



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Eastern Hills Baptist Church is excited to announce that we have a new Pastor. Details coming soon!

Those Who Hope In Me Will Not Be Disappointed.” —Isaiah 49:23, NIV

Disappointment is sneaky. It creeps in just as we are feeling a little optimistic and deflates our hopes and dreams. It is like a dark cloud slowly crowding out the light. That glimmer in our eyes quickly fades.

Maybe you have been disappointed when you did not get the job. Or did get the job and did not like it. Maybe you were disappointed that you failed the test or that your five-year plan did not pan out. Maybe you were excited about the new house but soon uncovered its many flaws.

Or perhaps you’ve been disappointed in your ungrateful spouse, in your kids’ bad behavior or in yourself for not being wiser, stronger, more patient.

As it turns out, that house you wanted, that person you married, that job you got and the children you had aren’t perfect after all.

Disappointment leaves us jaded. Forget looking on the bright side. So long, enthusiasm. Once disappointment sets in, it’s harder to see all the good things about the one who disappointed you. It is harder to be cheerful, to appreciate life’s blessings. But God does not disappoint.

Lamentations 3:22-23 says: *“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.”*

Think about that last word, “faithfulness.” That means that God pulls through. He is loyal. He is always here for us. He hears us, sees us, and loves us unconditionally. Isaiah 49:23 says, *“those who hope in Him will not be disappointed.”*

But wait, you might say; of course, God disappoints. That person you loved died of a terrible illness after you spent hours in prayer. God let you lose your job and allowed your family to drift apart. He knew you had that one dream and it never happened. He is not answering you in time. He is not giving you a break from all the suffering.

Then again, it is not God’s job to do what we want anyway. And that is good. Isaiah 55:9 puts it this way: *“So are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.”*

God has our best interests at heart, and He wants us to live fulfilling lives (John 10:10). When we focus on Him—when we trust Him—our hope starts to outweigh our disappointment.

Devotion By Billy Graham

We were reminded in last Sunday’s sermon how God has been and is faithful to our church. He has been faithful in our past. In our almost 70 years of ministry at Eastern Hills, God has been faithful. The work that God has done through this church and the lives that have been touched, are the result of Gods faithfulness and a church that was willing to follow Him.

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

Kids 1st through 6th grade

Beat the Heat and come swim with us at the Prattville City Pool on a hot July day!

When: July 19th
Time: 11:30 AM - Meet at the church office. We will return to the church by 3:30 p.m. *Please eat lunch before you come.*
Cost: \$10 Cash (\$3 to swim + ice cream/food money afterwards)
Bring: Sunscreen, towel, t-shirt to wear for sun protection, bag for wet swimsuit & goggles.
Sign up online, the Realm App or call the church office.
Sandy Harmann (334) 398-2250

**Food Distribution
Volunteers Needed**

Friday, July 19 at 1:00 p.m.

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

Saturday, July 20 at 9:00 a.m.

- Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare for distribution.

Annual Carpenters for Christ Banquet

All Carpenters, Sponsors/Contributors, along with their spouse or one guest, are invited to attend at no cost. (Additional guests will pay \$10.)

July 20 | 6:00 PM | Reception Room
Eastern Hills Baptist Church
3604 Pleasant Ridge Road
Montgomery, AL 36109

The BBQ dinner will be catered.
Please Respond ASAP To:
Steve Fuller
popatheslowpoke@icloud.com

Arrive early (5:30) and enjoy fellowship with others!

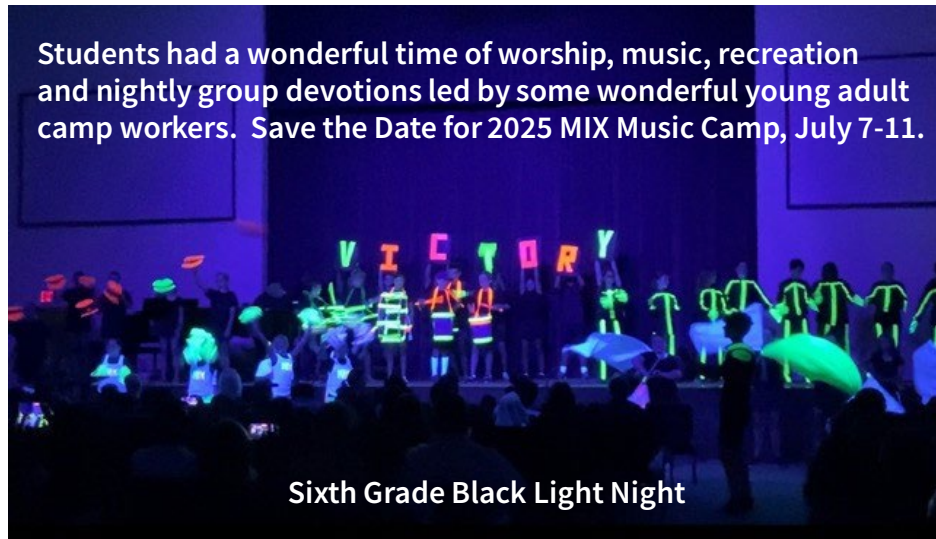
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In the past few years as we have walked through some challenging times, God has shown His faithfulness. This church has continued to be the lighthouse in this community that God has led us to be. We have followed His direction and started new ministries that have continued to reach people and minister to the needs in this community.

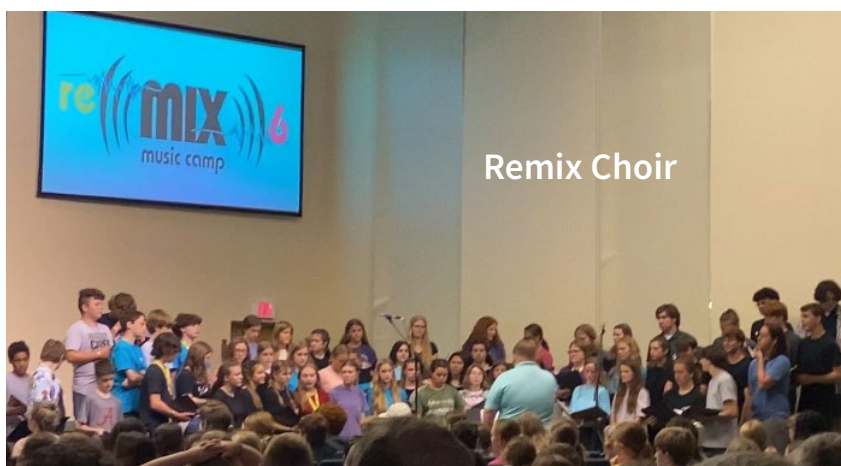
We also know and are seeing that God is faithful for our future. I believe that for Eastern Hills, 'The best is yet to come.' Yes, God is faithful, and He will continue to be faithful as we trust him and follow his direction. I am excited about where God is taking us in the future. As Henry Blackaby said in his study, Experiencing God, "We must find where God is working and join Him." I am excited about the future of Eastern Hills as we serve the Lord together. YES, GOD IS FAITHFUL!

Dan Harrison

Students had a wonderful time of worship, music, recreation and nightly group devotions led by some wonderful young adult camp workers. Save the Date for 2025 MIX Music Camp, July 7-11.



Sixth Grade Black Light Night



Remix Choir



IN THE PULPIT
SUNDAY, July 21 | 10:30 AM
Guest Preacher: Dr. Craig Carlisle
 Director of Missions - Etowah Baptist Association
The Unstoppable Church
 Acts 5:12-42

ATTENDANCE
 Sunday, July 14, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL
 Total In-Person..... 228
 Remote..... 26

WORSHIP
 Worship Care.....15
 Worship Service.....308
 Total Worship.....323

SENIOR EVENTS

Thursday, July 25, 11:30 AM - Lunch and Bingo to follow in the Reception Room, lunch will be BBQ from SweetCreek Farm Market. The cost will be \$10 per person. Sign up in Sunday School or call the church office.

Monday, July 29, 8:00 AM - Senior Breakfast Bunch at Chappy's on Perry Hill Road



Sanctuary Flowers
 July 21, 2024

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

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$774,618.88
Budget Receipts	680,907.10
UNDER BUDGET	93,711.78

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT
 July 14, 2024

Budget Requirements	\$27,664.96
Budget Receipts	25,628.00
UNDER BUDGET	2,036.96

DESIGNATED
 Designated \$3,368.00

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July 21
Children's Worship
The Armor of God

B I N G O

SENIOR ADULT LUNCH AND BINGO

Thursday, July 25
 at 11:30 AM in the Reception Room,
 Cost: \$10

BBQ / Sweet Creek Farm Market
 Sign up in Sunday School, the Realm App,
 or call the church office.





WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Wednesday Night Suppers will resume August 7.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP TUTOR
AT FLOWERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BY LISTENING AS A CHILD READS
OR HELPING WITH WORK WHERE NEEDED.

STARTS MID AUGUST AND WILL
CONTINUE THROUGH THE SCHOOL YEAR

CONTACT SANDY HARMANN:
sandy@ehbconline.com
(334) 398-2250

Diving into The New Year

August 4

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
PROMOTION SUNDAY!**

WORSHIP CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need three volunteers to serve every other month in Worship Care.
Please contact Sandy Harmann to volunteer at (334) 398-2250.

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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

WEDNESDAY

- 4:30 PM - P.A.T (Prayer Assault Team), Room 128
- 5:45 PM - Summer Kidz Night (3 years - 6th grade)
- 6:15 PM - ONE (7th-12th grades) in the Youth Room
- 6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Reception Room
- 6:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

ADDRESS LABEL