



# WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

We exist to glorify Jesus Christ and magnify His gospel  
in all of life until He comes.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022



We are so excited you are visiting with us today! Be sure to fill out a connect card in the pews or visit [www.firstevan.org/connect](http://www.firstevan.org/connect).



Can we help you find community here? There are many opportunities for equipping, service, and fellowship. Contact Andrew Beach at [abeach@firstevan.org](mailto:abeach@firstevan.org).



There is more to First Evan than Sunday morning. For a complete look at opportunities, browse: [www.firstevan.org](http://www.firstevan.org).

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## KINDNESS & REPENTANCE

*"God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance." Romans 2:4*

Welcome	Taylor Park, <i>Executive Pastor</i>
Call to Worship	James 5:13
Song of Praise	This is Amazing Grace
Scripture Reading	1 John 3:1-2
Song of Worship	Who You Say I Am
Choral Meditation	Wonderful, Merciful Savior
God at Work: Gideons International	Wayne Marsh
Elder Prayer	John Reid Curlin
Scripture Reading	Numbers 14:39-45
Sermon	Jim Fleming, <i>Interim Senior Pastor</i>

"The Trouble With Me"  
Numbers 14:39-45

Song of Response	Have Thine Own Way, Lord
Benediction	

*Musicians: The Worship Choir, Jeremy Conner, John Bennett, Levi Bennett,  
Ezra Bennett, Jamie Scholik, Trent England, Felicity Hall, Tori Martin.  
Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship*

# *The Trouble With Me*

*Numbers 14:39–45 | Jim Fleming, Interim Senior Pastor*

## **The Day After Israel Blew It – Numbers 14:39–45**

At the Wilderness of Paran, Israel made a stupid decision for the record books. Their mistake is our gain – 1 Corinthians 10:5, 11

From today's passage, we can learn about an aspect of grace that is underappreciated.

Zechariah 12:10

Psalms 51:16–17

## **1. The Trouble with Tears – Numbers 14:39**

Hebrews 12:16–17

2 Corinthians 7:9

Jonah 3:1–10 – Nineveh used 40 days to change God's heart.

Don't fixate on the consequences.

## **2. The Trouble with Me – Numbers 14:40–44**

When we think it is about us —our talent, our ability, our strength...

1 Corinthians 10:5

Deuteronomy 29:5–6

## **3. The Benefit of Consequences – Numbers 14:45**

He prepared the children to do what their parents would not —this is grace!

Joshua 21:43–45

## **Principle #5: Brokenness is good!**

Principle #1: God is our difference maker.

Principle #2: God's grace is our protection.

Principle #3: God's gifts are good.

Principle #4: Learn the easy way.



**"In the Know" First Evan Information Meeting**

**Sunday, January 23, 9:30–10:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall**

Here's your chance to catch a glimpse of where God is leading us. You will come away with a good understanding of where we are in the transition process, learn about some great upcoming opportunities, and get informed about how to pray for our search for Pastor Next.

**Further Up and Further In (4 weeks)**

**Sundays, January 30–February 20, 9:30–10:30 a.m., Gym**

Join us to connect cross-generationally and prepare as a church for the teachings of Pastor Jim in his "Makers of Disciple Makers" sermon series. Contact Jake Ferwerda at [jferwerda@firstevan.org](mailto:jferwerda@firstevan.org).



**Discover First Evan Class**

**Sunday, January 30, 4:00–6:00 p.m., Chapel**

This is a class offered to those interested in learning more about First Evan or desiring membership. Attending the class in no way obligates you to join, but it is the first step toward membership. Questions can be directed to Jacki Stieferman at [jstieferman@firstevan.org](mailto:jstieferman@firstevan.org). [www.firstevan.org/dfe](http://www.firstevan.org/dfe)



For more announcements, visit [www.firstevan.org/connect](http://www.firstevan.org/connect).

Nomination forms for elders and deacons are available at the Sanctuary entrances and information desks. Please return forms by January 23.

**Wednesday, January 19 Menu: Taco Salad with Ground Beef/Grilled Chicken, Black Beans, Chips and Queso OR Taco Soup and Salad Bar. Dessert: Brownie with a Scoop of Ice Cream.**

**GLOBAL PARTNER OF THE WEEK**

**Dawn, Middle East**

**Praise**

- That I was able to spend Christmas with family in both Canada and the USA.
- For settling into my own apartment after 9 months of living in shared housing.
- That my residency visa was approved just prior to Christmas, for one more year!

**Pray**

- For my team leaders, Peter and Tanya, as they return after being away for over a year.
- For a young couple and a single lady all coming to work on my clinical team.
- For wisdom as the team looks to hire at least 6–8 locals to assist with the research.

**MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK**

**Neighborhood Christian Center**

**Praise**

- That our neighbors will come to experience and know the Love of Christ through NCC services.
- For the safety and protection of our staff, supporters, and volunteers.
- That God will continue to supply the resources for us to continue serving the community.

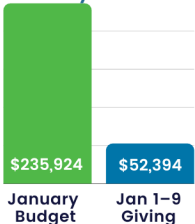
**Pray**

- For a successful Christmas Outreach this past season as we served our neighbors.
- For His faithfulness and for the work He has done and is continuing to do through NCC.
- For the many opportunities NCC has had to serve those in need.

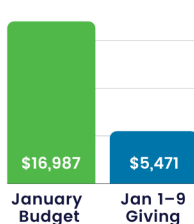
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**Ministry Fund**



**Missions Fund**



**FAMILY MATTERS**

**Death**

**Jim Propst, 1/7/2022**  
Hudson Propst's father

**Hospital**

**Stan Johnson, Methodist Germantown**  
**Joe White, Baptist Memphis**

**Rehab**

**Marcy Hackler, Baptist Rehab**  
**Richard Pittman, Baptist Rehab**

**Hospice**

**Mary Ann Frazier, Methodist Residence**