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# The Messenger

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**Everglades Community Church, Everglades City, FL 34139**

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**Sunday, October 1, 2006**

**Notable Quotable:**

**“Religion should be the rule of life. Not a casual incident in it”**

- **Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881) P. M. of England**

**The Week Ahead:**

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| • Monday Night Interchurch Prayer Meeting | 2           |
| • Men's Fellowship Meeting                | 3           |
| • Thrift Shop Community Center            | 2<br>4<br>7 |
| • Food Bank                               | 7           |

## *Getting the Word Out - - - - from Pastor Bob*

One of the things our church is missing is an up-to-date membership roll. An attempt was made to do something about this a couple of years ago, but it was not completed. We are a diverse body of people coming from a variety of religious backgrounds; however, we all have the best interest of ECC at heart. In the next few weeks you will receive a letter asking you about your rela-



tionship with ECC. You should indicate whether you want to be listed as a regular-full-time member; a part-time member; an associate-member; or remain as a visitor. We would hope that you would want to be affiliated with ECC. We will also be asking for your current mailing address, your Summer address, and your e-mail address. We want to keep you up to date, and a member of ECC.

### **A Place for Memories**

Have you noticed, the hallway outside the church office? The old sink has been removed and plans are being made to move the

book cases and shelving. It is possible to have that area become a Gallery of Memories of ECC. Our church is 80 years old and has a

rich history. If you have a picture for consideration of placing in this area, please inform Stan Kanning. Our past is our future.

Everglades Community Church is an ecumenical and inclusive non-denominational Christian church serving the Everglades City/South Naples area bringing a spiritual message of hope and redemption, firmly grounded in Scripture and the teaching of Jesus Christ, to our community and visitors. Please speak to the Pastor if you are interested in becoming a member.

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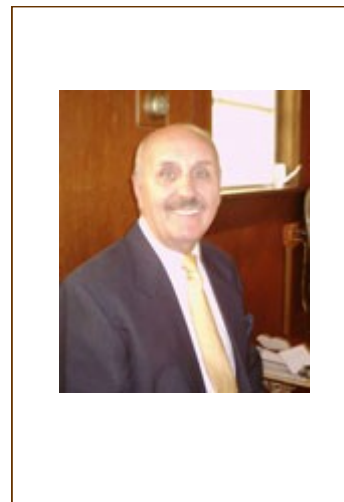
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the circle in Everglades City*

### *A Musical Note from Mitch . . . .*

I have accepted another position, which includes Sundays starting in November. As a result, I must resign from my position and finish on October 22nd. This church and congregation has taken me back to my spiritual roots. I can't tell you how much this means to me. Working with Pastor Bob has been such a blessing and an inspiration during this short time. I have quickly developed great, solid friendships with so many of you. I will miss worshipping with you. My deepest and heartfelt thanks to all. God bless you. Mitch.



Mitch Peters  
Music Director

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### *It's on my heart . . . .*

We are made up of many parts from our past—our home life as children, our schools, our friendships, our jobs, our friends, our families—to name a few. So much of what we say and do in church is also a part of our past, whether we are new members in Christ's Kingdom or have been a part of the church for many years. There is one part of our worship service that is familiar to some of you, and new for a lot of you, and

that is the spoken response to the Scripture readings. The responses found in the Order of Worship should be spoken out loud as an affirmation, just as the *Amen* spoken after prayer is an affirmation, or a way of saying, "This we believe". I would encourage your participation in this part of the service. The hearing of God's Word should always be a joyous occasion and we should affirm His word in our lives. Try it. You'll like it!



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