

THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Get To Know EHBC

Please Join us for Lunch.

SUNDAY

AUGUST 13, 2023

12:00 PM

RECEPTION ROOM

STAFF

NEW MEMBERS

GUESTS

RSVP: Please call the church
office at (334) 272-0604.



Eastern Hills
Baptist Church

PRESS ON IN LOVE!

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3:12-14, NIV)

Press on! As faithful followers of Christ we are called to move forward in our faith journey. That is not always an easy task!

There are seasons in our life when circumstances pile in like an enormous mud slide! We are taken off guard by something that we had never imagined or experienced in the past. Our senses experience overload. Our heart keeps beating, but our mind and spirit become numb by the inescapable severity of the moment. The pain is so deep that our heart aches within our chest! Frozen, broken, we go through the motions of our daily routine, but our mind is disengaged.

How do we go forward? How do we deal with the tragedies of life? We walk. We press on, one step at a time. In some instances, moving forward requires letting go of the past. This may include forgiving someone or letting go of a hurt that has caused you much grief. Of course, this takes time. We don't heal from a major hurt instantaneously.

Just as the body, when wounded severely takes time to mend, so does the mind and heart. However slowly we move. We progress. We step forward, even if these are baby steps at first.

Our church has gone through some difficult days. Looking back, placing blame, or concentrating on the "what ifs" is not productive at this point. We need to press on! God has a plan for Eastern Hills. To see His plan, to submit to His plan takes eyes focused forward!

What are some practical things to help propel us forward?

1. Speak Words of Encouragement. Affirm each other. Build others up with your words rather than tearing them down!

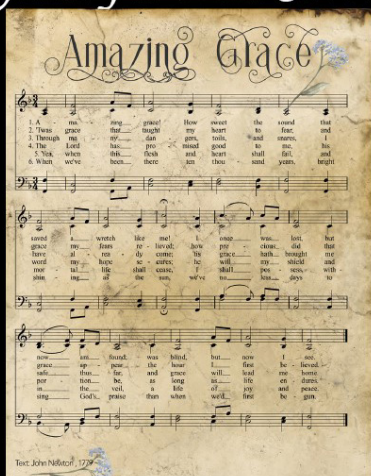
And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV)

2. Speak Words of Hope. Count God's blessings and brag on His faithfulness. Be a sprinkler of Hope not despair!

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13 NIV)

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Hymns for Him Service



Sunday, July 30th - 5:00 PM
Featuring the Adult Choir, Congregational Hymns,
and Readings. Save the date and plan
to invite someone to join you.

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BIBLE STUDY
BEGINS:
WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 16TH
6:00 PM
EASTERN HILLS
BAPTIST CHURCH
RECEPTION ROOM
COST OF BOOK \$10

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3. Celebrate the Small Victories. God has given us things to celebrate individually and corporately every day. Look for these! Brag on Jesus! It's contagious! What may seem like a small win can propel us to large victories.

Consider Matthew 14:17 "We have only five loaves of bread and two fish." Yet, in Jesus' hands this fed 5000!

4. Stay God Focused. When our eyes are focused on a Big God, life's challenges gain perspective. Not that the problem or challenge itself goes away or becomes lessened in severity, but our viewpoint of God's ability to carry us through swells and explodes.

You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you! (Isaiah 26:3 NLT)

5. Look Out Not In. Stop looking in the mirror and start looking out the window!

When we are inward focused our problems grow with exaggerated effect. When we focus outwardly, we gain new insight and God gets the glory!

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples. (John 13:35 NLT)

Let's press on together! Invite someone to join you for "Hymns for Him" Sunday night at 5:00 p.m. This can be an outreach opportunity for our church as well as a tremendous time of worship and encouragement! See you there!

Pastor Keith

SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Monday, July 31st, 8:00 AM - Breakfast Bunch, Chappy's on Perry Hill Road

Thursday, August 17th, 11:00 AM - Peach Park, Clanton - Bus will leave the church at 10:00 AM.

Thursday, August 24th, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers, Choir Suite

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Mondays, 6:00 PM - Bible study will be every Monday at the Well's home. Snacks will be provided. We will be studying the book of James. Bring your bible, swimsuit, and towel!



MIX/REMIX Music Camp at Shocco Springs, July 10-14, 2023

Students had a wonderful time of worship, music, recreation and nightly group devotions led by their amazing teen counselors. Plans have begun for MIX/REMIX 2024 and we have reserved 15 spaces for EHBC campers. Mark your calendars for July 8-12, 2024.



Eastern Hills Baptist Church
3604 Pleasant Ridge Road
Montgomery, AL 36109

There is no charge to attend.

You must call the church office to register at (334) 272-0604.

For questions, please contact Nancy McClain.



IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, July 30 | 10:30 AM
Interim Pastor - Rob Jackson
“Kingdom Focused Church:
Future Thinking”
Acts 11:25-30

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 23, 2023
SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 284
Remote..... 41
Worship Care..... 10
Worship Service..... 172
Total Worship..... 182

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

July 30, 2023

In Loving Memory of
Eryn & Chea Reddoch
given by
Bob & Cynthia Sandifer,
Harper & Abbi Reddoch

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$859,245.30
Budget Receipts	746,707.84
UNDER BUDGET	112,537.46

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

JULY 23, 2023

Budget Requirements	\$28,641.51
Budget Receipts	22,703.00
UNDER BUDGET	5,938.51

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$2,310.00
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July 30
Children will
remain in the
worship service.

Wednesday night suppers will resume August 16th.

SOUNDS OF EHBC
Sunday, September 10th, 5:00 PM

This will feature soloists and small groups from our church family or who have a close connection with our music ministry. Please plan to attend! Also, use this as an outreach opportunity and invite someone who may be a prospect to come with you!

Daycare Sunday
EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE OUR
DAYCARE STAFF & DAYCARE FAMILIES.

Sunday
September 17
10:30 a.m.

Lunch will be
provided after the
service.

Older children will
be singing in the
morning service.

Please write your name
and the number of family & friends
who will be there for lunch on the list
outside of Lisa Montgomery's office
no later than Friday, September 8th!

Parents, family
& friends are all
invited.

PRECEPTS
FALL BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM

We will be studying Romans. Please contact Rebecca Morris at (334) 202-8867 or by email: rebeccamorris696@gmail.com for more information or to let her know you will need a book. We need to order books soon. The projected start date for the study is September 5th.

Sunday School Promotion
will be August 13th.

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POSTAGE

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

6:00 AM - Men's Prayer Meeting in the RR
6:00 PM - Ladies' Bible Study in Room 154

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Night Suppers will resume August 16th.

4:30-5:30 PM - P.A.T (Pray Assault Team), Room 128
5:45 PM - Summer Missions (Children) Rm. 234
6:15 PM - ONE (7th-12th grades) in the Student Room
6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study, Reception Room
Interim Pastor Rob Jackson
6:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

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