

Eastwood Epistle

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Create in me a
clean
heart,
O God,
and put a new &
right
spirit
within
me.

Psalm 51:10, NRSV

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 6, 2018

8:00 a.m.

In the Fellowship Hall

All men are encouraged to attend!

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class

Beginning on January 7, 2018 the elders are combining
all English adult classes into the auditorium.

This will be a study of the NT book of Ephesians
led by Charles Clodfelter and will last one quarter.

Sunday Morning

January 7, 2018

Speaker - Dr. James Jones

Sermon: "And I, If I Be Lifted Up"

Scripture: John 3:10 - 22

Congregational Potluck

Sunday, January 7, 2018 after the morning service.

Everyone is encouraged to attend. Please bring enough
food for your family and a little extra for guests.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 14, 2018

Time: 2:00 p.m.

In the Auditorium.

Please make plans to attend.

Care Groups

January 7 - Music Ministry Fellowship

January 18 - Gordon & Arlene Gaenzle

January 21 - Mike & Teri Dove

January 28 - Junie & Susie Chavez

Men to Serve Sunday, January 7th

Song Leader:

Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:

Eduardo Soto- Spanish

Samuel Hooper - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:

Merv Fourtner

Scripture Reading:

John Banks

Together

Across the street from our building is the beautiful Eastwood or Album Park, designed by our Dale Tate, when he was director of El Paso Parks Dept. Every day I see dozens of dogs walking their humans. Occasionally I see a human walking their dog. If you look, you can see the difference immediately.

It is about who is in control. Animals, dogs especially, expect an ALPHA system. If the human is not the Alpha, then the dog is the boss. Yes, you love them and they lick your face, but they are the boss.

Most people would benefit from a class with a Dog Trainer. No, this not to create an "attack" dog, but to establish the Alpha relationship with your pet. Just simple control. I once heard a trainer say that he could train a dog in 15 minutes, but it takes 15 days to train the human.

Why am I using this space to talk about dogs? Because they are a metaphor for life situations. Parents who establish an alpha relationship with their children, have fewer issues as the children mature. This is not about being cruel, just setting rules. Also, as they mature, it is their job to test the boundaries, so don't get angry. Just be lovingly firm and adjust as they grow.

The Alpha system applies to much of our Christian life as well. We toss the term "addiction" around a lot, but sadly it is used as a euphuism for "it's not my fault."

What controls us? What is the boss in life? Is it food? Do I really need that bowl of ice cream before bedtime? Or a double serving of potatoes or pasta? Could it be my hobby? Does all my time and money go to an activity that I love so much I can't give it up? Men and women need time for recreation, but does it consume the time for God and family?

What if I looked out my office window and see a man being dragged around the park by a set of golf clubs or fishing poles? Or a lady being dragged by a bridge table? Ridiculous, you say! Yes! But the question is, what controls your life?

Charles M Clodfelter

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

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class	Bible Study
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.	9:30 A.M.	7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M	(Sept - May)	

Men in Ministry

7:00 P.M. Room #67/69

Area TV Programs

Fridays: 7:00 P.M. Channel #38 (Cable Channel #16)

Sundays: 5:00 A.M. Inspiration Channel (Channel #364 Direct TV)

Sympathy

We extend our most sincere sympathy to Irene Rice and family, on the death of her sister-in-law, Jane McDowell, who passed away on December 26, 2017 in Rowlett, TX.

Please continue to pray for the families.

Sympathy

We extend our most sincere sympathy to the Henley family.

Art Henley's relative, Greg Gillespie, passed away.

Art Henley was the minister in Eastwood from 1972-1977.

Please keep the families in your prayers.

Thank You

Thank you all for your prayers for my mother, Vonné Jelinek, and myself. A special thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for all of the cards they sent us.

Chuck Buckley



New Address

Emma Gomez
7719 Kennett Ct.
Fredericksburg, VA 22407

Sunday Evening

5:00 p.m.

January 7, 2018

Speaker - Merv Fournier



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/>

Happy Birthday!
 January 1 - Matthew Rice
 January 4 - Sharon Armendariz
 January 5 - James Conyers



Food Pantry Needs

The food pantry is low or completely out of these items.

Hamburger Helper
 Canned Potatoes
 Boxed Oatmeal



**Christian Schools of El Paso
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Please don't forget to bring your unneeded clothes, shoes, blankets and coats to the Big Blue Donation box in the CSEP parking lot.

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Design Skills

Do you have an interest in designing printed invitations or web site design?

Please contact Charles, if you have an interest in contributing your skills.

VBS Scenery Help

We are making the Garden of Eden for VBS in June.

We will need LOTS of artificial green plants.

If you have artificial plants you would be willing to loan for the week, please let Teri or Tammy know.

We won't need them until the week before VBS, but we are trying to locate things we need early.

Thank you for any help you can give in the scenery department.

**Nursery Helpers
 Sunday, January 7, 2018**

for children 2 years of age and under

Debbie Alvarez
 And
 Ana Soto



Digital Giving

Forgot your wallet or checkbook?

Out of town?

You like the convenience?

Just scan, open link, and donate!



Just for Fun

The optimist sees the glass as half full.

The pessimist sees the glass as half empty.

The mother sees the glass as just one more thing to wash.



Our Elders

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

Our Deacons

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

Our Minister

Charles Clodfelter - 433-4227

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In Our Prayers

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Albert Morales -----feeling dizzy/ongoing tests
Irene Rice and Family -----her sister-in-law, Jane McDowell, passed away December 26, 2017 in Rowlett, TX/strength and encouragement to the families

OUR SHUT-INS

Jay S. Gaenzle-----age
Alvin Harrison-----had four heart attacks in September and October
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.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

Vonné Jelinek (Chuck Buckley's mother) -----95 years old/not eating or drinking/not doing well
Mary Kleespies (Yoly Hernandez' sister) -----health problems
Lucian and Violet Nuñez (Albert & Cristina Morales' grandchildren) -----high fever/ear ache
Don Alan Riggs (Irene Rice's grand-son/Jeff & Stacy Riggs' son)----scans results show still in remission/new scans sometime in December/vocal cords still not well/everything else is well/*Please send cards/hellos, letters letting Don Alan know how every one is, to address: 2761 Fletcher Park Circle West, Cordova, TN 38016.*
Donova Seals (Neomi Delgado's sister's sister in-law) -----has a sarcoma in the bone above her ankle

Please remember in prayers our military and others in harms way

Michael Holt
Josh Rackley
Joshua Wilkie

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.*

our Records

December 31, 2017

Bible Class - 35 Morning Worship - 77
Wednesday Bible Study - 12 Evening Worship - 19
Budget - \$4,605.00 Regular Offering: \$3,097.55

Year to Date

Over/(Under) - (\$35,319.51)

Week

Year to Date

Baptisms - 0 Year to Date - 1
Identification - 0 Year to Date - 7

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