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We recommend you visit the Dallas-Fort Worth area and Eagle Mountain International Church as you begin to consider a move. EMIC does not provide transportation, job placement or housing. If you are considering relocating and have questions, please call us at (817) 252-2900.







DEAR FRIEND,

PRAISE THE LORD! I am so glad you are considering Eagle Mountain as your church home. EMIC is a growing, loving family and it is our desire to show the Love of God to everyone who walks in the doors of our church. I encourage you to come visit us, and then to pray about whether The LORD is calling you to become "fitly joined together" with our family.

"The steps of a [good] man are directed and established by the Lord when He delights in his way [and He busies Himself with his every step]." Psalm 37:23 (AMPC)

As you pray and believe for the wisdom of God, remember that The LORD has promised that He would guide your steps.

He also promised in James 1:5,"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (KJV).

It is very important that you consider several things as you make the decision about your church home. Do you know that you know you are called here? If you do, have you made a plan for living arrangements and provision when you get here?

Luke 14:28 says, "For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it" (NKJV).

God will provide you with the wisdom to make every decision a good one. In these days, it is very important that everyone is in their place. I believe, as you pray, you will receive God's guidance and wisdom for your future.

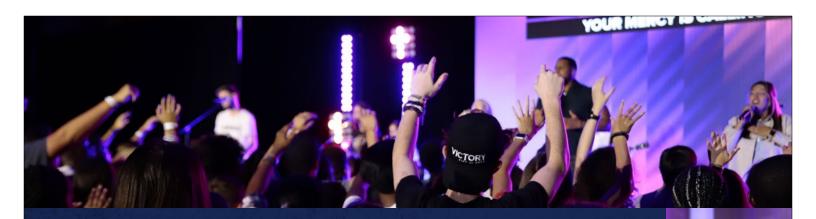
God has a plan for you, and it's a good one!

JESUS IS LORD!

Pastor George Pearsons







e're so grateful that you are considering a move to attend Eagle Mountain International Church! Not only is EMIC a thriving and growing church, but the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex is the fastest-growing metroplex in the country. We're seeing large numbers of people move into the area because of diverse job opportunities, strong health care and affordable housing.

To help you with your planning and set you up for a stress-free move, we've put this relocation guide together for you with checklists, links and solutions to help you plan and execute your move. We hope these will help you think through your plans and even remind you of ways to make your move as easy as possible.

We pray for your success as you follow the leading of the Lord. And if the Lord directs you to join us at EMIC, then we look forward to meeting you face to face.



Roll your works upon the Lord [commit and trust them wholly to Him; He will cause your thoughts to become agreeable to His will, and] so shall your plans be established and succeed."

—Proverbs 16:3, AMPC





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Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take."

—Proverbs 3:5–6









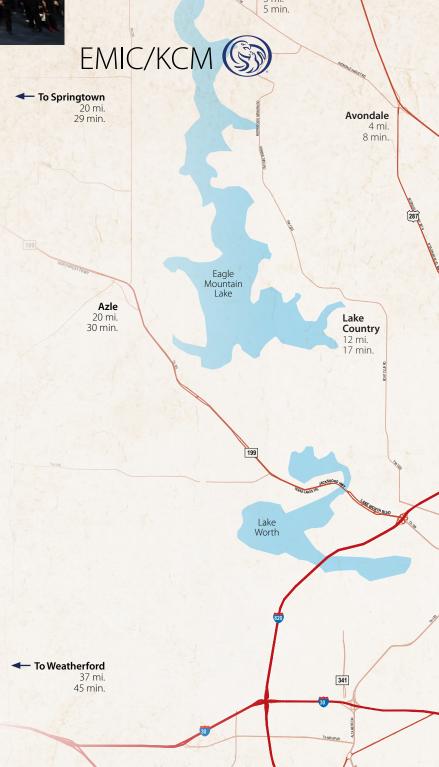
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OUR AREA

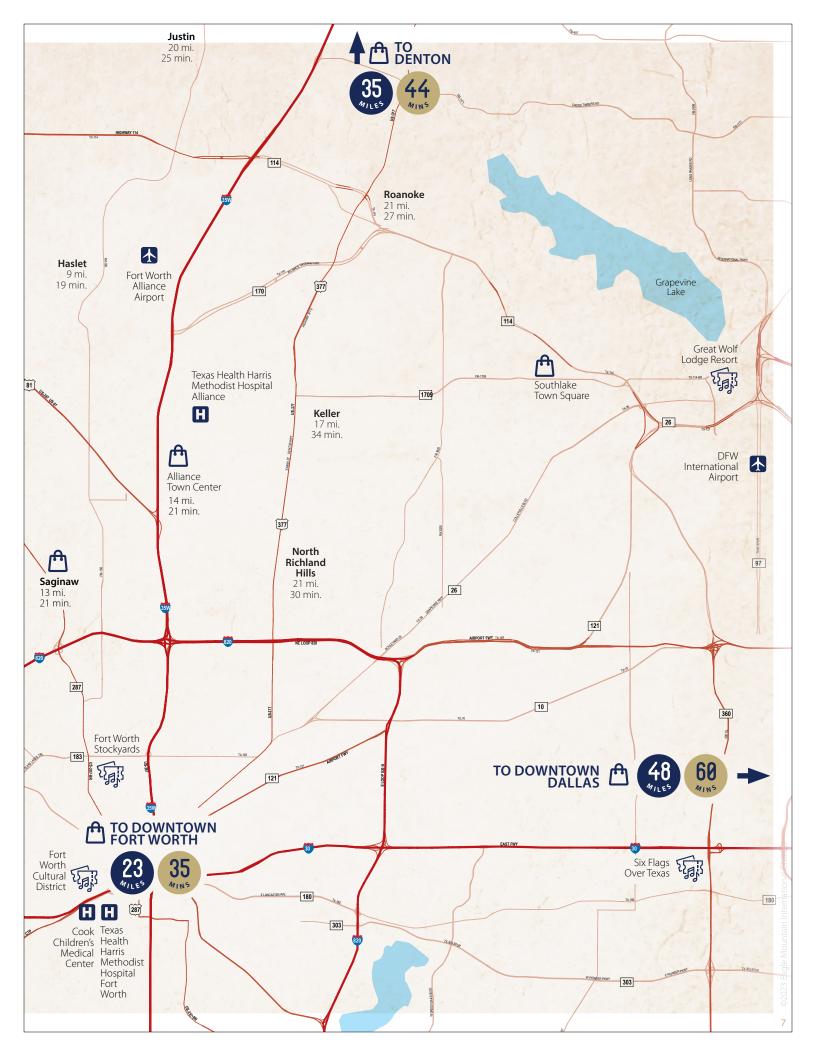
EMIC and KCM are located 15 miles northwest of Fort Worth, right outside of Newark, Texas, on beautiful Eagle Mountain Lake. It's a quiet, rural area. Most of our members live within an hour of the church. This map and list of surrounding communities will give you an idea of distance and travel times as well as popular shopping areas, hospitals and attractions.

Be aware that Fort Worth is a growing urban area. Its morning and evening rush hours do increase travel times, and our public transportation is minimal, though there are plans to expand Fort Worth's public transit system in the future. Consider visiting the area and driving at different times before you choose where to live.

Visit **fortworth.com** to learn more about Fort Worth and all our beautiful city has to offer.



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PLANNING YOUR MOVE

You've prayed and heard from the Lord. Now that you're ready to start planning your move, where do you begin? Here are a few considerations to get you started:

Move Date Dependencies

When will you move? Immediately? At the end of the school year? After your lease is up? After you sell your home? After the holidays? After you secure a job? Or some other time?

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	Make a list of the steps that will affect your move date.
One	ployment Considerations of the highest-priority preplanning considerations for a relocation is your ployment. Consider these questions and steps to set yourself up for success:
	Are you able to transfer your current job or work remotely? If not, it's time to brush up your résumé. You can create a résumé in any word processor (most include templates) or try a résumé builder online, such as Zety.com.
	EMIC/KCM is often in need of quality employees, so check out our job listings at kcm.org/jobs.
	Visit employment sites to find other job openings in the area. Be sure to take

Housing Options

The DFW area provides many options for housing:

hours can affect commute times.

• **Temporary housing:** You may need to make arrangements for temporary housing while you look for a more permanent residence. Hotels, extended-stay hotels, corporate housing, RV parks and short-term rentals can be great options if you need time to acquaint yourself with the area before securing a permanent residence.

note of where they are located as the DFW metroplex is quite large and rush

- **Permanent housing:** The Fort Worth area has many great communities at various price points. Our area is known for its affordable home prices. See our Key Resources at the back of this guide to begin your search.
- **Rental housing:** If you plan to rent an apartment, be sure to research the move-in fees and what payments are due upfront to secure the lease. Also, be aware that many applications for rentals in the area require nonrefundable

application fees and administration fees. Depending on the area, some rentals can be quite competitive. Be sure to ask about included appliances such as refrigerators, washers and dryers, so you are prepared to supply your own or make other arrangements if needed.

• **Purchasing a house:** If you plan to purchase a home, be sure to research property taxes for the areas you are searching, as well as insurance, utilities and any applicable HOA costs. What down payment will you need? What appliances are included? What is the

commute time at rush hour? How is the area rated for safety and community?

School Options

Families with school-age children need quality education, and Fort Worth has many quality schools—public, charter and private—to choose from. If homeschooling is your preference, you'll appreciate knowing that Texas has a thriving home-school community.

- **Public School:** There are several respected districts within range of EMIC, including Fort Worth Independent School District (ISD), Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD, Northwest ISD, Keller ISD and more. Discover more about their ratings at the National Center for Education Statistics' website (nces.ed.gov).
- **Charter & Private Schools:** We have many quality charter and private schools in the area, too. They are also listed on the National Center for Education Statistics' website (nces.ed.gov).
- **Home-school:** For information on home-schooling in Texas, visit the Texas Home School Coalition's website, thsc.org. You may want to check out the Eagle Mountain Church Home School Facebook page for current and graduated home-schooling families who live locally and attend EMIC (facebook.com/groups/EMCHS).
- **Colleges/Universities:** In addition to our own Kenneth Copeland Bible College® (kcbiblecollege.org), the DFW area has several colleges and universities to choose from, including Tarrant County College, University of North Texas, University of Texas Arlington, Texas Wesleyan University, Texas Christian University, Dallas Baptist University and more. If you have college-aged students, there are many options available.

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BUDGET WORKSHEET

It is wisdom to count the costs before taking the step of relocation. Here are a few things to consider when budgeting your move, but this list is not specific to your family, nor is it exhaustive. Be sure to seek wisdom from God and those who have experience, as well as clarity about finances when budgeting the cost of your relocation.

Renter

Purchaser

Housing Expenses: Temporary Housing Expense:	\$
Current Home Expenses: Cost of breaking lease Cost of selling house	\$ \$
New Housing Expenses: Application fee Administrative fee Deposit Pet deposit Upfront purchasing costs/fees Utilities set-up/deposit costs HOA fees	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$
Moving Expenses: Storage unit Self-move expenses: Boxes, tape, markers Bubble wrap & packing paper Moving truck rental Moving truck fuel Moving truck mileage fees Furniture pads/Moving blankets Dolly	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$
Professional mover expenses Travel Expenses: Gas/Fuel Meals/Snacks Lodging Tolls Oil/Fluids Vehicle Expenses Vehicle inspection Vehicle registration Driver's license	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

TOTAL EXPENSES

When planning your budget, you may want to consider these factors that could affect your moving costs, as well as some tips for saving on your budget. Also, be sure to look at our Quick Reference at the end of this guide to find more information online about budgeting a move effectively.

Factors Affecting Moving Costs:

- Size of your move (how many rooms you are moving and the amount of belongings)
- Packing services and add-ons
- Storage needs
- Moving date (Weekend moves, peak-season moves can increase costs.)
- Liability and valuation coverage
- Specialty moving (pianos, hot tubs, artwork, antiques, etc.)
- Carry fees (Movers may add fees for length of "carry" or walk between your items and the truck, as well as if elevators are needed.)
- Extra stops (Movers who need to stop at your storage container may charge more for each stop.)
- Expedition of services (Rush services will increase costs.)
- Tipping

Wise Ways To Save the Budget:

- Consider a self-move
- Ask friends and family to join you for a "packing party"
- Find used boxes from friends and family, workplaces or even online garage sales
- Ask about moving discounts (AAA members, veterans, seniors and more)
- Choose a less expensive moving date
- Collect multiple quotes
- Keep your receipts and find out if your moving expenses are tax-deductible.

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And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS BINDER

When relocating, it can be especially helpful to collect all your important documents in a large binder. Create a section for each family member (including your pets). Include pages of loose-leaf paper for note taking. Start by making a list of all the places that have these documents right now, such as doctors' offices, children's schools, veterinarians and dentists. You should keep this binder with you during the entire relocation.

Here are some documents you may want to include:

Personal ID documents	
Emergency contacts information (Don't r to keep this information.)	ely on your phone
Financial records	
Insurance papers	
Will & legal documents	
Banking information and customer service	e contacts
Current and most recent tax information	
Pet records and veterinary contact inform	nation
School records	
Medical records with list of prescription medications and supplements	
Contact info for legal, financial and medical personnel	44
Envelope for collecting moving expense receipts	Do your plannir

Do your planning and prepare your fields before building your house."

—Proverbs 24:27



Eight weeks prior to your move day:

Visit the area (if you haven't already)
Notify your current landlord
Research and secure multiple quotes from moving companies or truck rental companies
Research housing options
Research roommate options (if needed)
Discuss your move with your children
Research schools in the new area
Request or organize school records
Research insurance for your auto, home/renters
Begin your job search (if you haven't already)
Prepare a moving budget (see the Budget Worksheet on page 16 of this guide).

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'For I know the plans I have for you,' says the Lord. 'They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

— Jeremiah 29:1



SIX-WEEK CHECKLIST

Six weeks prior to your move day:

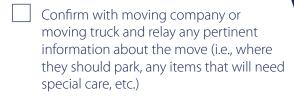
- Schedule the moving company or moving truck
- Order or secure moving supplies (i.e., boxes, moving blankets, packaging tape, bubble wrap, markers, etc.)
- Notify your children's new school of incoming students
- Hold a garage sale or sell through Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, eBay, etc.
- Secure your new residence (if you haven't already)

- Cancel local memberships (i.e., gym, YMCA, children's extracurricular classes, etc.).
- Begin the packing process by designating which items you will:
 - Pack
 - Donate (to charities)
 - Give away (to friends, families and neighbors)
 - Sell
 - Throw away



I know the Lord is always with me. I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me."

—Psalm 16:8



- Begin packing (nonessential items first, essential items last)—you'll want the essentials to be last in when loading and first out at the destination
 - If using a moving service, inventory items with photos/video
- Label each box with which room it belongs in and basic category of contents (i.e., Master BR—Shoes)
 - If you are using a moving service, be mindful of how much information you write on your boxes
- Separate valuables to personally transport to your new home
- Properly discard any hazardous materials that will not be moving with you
- Complete change of address at the post office (in post office or online at usps.gov). In case some mail is missed, ask a close friend or neighbor to look out for mail.
- Notify important parties of your move and transfer any memberships or subscriptions: banks, brokerages, magazine subscriptions, newspapers, credit card companies, insurance and utility companies
- Forward medical records to new practitioners.



A house is built by wisdom and becomes strong through good sense. Through knowledge its rooms are filled with all sorts of precious riches and valuables."

WEEKS

PRIOR

FOUR-WEEK

—Proverbs 24:3-4



TWO-WEEK CHECKLIST

Two weeks prior to your move day:

- Submit your resignation at your work (if applicable)
- Service your vehicle(s)
- Organize your packed boxes so that those with your most essential items (i.e., pots, pans, dishes, utensils, towels, sheets, dry food, etc.) are clearly marked and accessible
- Ensure that your legal documents are in order
- Gather any warranties, manuals and other information that will be of interest to new owners/renters and place in a place where they'll find them
- Clean out your safety deposit box
- Touch base with your new employer and submit any necessary paperwork.



And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful."

—Colossians 3:15

One week prior to your move day:

WEEK Refill prescriptions PRIOR Confirm time with movers or moving truck company ONE-WEEK Confirm day and time of arrival at new home with realtor or rental manager **CHECKLIST** Confirm any storage units needed at the new location Plan your travel route; confirm any travel bookings made Clean your home, dispose of all trash Run any final errands (i.e., return borrowed items, pick up dry cleaning, etc.) Contact service providers, both former ones to cancel service and new ones to begin service in your new home Buy snacks and drinks for moving day and your trip Inform your neighbors of your move, so they will expect the moving day disruption If using a moving company, have cash ready to tip the movers Pack activities to keep your children excited about and entertained during the move.

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Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done."

—Philippians 4:6



DAY-OF CHECKLIST

On the day of your move:

- Inventory any remaining items for the move
- Finish any last-minute cleaning of your home
- Complete a final walk-through to make sure you haven't left anything behind
- If you are a renter, record a walk-through video and return any keys to the manager
- Give clear directions to the movers (i.e., destination

- address, special care for special items, etc.)
- Remain at your home to answer any questions while the movers are there
- Keep snacks and drinks on hand
- Plan a fuel-up pit stop if driving your vehicle to your new home.



Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand."

—Isaiah 41:10

of moving to the area.

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—Psalm 91:1-2

of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I

trust him."

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QUICK REFERENCES

Here are helpful resources to make your move as smooth as possible.

Moving Information

- FMCSA (Federal Motor Carrier and Safety Administration): fmcsa.dot. gov/protect-your-move/faq
- Storage Finder: moving.com/storage-facilities/ storage-company-search.asp
- Packing Calculator: moving.com/moving-boxes/ packing-calculator.asp

Moving Cost Estimator (Budget):

 moving.com/movers/movingcost-calculator.asp

Moving With Kids Checklist:

- moving.com/move-planner/ moving-with-kids-checklist
- parents.com/parenting/money/ buy-a-house/make-movingeasier-on-you-and-your-kids

Moving With Pets Checklist:

moving.com/move-planner/ moving-with-pets-checklist

Fort Worth Statistics:

 worldpopulationreview.com/uscities/fort-worth-tx-population

Employment

- KCM/EMIC: kcm.org/jobs
- CareerDFW careerdfw.org
- Indeed: Indeed.com

Housing

- zillow.com (purchase/rent)
- apartments.com (rent/purchase)
- expresscorporatehousing.com (temporary housing)
- premiercorporatehousing.com (temporary housing)
- GoodSam.com (RV Parks)

Utility Companies

- Power to Choose: powertochoose.org
- fortworthtexas.gov

Schools

- Public, Charter & Private Schools: nces.ed.gov
- greatschools.org
- Texas Home School Coalition: thsc.com
- homeschool.com/Christian

The views, opinions and recommendations expressed on these websites are not necessarily those of EMIC or KCM. Use with prayer and discernment.

Transportation

- Public transportation: ridetrinitymetro.org
- Texas Department of Transportation: dps.texas.gov
- TollTag: ntta.org

Vehicle Registration & Driver's Licensing

- Texas Department of Motor Vehicles: txdmv.gov/motorists/register-yourvehicle
- Texas Department of Public Safety: dps.texas.gov/section/driver-license

Voting

Voter Registration: votetexas.gov

Recreation

- Visit Fort Worth: fortworth.com
- Texas Parks & Wildlife: tpwd.texas.gov
- Destination DFW: destinationdfw.com
- Eagle Mountain Lake Park Trail: alltrails.com/trail/us/texas/eaglemountain-park-trail
- Twin Points Park: twinpointspark.com

Shopping

- Mall Listings in Texas: mallsinamerica.com/Texas
- Alliance Town Center: alliancetowncenter.com
- Southlake Town Square: southlaketownsquare.com
- Grapevine: **grapevinetexasusa.com**
- Groceries: wincofoods.com, kroger.com, heb.com



Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives."

—Galatians 5·25





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WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!"

As you pray for the Lord's leading and prepare for your move, know that we are standing in faith for you.

Need someone to agree in prayer with you? Call us at (817) 852-6000 or visit kcm.org/prayer-request.

