



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering*

EHBC GOAL:
\$18,000

COLLECTED:
\$9,699.00

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT ANNOUNCEMENT

March 27 - There will be no Wednesday night supper, Bible study or other activities due to Spring Break. The P.A.T group will not meet.

The adult choir *will* meet at 6:00 PM.

NIGHT OF PRAYER

FOR THE
PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3
6:00 PM
RECEPTION ROOM

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, March 29 - The church office will be closed on Good Friday.

Jesus Is The King People Weren't Expecting Him To Be.

¹ As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

⁵ "Say to Daughter Zion,
'See, your king comes to you,
gentle and riding on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"^[a]

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

"Hosanna^[b] to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"^[c]

"Hosanna^[d] in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." *Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)*

When Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, it was the equivalent of walking the red carpet at the Oscars. He was at movie star status. Except, in this case, the red carpet was made of palm fronds spread out for Him to walk on. Palm fronds were a sign of respect and adoration, but also insurrection. The Jewish people had been waiting for the Messiah, their promised deliverer who would save them from oppression (Isaiah 9:6-7). They looked to Jesus to be their liberator and future king. But in a few short days, all of those hopes would be dashed. Fair weather fans of Jesus would scatter. Jesus came to die for the sins of the world, to liberate us in ways God's people were not expecting.

We read about Palm Sunday with the benefit of hindsight. We know the kingdom Jesus established was an eternal one, not an earthly one. Yet, we still find ourselves in the same place as those who were confused when Jesus didn't live up to their expectations.

We, too, can walk through life with expectations for God. While God does wonderful things for us, His plans don't necessarily follow our expectations. In these times, we must decide whether we are faithful followers or fair-weather fans.

Are we willing to trust God and His plans for our lives — even when things don't look like we thought they would?

Reflect:

- Do you have expectations of God? If so, what are they? Be honest.
- Do you let your expectations and outcomes affect your love and pursuit of God? If so, how? Think back.
- When is the last time God moved in a way you didn't expect? What did you learn from that experience?

Dan Harrison



Eastern Hills Acteens and their leaders enjoyed participating in Complete a conference for teen-girls hosted by Alabama WMU.

VBS NEEDS
 We are in need of large boxes (appliance size) and the styrofoam from inside the boxes. Please save your card board egg cartons. Please contact Sandy Harmann if you can help with any of these items.

Mark your calendars for our Spring Bible Study beginning March 26th, at 9:30 AM in the Reception Room. This seven week study will be *How Much More* by Lisa Harper. Please join us!

EHBC Women's Ministry

VOLUNTEERS Needed

REALITY AND TRUTH

- THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH WE STILL NEED SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TO SIGN UP FOR THIS AMAZING MINISTRY.

WORSHIP CARE

- VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP IN BABIES AND PRESCHOOL WORSHIP CARE ONE SUNDAY EVERY OTHER MONTH

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- JUNE 2-6 WORKERS NEEDED

Call the church office and let us know how you can help.

Easter Hydrangea

Deadline for ordering is this Sunday, March 24th.

There are 15 Hydrangea available for those who would like to place a flower in the Sanctuary this Easter in memory or honor of a loved one. Please fill out the order form along with a \$21.00 payment and mail or drop in the offering plate or offering boxes located by the Sanctuary doors. We will print in THE MESSENGER the names of those giving a hydrangea and to whom they are given in memory or honor.

NOTE: Hydrangea Outreach
 See Sharon Myers to deliver a left-over hydrangea on Easter Sunday to an EHBC guest who lives in Forest Hills.

Mentors Meeting

Thursday, March 28

1:00 PM | Room 154

Come hear the exciting news about Christmas in August!

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MBA VBS LEADER TRAINING

TAYLOR ROAD BAPTIST
 1685 TAYLOR ROAD

TUESDAY, APRIL 9
6:30 - 8:00 PM
 CALL SANDY HARMANN
 FOR MORE DETAILS
 (334) 398-2250

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Homeless Mat Ministry

Volunteer Opportunity

Saturday, April 6
EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH
 Reception Room
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Coffee & Donuts Provided

The mats are given to the homeless to help them have a comfortable place to rest. The process to weave a mat is time consuming. The mat can be woven in a day. In order to get to that point, we need your help again. We need volunteers to assist by folding the plastic bags. We would love to have you come out and help us in this ministry.

PLEASE RSVP: KARLA GROVES
 karlasmilie626@gmail.com

IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, March 24 | 10:30 AM
Interim Pastor: Dr. Rob Jackson
Lessons from Easter:
“Behold The Lamb!”
Luke 19:28-44

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 17, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 183
Remote..... 31

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....7
Worship Service.....161
Total Worship.....168

SENIOR EVENTS

Monday, March 25, 8:00 AM - Breakfast Bunch, Chappy’s on Perry Hill Road

Tuesday, April 9, 5:30 PM - Catfish House, Millbrook
The bus will leave the church at 5:00 PM. Sign up in Sunday School or call the church office.

Thursday, April 11, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers, Choir Suite

Thursday, April 18, 7:30 PM - Millbrook Players Theater featuring *The Hallelujah Girls*. The bus will leave the church at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$15. You can sign up & pay online, or in Sunday School and pay in the church office. *Please sign up and pay for tickets no later than Monday, April 15.*

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$304,314.56
Budget Receipts	256,393.58
UNDER BUDGET	47,920.98

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

March 17, 2024

Budget Requirements	\$27,664.96
Budget Receipts	32,080.00
OVER BUDGET	4,415.04

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$5,488.00
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EHBC KIDZ!

LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, SOUL, MIND AND STRENGTH

March 24

Children’s Worship
Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills



EHBC KIDZ!
EASTER EGG HUNT
NEW DATE & TIME
SUNDAY, MARCH 24 | 2:00-3:30 PM
THE PINES
Eastern Hills Baptist Church
Contact Sandy Harmann (334) 398-2250
FUN GAMES
PHOTO OP
In case of rain, event will be moved to the Gym.

LIBRARY MEMORIAL:

The book,
“Being Elisabeth Elliot”
given in memory of
BARBARA TODD,
(mother of Alan Todd)
by the Caldwell
Sunday School Class.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

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Easter

March 24 Easter Egg Hunt | 2:00-3:30 PM | The Pines

March 28 Maundy Thursday Service, 6:00 PM
A meditative and reflective Lord's Supper Service centered on our brokenness and Christ's redemption.

March 29 Good Friday - Church office will be closed.

March 31 Easter Celebration:
Sunday School 9:15 AM | Worship 10:30 AM
Covered dish luncheon after Worship Service in the Reception Room. RSVP to church office by Thursday, March 28.

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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

TUESDAY

6:00 AM - Men's Prayer Meeting in the RR
9:00 AM - Ladies' Precepts Bible Study, Room 139
9:30 AM - WEM Bible Study in the RR

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