

Eastwood Epistle

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“For the Lamb
at the center
of the throne
will be their
shepherd...



and God will
wipe away
every tear
from their
eyes.”

REVELATION 7:17, NRSV

Ladies Bible Class is adopting the Child Crisis Center for a service project for 2023. We are collecting gently used small luggage, backpacks, carry-ons, or large tote bags. Why, you ask. When children leave the Child Crisis Center or move from one foster home to another, they must take their meager possessions in a trash bag if nothing else is available. We hope to put an end to this demoralizing circumstance for as many children as possible. If you can help, we will appreciate it. If you have questions please contact Teri Dove. 915-822-2419

Thank you all for prayers for my Grandson Robert Jr. Thank you for your donations and for those who helped out with the enchilada fundraiser. We still need to fundraise some more. We love you all.
Robert Jr, Christine & Robert Muñoz,
Alberto & Cristina Morales

**Big
Thank
You!**

**Men to Serve
Sunday, October 22**

***Song Leader:*
Junie Chavez**

***Opening Prayer:*
Flaviano Enriquez Spanish
James Grant English**

***Lord's Supper/Contribution:*
David Davis**

***Scripture Reading:*
Mike Breitinger**

Together

“Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.” Psa 96:1

The psalmist reminds us to rejoice in the powerful God we have and to sing his praise. This is more than the worship we do on the first day of the week. It is to be our lifestyle. We are to have a song in our heart: happy, rejoicing, thankful, sharing.

When we sing to the LORD in the course of our daily life, we are reminded of these things. Yes we have troubles, but it is God who helps us handle these issues. If I am reminded of HIS love, forgiveness and promise to be with him, then I can survive the hardships of this life.

Singing daily, like praying daily, helps us get through strife and to enjoy the blessings in life. Grumbling does the opposite. Learn to sing in your heart! Thirty years ago, an older lady said, “I wish people would whistle more, like they used to do.” Each of us controls our attitude. You can whistle or sing in your heart, you can be happy.

Recognizing the mighty God we serve and being aware of the blessing we have, both physical and spiritual, we will be happy.

One skeptic, mockingly said, if Christians really believed in heaven, they would commit suicide to go there. False thinking.

Through our happiness, we proclaim the salvation of God. The smile on your face, the encouraging words and kind deeds make others want what we have. Everyone wants to be like you: cheerful, nice to be around, lifting everyone’s spirits and sure in your salvation.

If you want to be happy, then sing to the LORD. Let others see the joy that is within you. The Holy Spirit dwells within you, Jesus is helping you and God is waiting on you to join him. Others want to be like you when you let the joy in you come out. Don’t hide your joy, sing about it, not just words to a tune, but in your life.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Look for them.
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Schedule Services

Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.
Children’s Class 9:00A.M.

Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm
**No Children’s hour
after communion**

Our Ladies Tuesday Class 10am
Questions call

Thank you Teri Dove 915-822-2419

Happy Birthday

Oct 6, John Abbott
Oct 7, Abel Hernandez
Oct. 11, Mary Porras
Oct. 15, Jan Rivera
Oct. 22, Crystal Alvarado
Oct. 28, Bob Pechanec



Happy Anniversary

Oct. 9, Gabriel & Vanessa Melendez
Oct. 19, Mike & Jill Breiterger

Christian Schools of El Paso

CSEP is having a Papa Eric’s Burgers fundraiser, cost is \$8.00 per ticket. Tickets expires at the end of December. call 915-593-5011 for information
Diana Williams



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Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter
Sermon: Who is Jesus?

Scripture: Mark 8:29

TEENAGERS

Teenagers have always had a difficult time. Adolescence and puberty are connected as the body and mind of a child suddenly begins to change into that of an adult. While the memories of childhood are still there they have dropped in importance as the promise of new more exciting events are on the horizon. It has always been a challenge to be a teenager.

One has written that our present time may be the most difficult time ever to be a teen. While not to accept it, but still admitting, it is always hard to be a teenager. The question is: how can we help?

Remember, you were a teenager at one time and you did some pretty stupid stuff. It is a part of the process of learning. Teens do and say stupid things: sometimes to family, sometime to their friends. Help them think through their ideas, listen and ask if they will consider another possibility. Listen.

Encourage teens. They are often full of self doubt. A short time ago they were the leader, now they may

be the last of their friends to enter puberty and they have become the outsider, lagging behind. Talk to them and let them know about the changes they can expect. Everything about their life has suddenly been thrown upside down. Certainty is gone. Friends have changed and are no longer friends or even friendly. Some became bullies, who pick on them. Encourage.

Accept their struggle. Of course, you warn them of danger, but allow them to make decisions. It is in this time that humans learn to think for themselves and are able to respond to the concept of God, learn of their need for salvation and be born again. It must be their decision. Teach and advise from your storage of wisdom and experience, but accept their decisions.

Let them know you have boundaries also. Discuss the boundaries and explain why they are there. Tell them of David and Esther, who as teens lived with God and followed His will.

Charles M Clodfelter

Take time to recharge

“Then Jesus said, ‘Let’s go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile.’ He said this because there were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his apostles didn’t even have time to eat” (Mark 6:31, NLT). Can you relate? Especially during the holidays, we’re “coming and going” so much that we often run out of steam.

As an introvert, I learned an important lesson while navigating a busy graduation season for my son. I was happy to host a celebration for family and friends, but about 20 minutes into the party, fatigue clouded my spirit. My social battery was empty and desperately needed charging.

I sought out my cousin — who “gets” me — and admitted I needed a break. He kindly replied, “Then go into another room and just be. We’ve got things covered.” I was heard and assured that it was okay to press pause. Even Jesus and his disciples sought privacy and rest.

In what ways do you need a break today? Even if you’re an extrovert, how can you care for your whole self during the holiday rush? Pay attention and give yourself permission to proactively recharge your battery.—Janna Firestone

* Flu shots Project Amistad Health Fair, 3210 Dyer, El Paso Texas 79930, type – Walk-Up, Wednesday, November 1, 2023 | 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

* Flu shots Marathon Petroleum Annual Health Fair, 601 Trowbridge Dr., El Paso Texas 79905, Walk-In, Saturday, November 4, 2023 | 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

2023 Blue Ribbon Christmas Gift Campaign
Giving the gift of Christmas to Children at Child Protective Services. BE A SANTA TO A CHILD IN NEED.

Pick up/ Drop off is December 13. Decide which age you want. Ages are from days old to youth to age out of foster care at 18. List will be sent out the first week of November if you would like to participate. **Call Cristina 915-593-2772 so I can make arrangements** with Maritza 915-309-3595 email: maritz.hernandez@dfps.texas.gov. More info or to adopt a child Call: 915-201-7974 Amber Hansen, email: amber.hansen@dfps.texas.gov



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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Teri Dove - Teri will be starting phase 2 of recovery at home. Prayers for swift healing. Teri can be contacted on her cell phone at 915-637-0351. Will enjoy visits and calls...

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar Level. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist...

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson) Thank you for prayers, need prayers for successful legal issues..

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for Prayers and thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for cards. Just started chemo therapy. Lulu has had no cancer pain lately. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment.

Venson Oliver - Keep Venson in your prayers for his deployment....

Bob Walker - Thank you for prayers. Thank you for cards. Waiting for results on radiation, chemo tests if needing more radiation...

Lois Wiggins - Prayers swift healing, from shingles pain....

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Jill Breitingner - In home care with dementia, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Yunior Cordero - prayers for his spiritual life...

Pat Kelly - Prayers for Pat's father in law's, for his health issues...

Maria Montanez - (ESL student) Prayers. Swift healing from cancer procedure.

Ina & Riki Panales- Please pray for safe and expeditious return to El Paso..

Guissel Carreno Pinto - prayer for her spiritual life..

Rosales family - prayers for family, young adult grandson passed away.

River Russell - Keep him in your Prayers (Ida Russell's son) for his deployment ..

Magdalena Sanchez - (Romelia's Ramon sister) Prayers for Magdalena who just lost her husband Arturo Sanchez Oct 1....

Mario Venegas - Prayers, was sent to Houston hospital for more than 3 months after his car accident, prayers for healing, prayers for his mom Lupe...

Please remember in prayers the military & policeman in harms way.
Please call the office to update our prayer list.
Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.

Our Records

October 15,2023

Morning Worship – 85

Wednesday - 14

Regular Offering: \$2580.00

Year to Date

Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

Year to Date

Year to Date - 2

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