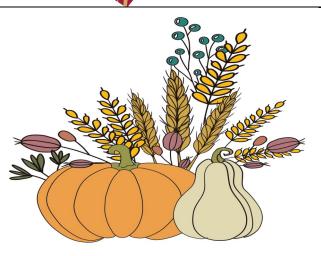
# Eastwood Epistle

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MIND THAT 2 PETER 3:15, NIV



Ladies Bible Class is adopting the Child Crisis Center for a service project for 2023. We are collecting gently used small luggage, backpacks, carry-ons, or large tote bags. Why, you ask. When children leave the Child Crisis Center or move from one foster home to another, they must take their meager possessions in a trash bag if nothing else is available. We hope to put an end to this demoralizing circumstance for as many children as possible. If you can help, we will appreciate it. If you have questions please contact Teri Dove. 915-822-2419

#### **Christian Schools of El Paso**

CSEP is having a Papa Eric's Burgers fundraiser, cost is \$8.00 per ticket. Tickets expires at the end of December. call 915-593-5011 for information Diana Williams



Men to Serve Sunday, October 29

> Song Leader: Ray Rivera

Opening Prayer: Enrique Carrillo Spanish Terence Wade English

Lord's Supper/Contribution: Ron Lindsey

> Scripture Reading: Mike Breitinger

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Saved by Grace! What a joy to know the Lord has brought salvation to our world. It is hard to believe that we, who are so undeserving, are saved. There is no way that anyone could deserve forgiveness and enjoy an eternity with God in His house.

However, this does not mean it is Free. It cost Jesus his life to buy us and now we belong to Him. We are his servants and in some places it is translated slaves. When we belong to Jesus, we serve him. Our lives belong to him. He did not die so we could continue to live selfishly. We are His!

It is sad to talk with those who say they are Christian, but there is no evidence to prove they are disciples. The worship assembly of the church is not the service we give to Him. But, you be sure that when an able bodies person does not assemble they are probably not doing much of any thing else that would be recognized as service to Jesus and His Kingdom.

Granted, you do not have to be a part of an organized effort by the local church to serve the Lord. Once a Christian did VBS in her home for the children in her neighborhood. Many invite guests into their home and discuss the Bible without being told to do it. But, is this the usual thing?

Years ago, I welcomed a couple to the Sunday worship and was immediately lambasted because she had been a member there for many years. However, no one could tell me who they were. But, she and he would say they were faithful disciples of Jesus and members of that congregation.

Ask yourself, is it possible to be faithful to the Lord, if we don't serve in a public or private way, to assemble with the saints?

Saved by Grace – Yes. But saved to serve in His Kingdom. We assemble on the first day, to worship our Lord and Savior. It is also to ask about how we have served. We are instructed to serve our employer as if we working for the Lord. Some of us might be fired.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Look for them. www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org

#### **Schedule Services**

#### Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M. **No Children's hour** Children's Class 9:00A.M.

Wednesday Bible study 7:00pm after communion

Our Ladies Tuesday Class 10am **Questions** call Thank you Teri Dove 915-822-2419

#### **Happy Birthday**

Oct 6, John Abbott Oct 7, Abel Hernandez

Oct. 11, Mary Porras

Oct. 15, Jan Rivera

Oct. 22, Crystal Alvarado

Oct. 28, Bob Pechanec



#### **Happy Anniversary**

Oct. 9.Gabriel & Vanessa Melendez Oct. 19, Mike & Jill Breitinger

\* Flu shots Project Amistad Health Fair, 3210 Dyer, El Paso Texas 79930, type – Walk-Up, Wednesday, November 1, 2023 | 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

\* Flu shots Marathon Petroleum Annual Health Fair, 601 Trowbridge Dr., El Paso Texas 79905, Walk-In, Saturday, November 4, 2023 | 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.



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**Sunday Morning Sermon Speaker - Charles Clodfelter** 

Sermon: The Cross: The Hour of Darkness

Scripture: Matt 27:41-45

#### **HUMAN SACRIFICE**

Human sacrifice has been practiced many times in human history. Frequently this was done in the name of religion as an appeasement to the gods and was often the most recently conquered enemy. However, there was also the practice of offering children and other innocents.

Who has not heard of the Aztecs, whose history has revealed the untold number of humans murdered as a regular practice of their culture? In the last 500 years, most of the world's population were sicken by such malicious activity, calling it evil.

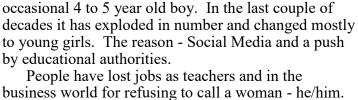
While it would typically be called murder by us today, remember that some were convinced that it was for the greater good of their people. Not unlike a military person that stormed a beach or parachuted from a plane. But, there is a vast difference.

Gender Dysphoria is a known psychological

Recycle - Remember to save your aluminum cans and other aluminum for recycling. You may bring them in the foyer or toss your bag into the fenced compound to the trailer. If you crush the cans, we can get more in the trailer. We usually get several hundred dollars.

Welcome to God's family
Christy Martinez and Jeffry Gutierrez
were
Baptized October 22.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Alonso Mario Lopez who passed away Oct 15. Visitation Oct 24, 3pm-9pm, Evergreen East, 12400 E. Montana Ave, El Paso, TX 79938, Prayer Service Oct 24, 7pm, Oct 25, Interment/Committal Service 10am Ft Bliss National Cemetery, 5200 Fred Wilson Ave, El Paso, TX 79906



disease which was usually adult men and the

People have lost jobs as teachers and in the business world for refusing to call a woman - he/him. Girls are allowed to receive testosterone pills without their parents knowledge. Doctors will perform double mastectomies. And the list goes on.

In short, this is human sacrifice. The life may not be taken, but it is surely destroyed. Many who attempted to transition to the opposite sex are telling now that it was a big mistake. They are angry toward those who encouraged and pushed them to do it.

Christians must protect the innocent

Charles M Clodfelter

FUNDRAISER for the Muñoz family: Turkey basket raffle. \$10 per ticket. The basket includes chocolate, tea and a certificate for a cooked turkey. Contact

Cristina Morales via text 915-861-9826 or call 915-593-2772.

For I am Not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the Power of God that brings Salvation to everyone who Believes. Romans 1:16

2023 Blue Ribbon Christmas Gift Campaign Giving the gift of Christmas to Children at Child Protective Services. BE A SANTA TO A CHILD IN NEED.

Pick up/ Drop off is December 13. Decide which age you want. Ages are from days old to youth to age out of foster care at 18. List will be sent out the first week of November if you would like to participate. Call Cristina 915-593-2772 so I can make arrangements with Maritza 915-309-3595 email: maritz.hernandez@dfps.texas.gov.

More info or to adopt a child Call: 915-201-7974 Amber Hansen.

email: amber.hansen@dfps.texas.gov

#### **Elders**

Mike Dove - (915) 822-2419 Abel Hernandez - (915) 449-1546 Ray Rivera - (915) 592-8930

#### Deacons

Enrique Carrillo, Samuel Hooper, Alberto Morales, Venson Oliver, Lorenzo Porras, Bob Walker,

#### Minister

Charles Clodfelter - (915) 433-4227

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### **Our Records**

#### October 22,2023

Morning Worship – 77 Wednesday - 12

Regular Offering: \$2088.15

#### Year to Date

#### Week

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Baptisms - 0 Identification - 0 Year to Date - 2 Year to Date - 0

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## **In Our Prayers**

#### **OUR FAMILY**

Teri Dove - Teri will be starting phase 2 of recovery at home. Prayers for swift healing. Teri can be contacted on her cell phone at 915-637-0351. Will enjoy visits and calls.... Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar Level. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist... Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson) Thank you for prayers, need prayers for successful legal issues... Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for Prayers and thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for cards. Just started chemo therapy. Lulu has had no cancer pain lately. God has been so good to her for cancer

Venson Oliver - Keep Venson in your prayers for his deployment....

Bob Walker - Thank you for prayers. Thank you for cards. Waiting for results on radiation, chemo tests if needing more radiation....

Lois Wiggins - Prayers swift healing, from shingles pain....

#### SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers Jill Breitinger - In home care with dementia, prayers Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

#### **Our Extended Family**

Luis - Prayers for procedure and results. Yunior Cordero - prayers for his spiritual life....

Pat Kelly -Prayers for Pat's father in law's, for his health is-

Family of Mario Lopez. - Mario, 31, was a former member of Eastwood and was killed October 15 in a motor vehicle accident. Family of Richard Sanchez. - Richard was a former member of Eastwood and died October 17. Richard leaves behind his wife, Gloria, and their children and grandchildren. Richard's son-inlaw is Mario's brother.

Maria Montanez - (ESL student) Prayers. Swift healing from cancer procedure..

Ina & Riki Panales- Please pray for safe and expeditious return to El Paso...

Guissel Carreno Pinto - prayer for her spiritual life...

Rosales family - prayers for family, young adult grandson passed

River Russell - Keep him in your Prayers (Ida Russell's son) for his deployment ...

Magdalena Sanchez - (Romelia's Ramon sister) Prayers for Magdalena who just lost her husband Arturo Sanchez Oct 1.... Mario Venegas - Prayers, was sent to Houston hospital for more than 3 months after his car accident, prayers for healing, prayers for his mom Lupe....

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