

# THE MESSENGER

## EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

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PRESENTS

# GLORY IN THE HIGHEST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7  
3:00 PM

Featuring the Eastern Hills  
Adult Choir and Guest Orchestra

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



***There will be a fellowship immediately following  
the Christmas Music Program in the  
Reception Room. Everyone is invited to come.***



One of the key factors in any great movie is the score, the music that adds emotion to the major climatic moments in the story being told in front of you. Music brings power, excitement, emotion, sadness, wonder, suspense. The rhythm, tempo, and melody can prepare for what is about to happen or draw you into the drama of what's already happening on the score.

Watching a film without a score is like reading a book without adjectives, watching a football game without tracking scores, yard lines, and recognizable teams or players, or eating a meal with no sense of taste. Music adds emotion, heightens the stakes, and seasons the plot of the narrative unfolding before you.

Though the power and the meaning of Christmas is found in the incarnation and birth of our Savior, music has always played a significant role in commemorating and celebrating the arrival of our Lord Jesus. In God's Word, the deep, significant meaning of Christmas is often unveiled through lyrical expression and song.

This Sunday, we will begin a Christmas sermon series entitled "Glory in the Highest: The Songs of Christmas." During this series we will study four Biblical songs inspired by the birth of Christ found in the Gospel of Luke. These God-inspired songs were some of the first Christmas songs sung by the early church and have much to teach us of the glory of Christ and the meaning of Christmas.

I hope you will join us for these special services and invite an unchurched family member, friend, co-worker, or neighbor to each of these services. Merry Christmas!

*Pastor Jeremy*





### Just A Reminder.

A fellowship will follow the Christmas Music Program on December 7th, in the Reception Room. To those that have signed up to bring finger food or cookies, please bring them on Sunday, December 7. You can leave your items in the Reception Room kitchen. There will be a dish drop off on the Greenridge Road side of the church between 8:40 - 9:10 a.m. for those who need assistance getting their dish inside the church. *Thank you so much!*

**LOTTIE MOON | GA POST OFFICE**

**CHRISTMAS CARDS**

You can mail your Christmas cards to anyone in the church by sending them through the GA's mailbox located in the CLC lobby.

Write the name *only* of the person you are sending it to - no address needed! Place the cards in the slot by the first letter of the **LAST** name. Pay the normal postage by check or cash, drop into the lock box located next to the GA Post Office.

**STUDENT MISSIONS Weekend**  
WORLDSONGS January 16-17 COOK SPRINGS  
2026

**SIGN UP THROUGH REALM**  
**COST \$25**  
**DEADLINE TO SIGN UP:**  
**DECEMBER 14**

Students, grades 7-12 & their leaders.

Contact:  
Taylor Noah (334) 235-6168

**NORTH AMERICAN BRASS BAND ASSOCIATION 2024 CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
HUNTSVILLE, AL

**River Region Brass Band**

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**TUE, DEC 9, 2025 | 7:00 PM**  
**Eastern Hills Baptist Church**  
3604 Pleasant Ridge Road  
Montgomery, AL 36109

**SENIOR ADULT**

*Christmas Party*

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18**  
**6:00 PM | RECEPTION ROOM**  
**\$15.00 PER PERSON**

Sign up through Realm, in Sunday School or call the church office. Please sign up and pay by noon, Monday, December 15.

**Christmas Eve Poinsettia Deliveries to EHBC Prospects**

*Thank you to those who have purchased live poinsettias to beautify our Sanctuary this Christmas season. As we did at Easter, we need help delivering some of those signs of the season to guests who have visited EHBC and live near us in Forest Hills. Whether you purchase a poinsettia and choose to donate it, or you'd simply be willing to deliver a donated plant, please sign up in Sunday School to volunteer. Please see Sharon Myers in the vestibule after the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service to get the name and address of the guest to whom to deliver one on the way home. Thank you in advance for providing and/or delivering a blessing to one of our prospects on behalf of EHBC!*

**Sharon Myers**  
**Outreach Director**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES**

The children in 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade loaded up the Christmas Child Shoeboxes and delivered them to the designated drop off point, Ridgecrest Baptist Church, where they learned more about what happens next with the shoeboxes & how the love of Jesus is spread to 12 million children worldwide.

**Total Shoeboxes Collected: 132**

*Thank you to everyone who participated in this project!*





# IN THE PULPIT

## SUNDAY, December 7|10:30 AM

### Pastor Jeremy Smalley:

### "Mary's Magnificat"

### Luke 1:46-55

## ATTENDANCE

Sunday, November 30, 2025

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 143

Remote..... 26

### WORSHIP

Worship Care.....8

Worship Service.....102

Total Worship.....110

## SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Thursday, December 18, 6:00 PM - Senior Adult Christmas Party, Reception Room. *The date was changed from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> due to a conflict.* The cost is \$15 per person. Sign up through Realm, in Sunday School or call the church office. Please sign up and pay by noon, Monday, December 15.

Thursday, January 15, 5:30 PM - Catfish House in Millbrook. Sign up through Realm, in Sunday School or call the church office by noon on Monday, January 12. The bus will leave the church at 5:00 PM. We will need to be seated by 5:30 PM.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

DECEMBER 10

*Fried chicken, rice & gravy, green beans, sliced tomatoes, biscuit and brownie*

*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	\$1,446,262.08
Budget Receipts	1,111,661.55
UNDER BUDGET	334,600.53

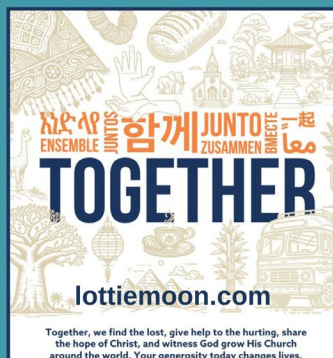
## 2025 - WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

November 30, 2025

Budget Requirements	\$30,130.46
Budget Receipts	9,707.00
UNDER BUDGET	20,423.46

## DESIGNATED

Designated	\$440.00
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**TOTAL COLLECTED:**  
**\$3,090.00**



## YOUTH CHOIR TOUR FUNDRAISER

The youth are gearing up for another meat fundraiser for our Choir Tour this year. The meat sale is active now.

You have the choice of the following:

Boston Butt \$45 | Ham \$45 | Ribs \$30

Deadline to order is Wednesday, December 10.

The pick-up date is Saturday, December 20,

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the gym.

Contact Taylor Noah, (334) 235-6168 or call the church office, (334) 272-0604.

## Sanctuary Flowers

*The following dates are available for placing flowers in the Sanctuary:*

JANUARY - 2026

Sunday, January 11  
Sunday, January 25

FEBRUARY - 2026

Sunday, February 1  
Sunday, February 8  
Sunday, February 15

MARCH - 2026

Sunday, March 1  
Sunday, March 8  
Sunday, March 15  
Sunday, March 29

*If you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary in honor or memory of a love one, please call the church office.*

## 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, \$18 each  
You may pick up your live poinsettia following the Christmas Eve Service on December 24th.

SILK Poinsettia purchased last year will remain at the church to use each Christmas season. Your memorial/honorary designations will be acknowledged each year.

**Deadline to reserve your poinsettia is Monday, December 8.**

Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_



### FAMILY ADVENT ACTIVITY

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

The packet contains a daily Bible passage and corresponding story along with a craft project starting December 1 to December 25.

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



## CHRISTMAS SOUNDS

of EHBC

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

6:00 PM | SANCTUARY

THIS EVENT WILL FEATURE SOLOISTS, SMALL GROUPS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS.

USE THIS AS AN OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY. BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU!

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The Messenger, Eastern Hills Baptist Church  
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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

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

### TUESDAY

6:30 AM - Men's Prayer Meeting in the RR

### 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

ADDRESS LABEL