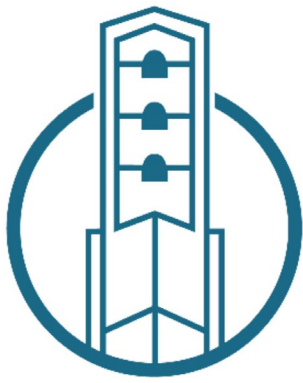




THE MESSENGER

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

QUARTERLY CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, July 29
6:00 PM | Reception Room.



EASTERN HILLS
BAPTIST CHURCH

Rather train yourself for godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come. 1 Timothy 4:7b-8

The last few months, I've been writing about "**Five Marks of Spiritual Maturity**." My hope is that, over the course of this series, you would use these marks to evaluate your own spiritual life and strive for growth in these areas.

We have covered the first two marks: living a life of **Total Surrender** to God and **Healthy Connections** with the local church community and other personal relationships. Last month, we began meditating on the third mark: a **Solid Foundation** for spiritual growth by focusing on the importance of foundational doctrine (right beliefs). On Sunday mornings this Summer, I am preaching a series called **What We Believe**, where we are taking a look at some of the most foundational doctrines of the faith. If you missed any part of the series, you can find previous messages on the media page of our church website (easternhills.church).

This month, we will look at the second part of building a solid foundation: establishing practical disciplines (right habits). God uses certain spiritual disciplines to transform our hearts and minds and make us more like Christ.

These disciplines are "tools" for spiritual growth. Some tools we use every day, throughout the day. Others we use occasionally, but every Christian needs to have in their spiritual "toolbox." Some everyday "tools" include personal Bible study and prayer.

Like a tape measure guides the cuts of a carpenter, the Bible guides the actions, attitudes, and thoughts of the believer. Making choices, forming worldviews, and planning our lives apart from the direction of God's Word would be like cutting without first measuring. Spending time daily in God's Word can help us grow in knowledge and enable us to grow in obedience as we apply it to our lives.

Like a battery powers all our power tools allowing them to function as they were designed to, prayer empower every area of the believer's walk, from daily battles with temptation to making major life decisions, the believer must remain spiritually charged in through a vibrant prayer life.

Other practical disciplines to incorporate into our lives include journaling, service, worship, giving, fasting, and solitude.

One disclaimer, these tools themselves are not what transforms us and neither will our own determination. Heini Arnold wrote, "We cannot free and purify our own heart by exerting our own will." But what these tools can do is help position us before God and prepare us for the sanctifying work of the Spirit.

For this reason, I want to challenge you to begin putting these practical disciplines into action in your life, beginning with daily personal Bible study and prayer.

Pastor Jeremy

SUMMER SOUNDS

of EHB

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23
6:00 PM | SANCTUARY

THIS EVENT WILL FEATURE SOLOISTS,
SMALL GROUPS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS.

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

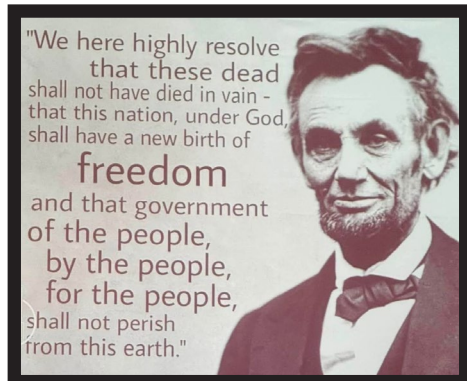
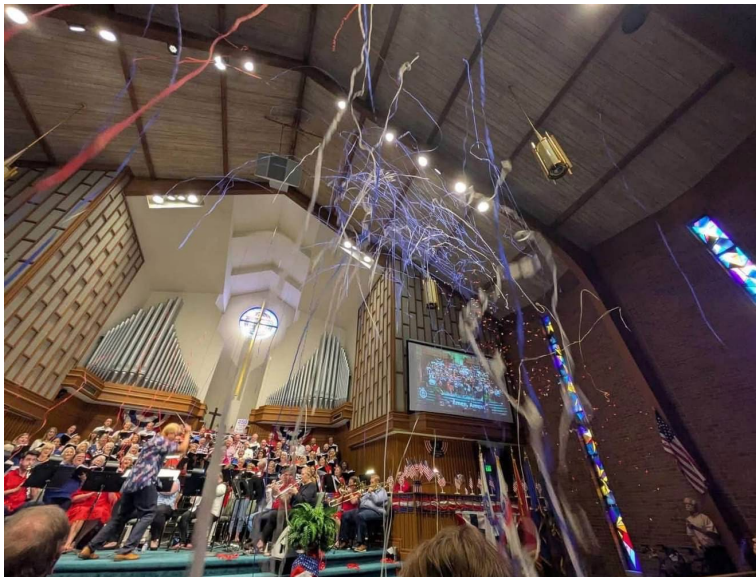
Introducing!

Destiny

MacCarthy

Student Intern,
July 5 - August 9





IN THE PULPIT

SUNDAY, July 12 | 10:30 AM

Guest Speaker:

Carl MacCarthy

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 5, 2026

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total In-Person..... 162

Remote..... 27

WORSHIP

Worship Care.....4

Children's Church4

Worship Service.....166

Total Worship.....174

Sunday Bible Study Sessions & Scripture

July 5 Sin Revealed (Joshua 7:10-23)

July 12 Unwavering Determination (Joshua 14:1-15)

July 19 Vital Decision (Joshua 24:14-24)

July 26 Consequences (Judges 2:11-23)

Explore the Bible

July 5 Speaking Truth (Luke 18:18-30)

July 12 Extending Grace (Luke 19:1-10)

July 19 Fellowship with Believers (1 Corinthians 1:1-13)

July 26 Wisdom from God (1 Corinthians 1:20-25; 2:9-16)

Bible Studies for Life

Sanctuary Flowers

July 12, 2026

In Loving Memory of
Ralph Beasley
on the anniversary of his
birthday, given by
Linda Beasley & family.



BUDGET REPORT

2026 YTD

BUDGET REPORT

Budget Requirements	\$702,811.62
Budget Receipts	683,289.77
UNDER BUDGET	19,521.85

WEEKLY BUDGET REPORT

July 5, 2026

Budget Requirements	\$26,030.06
Budget Receipts	22,904.50
UNDER BUDGET	3,125.56

DESIGNATED

Designated	\$1,307.68
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EHBC KIDZ!

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

July 12 - Children's Worship

Grades: 1-3

Please bring your Bible.

Mat Ministry Serve Day

Save the Date!

Saturday, July 25

EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

RECEPTION ROOM

9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon



We need as many volunteers as we can get to come out and help at the workshop. You can help by looping ropes for the weavers, smoothing and cutting bags. We hope to have between 80-100 volunteers. It takes a village to handle the tasks necessary for the mat weaving process.

The last week of July, Grace, her daughter Terri, and I plan to go and train a church in Manchester, TN in starting a MAT Ministry. We will be gone for four days. This will make the eighth church that our group has trained to do this meaningful work. God is spreading the ways to disciple.

Thank you for the many ways you serve!

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Mat Ministry Coordinator
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Samaritan Inn Ministry

Christmas in August FUNDRAISER

Look for updates and videos every 2 weeks!

APRIL 28

TO

AUGUST 25

In Memory of Debbie Smith

To donate visit mgmbaptists.org/sim



B I N G O



SENIOR ADULT LUNCH AND BINGO

Thursday, July 16th

11:30 AM | Reception Room,
Lunch from Vicki's Lunch Van

\$8.00 Per Person

Sign up through Realm, in Sunday School
or call the church office.



Holy Destiny Benefit Singing



Clanton First Baptist Church, Sanctuary
Saturday, August 1, 2026 - 6:00pm

Luminarias will be available
for purchase
in honor or memory of those
impacted by cancer.

\$2 each or three for \$5

Cash or checks made payable to
the American Cancer Society
will be accepted.



I CAN ONLY IMAGINE 2



SENIOR ADULT MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, August 6th

6:00 p.m. | Reception Room

Hot Dog Supper, Popcorn

\$6.00 Per Person

Sign up through Realm, in Sunday School or
call the church office.

Based on the heartfelt true story behind the hit single
"Even If", I CAN ONLY IMAGINE 2 is the inspiring next
chapter of faith, family, and finding God in the fire.
The movie aims to complete Bart Millard's personal story,
focusing on his journey from a son dealing with a difficult
father to a father navigating his own challenges.

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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

5:45 PM - Summer Kidz Night

3 years - Room 125

Kindergarten - 6th grade, Room 234

6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Reception Room

6:00 PM - ONE (7th-12th grades) in the Youth Room

6:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

ADDRESS LABEL