

FALL 2025

The Grand Life

THE NEWSLETTER OF IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH'S SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

RSVP TODAY!

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Welcome!

Here is a look at what we have coming up. *All luncheons will take place in the Atrium of IBC.*

While luncheons are provided at no cost to you, we do keep a donation basket if you feel led to contribute. To RSVP, please call the number listed above or email Jennis at horn@ibc.church.

Hope to see you soon!

Immanuel Christian Bookstore hours

Tues 11 AM - 4 PM

Wed 11 AM - 7 PM

Thurs 11 AM - 4 PM

Sun 9 AM - 1 PM.

Phone: 703-354-5219.

September 26th Luncheon - BAMS

Start the year with Grand Life and the musical talents of the Burke Acoustic Musical Society. This group comprised of several of our pastors, elders, staff members, and lay persons performs country, bluegrass, and other songs for our senior saints. Bring a friend for some great fellowship, food, and friends!

Please RSVP by Monday, September 22nd. We will meet in the Atrium at 11 AM.

October 17th Luncheon - Safety Presentation with Franconia PD

Join us for a special safety presentation by Officer Bayron Gudiel, head of the Crime Prevention Unit at Franconia Police Department. Learn some important safety tips to keep yourself physically safe, how to stay aware of your surroundings, and more.

Please RSVP by Monday, October 13th. We will meet in the Atrium at 11 AM.

November 21st - Attitude of Gratitude

In tune with the season of the year, we will get together to spend some time in reflection and contemplation over the many blessings we have here in Northern Virginia. We will also be collecting food items for donation in concordance with the food drive Immanuel sponsors each Thanksgiving. Give to those less fortunate than yourself and take some time to reflect on all that God has given to you.

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April 25th Luncheon by Gary Holmberg

Today, Grand Life joined Director of Evangelism & Outreach, Sean Mornan, for a game of Bible Jeopardy. We had five categories—Old Testament, New Testament, Famous Families, Punishments, and Hymns and Spiritual Songs. Each category, as usual in Jeopardy had five levels, 100 to 500, and each table formed a team. It was an open-book exam (our Bibles could be searched), but the questions were still challenging. There was a lot of good-natured competition.

While there were some technical difficulties, everyone enjoyed the questions and learned much. As we were getting to the end of the game, a group of kindergartners joined us. They stood in front and sang to us. Then they came around to our tables and presented us with thoughtful gifts that they had constructed. The one we received was a string of beads folded in the shape of a butterfly; an attached paper heart had a love message written on it.

Hannah's kitchen had a nice lunch for us. They had a very tasty chicken casserole with peppers and spices, rice, black beans, and corn bread. Dessert was chocolate chip cookies.



May 9th Luncheon - Immanuel Christian School Kindergartners

by Gary Holmberg

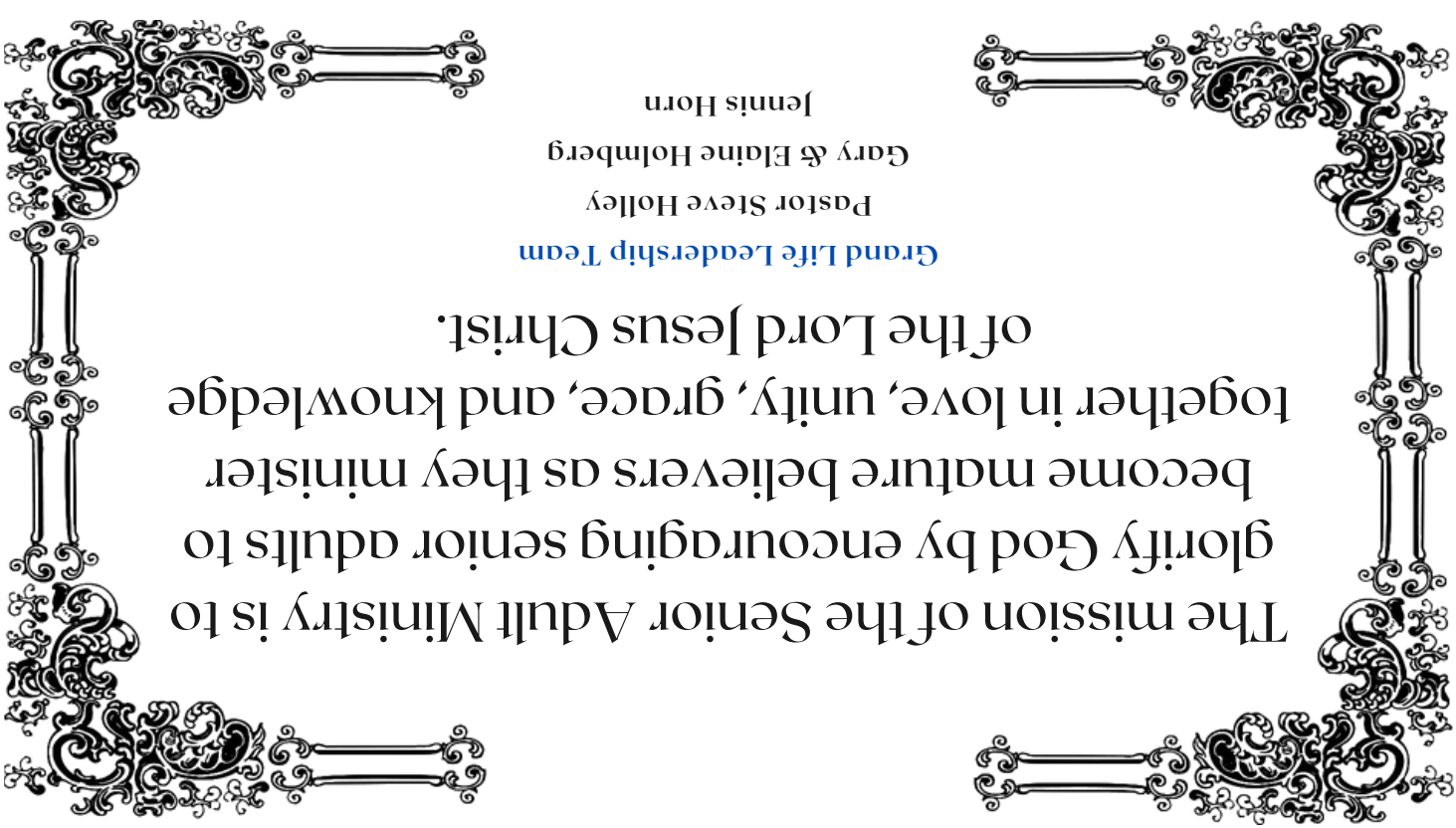
On Friday, May 9th, we had the last Grand Life luncheon of the spring. This was our annual luncheon with the ICS kindergartners. As usual, Jennis had designated several seats at each table for kindergartners so we old folks were spread out amongst the students at each table.

The whole kindergarten class marched in, about 45 of them. They began by getting on the stage and serenading us. Then they spread out throughout the room and sat in their designated spaces. At our table, we had five kids: Michael, Gabby, Elizabeth, and two Johns. They were bright kids who readily conversed with us old folks.

To aid in beginning a conversation, the Kindergarten teachers prepared sample questions and dropped a few on each table. They included basic questions such as: "What did you do at recess today?", "What are your favorite TV shows?," and "What is your favorite sport to play?" There were also some more thought-provoking questions such as: "Why do we need to learn to do math?," "Why do scientists study the world?," and "Why do we practice reading every night.?"

Of course, we had our own resources as well. Most of us have kids and grandkids, and we've had a lot of experience in talking with kindergarten-age kids. In any case, we had a good chat with the kids at our tables and learned some things about them as they ate their lunches. Hannah's catering had a nice lunch for us as always. We enjoyed a wonderful time of food and fellowship with our fellow Grand Lifers and the kindergartners.





The mission of the Senior Adult Ministry is to
glorify God by encouraging senior adults to
become mature believers as they minister
together in love, unity, grace, and knowledge
of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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