

Eastwood Epistle

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Holiday Schedule Changes

- There will be no Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class Tuesday, November 20th. It will resume on Tuesday Morning November 27th.
- There will be no Bible Classes on Wednesday, November 21st. There will be a Devotional at 7:00 p.m.
- The church office will be closed Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- No Bulletin will be mailed Thanksgiving week due to periodical postage regulations.

Men to Serve

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Song Leader:
Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:
Miguel Castro - Spanish
Bernie Castillo - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Ray Rivera

Scripture Reading:
John Banks

Family Story Time

Saturday, November 17, 2018
From 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Theme: Thanksgiving
Story, Craft, Snack, Fun!

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, December 1st, 2018
At 8:00 a.m.

In the Fellowship Hall.
All men are encouraged to attend!

Baby Shower

All Ladies are cordially invited to a Baby Shower in honor of Ivonne Campos, Sunday, December 2nd, 2018, from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Come and Go) at Charles and Theresa Clodfelter's home, 1794 Billy Casper Dr in El Paso. Ivonne is expecting a boy and is registered at Target and Wal-Mart. Join Us!

Care Groups

November 15 - Gordon & Arlene Gaenzle
November 18 - Mike & Teri Dove
November 25 - Junie & Susie Chavez

Men to Serve

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Song Leader:
Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:
Ray Rivera - Spanish
Abel Hernandez - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Bernie Castillo

Scripture Reading:
John Banks

Together

Thanksgiving is a trait of disciples.

Those who believe in and follow Jesus as Savior are aware of how blessed they are because of Jesus. Not free from troubles, but blessed in our trouble.

Christians are joyful because of their freedom from sin and the promise of an eternity with the Divine. Joy because we understand that the spiritual is far greater than the physical. If we are the poorest of mankind, we are blessed in Christ and therefore the richest of all.

Thank you, God for all that you have done for humanity. Created in the image of God, we are not only able to appreciate the satisfaction of our appetites, we know the love of family and our fellow man. Life has meaning because we are able to see beyond the present and the immediate desires we have. Thank you for the future.

The early explorers into the unknown (to them) new world often gave thanks for the safe journey and other blessings. One, if not the first, was in El Paso, south of the Rio Grande. Next was in Virginia and the third in Massachusetts. In time, it became a National Holiday, observed throughout the nation.

Their Thanksgiving reveals the belief in God by these individuals. It also supports the idea that these early explorers and eventually our nation saw themselves as dependent on God.

This dependence on God has made our nation great in many ways. It is not perfect, but in the known history of the world it is the greatest. Of all your blessings, which is greatest? Is it Jesus?

Charles M Clodfelter

Sunday Guests who registered - 2
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.

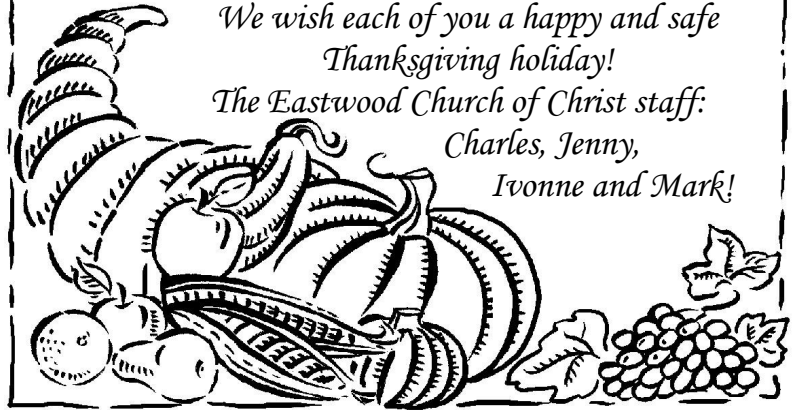
Happy Thanksgiving!

*We wish each of you a happy and safe
Thanksgiving holiday!*

The Eastwood Church of Christ staff:

Charles, Jenny,

Ivonne and Mark!



Nursery Helpers

for children 2 years of age and under

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Marcia Gamino and
Amanda Thomas

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Brenda Alcala and Alice Castillo



NURSERY
Volunteers

Sunday Morning Service

November 18, 2018

Speaker: Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: *Holidays can be Hard*

Scripture: 1 Thes 4:13-14

Sunday Evening Service

6:00 p.m.

Speaker: Ray Rivera

Sermon: *Is your Spirit under Attack*

Sunday Morning Service

November 25, 2018

Speaker: Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: *God's Grace: Past, Present, Future*

Scripture: Romans 5:17-18

Sunday Evening Service

6:00 p.m.

Speaker: John Banks

Women in Ministry

Dear church members, family and friends,
Happy Thanksgiving. Have a beautiful week with immediate family, host families and/or church friends and family.



Feeling blessed and thankful to God for you and to God as I continue to prepare to serve Him through Vasijas Ministry at Bucaramanga, Columbia this coming 25th of November through December 3, 2018. I am praying that I do my best for God's glory.

The Vasijas Ministry core team will hold 3 mission events in Spanish for three days each:

1. A three day spiritual renewal week.
2. A three day Training for facilitators.
3. Evaluation of both events and Future 2019 Planning.

In the last three to four years, over 800 women from North, Central and South America have participated in the Vasijas Ministry, a spiritual renewal ministry seeking personal growth of intimacy with God. This time, Vasijas Ministry's spiritual renewal will be held for 11 women and will be initiated to 5 men, simultaneously.

Please pray for God's guidance in the women and this initial men's ministry, for His presence, and protection for all Vasijas Ministry team members: Carla, Milena, Yvina, Ayda, Vero, Siul, Manuel, myself; and for the 17 participants. All team members are volunteers from various countries (Mexico, Columbia, United States, Venezuela). Participants are also from these countries.

This November, the men's theme will be Vasijas de Barro (Jars of Clay) and the women's theme will be Vasijas de Aceite (Jars with Oil). The men and women will attend separate classes, workshops, etc. but will join during worship, devotions, and meals.

After the respective spiritual renewals, the core team will teach the next three days to most of these 17 participants to be Vasijas Ministry facilitators. These training will prepare them to hold future Vasijas Ministry in its curriculum in South America. The relevant Vasijas Ministry curriculum and location is provided at no cost to participants. The team fundraises and depends on God's providence to make it happen.

The newly trained Vasijas Ministry facilitators will continue to be trained and overseen by the Vasijas Ministry's core team on-line or in person for each spiritual renewal week held in the future.

On the last day by December 3rd, the Vasijas Ministry core team will evaluate, coordinate, and plan future events.

Please note, I always worry about participants traveling to and from Venezuela to attend/serve in Vasijas Ministry because they have very long hours of travel, the transport doesn't always take them to their final destination, and have long line wait times crossing countries. Therefore, the Venezuelans' safety is always prayed for because of these obstacles and other past dangers. They have low resources and income. Nevertheless their love of God and the ministry keeps them focused on serving. So please keep them in your prayers.

I will also take opportunity to share that Gabby of Venezuela, a future Vasijas Ministry facilitator, is seeking \$20 donations for a 2019 calendar planner (Spanish). Funds will be used for a trip to Honduras to attend bible institute classes.

God willing we will all be safe home by the 6th of December. May it be God's will and direction that family and Godly values continue to grow as we spread God's word through Vasijas Ministry. Please continue to pray for all of us in Vasijas Ministry. Also pray for those who are seeking the Good News of Jesus Christ during those events. During the spiritual renewals, there has always been someone seeking more of God's knowledge and/or Baptism.

May God bless them and you! Thank you for your generosity in support of this ministry.

Sincerely, Love and Blessings,

Margaret



Happy Birthday!

November 23 - Cutis Stallings III
November 28 - Teri Dove
November 28 - Steve Delgado Jr
November 28 - Ray Rivera
November 30 - Andrea Del Rasso
December 1 - Karen Baron

Happy Anniversary!

November 22 - John & Iretha Banks
December 1 - Mike & Karen Baron



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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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

Irma Martinez (Mark Enriquez' aunt) -----under hospice
care/strength and encouragement

Jaclyn Pellicott (Denise & Rich Boles' niece) -----was in an auto
accident/in critical condition

Don Alan Riggs (Irene Rice's grandson/former member) --will be
having a test on Nov 30th for cancer/they will continue to
monitor his heart/2761 Fletcher Park Circle West, Cordova,
TN 38106

our Records

November 11, 2018

Bible Class - 47 Morning Worship - 80
Wednesday Bible Study - 28 Evening Worship - 26
Budget - \$4,605.00 Regular Offering: \$4,534.00

Year to Date

Over/(Under) - (\$43,287.38)

Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

Year to Date

Year to Date - 1

Year to Date - 15

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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.

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