Let Others See Jesus in You

Reflection

I often share that our God—the Father, the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit—is made visible to others through our character and testimony. This inner growth and outward expression is often called living a missional life. As followers of Christ, saved by grace, we are sanctified through faith in Jesus, who died for us. His resurrection and promise of return give us hope to live heaven on earth. We can now try to live a life free from sin and pursue an intentional, purposeful existence. This purpose-driven life brings responsibility: to let others see and experience the invisible God, made visible through us. You and I are chosen and called by God to represent Christ and His character.

It is not our natural instinct to love people outside of our family and friends. We are born to be selfish. Every child is delivered with all fingers tightly closed and sometimes even grabs their own umbilical cord, their lifeline of nutrition/oxygen in their mother's womb. Sharing with and loving others are learned traits. Christlike character and obeying His command to love one another are not instinctual. It is motivated by Christ, who died for our sins, who did not judge us for our sinful and selfish nature, but was willing to forgive with His sacrificial death so that we can live free from sin.

To grow Christ-like character, we must first commit to living a life free from sin. In John 8:3-11, the Pharisees bring before Jesus a woman "caught in the act of adultery," reminding Him that according to the law of Moses, she should be stoned. Jesus, however, challenges them to consider their own sinfulness, saying, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." One by one, they leave. Then Jesus turns to the woman and says, "Go now and leave your life of sin."

Living intentional, missional lives to become Christlike in our thoughts and actions requires both personal and communal practice. We cannot fully embody love and support for one another without being part of a local community, like ECC. In the ECC community, we have opportunities to actively practice our faith, hope, and love through sharing the Good News together. The ECC Ministry of Local Evangelism offers platforms and organized efforts to reach and serve the people in our neighborhoods, workplaces, and social circles—contributing to the greater good while bearing witness to Christ and His gift of salvation.

As our faith and commitment to Christ grow, I have witnessed and been encouraged by many members—young and old—who have taken time off from home and work to serve on missions, sometimes for several weeks. The ECC Missions Ministry, along with its dedicated committee members, provides training, support, and prayer for those called to serve even beyond a few weeks. Some members commit to serving for several months, and others devote themselves to long-term missions, reaching out to those who have not yet heard the Gospel. ECC, as a community of Christ followers, offers a place to grow in Christlikeness by engaging in missional living through the Local Evangelism and Missions Ministries.

May God's grace be with you as you live out missional lives, both individually and as a community.

EDMONDS CAMPUS WORSHIP SERVICE 11/24/2024 AT 11:15 AM

Call to Worship Worship through Praise Congregational Prayer & the Lord's Prayer Worship through the Word

> Elder Elton Lee "Be Ready! - The Heart of Giving" 1 Corinthians 16:1-4 2 Corinthians 8-9

Worship in Response Doxology & Benediction Welcome and Announcements

Offering is a part of our worship to God. Online Offering: https://eccseattle.org/en/give/

SERVANT TEAM	TODAY	NEXT WEEK	
Speaker	Elder Elton Lee	Pastor Solomon Liu	
MODERATOR	Minister Ryan Summers	Man Foon Chu	
WORSHIP	Minister Ryan Summers	Wow Praise	
РА ТЕСН	George Chiu, Frank Liang Jonathan Chu	Julia Woodbury Janet Dong, Yuyu Ao	
USHER	Davy Ouk	Davy Ouk	
FLOWER		Helen Zhao	
DOOR ROTATION	Vanthy Ouk		

Prayers for Our ECC Community

PRAISES AND PRAYERS ECC EDMONDS

- Praise God for His abundant provision for the Edmonds campus and the whole ECC family's support and unity during the acquisition process.
- We thank the many brothers and sisters who dedicated long hours and skills to get the facility ready for worship and ministry use.
- We are grateful God brought seven new families with young children from SEA-M.
- Pray for the Lord to equip and develop HIS disciples as EDS moves to a new chapter of ministries.
- Pray to the Lord for the wisdom to shepherd brothers and sisters as EDS grows and help brothers and sisters grow in Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to give the EDS council vision and wisdom to expand ministries and make better use of the Edmonds facilities for God's glory.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

Devendra and Koko Rai are a part of Commission to Every Nation. They are involved with setting up Bible School on Wheels (BSOW) and multiplying churches in NE India and other parts of Asia. They sent renovation pictures of their new worship center in Thailand. It was a building deserted for three years with broken doors, windows, and litter everywhere. With the help of a new Thai believer, they've made two of the floors workable for worship!

May God bring more help as they continue this project. Most of all, may the Lord gather people to worship Him.

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- Please pray for the millions of families who will be traveling to gather together this coming week. May the Lord bless them with traveling mercy and a blessed time together. May church communities also remember those who are alone and in need of companionship during this season.
- Please pray for China as the society has faced several mass murders this past month. May the Lord comfort those who have lost loved ones and speed the recovery of those injured. May the Lord grant wisdom to the civil authorities to find ways to address the root issues behind these attacks.

Announcements

Invitation to Baptism and Thanksgiving Potluck (hosted by the Mandarin Congregation)

Praise the Lord! Right after the Sunday worship service today, a baptism will be held in Room 119. After the baptism, there will be a potluck thanksgiving celebration in the gym. We welcome everyone to reserve time to join us and to pray for these brothers and sisters being baptized, asking the Lord to strengthen their faith and greatly bless them.

Thanksgiving Potluck

11/24 | After the baptism | Room 116/117 (Adult Sunday school room) As we are grateful for the Lord's work in providing this church building and church body to us, the English congregation will have a Thanksgiving potluck. Please bring your favorite dish to share! Adult Sunday school will be canceled.

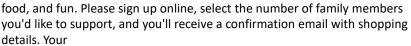
2024 Taiwan Missions Sharing and 2025 Informational Meeting

12/1 | 12:30PM - 2:30PM | Gym

All brothers and sisters are warmly welcome to attend. A simple lunch and snacks will be provided before the meeting.

A Kindred Family Christmas

SIGN-UP LINK: https://bit.ly/kindredchristmas-en (Deadline: 12/1) Be an Adopting Angel this holiday season! Join us in supporting families from the Seattle Public Schools at our in-person Christmas "shopping" event on 12/13 (Friday) for an evening of shopping,



generosity is greatly appreciated.

Kindred Family Box Drop-Off Date and Location:

After signing up, you can start bringing in your items in a box or a bag (please do not wrap the gifts) and drop them off at the EDS Campus by the sanctuary by 12/8/24.

Volunteers Needed | 12/5-12/13 | UPC

We need volunteers to help with receiving gifts on 12/5, the gift box distribution on 12/13 and 12/14, as well as to help decorate, set up props, distribute drinks and cookies, and assist with the photo booth. We encourage families to sign up to volunteer together.

Care Ministry Update with Good Samaritan Fund (GSF) Status

Through your contributions to the GSF this year, over \$34,000 has been granted to individuals and over \$9,000 was spent supporting homeless feeding projects. In addition, about \$250,000 has been given to humanitarian relief agencies locally and globally. Offering receipts are currently at about \$150,000 dollars, or about half of the 2023 total receipts . Please consider your year-end giving to help replenish the fund. Thank you. May you be encouraged and blessed.



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2024 ECC CALENDAR (For the yearly calendar, please check <u>www.eccseattle.org</u>)		
12/13 (Fri)	Kindred Family Christmas (UPC)	
12/22 (Sun)	Christmas Sunday (ECC)	
1/26 (Sun)	40 Days of Prayer Campaign (EDS-English)	
2/14 (Fri)	YSF Retreat (Lakeview Retreat)	

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