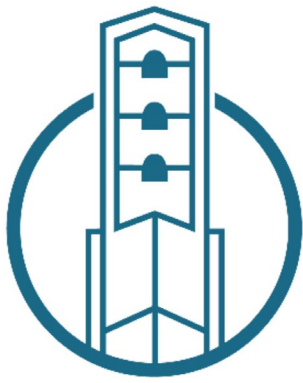




THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL FAITHFULNESS SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

**Support your church by becoming a
generous, consistent and sacrificial giver.**



Mentors Meeting
Thursday, October 23

1:00 PM | EHBC - Room 154

Ben Crocker, Campus Minister @ AUM BCM will be speaking on the challenges of guiding college students to the Gospel in our ever-changing culture.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and learn new ideas for supporting and encouraging a campus ministry.

We have discovered a variety of interesting items, many of which were packed away in closets, under beds, in storage rooms, and in barns. The sheer volume of items is sometimes overwhelming! We have dispersed a good many of the items in the house (dishes, furniture, bedding, etc.,) however, there is still a staggering amount to examine.

My mother-in-law and father-in-law were from the "waste not, want not" generation. They grew up in the Great Depression. They saved everything, as it might be of use later, especially in the farming environment. There are hundreds of Mason Jars, plastic jugs, scraps of fabric, clothes to be mended, various sewing paraphernalia, magazines that date back to the 1950's, and this is just inside the house. We have barely made a dent in cleaning out under the barns and sheds.

There are numerous intriguing items we have found. There are cards and letters written over the past sixty plus years to Evelyn's parents from various people, including their children. These tell a family story which Evelyn hopes to sort into some type of documentary format to pass down to future generations.

One such piece I saw sitting on our counter after our most recent trip south was a photo of Castleberry Baptist Church. Her mother's family were members of that church since the early 1900's. It was the church in which Evelyn and her two brothers were spiritually nourished. She has fond memories of men and women of faith who poured into her as a child, teenager, and later as an adult. As I gazed at the photo I could visualize many of those people of faith: Mrs. Marie Pate, Mrs. Lecroy, Mr. and Mrs. Hardin, her uncle and aunt June and Maxine Ellis, Rev. and Mrs. Wiggers, Rev. and Mrs. Godbee, her mother, and many others. That snapshot represents more than a physical building-rather a season in which God's people nurtured and encouraged three children, teens, and adults on their spiritual journey. Their impact had eternal significance.

The song recorded by Steve Green comes to mind as I reflect on these things. The third stanza and chorus are bold reminders of the importance of leaving a legacy of faith.

*After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone,
And our children sift through all we've left behind.
May the clues that they discover and the memories they uncover,
Become the light that leads them to the road we each must find.*

*Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful.
May the fire of our devotion light their way.
May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe,
And the lives we live inspire them to obey.
Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful!*

Paul in II Timothy 1:5 exhorts Timothy by reminding him of the faith that first dwelt in his grandmother, Lois, and then in his mother, Eunice, and in him also. The faith exemplified in these two women impacted young Timothy along his spiritual journey.

May we be reminded that our most important legacy is not in the amount of money or things we leave our children and grandchildren, but rather the spiritual seeds sown that will produce eternal fruit.

Yours with a song,

Keith Pate

Women's Ministry Fall Dinner
Thursday, October 23
Eastern Hills Baptist Church
6:00 PM
Reception Room
\$15 per person
Register & pay online.
You can sign up in Sunday School
or call the church office.
**Please make reservations and
pay by: Sunday, October 19th.**
Childcare available upon request.
Meal for children not included.



Special Guest:
Karen Gosselin

A Legacy of Faith

What constitutes a legacy? Well, when in doubt, ask Google. The word has two meanings. First is an amount of money or property left to someone in a will. The second is the long-lasting impact of particular events, actions, etc., that took place in the past, or of a person's life.

Many of you know that in February Evelyn's mother passed away. Evelyn's parents resided in the same house in rural south Alabama since their marriage in 1958. We are now engaged in the exhausting task of sifting through and dispensing various articles which were accumulated over a sixty plus year period of farming and housekeeping.

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OCTOBER IS PASTOR
APPRECIATION MONTH.
PLEASE LET OUR PASTORS
KNOW HOW MUCH YOU
APPRECIATE THEM.

ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

The 2025 Annual Meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention will be held at Whitesburg Baptist Church in Huntsville on November 11-12.

If you would like to serve as a messenger, please call Macy Brown in the church office (334) 272-0604.

Food Distribution Volunteers Needed

Friday, October 17 at 1:00 p.m.

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

Saturday, October 18 at 9:00 a.m.

- Meet in the EHBC gym to prepare for distribution.



Candy Needed

(due by Wednesday, October 22)

Candy is needed for our upcoming Fall Festival. Bags of candy can be placed in the buckets located in the Welcome Center or across from the Office.



Deacon Nomination Timeline

Sunday, October 5 - 12
Nomination forms will be available to members to nominate up to eight men to serve as Deacons. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, drop boxes or turned into the church office.

Sunday, October 12
Deadline for all forms to be turned in.

October 13 - 30
Ballots will be tabulated and Deacons nominated will be contacted.

Sunday, November 2
The top eight nominations willing to serve will be confirmed by a church-wide vote in the morning worship service.

Wednesday, November 19
New Deacons term begins.



Operation Christmas
Child Shoeboxes
will be available
October 5 - October 26

Cost of Shoeboxes:

Regular \$.75 | Plastic \$2.50

Deadline to turn in Shoeboxes:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES



Contact: Sandy Harmann

Children in 1st - 6th grade will be taking the Christmas Child Shoeboxes to the designated drop off point, Ridgecrest Baptist Church, where they will discover more about what happens next & how the love of Jesus is spread to 12 million children worldwide.

Wednesday, November 19

5:30 PM - Children will meet in their choir room to go over Christmas music.

6:00 PM - We will load up the shoeboxes and leave the church.

7:15 PM - We will return back to EHBC.

Permission form must be completed.

IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, October 19|10:30 AM

Pastor Jeremy Smalley:
"Decisive Discipleship"
 Matthew 8:18-22

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, October 12, 2025

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 159
 Remote..... 29

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....4
 Children's Church9
 Worship Service.....172
 Total Worship.....185

SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Monday, October 27, 8:00 AM - Senior Adult Breakfast Bunch, Chappy's on Perry Hill Road.

Thursday, October 30, 11:30 AM - Lunch & Bingo, in the Reception Room, Marco's Pizza, \$10 per person. Sign up in Sunday School, Realm App or call the church office.

Thursday, October 30, 2:00 PM - Senior Adult Council Meeting, Reception Room, after Lunch & Bingo.

Thursday, November 6, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers Rehearsal, EHBC Choir Suite.

Thursday, November 13, 9:00 AM - Celebration Singers & Voices of Victory sing at John Knox, 4401 Narrow Lane Rd. The bus will leave EHBC at 9:00 AM. Everyone is to be seated and ready to warm up by 9:30 AM. The program will begin at 10:00 AM.

BUDGET REPORT

YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$1,235,348.86
Budget Receipts	960,639.76
UNDER BUDGET	274,709.10

2025 - WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

October 12, 2025

Budget Requirements	\$30,130.46
Budget Receipts	22,616.00
UNDER BUDGET	7,514.46

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$1,927 .00
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Sanctuary Flowers

October 19, 2025

In Loving Memory of

Walt Edmonds,

on the anniversary of his
homegoing, given by
Bette Edmonds & family.



Sanctuary Flowers

October 19, 2025

In Loving Memory of

Bradley Fitzgerald,

on the anniversary of his
birthday, given by
Marie Fitzgerald,
Pam & Neal Kendrick & family



EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

FALL Festival

TRUNK OR TREAT

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 26

GREEN RIDGE ROAD SMALL PARKING LOT

**FREE HOTDOG SUPPER
FUN GAMES
POPCORN & CANDY**

TRUNK or TREAT

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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
9:30 AM - WEM Bible Study, RR
9:30 AM - Precept Bible Study, Room 139

WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM - Supper, Gym
5:45 PM - M² Music & Missions (4K - 6th grade)
5:45 PM - ONE (7th-12th grades) Room 143
6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Reception Room
6:15 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

EHBC KIDZ!

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

October 19- Children's Worship

Grades: 1-3

Please bring your Bible.

POSTAGE

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