

Eastwood Epistle

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Dove Care Group March 2, Eastwood church of Christ fellowship hall after service. We are having chili. We need: chips, crackers or cornbread, salsa, sour cream, veggie tray or salad, fruit or dessert. Questions: ask Teri Dove or Iretha Banks.

Recycle - Remember to save your aluminum cans and other aluminum for recycling. You may bring them in the foyer or toss your bag into the fenced compound to the trailer. If you crush the cans, we can get more in the trailer. We usually get several hundred dollars when the trailer is taken into the recycler.

Family Storytime: Sat.
March 15, 9:30-11:00am
Eastwood Church of Christ
Multipurpose room, Welcome
Spring & St. Patrick's Day.
Teri Dove, 915-822-2419



Story Time

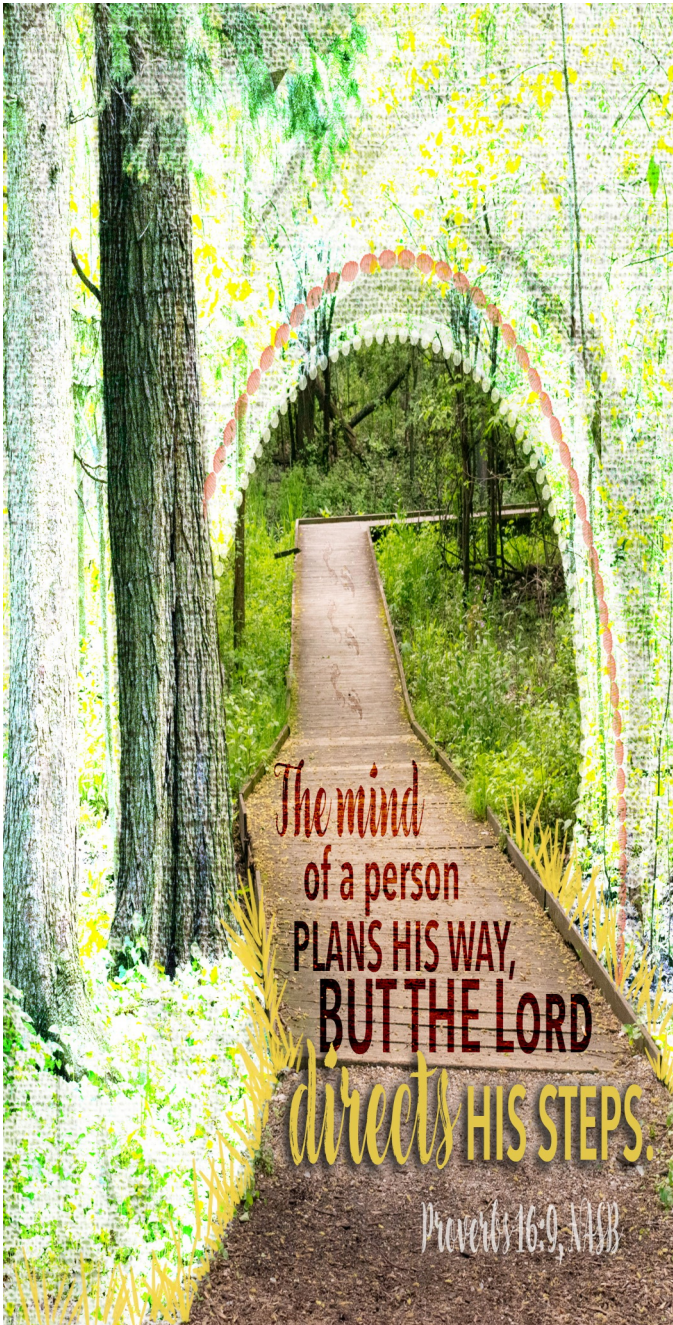
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Church of Christ in Eastwood

Men to Serve
Sunday, March 2
Song Leader:
Mike Dove

Opening Prayer:
Flaviano Enriquez Spanish
Shawn Mang English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Venson Oliver

Scripture Reading:
Davis Davis



Church Potluck, March 30 after service at Eastwood church of Christ Fellowship hall. Bring Enough For your family and extra to share.



All-Church Potluck

Together

The command of Jesus the Christ for His disciples to go into all the world and preach the Good News does not have a date for it to expire. The "Great Commission" is just as important and viable today as when the words first came out of Jesus' mouth. "Go" tells us to be proactive, self activated, self starters, a take action disciple. It is our own responsibility to reach out to others for the cause of Christ.

We may do this in multiple ways. One of the most simple is to invite the lost to join us in various activities: worship assembly, when there are special activities as a luncheon. We have some of these coming up soon. March 30th is our potluck and a time to invite others to join us. April 20 is Easter and many who do not attend anywhere are often looking for a place to go on Easter. Start making a list and invite them to worship with you.

When a person or family attends twice at a church, they develop the idea of belonging and are open to additional Bible study. Help your friends to feel welcome and a part of our spiritual family.

It is also important for everyone to make a guest feel welcome. Every disciple should speak to guests, but even more - engage them in a brief conversation. Show your interest in them with simple questions and reveal a bit about yourself. Don't just talk — LISTEN.

Take the decision to spend the first five minutes after dismissal to greet guests before you talk to your friends. This means we will need to look around and locate the guests that are nearest to us and head for them first.

When you bring a guest, you are happy if they are well received. So, return the favor and greet the guests of others. Some may be newcomers who came on their own. In any case it is our responsibility to invite others and to greet all of our guests. Here are a few first lines to get you started.

*My name is __ have you been here before

*Have I missed you before or is this first

*May I welcome you to our worship

*It is a pleasure to have you with us today

Be welcoming, kind and remember that you are the host. It is our responsibility to make our guests feel welcome and at home.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Welcome our guests

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

Children's hour
after communion

Our Ladies Tuesday Class 10am
Ladies Bible Class. Rm #63. All ladies are cordially invited to join us for a study in scripture, coffee, conversation. More info call Teri Dove Call 915-637-0351 or 915-822-2419 . Gina Walker teaching Song of Solomon



Attention Eastwood Members

The 2025 Church of Christ in Eastwood , Inc.

Operating Budget Report is available for you to view located in the auditorium on the communion table.

Albert Morales

Happy Birthday

March 4, Violet Muñoz

March 4, Zoe Morales

March 6, Junior Albert Dominquez

March 9, Shelby Oliver

March 9, Clayton Hamilton

March 10, Janet Hill

March 15, Lorenzo Porras

March 27, Eva Carrillo



Happy Anniversary!

March 26, Enrique & Anay Carrillo



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Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: TODAY IS THE DAY

Scripture: Ps 118:24

Two-way benefits-by church art

“When you do nothing, you feel overwhelmed and powerless,” observed Connecticut politician Pauline Keezer. “But when you get involved, you feel the sense of hope and accomplishment that comes from knowing you are working to make things better.” Indeed, it’s impossible to shine light in someone else’s life without lighting up your own.

We might think being generous toward another with our time or possessions leaves us with less. But as Jesus said, “Whoever loses their life for my sake will find it” (Matthew 10:39, NIV).

How common it is that when we minister to others in Christ’s name, we find we have also — or perhaps even more so — received ministry. This is the miracle of God’s love at work.



Our condolences to Rosa Guerra for the death of her cousin Monica Rosales who passed away Feb 7. Prayers for Rosa and family. Send cards to Rosa Guerra, 3027 Orkney Road, El Paso, TX 79925



An old hymn declares:

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest. Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.” I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad. I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad. (Horatius Bonar, 1846)

Many people these days feel exhausted by division, the news, hatred that seems louder than love. More than ever, we who are “weary, worn, and sad” need to hear Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest.”

Jesus wants to be our resting place — but not so we can hide forever from reality. Instead, he offers a place of refreshment where we can relax long enough to remember that not everything is bad; there is gospel to share. Not everything is hatred; God’s love is stronger.

Resting in Jesus, we focus on God’s goodness. We are reminded of love shown by kind people to those in trouble, bold voices speaking for justice, warm friendships that brighten our days. Gladdened by rest, we rise again. Jesus walks with us, as always. We can lean on him every step of the way.

—Heidi Hyland Mann



Bible Quiz

When 12-year-old Jesus stayed at the Jerusalem temple as Joseph and Mary started traveling home, after how many days did his parents find him?

- A. 1 day
- B. 2 days
- C. 3 days
- D. 7 days



Answer: C (See Luke 2:46)

Amid life’s storms

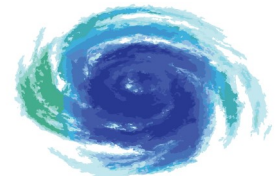
The hurricanes that battered the East Coast in fall 2024 also battered my soul. I was over the rain and humidity. I was tired of lugging my two preschoolers through the downpours and driving through flash floods at night. Yet I had no reason to complain. Our house was still standing, with no damage.

The news around us was worrying and heartbreaking. “What if that was us?” I wondered. “Would I be strong enough?”

Then the kids asked to play outside. Even though I knew they’d get wet and muddy, I gave in. When a rainbow appeared, I’d never been more humbled as I remembered: I don’t need to be anxious. I don’t need to be strong enough. God watches over us all. He knows the hurt and sorrow. And he promises to be “our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble” (Psalm 46:1, ESV).

Lord, forgive my unbelief. “Hear my cry, O God ... when my heart is faint.

Lead me to the rock that is higher than I” (Psalm 61:1-2, ESV). —Kristen Greene



In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Mike Breitinger - Mike will be a resident of Rosedale Adult Foster Home, 3111 Edgerock Dr. El paso TX, 79935. He across from his wife Jill which he enjoys the ease of visiting her. Please keep him and Jill in your prayers..

Junie Chavez - Our condolences to Junie for the death of his brother Rueben Chavez. Send cards to 1469 Sara Danielle, El Paso, TX 79936..

Leola Deal - Will resume radiation Dec 30....

Virginia Honea - Our condolences to Virgina & Lashel Rich. Hershel passed away Feb. 4 peacefully surrounded by family in Lubbock. Arrangements late March or early April for El Paso Service. Virginia will be staying in Lubbock with granddaughter LaShel. Send cards to 4217 53rd St, Lubbock, TX 79413...

Alberto Morales - Prayers. Sugar level is high causing dizziness & headaches., chest pressure. & heel spur pain...

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson) Thank you for prayers, Please continue to pray for successful legal Issues....

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for prayers. Sending greetings to everyone. Prayers needed. Will be on chemo therapy for a long time. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment....

Tiffany Oliver - (Venson Oliver's wife) Recovering from surgery. Keep her in your prayers. Will have a food train for her..

Gracie Wade - Prayers for work traveling and deployment in Kentucky for 30 days.

SHUT-INS:

Mike Baron - He is on dialysis and back home from hospital .prayers.

Jill Breitinger - In home care with dementia, prayers. Send cards to 3116 Edgerock, El Paso, TX 79935

Rose Cobb - Will continue to stay home to strengthen legs. Asking for prayers. She would appreciate calls, cards, and visits. Please call before visit. 3630 Evelyn Ave., El Paso, Tx 79904, 928-715-9195. She has her rehab at home. Sending love to everyone.

Teresa Dalke - Teresa Dalke has increased dementia symptoms and is expected to go to an interim facility for about three weeks until she can be moved to a care facility. She has been put on hospice care. [Glenna Bunn](#) and her siblings request prayers for the family during this time and respectfully request no visitors since it will cause Teresa to become more agitated...

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Lisa Artebury - Our condolences to Lisa & sister Robin Madrid for the loss of their mom Betty Clark.. Send cards to 1504 Robert Wayne, El Paso, TX 79936....

Linda Hernandez - (Carol Baker's neighbor) neighbor Linda passed away Jan 31. Condolences to Linda's husband & daughter....

Beni Krisko - (Ina Penala's daughter) Is being deployed to Jordan for 6 mths. Starting Nov. 2024. Pray for safety.....

Charlene Looney (COC Truth or Consequences member) - Her sister Nancy Randlett asking for prayers for Charlene. Charlene is in Casa del Sol rehab, Las Cruces, #207. Prayers are needed.....

Alexas Myre (Jan Myre daughter in law) Has aggressive breast cancer that was caught early. Please pray for her.....

Celia Perez - (COC Montana member) Prayers needed. She was moved to Pebble Creek Nursing Center Room #108. Thank you for prayers her leg pain has decreased, more active & eating better....

Maria Gutierrez - (Rivera/Luna COC) prayers, in Pebble Creek Nursing Center room, she has less pain #414...

Martha Mendoza - (Cristina Morale's sister) Prayer for swift healing and less pain from knee operation....

Jesus Morales - asking for prayers for young adults Jesse and Emily for a successful job search and other problems....

Vero Morales - Condolences for the death of her niece Consuelo Valenzuela, Consuelo passed on away Feb 2. Send cards to 781 Agua mineral, El Paso, TX 79928....

Isaac Porras - (Mary Porras Nephew, lives in NC) Is very sick and needs prayers

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking for prayers, She has been diagnosed with cancer.... **Please remember in prayers the military & policeman, fireman in harms way. Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.**

Elders

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Abel Hernandez - (915) 449-1546
Ray Rivera - (915) 592-8930

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Enrique Carrillo, Samuel Hooper, Alberto Morales,
Venson Oliver, Lorenzo Porras, Bob Walker

Minister

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Wednesday - 14

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