of girls carried the large inflatable pools over their heads down the block and



around the corner to the field. The van was unloaded. We set up a shade shelter, for the reading and teaching, two slip 'n slides, two large pools, and craft tables. The older boys started to play soccer. The heat was above 100 degrees, and it hit you like a furnace when you stepped outside the house.

Children came pouring through an opening in the cyclone fence, excited to play soccer or in the water and happily engaging with us and the Manna team. We read books, splashed in the water, and later listened to Connie teach about Noah, creating a rainbow of crepe paper streamers over our heads. The next day the lesson was Jesus in the storm we created by squirting water bottles over the heads of the children. The smell of an onion told the story of Jonah who had to do what he didn't want to do. In the reading shade shelter, surrounded by books and kids, Spanish and English intermingled. I listened to a teenage

girl share her struggles with school in the few moments that someone else watched her baby brother. I promised to pray for her, and she gave me a shy smile. The children's faces were radiant with happiness. I saw light, joy and Jesus in each one. There were so many loved by Him and loving Him out in the field.

At 6:30 PM each day it all came down, packed back in the van or carried back to the house. On Friday in the evening we held a Fiesta, with a water obstacle course, a banquet of food (Rocio prepared huge amounts of carne asada!), and a movie. Later the field returned to quiet, but the light of the treasure shined bright in the darkness. With new brightly painted picnic benches and trees, it was as beautiful as the fireworks exploding above the river on the Fourth of July. As a team, we prayed together, shared together, took in the book of James "Lectio Divina" style. We worked hard as a community of believers. I deeply felt that there was a distinct treasure we found, with a priceless joy worth all the labor in this mission field.

NEW SUMMER CORE STARTING SOON:

Marriage Core – Tuesday Nights Starting August 14, 2007

We believe in the covenant of marriage! Whether you are engaged, pondering marriage, newly married, or you have been married for many years, this Summer Core will help to bring couples into deeper communion with God and with each other. This core will help you take small but real steps toward honoring the image of God in each other and living out God's purpose for marriage. As you explore and respond to Scripture together, you will discover strength and beauty in your relationship and become even more intimate companions. Contact Rich Sclafani for more information. Sign up by email at rich@ccseattle.org or by calling the church office at 206.633.4134.



Calvary Chapel meets at the Green Lake Church, 6350 E. Green Lake Way N.
 Phone: 206.633.4134
<http://www.ccseattle.org>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The names on each day represent the current schedule for Prayer & Fasting. If you would like to join the rotation please contact the office.			1 Park Play Date 11 @ Viewridge TG 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting at the Lijja's—8:30 PM Jim & Chikako M.	2 Elder Meeting 7:00 PM Jerry & Daelene K.	3 Doug W.	4 Sounders 7:00 PM Troy S.
5 Intercession – 8:30 AM Worship—Communion 10:00 AM Ian H.	6 Scott & Kristen O.	7 Rena C.	8 TG 7:00 PM @ the church Erik L.	9 Lauren H.	10 Andrea Z. & Angie D.	11 EBC Yard Sale Kay S.
12 Intercession – 8:30 AM Worship—Prayer & Anointing 10:00 AM EBC Yard Sale Jeff & Jeanie D.	13 Greg & Lisa D.	14 Mark & Jessica B.	15 Park Play Date 11 @ Viewridge TG 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting at the Lijja's—8:30 PM John & Linda C.	16 Elder Meeting 7:00 PM Bill & Becky G.	17 Steve & Annabelle R.	18 Green Lake Paint Out Lorelle J.
19 Intercession – 8:30 AM Worship—10:00 AM Renee L.	20 Wendy A.	21 Bill & Kris H.	22 TG 7:00 PM @ the church Connie S.	23 Michelle H.	24 TG Back to School Overnight	25 Kristie E.
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