

# THE MESSENGER

# EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

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# CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

THE LICHT HAS COME

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> 3:00 PM

Featuring the Eastern Hills Adult Choir and Guest Orchestra

Also Features: Children & Youth Choirs and Celebration Ringers (Handbell Choir)



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS
-THE LIGHT HAS COME-

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Christmas Cookie Fellowship
immediately following the Christmas
music program in the Reception Room.
Everyone is invited to come and
enjoy this time together.

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:5–8 ESV

## Christmas is the celebration of the incarnation God.

Radio host Paul Harvey once told the story of a kind, good man who chose to stay home from church one Christmas Eve. The thought of God coming to earth as a man was incomprehensible to him and thus implausible, so he sent his family off to the Christmas Eve service and settled in at home.

As he sat in the quiet, he heard a thud against his window. When he went to investigate, he discovered a group of small birds, one of them laying injured in the snow. In a desperate attempt to find refuge from the cold, one of them had flown into his large landscape window.

The man took pity on the birds and tried in several different ways to lead them to the warmth of his barn, but the birds scattered, frightened by the strange man. The man, recognizing the birds' fear, thought to himself, "If only I could be a bird and speak their language. I could show them the way to the safe, warm barn. But I would have to become one of them so they could see, hear, and understand."

Then the bells of the church began to ring, and at that moment, for the first time, he understood how God sent His only Son, Jesus, into this dark and cold world to save hopeless and helpless sinners.

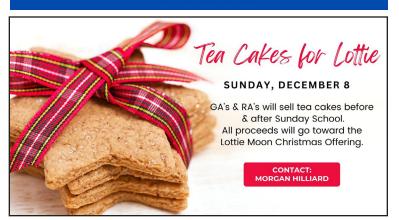
Jesus was born in the flesh so that He might die in the flesh in order to save us from our sinful flesh.

Pastor Jeremy

#### **EHBC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Ministry Assistant

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING OR WANT MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT DAN HARRISON.









### **FAMILY NATIVITY WALK**

Come celebrate Christmas with your EHBC family and bring your Nativity to display at our Nativity Walk. A placard will be displayed with your name and any information you want to share about your Nativity.

Santa will also be at the walk for children to visit.
Cider & Cookies will be served.

Sunday, December 22 3:00 - 4:30 | Reception Room

Donations will be accepted to help provide Bibles for the Montgomery Fire & Rescue Training Academy Graduates.

Contact: Cyndi Arnold, 303-1156

Sign up in Sunday School or call the church office. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, December 15.

You will set up your display on Sunday, December 22, between 1:30 - 3:00 PM.

Mentors experienced
Central Asian culture and learned
about the mission work being
accomplished in Central Asia.







16th Annual
Past and Present Family Caregiver
Christmas Brunch
Friday, December 13th, 2024
9:00 a.m. to noon
Reception Room
Eastern Hills Baptist Church

If you are a caregiver, past or present, you are invited to join us. This event will allow you a little break from caring for your love one while letting go of worries and enjoying time with friends, both old and new, plenty of festive food, Christmas music, door prizes and more!

We will even have a special visit from Santa Claus!

If you should need someone to provide care for your loved one while you attend this event, please RSUP to Nancy McLain by
Monday, December 9th,
at (334) 233–2139 or call the
church office at (334) 272–0604.

# IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, December 8 | 10:30 AM
Pastor Jeremy Smalley
How the Past Proclaims
Christ's Purpose
Matthew 1:1-17

٣	ATTENDANCE	4
	Sunday, December 1, 2024	
	SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	Total In-Person198	
	Remote33	
	WORSHIP	
	Worship Care3	
	Worship Service214	
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## SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Tuesday, December 10, 6:00 PM - Senior Adult Christmas Party, Reception Room - \$10 per person, Sign up online, in Sunday School or call the church office by Thursday, December 5th.

Thursday, December 12, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers, choir Suite.

Thursday, December 19, 9:00 AM - Celebration Singers & Voices of Victory will sing at The Crossings Assisted Living-Eastchase. The bus will leave EHBC at 9:00 AM.

# **BUDGET REPORT**

# YTD BUDGET REPORT

<b>Budget Requirements</b>	\$1,327,918.08
Budget Receipts	1,205,461.01
UNDER BUDGET	122,457.07

# **WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT**

December 1, 2024

Budget Requirements	\$27,664.96
Budget Receipts	23,408.00
UNDER BUDGET	4,256.96

## **DESIGNATED**

Designated \$3,075.00





STRENGTH TO STAND CONFERENCE | EHBC Youth, 7-12th Grade December 27-30, 2024 | Pigeon Forge, TN

The cost is \$125 per person. You can register online through the Realm App or easternhills.church. The cost includes conference fee, hotel, meals, and fun surprise outings. If you have questions, please contact Taylor Noah.







December 8
Children's Worship
The Christmas Story
Grades: K-3
Please bring your Bible.

# Christmas Poinsettias

Poinsettias are available for those who would like to place a flower in the Sanctuary this Christmas Season in memory or honor of a loved one. Please fill out the form below, along with 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 poinsettias and to whom they are given in memory or honor.

Available Poinsettias Include:

20 LIVE Poinsettia, \$17 each - You may pick up your live poinsettia following the Christmas Eve Service on December 24th.

20 RED SILK Poinsettia, \$19 each - These will remain at the church to use each Christmas season. Your memorial/honorary designations will be acknowledged each year. Silk no longer available

Deadline to reserve your poinsettia is Sunday, December 8.

Given By:	
In Memory Of:	
In Haman Of	





#### **FAMILY ADVENT ACTIVITY**

Please pick up an Advent activity packet on the tables by the sanctuary entrances.

The packet contains a daily Bible verse and corresponding ornament to decorate and cut out starting December 1 to December 25.

This is a great way to spend time together and focus on Jesus, the reason we celebrate Christmas!

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# **EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH**

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# **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**

5:00 PM - Supper, Gym

5:45 PM - Acteens

5:45 PM - M<sup>2</sup> 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

POSTAGE

ADDRESS LABEL