

Eastwood Epistle

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Men to Serve Sunday, November 24th

Song Leader:
Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:
Jesus Alvarez - Spanish
Andrew Monk - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Greg Bunn

Scripture Reading:
Sid "Cactus" Moore

Men to Serve Sunday, December 1st

Song Leader: Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:
Miguel Castro - Spanish
Sid "Cactus" Moore - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Junie Chavez

Scripture Reading:
Norman Ontiveros

IBI Graduation!

English Bible School Graduation
Wednesday, November 20th, at 7:00 p.m.
in the auditorium.

There will be *No Bible classes* on this day.
We encourage everyone to attend the graduation
and show support to all of the
English Bible School graduates!

Holiday Schedule Changes

There will be no Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible
Class on Tuesday, November 26th. It will resume
on Tuesday, December 3, 2013.

There will be no Bible Classes on
Wednesday, November 27th.
There will be a Devotional at 7:00 p.m.

The Church Office will be closed on
Thursday, November 28, 2013, and on
Friday, November 29, 2013, to observe
the Thanksgiving holiday.

Due to periodical postage regulations, the next
mailed Bulletin will be for Sunday, December 8, 2013.

Care Groups

Sunday, November 24th - Junie & Susie Chavez
Sunday, December 1st - Bobby & C. C. Avery

Men's Prayer Breakfast!

Saturday, December 7, 2013 at 8:00 a.m.
In the Fellowship Hall.
All men are encouraged to attend.

Together

Thanksgiving must not be as easy as we think. We seem to do so poorly practicing thanks-giving. It is so easy to take blessings for granted. When we don't receive what we want, we may say, "why didn't God....?" A clerk in a store or waiter has had a long hard day, they need surgery on a knee or hip and life is not good at home. We are upset because he/she did not treat me like I was king of the world. Grumbler.

What is thanksgiving? It is not turkey, pumpkin pie and football. It is gratitude in your mind/heart/soul for a blessing, any blessing. The blessing may be in the form of a person or earthly object or opportunity. We have thousands of blessings, most of which we seldom credit them for what they are to us.

Recognize, acknowledge and be grateful for every blessing you can see in your life. Every breath is a gift and blessing from God. Every person who touches your life in the smallest way is a blessing. Every smile you share with others is a blessing. Life is a blessing. This is thanks-giving.

"It costs so little to be generous" has been my saying and motto for years. It applies to more than a tip. It means giving just a little more than expected. Stop someone, look them in the eye and say "thank you." Not a casual throw away as you leave, let them see you are grateful.

Gratitude is always responsive to God, the giver of all and of the greatest blessing, as well as to those who are conduits for our blessings.

Thank you, Lord for all you have given to me and for those who have delivered them to me!

Charles M Clodfelter

***Sunday Guests who registered - 2
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
Worship - 10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P. M.

Area TV Programs

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

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

Congratulations!

To Jesse and Becky Lopez on the birth of their baby girl, Emily Gabrielle, who was born Tuesday, November 12, 2013. Emily Gabrielle weight 6 lbs, 2 oz. Becky Lopez is the daughter of Richard & Gloria Sanchez and is Christy Sanchez' sister.

A Chili Night of Caroling

Saturday, December 7, 2013,

we will be having a night of chili and caroling.

Come join us for a warm bowl of chili at 6:00 p.m. and a heart-warming outreach of caroling around the neighborhood at 6:45 p.m.

For those unable to carol around the neighborhood, there will be singing in the Fellowship Hall.

A sign-up for **finger food deserts** is on the table at the back of the auditorium.

Donations are appreciated to help purchase the chili fixings.

This will be in place of our annual Holiday Party.

If you have any questions, please see Jeff and Stacey Riggs or Andrew and Kimberly Monk.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class Holiday Party

Ladies, you are cordially invited to the

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class holiday party on

Tuesday, December 10th, 10:00 a.m.,

in the home of Cherry Potter, 11221 Bill Hill.

We will have a devotional followed with a potluck luncheon.

Each lady is asked to also bring a canned good for our church pantry. Gifts for children (of all ages) who are in El Paso foster care services would also be appreciated. Please, do not wrap the gifts. If you can only come for lunch, we would love to have you join us.

Sunday, November 24, 2013

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon Topic - *Appreciation*

Scripture - Matthew 7:11-12

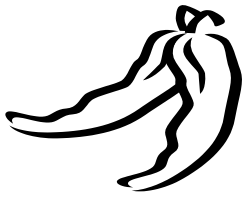
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**Sunday, December 1, 2013**

**Speaker - Charles Clodfelter**

**Sermon Topic - *Happiness with a Broken Heart***

**Scripture - Romans 7:21-25**



**Paul's  
Peppery  
Notes**

**D**id you know that my purpose in life is not marriage, success, happiness, or anything like that, so what is it? What was the reason we were created? We were created to know and worship God. That's it, So Paul can say, "Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31)

The word "Glory" means to put something on the mantle where it can be admired by onlookers. A woman seeks glory when she decorates her home in such a way that guests say, "Wow, where did you get that?" She puts that special treasure on display so that when people see it they act in "Awe." That's glory. To glorify God, means to make Him, look good, to place him on display, so that when others see your life, they stand in awe of your God. You're to do that in all activities of your life. Paul says, even in the everyday stuff, your goal should be to make God look Good. Now, let's do it! Paul



**Requested Pantry Items**

- Canned Meats
- Jelly
- Macaroni & Cheese



**Happy Birthday!**

- November 28 - Teri Dove
- November 28 - Steel Campbell
- November 28 - Steve Delgado, Jr.
- November 28 - Ray Rivera
- December 1 - Karen Baron
- December 3 - Betty Hill
- December 4 - Roger Hardy
- December 5 - Tania Garcia
- December 6 - Beth McNicol

**Happy Anniversary!**

- November 26 - Alejandro & Connie Sandoval
- December 1 - Mike & Karen Baron
- December 4 - Herschel & Virginia Honea
- December 4 - Bobby & C. C. Avery
- December 4 - Brian & Carla Raines

**Nursery Helpers for  
Sunday, November 24th**

Debra Alvarez and  
Leslie Torres  
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**Nursery Helpers for  
Sunday, December 1th**

Marisela Gonzales and  
Nathalie Alvarez



**Youth Group Fundraiser!**

Eastwood Youth Group is having a fundraiser Selling discount cards. The cards cost \$20 and have great discounts to 18 different businesses in the area. The cards are good until December 2014, and the discounts can be used once per day.

If you are interested in purchasing a card, please speak with Andrew or one of the youth kids. Money earned from this fundraiser will go toward many Youth activities, education and events.

**Sermon Audio Online**

For those who like to get the audio of the sermons, we now have them online at [www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org](http://www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org)

For those of you who still want the cassettes of the sermon audio, we still have those available.

**Yard Sale Fundraiser**

I will be traveling with People to People Ambassadors this summer on a trip to Europe. To help fundraise for this trip, I am having a yard sale on Saturday, December 7, 2013. Please consider donating any items that you may no longer want or need. Your donations are greatly appreciated. You can bring your donations to the church on Sundays or Wednesdays.

If you need us to pick up any items from your home, please let us know. Thank you. Autumn Russell, 915-253-3230



The church office will be closed  
On Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
and Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>  
in observance of Thanksgiving.  
We wish each of you a happy and  
safe Thanksgiving holiday!



From the Eastwood Church of Christ staff  
Charles, Paul, Andrew, Alice, Christy,  
Mark and Gloria Sanchez!

# In Our Prayers

## Our Elders

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

## Our Deacons

Bob Arterbury, Paul Gonzales,  
Samuel Hooper, Norman Ontiveros,  
Jeff Riggs

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# our Records

## November 17, 2013

Bible Class - 107    Morning Worship - 180  
Wednesday Bible Study - 78  
Budget - \$6,925.00    Offering: \$4,266.32

## Year to Date

Over/(Under) - (\$3,788.68)

Baptisms - 0    Year to Date - 7

Identification - 0    Year to Date - 7

*Can Contribute on-line at [www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org](http://www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org)*

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Teri Dove--will be undergoing shoulder surgery on Wed, December 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Logan Falley----stomach issues/interfering with school/quick recovery  
Alvin Harrison---hip replacement surgery/is home/undergoing physical therapy  
Yolie Hernandez-----health problems/was in an auto accident  
Celia Perez-----fell and injured her face/is home  
Candis Rice----has lung and liver cancer/based on test results, two spots found on brain/has stage 4 cancer/undergoing treatments.  
Irene Rice-----health problems

## OUR SHUT-INS

Nena Barrington-----Las Palmas Hospital/ICU room#208/visitors welcomed/improving daily/will be having gall bladder surgery.  
Virginia Fraire --has severe nerve damage on hand/appt with Specialist, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>/to undergo sonogram tests/possible hand surgery in January.  
Emma Huereque-----blood pressure issues  
Dale & Selma Tate-----health problems  
Jean Tedford-----health problems  
Reina Triana-----health problems

## OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

Francisca Aguayo (former member)--diagnosed with tolosa hunt syndrome  
Lily Bamda-Corral (friends of Paul & Gloria/resides in Juarez)-----husband, Armando, has kidney problems.  
Jonathan Barrios & Family ( Soto's grandson)-----court date changed to Dec 6<sup>th</sup>/strength, encouragement and unity.  
Bryce Deitiker (Dan & Kathy Painters' grandson) in U.S. Navy/going to Japan  
Sonia Fraire (Virginia's daughter/in Corpus Christi)-----having heart surgery  
Gale (Sharon Armendariz' sister/Dallas, TX)-----health problems  
Kevin Holden (Pat's son)-tires easily/feels little better/progress very slow  
Michael (Maggie Rodriguez' grandson/in FL)---health problems/thyroid cancer  
Nat Molina (Paula's brother-in-law)---has liver, lung and kidney cancer/is improving/undergoing chemo.  
Bibi Nieto (Virginia's sister)-----diabetic/on dialysis/ had a toe removed/foot not healing  
Victor Presto (Maggie Rodriguez' son-in-law/in FL)---health problems/prostrate cancer  
Juan Francisco Solis de Serrano (Paul & Gloria's friend Emma Serrano's son)-was abducted from his home in Mexico City.  
Aiden Michael Soto (Soto's grand-baby)--improving/weights 2lb, 9oz/has cyst on lung/trusting in God for Aiden's health.  
Jane St. Amand (River Russell's teacher)-----health problem/will be undergoing surgery.  
Barbara Swadley (Jeff Falley's mother/Springfield, MO)-----fell and hurt hip

## Please remember in prayers our military

### and others in harms way

Terry Burt-Zimmer; Laura Dawson; Bryce Deitiker;  
Mike Duley; Carlos Espinoza; Jonah Herd; Michael Holt;  
Mario Lopez; Chance McNutt; Travis Mullins;  
Craig Rice; Alex Sanchez

U.S. Military-----conflicts around the world

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

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