

Eastwood Epistle

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Men's Prayer Breakfast

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 7, 2017

In the Fellowship Hall.

All Men are encouraged to attend!

English Bible School (SOAR/EPE)

begins Monday, January 9, 2017.

The following classes will be available

Citizenship, Computer, English classes!

If you know of anyone that may be interested

and for more information, call 593-2880.

We are in need of Volunteers!

We are in need of teachers to teach English.

If you are interested in helping, please contact
The Church Office at 593-2772 for more details!

Pictorial Church Directory Pictures

will be taken Sunday, January 15th,
immediately after morning services in the foyer.

If you have not had a picture taken for our
pictorial church directory or would like a new one,
please make plans to have one taken.

Care Groups

Thursday, January 12th - Gordon & Arlene Gaenzle

Sunday, January 15th - Mike & Teri Dove

Sunday, January 22nd - Junie & Susie Chavez



Men to Serve

Sunday, January 8th

Song Leader:

Bob Arterbury

Opening Prayer:

Bernie Castillo - Spanish

John Banks - English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:

Merv Fournier

Scripture Reading:

Chuck Buckley

Together

Journalism has been changed by the internet from what it was in the past. There was a time when a well written article answered the five “W’s” and “H” in the first paragraph. The details were given in the body of the article. The 5 W’s and the H are: **Who, What, When, Where, Why and How.**

Today, a news article on a web page is designed to keep you clicking to the next page. The headline and first paragraph are basically a tease to get you to click to the next page. The following pages have advertising they want you to see and if you click on one of the ads, the web site collects a very small amount. But as a congressman said several decades ago: *A million here and a million there, pretty soon it adds up to money.*

A headline to a web article might read like this: *You won’t believe what (insert a big name) is planning.* Then 5 or 20 clicks later, you learn that some geek had a passing thought about the celebrity or a reporter asked the celebrity a ridiculous question. You have been taken down the proverbial path with a mindless article in someone’s pursuit of financial gain.

Where we are going in this column is how easily all of us are drawn down a path that promises wonderful things, but fails to deliver. We’re talking about sin, folks. Sin is Big on promise, but never delivers what we are seeking.

Yes, there is temporary pleasure, but it does not bring lasting satisfaction or salvation. **Heb 11:25** *He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.* NIV

Let us not waste our lives chasing the momentary pleasures. Serve God. Today, do something to glorify your Lord.

Charles M Clodfelter

**Sunday Guests who registered - 7
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.	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship - 6:00 P.M	(Sept - May)	

Area TV Programs

Fridays: 7:00 P.M. Channel #38 (Cable Channel #16)
Sundays: 5:00 A.M. Inspiration Channel (Channel #364 Direct TV)

DO YOU USE THE INTERNET?

Church office email: coceastwood@gmail.com

Church web page: <http://www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org>

Church Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Church-of-Christ-In-Eastwood-114224331934878/?ref=bookmarks>

Church Facebook members page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/>

Farewell!

We regret loosing Emma Gomez and her son, Joe. But, we know they will be a blessing to the Lord’s church in Virginia. New Address 7719 Kennett Court, Fredericksburg, VA 22407.

Drop them a note.

Sunday Morning

January 8, 2017

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: The Lord’s Supper

Scripture: 1 Cor 11:23-39

Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.

January 8, 2017

Speaker - Merv Fourtner

Sermon & Scripture: TBA

The Man with Leprosy

Matthew 8:1-3 "When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. 2 A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." 3 Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy.

Note some characteristics of the man with leprosy.

1. His condition. He was desperate. He has been isolated from society and unable to speak to family or friends. He doesn't have anyone or anything. His disease is lifelong. There is no joy, no love, no hope for him in life. He has only the grave to look forward to.
2. His faith. Knowingly breaking the Leviticus law, he kneels before Jesus and calls him Lord. He doesn't do this casually. He knows Jesus. In his desperate situation he determines that Jesus has the power to make him clean and is ready to accept the denial of his healing because he has put his trust in Jesus.

Our condition of sin is like leprosy. It is lifelong. It isolates us from the ones we love. It takes away our hope and true joy. It gives us only a grave to look forward to. This is how we see sin in the light of our trust in Jesus. What about the world? The world indulges in its leprosy. Rather than shout "Unclean! Unclean!", the world shouts "Come! Come!" that all may be contaminated.

The Lord is willing to make us clean because of His great compassion for us. If we call ourselves Christians then we have the mind of Christ. Let's look around us. Do you see the condition of the people in your circle? Are you filled with compassion for them? Are you desperate for them to receive the touch that can make them clean? Jesus touched the man in his lowest, shameful, and abominable state. Will you let him touch you that he may touch. *Miguel Castro*

Important Tax Deduction Notice

To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions for 2016, please do not file your 2016 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgment from the church

of your contributions that have been
\$250.00 or more PER contribution.

Acknowledgments will be mailed before January 21st.



FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Needs
Soup
Pasta Sauce
Rice
The food pantry is low or completely out of these items.



Happy Birthday!

January 8 - Bernie Castillo
January 12 - Gordon Gaenzle

Happy Anniversary!

January 12 - Richard & Denise Boles



NURSERY

Nursery Helpers
Sunday,
January 8, 2017
for children 2 years of age and under
Amy Brown
and
Brenda Alcalá

In Our Prayers

Our Elders

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

Our Deacons

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

Our Minister

Charles Clodfelter - 433-4227

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Marjorie Foster---was in an auto accident with her daughter in Odessa, Texas, Tuesday, December 27th/Marjorie has two fractures on one leg/ Marjorie's daughter is seriously injured.
Cactus Moore-----undergoing chemo and radiation treatments

OUR SHUT-INS

Jay S. Gaenzle-----age
Roger & Mary Hardy-----health problems
Alvin Harrison-----had hip replacement and back surgery
Betty Hill-----health problems
Jean Tedford-----health problems

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

Lee Price (Cherry Potters brother)-----will be going under a biopsy on lymphnoid's in his lung, Thursday, January 5th, 2017.
Letty Potter (Cherry & Les' daughter-in-law)--is in Del Sol Hospital/had back surgery
Davina de la Torre (niece of Ray & Janet Rivera)--was in an auto accident and is in a trauma center in San Antonio, Texas.
Don Alan Riggs (Irene Rice's grand-son/Jeff & Stacy Riggs' son)--still in guarded remission/cancer test results very good/having various numbness on body/undergoing change in medication. *Please send cards/hellos, letters letting Don Alan know how every one is, to address: 2761 Fletcher Park Circle West, Cordova, TN 38016.*

our Records

January 08, 2017

Bible Class - 38 Morning Worship - 86
Wednesday Bible Study - 16 Evening Worship - 22
Budget - \$4,605.00 Offering: \$4,577.00

Year to Date

Over/(Under) - (\$28.00)

Week

Baptisms - 0
Identification - 0

Year to Date

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Can Contribute on-line at www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org

Please remember in prayers our military and others in harms way

Jeremy Brown; Bryce Deitiker; Michael Holt;
Roger Loop; Joshua Wilkie
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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