

THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Ancient Words That Transform Lives

Proverbs 29:18 is a well-known passage that God brought to mind recently.

“Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.” (KJV).

“Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint: but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom’s instruction.” (NIV)

“When people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild. But whoever obeys the law is joyful.” (NLT)

I read several commentaries on this passage. One that stood out, the *Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges*, had the following.

The vision is the actual contact between God and the human spirit, which is the necessary condition of any direct revelation; the law is the recorded result of such a revelation, either passed from mouth to mouth by tradition or written permanently in a book.... **‘Where there is no living revelation, no perceived contact between man and God, there the bonds which hold society together are relaxed and broken;** but he that holds by the revelation that has been given, obeying the law, so far as it has been presented to him, happy is he.’

The New Living Translation says it well, “When people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild.” Doesn’t that typify our nation today? Even in the Bible Belt we have drifted from our centeredness in Christ to a substitutionary existence. We have substituted other things, many of them good things, for the best thing – a life controlled and guided by Jesus Christ. When we allow God given blessings (leisure, jobs, financial security, family, sporting events, or the arts) to come between us and our worship we are headed for trouble. We must safeguard our time and resources to maintain a God honoring lifestyle.

A modern worship hymn written by Lynn Deshazo points to a truth we need to rediscover if we hope to turn the tide and recapture something we have lost.

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age, came to us through sacrifice, O heed the ancient words of Christ.

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, they resound with God’s own heart, O let the ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you; We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart.

We not only need to read God’s Word, but we also need to allow His Word to change us. Through weekly Bible study and corporate worship, and our own private study, we learn about God’s heart and nature. As the Holy Spirit uses these words, and we allow them to transform our nature, we become imitators of Christ.

“Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.” (Ephesians 5:1-2).

Keith Pate

Flowers Elementary - Summer Backpacks

EHBC has an opportunity to minister to the kids at Flowers Elementary by providing backpacks filled with supplies that can enrich their learning through the summer. Backpacks (425) have been donated for this project. Not able to shop? Monetary donations gladly accepted! **Deadline: May 12th.**

Grades: K-5th

You can help by providing the following items:

- Crayons/Markers/Colored Pencils/Pens
- Drawing Pads
- Art Activity/Project Books
- Sidewalk Chalk
- Puzzles (simple)
- Snack Items, microwavable food.

Volunteers needed to help fill backpacks as well as deliver on Friday, May 17. Contact Sandy Harmann (334) 398-2250.



SUNDAY, MAY 5
4:00-6:00 PM
SPONSORED BY
THE YOUTH

Please place your baked items on the kitchen counter in the Reception Room
Thank You! 😊

DESSERT SILENT AUCTION
WE NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP TO BRING BAKED ITEMS TO SELL AT THE CHURCH PICNIC....
WHOLE CAKES, PIES, COOKIES, BROWNIES, CUPCAKES, ETC.
THERE ALSO WILL BE SMALLER BAKED ITEMS FOR SALE.
PROCEEDS GO TO MISSIONS IN ALASKA

Contact Taylor Noah
(334) 235-6168



Please bring all baked goods this Sunday, May 5th. You can place them on the kitchen counter in the Reception Room.



EASTERN HILLS CHILDCARE MINISTRY

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE:

Eastern Hills Childcare is currently seeking full and part-time staff. If you or someone you know loves children and wants to invest in their future, please contact Melissa List by phone at (334) 277-5424 or by email, melissa@ehbconline.com



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

In Honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6 - 10, 2024

Thank you, EHBC Childcare Development Center teachers. You are greatly appreciated for your faithfulness in teaching and caring for our children!



July 8-12 | Monday - Friday

Worship Arts Camp is open to students that have completed 2nd grade through 12th grade. Campers are divided by grade levels: 2nd-5th grades, 6th grade, 7th-12th grades.

Camp Cost: \$340, after May 19, \$350

Register & pay \$100 deposit on realm.org/registration events or contact Joy, 272-0604 ext.214 or joy@ehbconline.com.

\$100 scholarship available to first 10 students with "Perfect Attendance" in Choir.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

It is time for all children and youth to update their Church Permission/Medical Release form. You can download the form from the website, easternhills.church, under Children/Student Ministries. This form must be notarized.

Please complete this process as soon as possible. Lisa Merrell, from our church office, will be available to notarize forms after the worship service on Sunday, May 19, in the Reception Room.

Contact Sandy Harmann at (334) 398-2250 for questions.

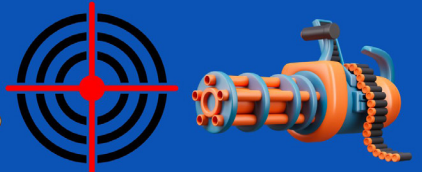
FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Sunday, June 9

5:00 - 6:30 PM | Gym

Sign up on the Realm App

Children through Adults
Teams will be grouped by age.



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VBS 2024



GOD'S ROCK-SOLID TRUTH IN A WORLD OF SHIFTING SANDS
ROMANS 12:2

Eastern Hills Baptist Church

3604 Pleasant Ridge Road
Montgomery, AL 36109

June 2 - 6

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Age: 4 - Sixth Grade

Scan code to register as
volunteer or participant.



Sign up online or in Sunday School.

Revive

FREE ADMISSION
Monday, May 6
9:30 AM - Noon
Glynwood Baptist Church
Prattville, Alabama

SENIOR ADULT
EVANGELISM
CONFERENCE

SPEAKER
Sammy Gilbreath

SPECIAL MUSIC
Guy Penrod

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.

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 and Pringles canisters. Please contact Sandy Harmann if you can help with



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

May 5

Children's Worship
Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills

IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, May 5 | 10:30 AM
Interim Pastor: Dr. Rob Jackson
"There is Hope in More"
I Thessalonians 4:1-12

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 28, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 198
Remote..... 32

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....10
Worship Service.....173
Total Worship.....183

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements \$470,304.32
Budget Receipts 390,480.49
UNDER BUDGET 79,823.83

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

April 28, 2024

Budget Requirements \$27,664.96
Budget Receipts 14,431.00
UNDER BUDGET 13,233.96

DESIGNATED

Designated \$2,962.05

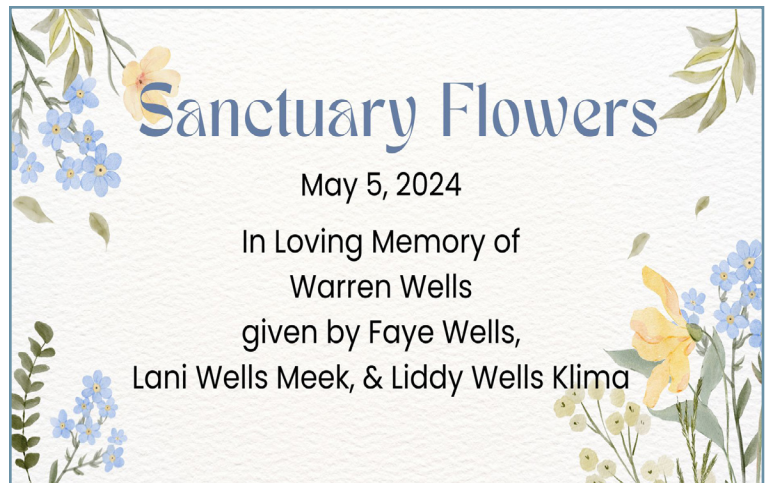
SENIOR EVENTS

Monday, May 6, 9:30 AM - Revive Senior Adult Evangelism Conference, Glynwood Baptist Church in Prattville, AL. The bus will leave the church at 8:30 AM. We plan to go out to lunch afterwards to a location in Prattville. Sign up on-line, the Realm app, or in Sunday School.

Monday, May 27 - Breakfast Bunch will not meet on this day due to it being Memorial Day.

Thursday, June 20, 10:00 AM - Arlington Historic Home & Gardens - Birmingham | Tickets \$5 | We will stop for lunch on the way back. Sign up on-line, the Realm App or call the church office. Bus will leave the church at 8:00 a.m.

Monday, June 24, 8:00 AM - Senior Breakfast Bunch at Chappy's on Perry Hill Road



Spring Celebration

PICNIC AT EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

This is a free community wide event!

Sunday, May 5

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers

Inflatables, Pony Rides, Petting Zoo and so much more!

Invite someone to join you!

3604 Pleasant Ridge Road

Montgomery, AL 36109

SEE YOU AT THE PINES!



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The Messenger, Eastern Hills Baptist Church
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334-272-0604

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 Room 154

WEDNESDAY

3:30-4:30 PM - P.A.T (Prayer Assault Team), Room 128
5:00 PM - Supper, Gym
5:45-7:15 PM - M² / Music & Missions (3 years-6th grade)
6:15 PM - ONE (7th-12th grades) in the Youth Room
6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Reception Room,
Interim Pastor Rob Jackson
6:15 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

ADDRESS LABEL