



THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



Dan Holt

Welcome

NEW
MEMBER
BY
STATEMENT

February 1, 2026

As we begin a new year, I want to challenge you to strive for an even deeper level of spiritual maturity. To help us understand what that looks like, over the next few months in my articles in The Messenger, I am going to be painting a picture of “Five Marks of Spiritual Maturity.” This month, we will examine the first mark: total surrender.

Last month many people made New Years Resolutions to improve their lives in the area of health, fitness, or nutrition. Though studies (and personal experience) prove most have already abandoned their efforts. Nonetheless, perhaps you’ve at some point planned to eat healthier. If you have, perhaps you’ve stumbled upon the terms ‘macros’ and ‘micros,’ short for macronutrients and micronutrients.

Macros are the essential nutrients your body requires for energy, building tissues, and other basic bodily functions. There are 3 types of macros: protein, carbohydrates, and fats. Because of the wide-scale need, your body requires them in large, but balanced amounts to survive.

Micros on the other hand are essential vitamins and minerals required by the body in small quantities—typically milligrams or micrograms daily—to enable specific critical functions like enzyme production, immune system support, and metabolism.

While a woodworking project may require many pounds of wood and only a few ounces of glue and/or a handful of screws, both are necessary for a well-built piece.

While your body needs lots of proteins, carbs, and fats and only tiny amounts of specific vitamins and minerals, both are necessary for overall health and wellness. There are two aspects to living a life marked by total surrender to God: the macro and the micro.

After spending the first 11 chapters of his letter to the Church in Rome unpacking the Gospel, Paul begins to unpack what life lived in light of the Gospel (the Christian life) looks like. He gives an overall description of the Christian life in the opening words of this section: ***I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. (Romans 12:1 ESV)*** These words reflect both the macro and the micro aspects of a life of total surrender to God.

The macro-aspect of a totally surrendered life is faith in and submission to the lordship of God in our lives as living sacrifices. It involves a recognition of God’s authority in our lives and a willingness and desire to live for His glory and pleasure. This is the basis of our entire relationship with God and the foundation on which our very identity is built on.

The micro-aspect in our lives involves smaller, often brief moments of our lives but is just as necessary for our spiritual health and well-being. I am referring to our daily choices. Whether it’s how we respond to temptation, how we treat other people, how we spend our time and our money, or any other choices we make in our everyday lives, these momentary choices may not seem monumental, but if we are not honoring God in the small things, we are not honoring God at all.

Is your life marked by a total surrender to God? Is it reflected in your faith and your beliefs, as well as your everyday choices? How can you do more to honor God?

My prayer is that you would actively seek to honor God in every decision and in every situation as you live a life of total surrender.

Pastor Jeremy



Susie Wilcoxson

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Scott & Brenda Wilcoxson

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OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to help as a volunteer in the church office, please contact Dan Harrison.



N i G H T F U N

Children will play games and participate in other fun activities.

Wednesday, February 11
5:45 - 7:15 PM | Gym
Eastern Hills Baptist Church
 Contact Sandy Harmann, (334) 398-2250

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Together, we find the lost, give help to the hurting, share the hope of Christ, and witness God grow His Church around the world. Your generosity today changes lives.

FINAL AMOUNT COLLECTED:
\$27,687.00

EHBC GOAL: \$30,000

BEST LOOKING CAR
 Younger Children

3rd PLACE: GEMMA BAZZELL
 1st PLACE: JUNE
 2nd PLACE: ANSLEY RUTH LEAVELL

2026 PINWOOD DERBY RACES
 EHBC
EHBC FINALS

FASTEST CAR
 Younger Children

3rd PLACE: ASHER WATSON
 2nd PLACE: SKYLAR NUNNELLY
 1st PLACE: OLIVIA THANEM

Valentine's Banquet

Thursday, February 19 | 6:00 PM
EHBC Reception Room
\$25 Per Person
Special Guest: Dennis Rader, Comedian & Musician

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Sign up on Realm, in Sunday School or call the church office.
 Tickets must be paid in advance & picked up from the church office by Monday, February 16.

Childcare Available - Call Church Office

BEST LOOKING CAR
 Older Children

3rd PLACE: PAISLEY NUNNELLY
 1st PLACE: SAVANNAH LOWE
 2nd PLACE: CALEB LANEY

2026 PINWOOD DERBY RACES
 EHBC
EHBC FINALS

FASTEST CAR
 Older Children

3rd PLACE: LAHER PANCHAL
 2nd PLACE: BRODY HILLIARD
 1st PLACE: ELI DUNCAN

Renew
 a day away with friends

FEBRUARY 21, 2026
 Northpark Baptist Church
TRUSSVILLE

For Women of All Ages

\$35 per person
 Sign up: alabamawmu.org/renew
 Registration deadline: February 12

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Check in begins - 8:30 a.m.
 Registration fee includes lunch.

We plan to take a bus to this event. If you would like to ride the bus, please contact Rebecca Morris (334) 202-8867

Join us at Renew for:
 • Outstanding Bible teaching
 • Moving worship
 • A missions focus
 • An environment for spiritual renewal
 • Time with friends and more!

featuring Bible Study with Catherine Renfro
 National Director of Women's Evangelism, North American Mission Board

Scan the code or find more details at AlabamaWMU.org/renew



IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, February 8 | 10:30 AM

Pastor Jeremy Smalley:

"The Credibility of Christ"

Matthew 11:1-12:21

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, February 1, 2026

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 179

Remote..... 32

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....10

Children's Church9

Worship Service.....146

Total Worship.....165

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

FEBRUARY 11

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

Cost is \$10 per person, \$35 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

**2026 YTD
BUDGET REPORT**

Budget Requirements	\$130,150.30
Budget Receipts	116,223.94
UNDER BUDGET	13,926.30

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

February 1, 2026

Budget Requirements	\$26,030.06
Budget Receipts	25,760.00
UNDER BUDGET	270.60

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$6,687.00
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SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Thursday, February 19, 9:30 AM - Celebration Singers, Choir Suite.

Thursday, February 19, 6:00 PM - Valentine's Banquet, Reception Room. Cost is \$25 per person. Sign up on Realm, in Sunday School or call the church office. Tickets must be paid in advance and picked up from the church office by Monday, February 16.

Monday, February 23, 8:00 AM - Senior Breakfast Bunch, Chappy's on Perry Hill Road.

Thursday, February 26, 6:00 PM - Senior Adult Movie Night, hotdog supper & popcorn - \$10 per person.

Sanctuary Flowers

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

FEBRUARY - 2026

Sunday, February 15

APRIL - 2026

Sunday, April 12

MAY - 2026

Sunday, May 3
Sunday, May 17
Sunday, May 24
Sunday, May 31

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



JOIN US FOR THE
2026 VBS
STATE TRAINING!

**EASTERN HILLS
BAPTIST CHURCH**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM | SANCTUARY
Lunch: \$10
SIGN UP ON REALM

Contact:
Sandy Harmann
(334) 398-2250

VBS SAVE THE DATE

VBS will be held June 8 - 12, 2026 from 8:30 until 12:00 noon. If you plan to work in VBS, you are encouraged to attend the State Training to be held on Saturday, February 28. Please contact Sandy Harmann and let her know if you can attend.



DAYCARE OUTREACH EVENT

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO
HELP WITH THIS EVENT,
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

CONTACT SANDY HARMANN
(334) 398-2250



EHBC KIDZ!

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

February 8 - Children's Worship
Grades: 1-3
Please bring your Bible.

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POSTAGE

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
9:30 AM - WEM Bible Study, Reception Room

WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM - Supper, Gym
5:30 PM - Youth Choir, Room 154
5:45 PM - M² Music & Missions (4K - 6th grade)
6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Reception Room
6:15 PM - Adult Choir, Choir Suite
6:30 PM - ONE (7th-12th grade) Room 143

ADDRESS LABEL