

Eastwood Epistle

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HAPPY
New Year

Praise be
to his
glorious
name
forever;
may the whole
earth be filled
with his glory.

Psalm 72:19, NIV



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Wednesday 6-7:30pm. Room # 68



Be Joyful in **hope**, patient in **affliction**,
Faithful in **prayer**.

Romans 12:12

Men to Serve
Sunday, January 1
Song Leader:
Ray Rivera

Opening Prayer:
Alberto Morales Spanish
Samuel Hooper English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Bob Walker

Scripture Reading:
David Davis

Together

Happy New Year to all. Let us dedicate the year 2023 to our Lord Jesus and do our best to make it a year of Victory for the Kingdom of Christ. This is our opportunity to share the Good News with others and grow as Jesus wants us to grow. Let this be the year when we make a difference.

Many verses in scripture stand out, one is Esther 4:14, when Esther is asked, "Who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this" Let us make this the year we step up and step forward to fulfill God's Will. You are here, our Eastwood family is here, now is the time to accept the opportunity before us.

Whatever our past, it is our future that will make the difference. We do not live in the past, we use the past to learn, improve and do better for Jesus. The past may be "the good ol days," or "the days of pain and suffering," but we will not benefit by looking back longingly. When Lot's wife looked back, it was not a glance, it was wanting to go back. We cannot go back, whether it is to a time of sin or time when life seemed to be easy without trying.

JANUARY 15 has been set as a day to invite good friends to worship and lunch. Lunch will be catered, so a commitment will be needed, in order to have the right amount of food. Rather than simply inviting everyone on your social media, it is recommended that you personally ask a friend and get an acceptance from them. If they are unable then ask another, repeat as needed. Then let the office know your number by Wed, Jan 11.

Jan 15 will be a time when we will share the good of our family to your friends and let them see the value of being a part of our family. They will never know if you do not invite them.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Sunday Guests who registered - 8 Did you speak to them?
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Schedule Services

Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.
Children's Class 9:00A.M.

Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm
Children's hour
after communion

Our Ladies Class Lesson will be about "Joy In the Morning." starts Jan 3.

Thank you Teri Dove 915-822-2419

Care Group

Jan 15, Mike & Teri Dove
Jan 29, Junie & Susie Chavez

Happy Birthday

Jan 4, Sharon Armendariz
Jan 5, James Conyers
Jan 5, Carlos Alvarado
Jan 12, Julyet Carrillo
Jan 15, Lillie Wayne
Jan 19, Julie Conyers
Jan 22, Johnnie Roberson,
Jan 24, Samuel Hooper, Jan 28, Mike Fernandez



Christian Schools of El Paso

Please don't forget to bring your unneeded clothes, shoes, blankets and coats to the Big Blue Donation box in the CSEP parking lot. The clothes go to those in need. CSEP benefits from your generosity!
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www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/

Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Mike Dove
Sermon: What is that in your hand

Scripture : Exodus 4:1-2

PERSONAL QUESTIONS

All Christians are grateful for the faith of our spiritual forefathers: the men and women who preceded us in faith. Disciples who worked hard and lived their faith. Who purchased land and built buildings for worship, study and ministry. Loving the Lord Jesus and following His Word to the best of their ability. They taught the following generation, who also taught the next generation, until it is us who are the next generation. If you have moved to different areas during your life, then you have met many who their did best for Jesus. If you have lived in the same area all of your life, then you have met many who came to your congregation and left their example of living fully for Jesus. All of those who have gone before us in the faith have had an impact on our lives, our congregation and have brought us to where we are today.

Personal questions for us to ponder:

- If every member of the congregation was exactly like me, what would it be better or worse?
- What are we doing to leave a spiritual legacy?
- Will the next generation of disciples, remember us for our sacrifice, our teaching and seek to follow our example?
- Have we had a role in helping to develop spiritual maturity and the saving of souls?
- Will the next generation remember us as when the church died or for being those who held to the faith and taught the Gospel?
- Have we encouraged others to be faithful or gripe and complain to the point of driving others away?
- Do we assemble with the saints frequently or look for excuses to use the time for personal pleasure?
- Do we give generously, demonstrating our love for God?
- Are we trying to grow spiritually and accept new responsibilities?

Charles M Clodfelter

Pursue Jesus — and your passions

If you struggle with making and keeping resolutions, you're not alone. It can be discouraging to focus on what you're doing "wrong" and all the difficult changes in store. Yet January offers great opportunities to listen to God's direction. After all, Jesus came to give us abundant life and wants us to pursue him.

As you review the previous year, ask: What brought me joy? How did I grow? How did I help others? What did I do that no one else could have done? Whether your list includes spending time outside, mentoring or coaching young people or making crafts to give away or sell, continue doing what brings you joy. God gives us each unique gifts and circumstances, so live passionately for him this year!

—Janna Firestone

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ?

How old was Abram when he followed God's call to leave Haran and travel to a new land?

- A. 25
- B. 50
- C. 75
- D. 100



Answer: C (See Genesis 12:4)

Our condolences to Wendy McConnell for the death of her mom Pat Holden Dec 7. No services pending. Please send cards to Wendy & family, 11805 Prado Del Sol, El Paso, TX 79936



Happy Anniversary

Jan 8, Alberto & Cristina Morales
Jan 14, Richard & Denise Boles
Jan 26, Israel & Maria Alvarado



Elders

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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Enrique Carrillo - travels to Chiapas Dec 11– 31, travels Jan 1-8, returns Jan 10. the next week will have spine surgery in Juarez, Mx, prayers for safe travels & Surgery...

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar level...

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Rudy Ramon--prayers for health issues..

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Amanda Buckley -(Chuck Buckley's daughter) lives in Wichata, Kansas and has not recovered from Covid, due to Covid she lost her job, has 2 boys having a tough time. Please have her in your prayers.....

Bill Douglas - (former Montana COC member) Suffering Dementia and placed on Hospice.....

Mary Moeller (Terence Wade acquaintance's wife) - Mary is going through the second round of chemo for six more weeks and prayers are needed....

Pedro Moreno—(San Diego visitor) prayers for Pedro's family.

A. Marcos Morales - (Alberto & Cristina Morales son) prayer for relief from deep depression. Send cards to 801 Loretto, El Paso, TX 79903...

Ribi Pinales - (former member Ina Pinale's oldest daughter). Needs prayer...

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking for prayers. She has been diagnosed with cancer....

Gloria Sanchez - (Former member) Had a stroke and in feeding tube. Prayers needed....

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

Our Records

December 25, 2022

Morning Worship – 55

Wednesday - 17

Regular Offering: \$1375.11

Year to Date

Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

Year to Date

Year to Date - 7

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