

# Eastwood Epistle

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“O magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together.”

Psalm 34:3

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## Men to Serve Sunday, March 24th

**Song Leader:**  
Bob Arterbury

**Opening Prayer:**  
Israel Alvarado - Spanish  
Junie Chavez - English

**Lord's Supper/Contribution:**  
Abel Hernandez

**Scripture Reading:**  
Mike Dove

## Remember to RSVP

We need 100% participation from all of our members to make our guests feel welcomed. Please fill out your Reservation cards and place them in the Contribution bags. You can also call the church office at 915-593-2772.

Thank you!

**March 31 Lunch, *RSVP by March 24***

**April 5 Chihuahua Baseball Game.**

*RSVP by March 31.* The price is \$5.00 per ticket. Children 2 and under go in free.

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## Mexico Missions Fundraiser

The Carrillos are having a Taco Lunch Fundraiser for the Chiapas, Mexico mission on Sunday March 24, 2019 immediately after morning services in the Fellowship Hall. The lunch includes Tacos, Beans and Rice. There is no set price for the lunch, they are asking for donations.

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## Easter Needs

We are in need of lots of plastic Easter eggs and bite-sized candy to fill the eggs. We are also in need of Easter egg baskets for boys and girls. All of these items can be placed in the box labeled Easter in the foyer. Thank you for all of your help!

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## Care Groups

March 21 - Gordon & Arlene Gaenzle  
March 24 - Junie & Susie Chavez

# Together

*Proselyte* and *proselytize* in their original use meant a convert and the act of converting to another faith or belief practice. However, today it is more likely to be refer to the practice of recruiting a person from one group to another that has the same beliefs, but getting them to come to your group for reasons other than converting to Christ.

In other words, it is used in a negative way to practice what some call *sheep stealing*. This is when a sister church attempts to recruit the members of another congregation. This may involve a plea for help, or a denigration of the first congregation, or even prevarication about the first group.

Such a practice is not in the Spirit of Jesus and does damage to the body of Christ as a whole, even though the congregation practicing such, may experience numerical increase.

The church is in a mission field. Pick the congregation and the location, it is a mission field. Oh, you say, *we have hundreds, even thousands of members*. It is a mission field.

We do no favors to the Kingdom of Christ when we seek to grow our congregations for our personal gain. We should be reaching out to our neighbors to bring them to Jesus. The purpose of the Great Commission is to teach those who need salvation, not to grow our congregation at the loss of another.

Use our planned Spring activities to invite those families who need to be a part of the family of Jesus. Friendship is an important step that will draw them to Jesus. Invite friends to meet friends.

*Charles M Clodfelter*

**Sunday Guests who registered - 1**  
**Did you speak with them?**  
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## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.  
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.  
Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M

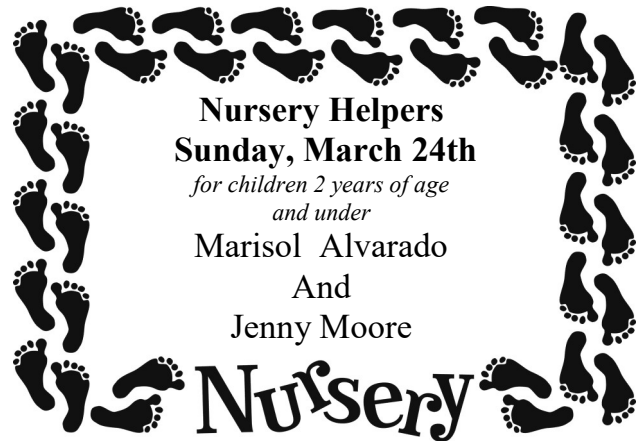
### Wednesday

Bible Study  
7:00 P.M.



### Happy Birthday!

March 27 - Eva Carrillo  
March 28 - Gisele Alcalá



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### **Sunday Morning Sermon**

**March 24, 2019**

**Speaker - Charles Clodfelter**

**Sermon: *The Chapter About God***

**Scripture: Luke 15:1-2**

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### **Sunday Evening Sermon**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Speaker - John Banks**

**Sermon: *How Great God Is***

**Scripture: Isaiah 44**

## Whenever it Breaks

There is a monastery in Greece perched high on a cliff several hundred feet in the air. The only way to reach the monastery is to be suspended in a basket which is pulled to the top by several monks who tug with all their strength. Obviously, the ride up the steep cliff in that basket is terrifying.

One tourist got exceptionally nervous about halfway up as he noticed that the rope why which he was suspended was old and frayed. With a trembling voice, he asked a monk riding with him how often they changed the rope. The monk thought for a moment and answered, "Whenever it breaks."

Some things should never be put off. When I recognize the need for change and correction, I need to do it now, before it is too late, before the rope breaks.

Would you believe me if I told you I had discovered a new diet where one could eat only fattening foods and yet lose weight? The diet consists of banana splits, pizza, coconut-cream pies, doughnuts, fudge—you name it. What if I told you that I had found a new alcohol recovery program that advises one to drink a quart of Scotch every hour? Or what if I told you about a new way to get in shape by sitting in front of the television set, clicking away on a remote control? What if I told you that I had found a new way to get ahead in school by fooling off and playing video games?

We know none of these ridiculous suggestions will work. Why? Because we reap what we sow. - adapted from Alan Smith, "Thoughts from the Day"

Isn't it time to start reading the Bible and attending worship—before the rope breaks? *"Now as he reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and answered, 'Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you.'"* Acts 24:25

-Borrowed from House to House, Heart to Heart

The Children's  
**home**  
of Lubbock

### "Big Heart Campaign 2019"

is requesting boys' no show socks (any size).

The socks can be placed in the box labeled  
"Children's Home of Lubbock"

in the foyer. They will be collected  
Wednesday, May 1st.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation,  
please make checks payable to  
"Children's Home of Lubbock" and they can be  
placed in any Sunday service offering bag.

For more details, please visit

[www.childshome.org](http://www.childshome.org)

Or e-mail: [eric.childshome@gmail.com](mailto:eric.childshome@gmail.com)

## Ladies Day Invitation

The ladies of the Las Cruces Church of Christ  
with to extend an invitation for their  
9th Annual Ladies Day!

*"10 Virtues of the Proverbs 31 Woman"*

Speaker: Sara White

Date: Saturday, April 13, 2019

Time: 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM

Place: 2022 N. Valley Drive,  
Las Cruces, NM 88007

RSVP by April 1, 2019: 575-541-0270

NOTE: Lunch and Daycare will be provided:  
See the Bulletin Board at the back of the  
Auditorium for more information.



# In Our Prayers

## Elders

Mike Dove - 822-2419  
Gordon Gaenzle - 269-7968  
Ray Rivera - 592-8930

## Deacons

Julio Alcala, Bob Arterbury, Abel Hernandez,  
Samuel Hooper, Eduardo Soto

## Minister

Charles Clodfelter - 433-4227

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## OUR FAMILY

Julie Convers -----doing better  
Theresa Dalke -----recovering from eye surgery  
Betty Miller -----had medical tests on March 20th  
Albert Morales -----high blood pressure  
Cristina Morales -----harassment form H. R. Manager  
at work, false accusation

## SHUT-INS

Evelyn Herlong----has severe dementia/under hospice care  
Daisy Roberson----health problems/is in St. Teresa Nursing  
and Reb. Center, 10350 Montana Avenue, El Paso, Texas.

## EXTENDED FAMILY

Antonio Avila (Margaret Lee's dad) ----- is in the hospital/will  
be having laser surgery on a hernia  
Abe Favela (friend of Loretta Strickland) -----strength and  
encouragement  
Sammie Gutierrez (friend of Loretta Strickland) -thanksgiving  
and praise/had a biopsy done/results came back negative  
for breast cancer  
Martha Mendoza (Cristina Morales' sister) -----her husband  
passed away last week/strength and encouragement/ 3421  
Durazno, El Paso, TX 79905  
Tere Morales (Albert Morales' sister) -----will have a check up  
on a bump on her breast  
Lucian Muñoz (Albert & Cristina Morales' grandson) -----strep  
throat/scarlet fever  
Don Alan Riggs (Irene Rice's grandson/former member) --doctors  
will continue to monitor his heart/2761 Fletcher Park Circle  
West, Cordova, TN 38106  
Jana Rivera (Ray & Jan Rivera's daughter) -----had surgery/in  
recovery/doing well  
Billy Slayton (friend of Loretta Strickland) -----guidance to do  
things in God's will

# our Records

## March 17, 2019

Bible Class - 52 Morning Worship - 85  
Wednesday Bible Study - 23 Evening Worship - 17  
Budget - \$4,005.82 Regular Offering: \$2,831.00

## Year to Date

Over/(Under) - (\$7,760.20)

## Week

## Year to Date

Baptisms - 0 Year to Date - 0  
Identification - 0 Year to Date - 0

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## Please remember in prayers our military and others in harms way

Michael Holt  
Josh Rackley

## U.S. Military-our troops around the world.

*Please call the office to update our prayer list.  
Names not updated in 4 weeks will be dropped.*