



# THE MESSENGER

## EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



STEP INTO THE  
**STORY**

**EHBC GOAL:**  
**\$18,000**

Lives are being  
changed both now  
and for eternity  
through the impact of  
the Annie Armstrong  
Easter Offering

**COLLECTED:**  
**\$1,090.00**

### CAPTIVE TO THE CALL

*<sup>19</sup>Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. <sup>23</sup>I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. I Corinthians 9:19-23 (NIV)*

What does it cost to follow Jesus? The choir just sang about that this past Sunday. Following Jesus means living our lives in such a way as to represent Christ in a positive light to a sin darkened world. Our attitudes, actions, and words need to be funneled through His character traits. We willingly bring our minds and bodies into submission under His Lordship.

This coming Sunday, March 16, is an evangelistic push in our church. We have been encouraged to bring a friend so that they can hear the Gospel preached in worship. We have been asked to meet them here for breakfast, Sunday School, and worship and then take them to lunch to further discuss how the theme of the day has had an impact on them. At first sight this might be intimidating, but it is what we are called to do, and God will give us the power to accomplish it.

In a couple of weeks, the choir will sing an anthem entitled "Captive to the Call." I think it sums up our calling as believers.

I hear Your voice so clearly, I feel Your hand guide,  
I know that You are near me, in You I can hide.  
I bring my life to You, Lord, I give You my all,  
Because You give me freedom, I'm captive to the call.

Captive to the call, free from all my fear.  
No prisoner of the Law, His freedom holds me here.  
I'm bound by bands of grace, and love that conquers all.  
My joy alone in Christ, I'm captive to the call.

I leave old things behind me, to find all things new.  
For now, the dreams that bind me are realized in You.  
I've made the choice to follow, through Him I will not fall.  
No power can separate us, I'm captive to the call.

Reach out to someone and invite them to come to breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Gym, Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. and Worship at 10:30 a.m. Then take them to lunch. Build a spiritual bridge. You don't have to be a Biblical Theologian to share what Christ has done for you, just share what He has done and is doing each day! Be captivated by His call!

See you Sunday!

*Keith Pate*

*John 3/16 Day*  
*March 16, 2025*

8:30 AM - BREAKFAST | GYM  
9:15 AM - BIBLE STUDY | 10:30 AM - WORSHIP

We want to challenge everyone to pray for & invite the unchurched along your path to Eastern Hills Baptist Church on Sunday, March 16. We will have a Hot Breakfast, Bible Study, Worship & share the Love of Jesus.

Members are asked to come and bring a breakfast dish or item of your choice. There will be a dish drop off on the Greenridge Road side of the church between 7:45 and 8:15 AM for those who need it.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19**  
**THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER, BIBLE STUDY OR ACTIVITIES DUE TO SPRING BREAK.**

**SENIOR ADULT LUNCH**

Thursday,  
March 20  
12:00 Noon



The bus will  
leave the  
church at  
11:00 AM.

**RED'S LITTLE SCHOOL HOUSE**

Sign up in Sunday School, the Realm App, or call the church office.





*Mentors Meeting*  
 Thursday, March 27  
 1:00 | Room 154

**Special Emphasis:**  
 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
 with information on the  
 North American Mission Board



*Candy Needed*  
 (no chocolate due to melting)

**Candy is needed for our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt!**  
 Bags of candy can be dropped off in the  
 CLC Lobby or at the Karen Road entrance.  
 (due by Wednesday, April 9)



EHBC WOMEN'S MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO  
*A Spring Breakfast*  
 featuring Amber Smalley

April 26, 2025 | 8:30 AM | Reception Room  
 \$15 Per Person

Sign up online, in Sunday School or  
 call the church office.

Deadline to Register & Pay: Monday, April 21st.



*Eggstravaganza!*  
 Eastern Hills Baptist Church invites all  
 families with children, toddlers up to 6th grade,  
 to our Annual Egg Hunt on  
 Sunday, April 13 | 4:00 - 5:30 PM  
 Candy, Fun, Games  
 Greenridge Road Parking Lot

**In case of rain, event will be moved to the EHBC Gym.**



**The EHBC Acteens had a great time at Complete.  
 Girls learned what it means to be "Made Worthy" in Christ.  
 Thank you to the Mentors for the goody bags.**




*Easter @ Eastern Hills*

- April 13 Eggstravaganza (Egg Hunt) | 4:00 - 5:30 PM, families with children, toddlers to 6th grade, Greenridge Road parking lot.
- April 17 Maundy Thursday Service, 6:00 PM  
 A meditative and reflective Lord's Supper & Worship Service centered on our brokenness and Christ's redemption.
- April 18 Good Friday - Church office will be closed.
- April 20 Resurrection Celebration:  
 Donuts & Coffee | 8:30 - 9:15 AM | CLC Lobby  
 Bible Study 9:15 AM | Worship 10:30 AM  
 Covered dish luncheon after Worship Service in the Reception Room. Church will provide the meat. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Sign up in Sunday School or call the church office (334) 272-0604 by Monday, April 16.

Eastern Hills Baptist Church  
 3604 Pleasant Ridge Road  
 Montgomery, Alabama 36109  
 easternhills.church | (334) 272-0604



**DISCOVER GOD'S  
 BIGNESS**  
 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025

**VBS Workers Needed!**  
 June 2-6, 2025  
 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact Sandy Harmann



## IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, March 16 | 10:30 AM

Pastor Jeremy Smalley

John 3:16 Sunday

John 3:16-18

## ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 9, 2025

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 204

Remote..... 26

### WORSHIP

Worship Care.....0

Children's Worship.....8

Worship Service.....177

Total Worship.....185

## SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Thursday, March 20, 12:00 Noon - Lunch at Red's Little School House. Bus will leave the church at 11:00 AM. Sign up online, in Sunday School or call the church office.

Monday, March 31, 8:00 AM - Senior Breakfast Bunch, Chappy's on Perry Hill Road.

Monday, April 7 - Thursday, April 10, 7:00 AM - Senior Adult Trip, Ark Encounter & Creation Museum, \$575.00 per person - pricing based on 50 travelers, Motor Coach Transportation, Double Occupancy, Hampton Inn - Florence, Kentucky.

## BUDGET REPORT

### YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$301,304.60
Budget Receipts	229,944.45
UNDER BUDGET	71,360.15

### 2025 - WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

March 9, 2025

Budget Requirements	\$30,130.46
Budget Receipts	22,654.00
UNDER BUDGET	7,476.46

### DESIGNATED

Designated	\$1,137.00
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**Senior Adult Event, April 7 - 10, 2025**

**\$575 PER PERSON**  
PRICING BASED ON 50 TRAVELERS  
MOTOR COACH TRANSPORTATION  
(DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)  
HAMPTON INN - FLORENCE, KENTUCKY  
INCLUDES HOT BREAKFAST (3)  
ARK ENCOUNTER / CREATION MUSEUM TICKETS  
1 DINNER CRUISE

**CONTACT DAN HARRISON**  
**SIGN UP/PAY \$300 DEPOSIT BY MARCH 5.**

Sign up online, in Sunday School or call the church office.



July 7-11, 2025 | Monday - Friday

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

Cost:

- \$330 if registered by March 27
- \$340 after March 27 & before May 22
- \$350 after May 22

Register & pay \$100 deposit on [realm.org/events](http://realm.org/events) or contact Joy, 272-0604 ext. 214.

\$100 scholarship available to first 10 students (2nd-6th grade) with perfect attendance in Children's Choir.





**Boys grades 1-6, are you ready for an adventure?**

Adventure Weekend is for fathers and sons.

**When: March 21-22**

**Where: Shocco Springs**

**Cost: \$35 per person**

Check-in, Friday from 5:00-7:00 PM

Worship starts at 7:15 PM, followed by activities and group time.  
Saturday starts with breakfast at 7:30 AM and ends at 2:45 PM.

**Contact Sandy Harmann**

Click on the link below for more information as well as to register.

<https://alabamamen.org/event/adventure-weekend-4/>



## Food Distribution Volunteers Needed

**Friday, March 14 at 1:00 p.m.**

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

**Saturday, March 15 at 9:00 a.m.**

- Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare for distribution.



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## EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

The Messenger, Eastern Hills Baptist Church  
3604 Pleasant Ridge Road, Montgomery, Alabama 36109.  
334-272-0604 | easternhills.church

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY

9:15 AM - Bible Study Groups  
10:30 AM - Worship Service  
8:30 - 10:15 AM - Library Hours

#### MONDAY

5:30 PM - Handbell Rehearsal

#### TUESDAY

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

#### WEDNESDAY

March 19 - There will be no Wednesday night supper, Bible study or other activities due to Spring Break.



**March 16 - Bible Skills**

**Children's Worship**

**Grades: K-3**

**Please bring your Bible.**

POSTAGE

ADDRESS LABEL