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2008 Gospel Choice Awards Selects Emmanuel Praise Church for its Church of the Year Award .

Emmanuel Praise Church*,** the founding church of ***Angel Food Ministries, in Monroe, Georgia has been chosen as this year's recipient of Church of the Year for the Gospel Choice/Pepsi Bottling Group's Community Outreach Award. This prestigious award is given to one church each year for humanitarian work in their community and throughout the United States. Emmanuel Praise Church was nominated along with 15 other churches across Georgia known for their outreach and benevolent impact on their community.

The Gospel Choice/Pepsi Bottling Group's Award was presented Monday September 29th at the World Congress Center in Atlanta, as Executive Pastor Wes Wingo from *Emmanuel Praise* was on hand to accept the award. Pastor Wingo was thankful to receive the award on behalf of the church and Angel Food Ministries.

"One of our founding core values at *Emmanuel Praise* has always been to lend a helping hand to families in need. God has blessed this church as we have reached out to help feed thousands in our local community and millions across America," Pastor Wingo said.

Founders, Pastors Joe & Linda Wingo began feeding 37 families in need from the back porch of their farmhouse in 1994. Since then, *Emmanuel Praise Church* has impacted the lives of millions of people through the founding of *Angel Food Ministries*. Each month, hundreds of thousands of families across the United States are impacted by this food ministry. Throughout the local community and the nation, *Emmanuel Praise Church* and its' Pastors are known for their great generosity and compassion for the poor and hurting.

Emmanuel Praise Church is truly humbled and honored by the voters who chose them as this year's Gospel Choice Church of the Year recipient.