



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



Lamaya Ellis

Welcome

NEW
MEMBER
BY
PROFESSION
OF FAITH
May 4, 2025

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and give his life a ransom for many (Mark 10:45 ESV).

In my monthly Messenger articles, I have been describing what it looks like to be a faithful church member. Faithful church members: gather, connect, grow, serve, build, pray, and give. As we dive into each of these seven attributes, my hope is that you would take some time to reflect on your current involvement in the local Body of Christ and prayerfully consider how you might take deeper steps of commitment in certain areas for your growth, for the church's good, and for God's glory.

This month, we will see how faithful church members serve. Jesus is our example of service. From humbling Himself in His incarnation, to His compassionate care of the hurting, overlooked, and often despised, to submitting to death on the cross for our redemption, Jesus is the ultimate model of service. Before the last supper, on the eve of His sacrifice, Jesus gathered His disciples and performed one of the most menial acts of service possible. He, the Son of God, washed His disciple's feet. He then instructed His followers, ***If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet (John 13:14 ESV).***

Those who follow Christ must serve as Christ served. Another time, in response to His disciples bickering over who might be worthy of being elevated to positions of honor and authority in the Kingdom, Christ admonished them saying, ***...whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all (Mark 10:43b-44 ESV).***

As followers of Christ, faithful church members serve the church as Christ served His disciples and serve the church as Christ served the world. We serve the church as Christ served the disciples by using our gifts, talents, abilities, passions, and opportunities to build up the Body of Christ and help the church accomplish its God given mission. Paul wrote, ***And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:11-12 ESV).*** Peter adds, ***As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Peter 4:10 ESV).***

Faithful church members see the mission of church and the needs of the church and seek opportunities to get to work, serving whenever possible. Faithful church members also serve as the church wherever they go and in whatever they do to demonstrate the love of God in their community and neighborhoods, earning opportunities to share the Gospel. Service is not seasonal but a lifestyle and an act of worship. Paul wrote, ***Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ (Colossians 3:23-24 ESV).*** Our church is truly a serving church. We are blessed with many men, women, and young people who are devoted to service and many opportunities for you to get more involved.

Three ways for you to find opportunities to serve:

1. Read The Messenger to see what is going on and how you might pitch in.
2. Talk to a staff member, a Sunday School teacher, or someone involved in areas where you might be interested in serving. Don't wait to be asked to serve. Ask how you can be of help!
3. Pray and ask God for opportunities to serve as the church each day. God may be calling you to begin a ministry or be more faithful as you encounter those who have needs or just need the Lord.

How can you better serve your church?

How can you better serve as the church?

Pastor Jeremy



Children's
Music & Missions
Awards Program
Wednesday, May 14
6:00 PM | Sanctuary

*There will be no Adult Bible Study.
Everyone is invited to attend
the children's program.*

INTRODUCING...



Macy Brown
Ministry Assistant,
Pastoral Ministries,
May 1, 2025!

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Congratulations to
Susan Sessions
who completes
21 years as Pianist,
May 9, 2025!



Senior Adult Choir Tour
Cedar Creek Baptist
Keith's Home Church in Castleberry, AL



Senior Adult Choir Tour - Country Place Senior Living, Brewton



Senior Adult Choir Tour - First Baptist Brewton



Country Place Senior Living Residents



EGG TOSS



FOREST HILLS/EASTERN HILLS
NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC



EGG TOSS CHAMPIONS

Kaden Moore & Jakobe Staley

*Thank you to everyone who gave of their time
to help make the Forest Hills/Eastern Hills
Neighborhood Picnic a success!*



IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, May 11 | 10:30 AM

Pastor Jeremy Smalley
Chain Reaction
I Corinthians 15:20-28

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, May 4, 2025

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 202
Remote..... 30

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....5
Children's Church6
Worship Service.....196
Total Worship.....207

SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Thursday, May 8, 7:30 PM - Pike Road Theatre, Chitty Chitty, Bang Bang. The bus will leave at 6:30 PM.

Monday, May 26 - Senior Adults will not meet for Breakfast at Chappys due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Thursday, May 29, 11:30 - Lunch & Bingo to follow in the Reception Room, lunch will be Sweet Creek BBQ. The cost is \$10 per person. Sign up online, in Sunday School or call the church office.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

MAY 14

*Meatloaf with sauce, mashed potatoes,
steamed cabbage, corn muffin, fried apple pie*

*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	\$542,348.28
Budget Receipts	443,066.76
UNDER BUDGET	99,281.52

2025 - WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

May 4, 2025

Budget Requirements	\$30,130.46
Budget Receipts	57,437.00
OVER BUDGET	27,306.54

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$778.00
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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:

- \$340 before May 22
- \$350 after May 22

Register & pay \$100 deposit on 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.

Sanctuary Flowers

May 11, 2025

In Loving Memory of

Warren Wells

given by Faye Wells,

Lani Wells Meek & Liddy Wells Klima

VBS 2025

Eastern Hills Baptist Church

3604 Pleasant Ridge Road
Montgomery, AL 36109

June 2 - 6

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

4 Years - 6th Grade

Scan QR code to register as
volunteer or participant.



LIBRARY MEMORIAL

The book, "You Are A Tree"
by Joy Clarkson
given in memory of
JAMES MACK WATLEY,
brother of Karla Groves,
by Sisters in Christ
Sunday School Class



Mentors Meeting

Thursday, May 22

1:00 PM | Room 154



First Choice - Project Life Change Baby Bottles
India Herrig will join us as our speaker and
share more about First Choice.

MBA

GOLF
TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY

MAY 15, 2025

Check-in & Lunch: 11:00am

Shotgun starts 12:30pm

SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY OF HOPE
18TH HOLE BENEFITS LOVE LOUD RIVER REGION
ARROWHEAD COUNTRY CLUB

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\$90 - Per Player
\$95 - after May 8 deadline
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Register now...

mgmbaptists.org/golf

(334) 271-6227 | office@mgmbaptists.org



EHBC TEAM REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

6:30 AM - Men's Prayer Meeting in the RR
9:00 AM - Ladies' Precepts Bible Study, Room 139
(We will resume on 5/13 & 5/27)

WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM - Supper, Gym
5:45 PM - Acteens
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
7:00 PM - Youth Choir

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

May 11 - Bible Skills

Children's Worship

Grades: K-3

Please bring your Bible.

POSTAGE

ADDRESS LABEL