



Matthew Delaughter

IMMANUEL COMMUNITY CHURCH (TREME)

About the Family

I have been married to my sweet wife, Annie, for seven years now. We have three kids; Bryson is 5, Eliana is 2, and Paton will be 1 in September.

I am originally from South Mississippi, but I lived in Louisville, Ky., from 2007–2015, where I studied at Boyce College and Southern Seminary. For six of those years, Annie and I were members of Immanuel Baptist Church, which greatly shaped us for ministry.

Immanuel's building is located in Shelby Park, an inner-city neighborhood of Louisville. Annie and I intentionally lived in Shelby Park for the latter five years of our time in Louisville in an attempt to reach the neighborhood and gain wisdom about inner-city church planting. It is Immanuel Baptist who assessed and affirmed our desires, character and gifts for church planting and then sent us out in summer 2015 to New Orleans.

About the Church Plant

Our focus area in New Orleans is in the Treme neighborhood. We love this area because it is central to the city, historic and gives lower income families an opportunity to walk to our church gatherings. We currently invest in the community there through recreational coaching, block parties, a once-a-month Backyard Bible Club and once-a-month prayerwalking. We launched services in the neighborhood in June 2016.

As a church we want to make much of Christ, so we are committed to the teaching and preaching of God's Word, fellowship with one another and prayer. We believe these commitments are essential for us to grow more into the image of Christ and to make Christ known in New Orleans.

Find out how you can

- Pray.
- Participate.
- Provide.

PRAY.

- Pray that I would first of all love and care for my wife and my children.
- Pray that we would see people from the Treme community join Immanuel.
- Pray that we would be bold and compassionate in proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ.

PARTICIPATE.

One thing we learned through living in an impoverished area in Louisville is that there is great opportunity to invest in younger generations. We would love for churches to participate by coming in and helping us do backyard Bible studies so the next generation of New Orleans might know Christ as Savior.

PROVIDE.

There are numerous ways to help a church plant. Please visit sendnetwork.com/planterfunding for NAMB's policy on providing for church plants.

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