



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



EHBC Welcomes
Guest Preacher
John Ed Mathison
Pastor Emeritus,
Frazer Church
Sunday, August 18

A FRESH START

¹⁶This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, ¹⁷who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: ¹⁸“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. (Isaiah 43:16-19, NIV)

Isaiah was writing to Israel while they were still in Babylonian captivity. Their circumstances were desperate as they struggled in exile. God was at work even amid the hardships. He had a plan to deliver them, but for them to receive this blessing they had to get their eyes off their circumstances and look at the Mighty God they served.

They were reminded of their deliverance from Egyptian slavery (verses 16-17) through the mighty waters, the parting of the Red Sea. However, in verse 18 they were told not to dwell on the past. The commentaries I read on this passage explained this in a two-fold way. First, they were to remember how God delivered them from Egypt amid insurmountable obstacles like the Red Sea, and they were to also forget their present trouble filled exile. In other words, as I understand it, they were to get their eyes off their present difficulties and past failures but recall how God had shown up miraculously in times of desperation to bring about their salvation. He was ready once again to perform a mighty work among them, but they must look to Him with faith.

Eastern Hills, I think we stand on the precipice of something great! We eagerly await our new pastor’s arrival and start on August 25th! As we prepare, we should remember the amazing things God has done in and through this great church, Eastern Hills, but we must also move forward and grab onto what He is calling us to do in this new chapter.

Let us pray with one mind that we would all sense and seek God’s direction in the days ahead, and boldly step out in faith to reach this community, city, and surrounding area for the Kingdom’s glory! Be in prayer for Jeremy as he comes to lead us. With humility of heart and an attitude of servanthood let us claim our fresh start! God has a plan! Let us faithfully move forward together!

Keith Pate



SUMMER SOUNDS
of EHBC
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18
5:00 PM
THIS EVENT WILL FEATURE SOLOISTS AND SMALL GROUPS FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY OR WHO HAVE A CLOSE CONNECTION WITH OUR MUSIC MINISTRY.
PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.
THIS IS AN OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY SO PLEASE INVITE SOMEONE TO COME WITH YOU!
Watermelon fellowship to follow on the front lawn outside of the Reception Room.



Watermelon Fellowship Immediately Following
Summer Sounds of EHBC
Sunday, August 18
Front Lawn
(outside of the Reception Room)

THANK YOU
Henry McInnis would like to thank everyone for the cards and visits on his 100th birthday.

Welcome

Pastor Jeremy Smalley & Family

EHBC is excited to share that Jeremy, Amber & family will be arriving on Monday, August 19 and will be staying in an Airbnb temporarily, then moving into the Mission House on Saturday, August 24.

We would like to welcome them and help in the transition of moving. Your Sunday School class, or you as an individual, can assist the Smalley family by providing a gift card from a local merchant or by contributing toward a larger gift card through EHBC to help provide meals and assist them as needed in their moving process.

Since they are new to the area, recommendations to local restaurants or merchants would also be helpful.

There will be a dinner honoring Pastor Jeremy & family.
Sunday, September 8
5:00 PM - Reception Room

EHBC will provide pulled pork, tea & coffee.
We ask that our members bring a side dish or dessert.

A designated place will be provided in the Reception Room where you may leave cards for the Smalley Family.



**AMPLIFY / DNow Weekend
Eastmont Baptist Church**

NEW DATES:

September 20 - September 22, 202

5:00 PM | Grades 7-12

Cost: \$35 Per Student

**We will spend the weekend
studying Ephesians 1.
Help needed for host homes &
providing meals & snacks!**

Contact Taylor Noah

Help Needed!

There is an immediate need for two paid workers to work with babies up to two years of age on Wednesday nights.

Sunday School Teacher & Assistant needed for the two-three year old class.

Contact Sandy Harmann (334) 398-2250.

SENIOR ADULT COUNCIL MEETING

The Senior Adult Council will meet on Thursday, August 15 at 3:00 PM in the Reception Room.

**PLEASE GIVE PRAYERFUL
CONSIDERATION FOR OUR UPCOMING
DEACON NOMINATION PROCESS.**

**DEACON NOMINATION FORMS
WILL BE AVAILABLE ON
AUGUST 25 AND SEPTEMBER 1.**

Sanctuary Flowers

August 18, 2024

In Loving Memory of Mr. R. Frazier Milton
given by Flora Milton, Travis Milton & family,
and Brenda Glover & family

Women's Ministry Fall Bible Studies

Precepts: Romans - Part III
Kay Arthur (9/10 - 11/12)
Tuesday, 9:00 AM, Room 139
Led by Rebecca Morris

RUTH - Loss, Love & Legacy
Kelly Minter (9/10 - 10/22)
Tuesday, 9:30 AM, Reception Room
Facilitated by Kim Cluck

Mentors Installation

Thursday, August 22

1:00 PM | EHBC - Room 154
(Location & time have been updated.)

IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, August 18 | 10:30 AM
Guest Preacher - John Ed Mathison
A New Preacher - A New Future
Isaiah 43:18-19

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, August 11, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 213
Remote..... 25

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....11
Worship Service.....166
Total Worship.....177



OUTREACH EVENT AT ASU

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

AUGUST 21

Spaghetti, mixed vegetables, mixed green salad, garlic toast and chocolate cake

Cost is \$8 per person, \$30 max per household.

Reservations must be made by noon on Monday.

Reservations can be made online, by calling the church office, or by completing a reservation card located in the back of the pews. Completed cards can be placed in the offering plate or boxes.

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$885,278.72
Budget Receipts	757,392.29
UNDER BUDGET	127,886.43

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

August 11, 2024

Budget Requirements	\$27,664.96
Budget Receipts	16,547.50
UNDER BUDGET	11,117.46

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$1,925.00
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Celebration Singers
2024/2025
Kick-Off

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

Celebration Singers will join with Voices of Victory/Heritage BC to begin this new year. We will rehearse and have lunch at the Alabama State Board of Missions on Thursday, August 22.

The Bus will leave the church at 9:00 a.m. We will rehearse, have a special time to get reacquainted with our choir friends then enjoy lunch together.

Please contact Joy in the music office to reserve your boxed lunch (grilled chicken or steak tips) and a seat on the bus.

YOU are invited to join us as we begin this new choir year. There is "no age limit" nor "age requirement", we just love to be involved with special outreach ministries in our community and have a good time together.

Celebration Singers regular choir rehearsals are 9:30 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Come join us!

Eastern Hills Baptist Church Is Pleased To Announce Our New Pastor & Family

The Smalleys

Jeremy, Amber, Jerrel & Jack

Pastor Smalley's first day in the pulpit will be August 25.



Kitchen Worker Needed

There is an immediate need for one paid kitchen worker to work on Wednesday of each week. Contact Dan Harrison



Food Distribution Volunteers Needed

Friday, August 16 at 1:00 p.m.

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

Saturday, August 17 at 9:00 a.m.

- Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare for distribution.




alabamawmu.org/christmasbackpacks

Share a gift of love and the Gospel with a child in need this Christmas.

Church Goal:
100 Filled Backpacks

Backpacks are available. You can purchase your own Bible for the backpack.

Backpacks will go to a local church plant:
Southside Gospel Fellowship Church

Please contact the church office for a supply list or for more information at (334) 272-0604.

Filled backpacks can be left in the collection buckets located in the CLC area no later than **Sunday, August 25.**

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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

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

ADDRESS LABEL