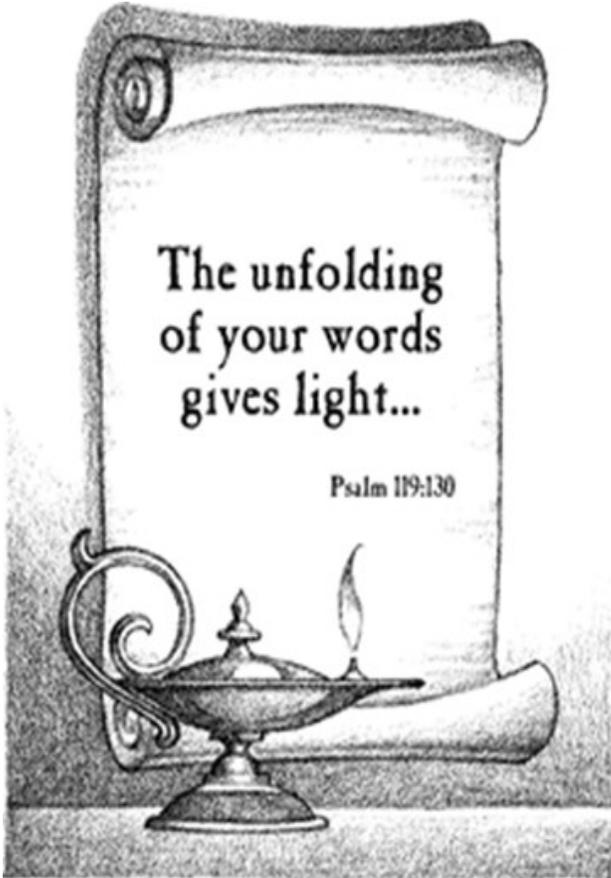


# Eastwood Epistle

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## Men to Serve Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

**Song Leader:**  
Bob Arterbury

**Opening Prayer:**  
Ray Rivera - Spanish  
Abel Hernandez - English

**Lord's Supper/Contribution:**  
Samuel Hooper

**Scripture Reading:**  
Leslie Potter

## A Special Thank You

Our make up Sunday offering was a success because of the love and generosity of so many in our church family. In addition, there are others who have indicated they intend to give at a later date. Thank you to everyone.

## Teachers Needed!

### The English Bible School Ministry

need volunteers who can be committed to teach any one of the 3 levels of English offered to Spanish speaking individuals.

Teachers are needed for the Morning and Evening classes.

Evening classes begin Monday, September 11th and

Morning classes begin on Tuesday, September 12th.

It is not necessary that you speak Spanish!

Please contact the Church Office at 593-2772, if you can help!



Also, If you know of anyone that may be interested in volunteering to help us, please have them call the Church Office.

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## Care Groups

Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> - Music Ministry Fellowship

Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> - Mike & Teri Dove

Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> - Gordon & Arlene Gaenzle

Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> - Junie & Susie Chavez

# Together

**Do you remember** the date you were baptized – born again. I don't. Someone wrote it down, so I can look it up, but I don't remember it. It is October 6, 1951. Now, is my salvation dependent on my remembering the date? Of course not.

I do remember the event with some detail. My excitement, I could not keep from smiling. So much so, that I was afraid people would think I didn't know the seriousness of giving my life to Jesus. It was a turning point in my life, in many ways. I can't say I started living any better because I was not engaged in a life of sin. I can say I was more serious about my future and within six months I decided to commit my life to preaching the gospel.

**Do you remember** when you were born again? Not the date, but your faith, joy, excitement? Did you think of what you were going to do with the rest of life as a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ? Did you start a Bible reading effort because you wanted to know more and grow in the faith and grace of Jesus? Was it wonderful? Do you remember?

**We should remember** and live our lives accordingly. We were born again and the precious blood of Jesus continues to wash us just as clean and pure as it ever did. We are saved from our sin, the eternal reward is ours. There is every reason to be as joyful today as it was on that day. Our joy should permeate every day of our existence and not just the first day of the week, when we assemble and eat the Lord's Supper. We are not just saved on Sunday. Remember!

We observe anniversaries of birthdays, weddings and other important events, usually on an annual basis. We remember and celebrate for the joy.

**Remember your salvation** everyday for we are continuously washed and saved. Remember and be grateful.

*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 - 6:00 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)

## Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class

will be meeting at Eastwood church building,  
Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.,  
for coffee, conversation and Bible Lesson.

All Ladies are invited!

Please make plans to join us!

## Yard Sale Fundraisers

For Women in Ministry-Missions and  
Therapy Pool for Sarinah Hernandez  
Margaret Lee and Sarinah Hernandez  
are planning in having a yard sale  
Saturday, September 16, 2017.

If you have any items you are willing to donate,  
Please bring your items to the Eastwood church  
Monday - Fridays - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm.

*Please label the items to the ministry you wish to donate.*

## **Sunday Morning**

**August 6, 2017**

**Speaker - Charles Clodfelter**

**Sermon: *Singing to God***

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 14:15**

**Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.**

**August 6, 2017**

**Speaker - Merv Fournier**

## ***What does it mean to show thyself approved unto God?***

The apostle Paul wrote to the evangelist Timothy, *Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth* (2 Timothy 2:15).

This verse well-illustrates the need for understanding that word meanings may change, and we must be ever on guard against misapplying or twisting scripture, even when we try to teach the truth. The rendering, study to show thyself approved unto God is found only in the King James Version, translated in the year 1611. In 1611 the word study meant strive, or be diligent. Thus the New American Standard Bible renders the verse, *Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth*. The New International Version renders the verse, *Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth*.

Bible study is very important, but 2 Timothy 2:15, is **not** just a command to study the Bible. Being an approved workman involves much more. Paul wanted Timothy to understand that to be a workman that God could approve, he would have to be diligent in his service to God. God is not the kind of Master that accepts shoddy work! By earnestly applying himself in service, Timothy would not need to be ashamed as he stood before God in the day of judgment. To be that diligent, approved workman, he would have to correctly handle the word of truth, what the King James Version renders, rightly dividing the word of truth. Of necessity, correctly handling the Bible, the word of truth will involve much study, contemplation, and prayer. It will involve bringing an open mind, an open heart, and a faithful life to the word of truth. Implied in the correct handling is the proper understanding of the divisions between the Old and the New Covenants, understanding that the New Testament is the rule of faith and practice for Christians today.

The goal of being an approved workman should be the goal of all of God's children. In the verses immediately before 2 Timothy 2:15, Paul stressed the importance of living faithfully before God, even to the point of suffering. If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us (2 Timothy 2:12). He then told Timothy, Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers (2 Timothy 2:14). The evangelist Timothy was to remind his hearers of the sacrifice of Christ, the need for serving Him, and the need to work diligently to be approved workmen before God. The diligent application of all our energy to the service of God will allow us to join Timothy standing before God without shame. Nothing will help us more to please God than to handle carefully and correctly God's written word. We should look to the written word of God with the same reverence as the psalmist who wrote, *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path* (Psalm 119:105).

*Borrowed from House to House/Heart to Heart*



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

August 8 - Diane Holt

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

August 8 - James & Julie Conyers



**Food Pantry Needs**

- Canned Meat
- Canned Pasta
- Rice

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

**Nursery Helpers**  
**Sunday, August 6, 2017**  
*for children 2 years of age and under*

Tamara Wilkie  
and  
Amanda Thomas



**NURSERY**  
*Volunteers*

