



The Ministry Insight Tool (MIT) is provided by Interim Pastor Ministries to help a church evaluate their ministry in the self-study process during a time of transition. As we anticipate the 2nd Stage of IPM's process to strengthen our church this is one of several tools we will use to help us clarify reality. The survey, which takes about 25 minutes to complete, is an opportunity for you to take an extensive look into various aspects of our church's ministry.

Everyone who is part of our church family is invited to take the survey. The MIT will be available for three weeks beginning Sunday, Jan. 18th.

It will close at midnight on Monday, Feb. 9th.

Follow this link to take the survey online – this is the preferred method:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/MaranathaEFC

Paper copies are available for those who cannot complete the survey online and must be returned to the designated spot by Sunday, Feb. 8. Whenever possible, please complete the Ministry Insight Tool online using a smartphone, tablet, or computer. To access it on a mobile device, scan the QR code with your camera.



If you have questions, please contact Pastor Jeff MacLurg.

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Giving Report

Giving through **December 2025**, the first half of our fiscal year:

- **Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$242,498**
- **Year-to-Date Actual Giving: \$230,821**

Thank you for your generosity to the Lord and to His church.



WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Sunday, January 25, 2026

For Those Too Bad - or Good - for God
1 Timothy 1:8-17 | Pastor Jeff MacLurg

Nursery | Preschool

Available for children 2 and under in the south hallway and pre-school area for children in the Conference Room.

Children's Activity Kits

Available on the table on the south wall in the lobby.

Children's, Youth & Adult Sunday School

10:45AM—11:45AM

Connect With Us

Need to update your info or want to connect?

Scan the QR code or fill one out at the Welcome Desk.



Tithes & Offerings

Give through the offering box located between the sanctuary doors.

Scan the QR code for easy online giving.



Events

Want to know what's coming up?

Scan the QR code to view upcoming church events.



TODAY

RVL: Discipleship | Adult Sunday School

10:45AM-11:45AM

Jump in any time! We are using Ray Vander Laan's 10-week video teaching series in the Sanctuary. Materials provided.

UPCOMING

Women's Craft Day

Saturday, January 31 • 1:00PM-4:00PM

Bring your own craft and also make a greeting card with Gloria Swan's expertise. Bring a snack to share and sign up at the Welcome Desk.

Valentine's Day Dinner | Strengthening Marriages

Sunday, February 15 • 4:00PM-7:00PM

Join us for a meaningful evening of connecting with your spouse. Speakers: Ken & Tina Moberg. Childcare provided. Cost: \$60. Sign up with this QR.



Men's Retreat | Save the Date

Saturday, March 14

Details coming soon!

Men's Boundary Waters Trip | Please take this quick survey

If you're interested in visiting the Boundary Waters for the annual camping trip, please take a moment to help choose the best dates. This is not a sign-up for the event - a way to narrow down the best dates for the trip.



OUR VISION:

To reach **all** generations for Christ

OUR MISSION:

According to God's Word we proclaim **the joy of salvation** in Christ to people in need and encourage His followers in their devotion to Him.

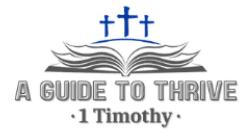
OUR CORE VALUES:

- ✓ Founded on Christ
- ✓ Responding in Worship
- ✓ Grounded in Scripture
- ✓ Intentional in Discipleship
- ✓ Powered by Prayer
- ✓ Characterized by Love
- ✓ Committed to Evangelism

For Those Too Bad – or Good – for God

1 Timothy 1:8-17

Pastor Jeff MacLurg, January 25, 2026



About God's Law (1 Timothy 1:8-11)

- It's often used improperly, as a _____ or as a _____ (v. 8).

- It's God's practical _____ (vv. 9-10).

- It's God's _____
(Romans 7:7)

- It's God's tutor _____ (v. 11; Galatians 3:24).

About God's Grace (1 Timothy 1:12-17)

1. If God could _____, He can _____
(vv. 12-16)

2. "Mercy?", "Grace", "faith", "love". "patience", "King":
Christ _____ (v. 13-17)

3. Paul's past didn't _____.

Three Responses

1. If you have experienced God's grace, _____!

2. If your heart knows only "_____ or _____",
then _____.

3. Or just _____.