



Emmanuel Newsflash

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Friends Never Forget

"I think of my friends as a raft we make with our arms. We are out there in the middle of some great scary body of water, forearm to forearm, hand to elbow, holding tight. Sometimes I am part of the raft, joining up with others to provide safe harbour, other times I need to climb aboard myself until the storms subside and I can see my way clear to swim to shore. The raft drifts apart when it's not needed, but never disbands, never forgets." *Beverly Lowery.*

Praising God.

When I was a child we had a budgie named Bunty, She was a real pet. She said a number of words. Some birds can say 20 to 30 words. Bunty used to say Dear wee bird, among other things. There was a family who tried to get their bird to say Praise the Lord.....he said Praise the bird! Suppose he did learn to say Praise the Lord, would he know what he was saying? No, he would just be repeating words. But would it be possible for a budgie to really Praise the Lord? The Bible tells us. Let everything that has breath Praise the Lord. A budgie can do that by doing and being everything God created him to do and be. So how should we people Praise? The Bible says: "Love one another as I have. Loved you." When you do that you are praising the Lord. Every time you do what God wants you to do you're really praising the Lord and not just repeating words, like the budgie.

Submitted by Mary Lawrence

Thank you to Trinity United Church for our Sunday service.

* The worship service for this Sunday will be available on [Trinity's YouTube Channel](#). by 10:30am on Sunday morning.



The World Day of Prayer March 5th, 2021

A service video, prepared by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada, can be accessed by going to wicc.org and clicking on the One Hour Service Video button.

If anyone would like to make a donation they may do so by donating online at wicc.org or mailing a cheque to: WICC, 47 Queen's Park Cres E., Toronto, ON, M5S 2C3

Observed on the first Friday in March, World Day of Prayer is a global, ecumenical movement of Christian women joined together to observe a common day of prayer.

♦ **While Rev. Roni is away**, if you have any pastoral care issues, you may contact Nancy Lourie at 705-476-0305 or Bud McMartin at 705-474-8725.

♦ **Rev. Kathy McCallum**, will be providing emergency pastoral care.

The readings for Sunday February 28th are:

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:23-31 (*VU p. 746 Parts Three and Four*)
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38



Sunday Services are available online:

YouTube: Emmanuel United YouTube Channel

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EUCNorthBay/>

Website: <http://www.emmanuelunitednorthbay.ca/onlineservices.html>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/emmanuel_united

Today's Smile

Three friends from the local congregation were asked, "When you're in your casket, and friends and congregation members are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?"

Artie said, "I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader, and a great family man."

Eugene commented, "I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people's lives."

Al said, "I'd like them to say, 'Look, he's moving!'"



AVENUES FOR FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING EMMANUEL'S MINISTRY AND MISSION:

***AVGEN GIFT CARDS** (Contact-gtwilcox96@gmail.com or 705-303-4204).

***PAR** (Pre-Authorized Remittance)

***ONLINE GIVING** (CanadaHelps.org from our Website)

***E-TRANSFER** (From your personal online bank account to Brenda at euctreasurer@gmail.com)

Thank you!

Family in 'Lockdown' Noah's Ark

40 days, 40 nights in the Ark, Noah's family was confined in a boat. There were no windows, no balconies, no terraces, no internet, no phone, no TV, no Youtube, Facebook or Netflix.

They only heard the rain. They spend their time praying, loving each other and caring for the animals. God the father took care of them as Noah was a man of faith and obeyed His word.

Remember even though there is out there an ocean of viruses and life seems like a stormy ride, Our God is watching over us! Do not be Afraid!

Be faithful to Him and wait patiently.

The rain will stop one day.

A rainbow will shine and all be well again.

Emmanuel Weekly Bible Study

Under Rev Roni's direction and Lorne's technical assistance we are continuing to meet on **Zoom on Thursdays at 11:30.**

We are a small group but we enjoy seeing one another and sharing our thoughts on the weekly Bible Readings. If you are interested in joining the Zoom Study, please contact: rwhitford752@aol.com or phone 705-471-5219. I will help you connect if needed.

Blessings
Robert

PLEASE REMEMBER

Rev. Roni invites you to submit pomes, short stories, jokes or any interest articles that you think will brighten someone's day! Information must be submitted by 9am on Wednesday to be included in the weekly Newsflash and should be no more than 500 words.

Please email to emmanuelnited@cogeco.net.

"Known by Our Love"

Emmanuel United Church shall be a caring, welcoming faith community, nurturing spiritual life and sharing God's love and grace as experienced in Jesus Christ.

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