



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

Congratulations to **Pastor Jeff Baxley** on his **one year** anniversary as our Student Pastor!

FAMILY FISHING DAY!

Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM at Billy and June Pertree's Fish Pond named Harper's Place. Visit the Realm app for more information!

UPCOMING SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Breakfast Bunch

Monday, April 25 at 8:00 AM at the Chappy's on Perry Hill Road.

Movie Night

Thursday, April 28 at 6:00 PM in the Reception Room. The movie will be American Underdog. \$3 per person - this includes a hot dog, popcorn, and cookies. Sign-up on Realm!

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CURRENT AMOUNT: \$17,036 | GOAL: \$18,000

MENTORS MEETING

Thursday, April 28 in Room 154. The meeting will begin sharply at 12:45 PM. Please be on time. Candace McIntosh will be our guest. She will conduct a zoom prayer time with Pakistani missionaries during the meeting beginning at 1:00 PM. Candace will then share important information about the WMU. Don't miss this amazing opportunity!

BABY SHOWER

Sunday, April 24 from 3:00-5:00 PM in the Reception Room. There will be a baby shower in honor of our staff member, Nalin Crocker. She is registered at www.babylist.com — all ladies are invited to join!

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

Congratulations to **Nancy Sellers** for **52 years** as our Organist! Thank you for your many years of service, Nancy!

The Body of Christ — What Distinguishes It?

I Corinthians 12:12-31 speaks extensively about the Body of Christ – The Church. Paul gives the analogy of the Body being made up of an assortment of parts, yet it is One Body. Each part is essential to the overall function of the whole. There are parts of the body which are more “up front,” the eyes, the head, the hands, etc. but these parts are no more important than those unseen. In fact, some of the unseen parts are vital to the very existence of what is seen. The heart and lungs are undercover, nevertheless the Body would cease to function, die, without their contribution to its well-being.

In God's Church, He has placed the members together necessary for its function. All are important, valued, and needed for it to perform as it was designed. There are no “throw aways.” No parts if cut off, cut out, stalled out, or otherwise removed, that will not either constrain the function or inhibit it all together. There may appear to be “star” players, however those stars would quickly dim in luster without the support of their underpinnings.

As a minister I vitally understand without the internal workings, the servant volunteers, the body would cease to exist. Within this body each individual part has a place to fill, a function. We should never feel our contribution to the overall health of it is not needed. I assure you the church, without a replacement part, would eventually die.

Near the end of chapter 12, Paul distinguishes some important players in this body called the church. He names a few. I Corinthians 12:27-30 (NIV) says.

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the Church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have the gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

This list is a partial one. Each of these are vital to the church's overall health. Yet, Paul goes on to say in verse 31 “Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.” In chapter 13 we get to the heart of the passage.

If I speak in tongues of men or of angels but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is the most desirable characteristic in the body of believers. Each member needs this distinguishing factor and without it we are as a resounding gong or clanging cymbal. In other words, we are just noise. The way we treat others either endears us to them or nullifies what we may be professing. Love speaks to character, integrity, and sincerity. Without love no matter how eloquent the speech it will fall on deaf ears.

May we, through the transformational power of the Holy Spirit, put on love today so we can function as God designed us to. To Him be all the praise and glory forever!

Thank you to all the servant leaders here in this wonderful body called Eastern Hills Baptist Church! You are all needed and appreciated!

Pastor Keith

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU —

Chick-fil-A Box: Sandwich, chips, and a cookie.

Hot Meal: Fried chicken, green beans, rice and gravy, pineapple casserole, biscuit, and peach cobbler.

Salad: Fried chicken caesar salad. Sign up online, on the Realm app or by calling the church offices. **Deadline every week is Monday at noon — no exceptions.**

FAMILY NEWS

Christian Sympathy

To **Family and Friends** in the death of Elsie Crews.

To **Family and Friends** in the death of Zola Stokes.

IN THE PULPIT

10:30 A.M.
Striving for Unity —
“The Spirit of the Unified”
1 Corinthians 2:6-16

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 17, 2022

EASTER SUNDAY

Worship Care 36
Worship 447

BUDGET REPORT

YEAR TO DATE

Budget Requirements	\$537,536.32
Budget Receipts	518,538.37
UNDER Budget	18,997.95

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT APRIL 17, 2022

Budget Requirements	\$33,596.02
Budget Receipts	35,913.01
OVER BUDGET	2,316.99

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$2,225.00
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BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS MAT MINISTRY

A donation bin has been placed in the stairwell across from the church office for plastic bag donations.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Worship Service, 10:30 AM
Library Hours, 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM
Student Choir, 4:00 PM

TUESDAY

Men’s Prayer Meeting, 6:00 AM in the RR
Women’s Bible study, 9:30 AM in the RR

WEDNESDAY

Supper in the Gym, 5:00 PM
ACTEENS & Real Men, 5:30 PM
SLAM (ages 2-6th grade), 5:30-7:15 PM
Adult Choir, 6:00 PM
Adult Bible Study, 6:00 PM in the RR
Men’s Bible Study, 6:00 PM in Room 150
ONE (Student Ministry), 6:15 PM
Library Hours, 5:15 PM - 6:15 PM

*Schedule may change due to special events
or holidays



MIX MusiCamp JULY 11-15, 2022 @ Shocco Springs in Talladega

Early Rate of \$310 to first 20 campers that sign up and pay their deposits. Second Best Rate if pay by May 19, 2022 – \$330/person, Regular Price after May 19, 2022 – \$340.

Mix Music Camp is open to students who have completed 3rd-12th grade. Register online at www.easternhills.church/events