

# THE MESSENGER

## EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



Myers-Mallory  
State Missions Offering

CHURCH GOAL

\$ 8,000

MYERS-MALLORY.ORG

**Thank You EHBC,  
Goal Exceeded!**

**WEEK OF PRAYER  
FOR STATE MISSIONS  
SEPTEMBER 7 - 14, 2025**



**TOTAL COLLECTED:**

**\$ 8,521**

Last weekend I had the ultimate privilege of standing beside my best friend as she married the love of her life. Growing up, I've always loved weddings. They are a fun time of celebration with the people you love. Watching her tie the knot really made me reflect on what a beautiful picture that marriage is. It is a perfect reflection of Christ's love for the church - His church. I remember as a child wondering why Scripture referred to Christians as "the bride of Christ."

I think it starts with the pursuit. Just as a groom pursues his bride, Christ pursues His church. I remember when my best friend, Gracie, and her now husband, David, began dating. They didn't exactly live close together so it meant a lot of long drives and even more long phone calls. Their relationship was far from convenient, yet David pursued Gracie because of his love for her. God's love for us required a very public and uncomfortable death on a cross, yet Jesus still pursued His church.

Traditionally once a couple is ready to take the step from dating to being engaged, the man asks for the woman's hand in marriage. Oftentimes when this happens, the groom experiences fear of being rejected. The offer to spend their lives together is a thrilling offer, but the man has to first put himself in a place that the woman can either accept or reject him. Jesus hung on a cross, knowing that there will be people who reject him. Just like the groom has to put himself on the line and risk being rejected, Jesus knew that the union of Christ and His church was too sweet to let rejection stand in the way.

Another older wedding tradition is that the wedding typically happens around the bride's home and family. In our walk with Christ, we as believers just have to believe that Jesus is the Son of God and that he saved us. In layman's terms, Jesus did all of the "hard work." Jesus came to earth to meet us where we are, just like the groom comes to the bride to meet her where she is, marry her, and to take her home with him.

Ephesians 5:25-32 gives us this picture when it says, **"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— for we are members of his body. 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.' This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church."**

Although I'm not married, I've heard it said multiple times that marriage is one of the most sanctifying things to happen to a person. It requires selfless love, support, and care. I'm so grateful for such a beautiful picture that this marriage painted. It's a reminder of how intentional God's creation is.

In Christ, *Taylor Noah*

### OPEN BUDGET MEETING

**There will be an Open Budget Meeting on  
Sunday, October 5, immediately following the  
Worship Service in the Conference Room.**

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



### QUARTERLY CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

**Wednesday, October 15  
6:00 PM | Reception Room.**

There will be a recommendation by the Personnel Committee to call a Staff Evangelist. Job details are available at this time.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the beginning of the prayer meeting on Wednesday, October 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.

# FINANCIAL FAITHFULNESS SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

## 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



### Senior Adult Appreciation Sunday

We are so thank-  
ful for our many  
wonderful  
Senior Adults who  
faithfully serve  
at EHBC!



## 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**



### SENIOR ADULT MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, October 9

6:00 p.m. | Reception Room

Hotdog Supper, Popcorn

\$6.00 Per Person

Tyson befriends champion marathon runner  
Aklilu. Never letting his autism hold him back,  
Tyson becomes determined to run his first  
marathon in hopes of winning his father's  
approval. With the help of an unlikely friend  
and his parents, Tyson learns that with  
faith in yourself and the courage to take  
the first step, anything is possible.

# IN THE PULPIT

## SUNDAY, October 5 | 10:30 AM

**Guest Speaker:**  
**David Dyer, Retired Pastor**  
 Lone Oak Baptist Church - Energy, Illinois

### ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 28, 2025

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 195  
 Remote..... 28

#### WORSHIP

Worship Care.....7  
 Children's Church .....9  
 Worship Service.....182  
 Total Worship.....198

#### SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Thursday, October 9, 6:00 PM - Senior Adult Movie Night, hotdog supper, \$6.00 per person. Sign up through the Realm app, in Sunday School or call the church office.

Thursday, October 16, 9:00 AM - Celebration Singers & Voices of Victory sing at Wesley Gardens, 1555 Taylor Road. The bus will leave EHBC at 9:00. Everyone is to be seated and ready to warm up by 9:30 AM. The program will begin at 10:00 AM.

Monday, October 29, 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.

# BUDGET REPORT

## YTD BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$1,175,087.94
Budget Receipts	908,972.76
UNDER BUDGET	266,115.18

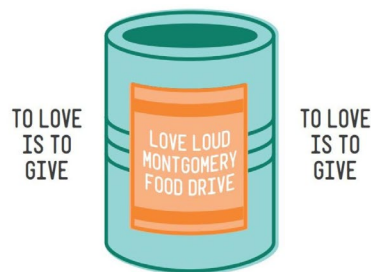
## 2025 - WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

September 28, 2025

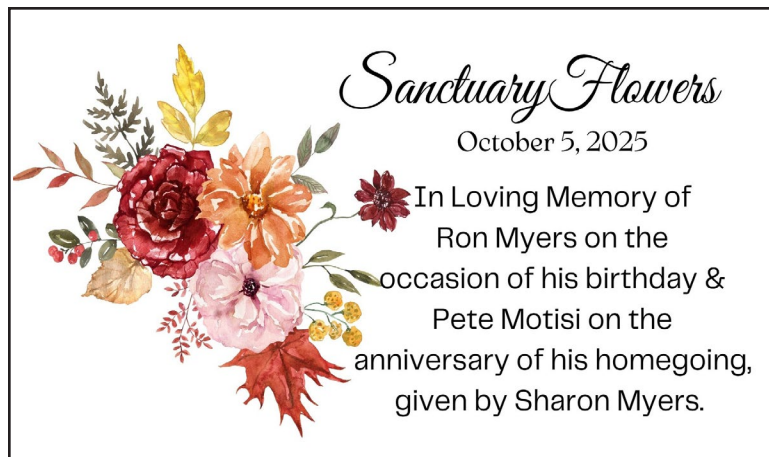
Budget Requirements	\$30,130.46
Budget Receipts	20,160.00
UNDER BUDGET	9,970.46

## DESIGNATED

Designated	\$4,890.00
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**TOTAL COLLECTED: 100 BAGS**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS!**



# Dear Church family, It's time for a New Directory!

Celebrating faith.  
Connecting families.  
Sharing hope.

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee



UNIVERSAL  
CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Set your appointment with Universal today!

Available Dates:

Thursday, October 9 (Newly Added)

Friday, October 10 & Saturday, October 11

Online Scheduling Available!



To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on Photography Appointment Scheduling login on the top right side, enter **AL214** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. You can call the church office at 272-0604 for scheduling appointments as well as other questions.

## WORSHIP CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers to  
serve every other  
month in Worship Care.

Please contact Sandy  
Harmann to volunteer  
at (334) 398-2250.



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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 - M<sup>2</sup> 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

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# 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

## 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.



**EHBC KIDZ!**

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

October 5 - Children's Worship

Grades: 1-3

Please bring your Bible.

POSTAGE

ADDRESS LABEL