

# THE MESSENGER

## EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH







## Volunteers Needed for Food Distribution

Friday, March 17 at 1:00 p.m.

 Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare bags for distribution on Saturday.

Saturday, March 18 at 9:00 a.m.

• Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare for distribution.



#### **Choir Tour Fundraiser**

Do not miss a chance to support the Student Ministry's 2023 Choir Tour. Find a student to place your order!

Deadline to order is March 26 Pick-up date is April 1



"So, whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus lays out what life looks like for His followers in the Kingdom of Heaven. In the sermon, Jesus begins to ratchet up the standard for those who would come to follow Him. Jesus is very clear that mechanically following the law is not the standard, but that obedience is a heart issue. Among the many statements Jesus makes in the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 7:12 is one of those that sounds good and makes sense, but it can be hard to live it out practically.

One thing I have learned in life is that some people are just easy to love. Easy to live life with, easy to share with, talk to, and keep in touch with. However, the opposite is true, right? Some people can be difficult, needy, and draining. So then, how are we to love and prefer other people? How do we treat others the way we wish to be treated? Even the people in our life that are most difficult to love.

I think that if we look at the verses just before verse 12, we see a couple of truths from Scripture that help us along as we seek to love people. The first thing we see is that Jesus says to ask, seek, and knock. In verse 8, Jesus tells us the result of asking, seeking, and knocking. "For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened." We must be proactive in running to Jesus to give us the strength and desire to love people as we love ourselves. The second truth we see is that God is willing to answer, give, and open. Already in Matthew 6, Jesus has instructed us to address God as Father when we pray. Here in verses 9-11, Jesus assures us that God is a good Father, willing to give us what we ask for.

So let us raise the standard of how we love people to not just say we love them but to actually love them as we love ourselves. We know also, that when this is difficult, we can run to Our Father who will hear us and wants to provide for us.

Blessings, Pastor Jeff

#### OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning on April 2, Palm Sunday the offering once again will be collected on Sunday mornings by passing the offering plates.

The Personnel Committee is calling for a short business meeting immediately following the morning worship on March 26th. This meeting is concerning the calling of an Interim Pastor.

#### Carpenters for Christ Annual Golf Tournament

Open To All Golfers and Those Who Like to Call Themselves Golfers Get your teams together and register at the church office or call Dave Furst (334) 652-3355 or Larry Kennedy (334) 312-8088 to be placed on a team.



Thursday, April 27, 2023 Arrowhead Country Club

- ❖ Four Man Scramble
- ❖ 8:30 am Shotgun Start
- Prizes for closest to the pin, longest drives, and top teams.

\$75.00 fee includes green fee, cart, range balls, gifts & prizes, and lunch.

Registration deadline is 20 April 2023 On-site check-in begins at 7:30am and Shotgun start at 8:30am. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AFTER GOLF

#### **MENTORS MEETING**

Mentors will meet Thursday, March 23rd at 1:00 PM in Room 154. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

Observance of the Lord's Supper, Thursday, April 6th at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. This is a reflective worship service, lingering at the cross, remembering Christ's sacrifice for us. *Childcare will be provided.* 

#### LOVE LOUD MONTGOMERY FOOD DRIVE

In the month of March, we will be collecting food for Love Loud Montgomery! Bags and the list of items that are needed will be available at each Sanctuary entrance.

Deadline to turn bags in will be March 26th.

Collected bags will be placed in the sanctuary along the stage steps.

#### **SENIOR ADULT EVENTS**

Thursday, March 23rd, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers, Choir Suite

Monday, March 27th, 8:00 AM - Breakfast Bunch at Chappy's on Perry Hill Road

#### IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, March 19 | 10:30 A.M. Guest Preacher: Dr. Rick Lance "The School of Christ" Titus 2:11-15

#### ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 12, 2023 SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool/Children	34
Youth	10
Adults In-Person	144
Total In-Person	188
Adults (Remote)	38
Worship Care	
Worship Service	
Wednesday, March 15, 2023	

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

ONE Student Worship.....19

MARCH 19 - In Loving Memory of J. W. Veazey given by Grace Veazey.

## **BUDGET REPORT**

#### YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements \$315,056.61 Budget Receipts 304,503.58 UNDER BUDGET 10,553.03

### **WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT**

MARCH 12, 2023

Budget Requirements \$28,641.51 Budget Receipts 17,668.00 UNDER BUDGET 10,973.51

#### **DESIGNATED**

Designated \$3,622.00

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22nd**

There will be no Wednesday Meal, Bible Study or children's/youth activities due to Spring Break.

#### **UPCOMING GUEST PREACHERS**

Sunday, March 26th - Rob Jackson

## THE MESSENGER

#### **EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH**

The Messenger, Eastern Hills Baptist Church 3604 Pleasant Ridge Road, Montgomery, Alabama 36109.



#### **Women's Spring Bible Studies**

The Faithful
Heroes of the Old Testament
Priscilla Shirer, Kelly Minter,
Beth Moore, Jennifer Rothschild,
Lisa Harper
Begins April 4th (5 Weeks)

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Tuesday, 9:30 AM, Reception Room
Facilitated by Lynne Huett

Precepts: Spiritual Warfare:
Overcoming the Enemy
Kay Arthur
Begins April 4th (6 Weeks)
1 hour study/no homework
Tuesday, 9:30 AM, Room 139
Led by Rebecca Morris

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### SUNDAY

Sunday School, 9:15 AM Worship Service, 10:30 AM Library Hours, 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM Grief Share, 3:00 PM, Conference Room Student Choir, 4:00 PM

#### **TUESDAY**

Men's Prayer Meeting, 6:00 AM in the RR WEM Bible Study, 9:30 AM in the RR Handbell Rehearsal, 5:45 PM, in the Choir Room

#### WEDNESDAY - NO ACTIVITIES ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 DUE TO SPRING BREAK WEEK.

P.A.T (Pray Assault Team) 3:30-4:30 PM, Room 128
Real Men and Acteens (7th-12th grades), 5:30 PM
SLAM / Music & Missions (babies-6th grade), 5:45 PM
ONE (7th-12th grades) Student Room, 6:15 PM
Adult Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 PM
Adult Bible Study, 6:00 PM, Reception Room
Library Hours, 5:15 PM - 6:15 PM



Wednesday Night, March 22

No supper or activities due to spring break week.